Dear Parents and Caregivers

Just over three weeks to go until the end of term and the days seem to get busier and busier.

Last week, whilst exceptionally busy, it gave me an opportunity to reflect on the importance of productive relationships within a school. Having a daughter complete year 12, it seems incredible, how quickly the years have flown.

Being part of the school community, attending meetings and supporting functions is a small contribution towards ensuring your child has the brightest possible future.

Whilst primary schools are just a small step in their journey, it is just as important to be involved. We are very fortunate to have parents who work with us and support us to help establish a strong social, emotional and academic foundation for their child which will support them as they move through high school.

Whilst speech nights acknowledge the efforts of a small percentage, I felt very proud of the number of past students, listed in the program for their efforts. I believe that their time in a small school helped them along the way and contributed to the success they are experiencing.

On Monday we will have the last of our Prep transition days from 9:30am until 11:00 am. At this stage it is likely we will have 5 prep students for 2014, which will be lovely. Next week, we also have our excursion to Toowoomba. Thank you all for the prompt return of forms and your support. All students will be attending and everyone has submitted on order for their meal. We are now able to confirm the details with the bus company and will communicate with you if there are any changes in departure times.

A reminder too that our Presentation Night will be held on the last Monday of term, we look forward to seeing you there as we celebrate another successful year. We would also like to clarify that there are no Pupil Free Days in Term 4. These are now part of the extended Easter Holidays. Some parents have advised me their child/children will not be attending school the following day. We understand and ask you to remember to pop a note in the communication book or diary or send in a note on the day they return.

Thank you and have a great week

Laura Watson
Principal
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We have been working hard to get quotes and samples from various companies for our new uniform and hope to have these soon.

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I think that most will agree that it is an exciting change for the better!

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