From the Principal...

**Contribution Fees** - Thank you to the families who have already paid their contribution fees. Please keep in mind that this money provides additional opportunities and resources for your children above and beyond those provided through our global budget. Again in 2015, we will be utilising part of the contribution to cover the cost of maintenance and repair for the air conditioning which is available in every classroom as well as the maintenance of our interactive whiteboards. A huge thank you to the families who have made additional anonymous donations, it is greatly appreciated!!

**P&C** - It was great to see some new faces at the P&C meeting last week. Parents are reminded that meetings now take place at 9am in the staffroom. The next P&C meeting will take place on Friday 20 March. **COME ALONG TO HEAR** our Get Reading Right consultant Jo Dooner addressing parents about reading, reading levels and lifting the expectations for students. This will provide you with valuable information to assist and benefit your child as well as an opportunity to ask questions about the reading process and development of your child. If I can convince parents to attend at least one meeting this year, this would be the one to come along to.

**Uniform Sales** - Parents are reminded that uniforms are sold through the front office on Wednesdays and Thursdays only. Uniforms are sold from 8.30am until 2.25pm. If you are unable to make these times please send in the order in a sealed envelope with your child, and the ladies will fill the order and send it home to you. Please do not request uniform purchases outside of these days and times, as the ladies in the office will be unable to fulfil your request.

**Late Arrivals** - We have had an increasing number of students who are arriving at school late each day. Over the last week we have averaged 30 students per day arriving after the 8.50am bell, with a number of these students arriving late on several occasions. Parents are reminded that all students need to arrive at school on time to participate in morning class routines. Research suggests that students who actively participate in the initial morning activity in the classroom are better equipped and prepared for the remainder of their learning time throughout the day. **Students who are late must be accompanied by a parent to the front office.**

**School Disco** - Next Tuesday (10 March) Stage Three will be hosting a school disco in the school hall. (A separate note will accompany the newsletter today). The times for the disco are: K-2 4.00pm - 5.30pm and Years 3-6 6.30pm - 8.00pm. The cost for the disco is $6 per student. We hope to see many students attending and coming along for some fun.

**Governor Sleep Challenge** - I am asking parents to assist us in ensuring our students get enough sleep to be actively engaged at school throughout the day. It is of great concern when we have students yawning just after 9am each morning because they have stayed up late. Current research demonstrates that primary aged students need a **minimum of 10-11 hours sleep each night** to ensure their brain functions effectively for learning. Students are more engaged and taking an active part in their learning after a good night’s sleep.

SO, parents we are asking you to help us by re-establishing appropriate bed times for students and enforcing these times with your children. We all want our children to reach their full learning potential, and sleep is an easy way to assist this. A well-rested mind will ensure better focus and classroom learning.

**Student Toilets** - Parents are reminded that the toilets on site are for student use only. **At no time, should adults be using the toilets designated for our students.** Please keep in mind we have a duty of care to provide a safe, secure environment for all of our students. This includes providing toilet facilities for students use only. I appreciate your support and understanding in this matter.
Values Education - The value for Week 6 is Self-Esteem or Self-Acceptance. Self-Esteem is feeling confident and good about ourselves and Self-Acceptance is being able to recognize who we are and accepting ourselves whilst continuing to strive to attain our personal best. It is an acceptance of all aspects of ourselves "warts and all". The effect of students having positive self-esteem on others is that they can be inspired. Self-acceptance leads to self-confidence which we all need at some time. Please have discussions about these values with your child/children at home. Mrs S. Kumar, Student Engagement.

Grandparents’ Day - Grandparents’ Day is on Thursday 19 March this year. Grandparents are invited to attend their grandchild's classroom from 10-11am.

PSSA Round 2 Results

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Have a great week!

Jason Corcoran
Principal

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