From the Principal

I would like to personally congratulate all the following award winners:

Captains for 2015 - Jordan Donnelly and Isis Lumby
Vice Captain for 2015 - Patrick Staniland
House Captains - Jessica Froud and Charlotte Miller
House vice-captains - Patrick Staniland and Brianna Miller
SRC Representatives - Finn Appleby (Year 1); Matthew Rodgers (Year 2); Violet Miller (Year 3); Ashton Holland (Year 4); Zander Pearson (Year 5); Noah Clark (Year 6).
Academic Excellence Awards - David Abel, Amelia Wynn and Asher Lumby.
Chaffey English Encouragement Award - Jordan Donnelly, Violet Miller and Bella Flemming.
Steve Hawkins Maths Award - Kalan Burkett and Selina Tape.
Citizenship Award - Mia Fletcher.
Library Awards - Chloe French, Ethan Maybury, Aydan Roe and Isis Lumby.
CWA Caring and Learning Award - Aydan Roe
Quast Award for Academic Achievement - Bradley Froud
All Rounder Sports Award - Zander Pearson
Palmer Award - Lara Pearson
Creative and Practical Arts Award - Corey Blanchard
Premier's Sporting Challenge Achievement - Bradley Froud

All the students who won an award should be very proud of their achievements this year and are thoroughly deserved.

Also I would like to congratulate all the students on their wonderful dancing and singing which was an absolute highlight of the night. Thank you to Mrs Robinson for all her effort in choreographing the dances.

Finally, everyone have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year and I look forward to everyone returning to school next year, raring to tackle a new year of learning.

Student Reports

Student reports for semester 2 are included with today’s newsletter. There will not be any formal parent/teacher interviews but if you have any concerns about the reports please do not hesitate to contact us before next Wednesday afternoon.

Family Farewells

The staff and students would like to farewell the following students and their families:

Zeb Tallon and his parents, Trent and Toni;
Nicole Northey and her parents, Brock and Alyce.

Thank you for the many and varied contributions you have made over the years of your association with our school.

We wish both families all the best in the future and thank you for being part of our school.

End of Year Water Fun, Pizza, Movie, Popcorn Day

On Monday the SRC are funding a fun day at school for all students for all their fund-raising efforts this year. We ask that all students please bring to school their swimmers, a towel and shoes that can get wet and they are able to run in (please NO thongs). Students can be out of uniform and can change into their swimmers at school when needed. Students may bring water pistols and there will be an allocated time for students to use these.

We will be ordering pizza for lunch. We will also be enjoying a movie with some popcorn. Students will still need to bring recess, drinks and hats to school on Monday.

Monday is a big thank you to all the students from the SRC for all their hard work this year.

School Swimming Carnival

The annual school swimming carnival will be held at the Kootingal Pool next Tuesday 16th December commencing at
10am and will finish at approx. 2pm. Moonbi and Bendemeer schools will be joining us on the day.

Cost of entry to the pool is $2.70 for children and adults which needs to be paid to the pool attendant on the day.

Students will be allowed to purchase food and drinks from the shop at the pool. Moonbi P & C will also be selling food.

Parents/carers will be responsible for transporting their own children to and from the pool.

If your child/children will be at OOSH on this day could you please contact the office to give permission for your child/children to travel with teachers to and from the pool. It would be appreciated if all students who require transport let Mrs Fowler know by Friday 12th December to ensure we have enough cars to transport. Students attending OOSH will be supervised at school by teachers from 9-9.30am then transported to the pool and will return with teachers to school at 2pm and will be supervised until 3.30pm, where they will then go to OOSH.

We would like to see all students involved in this carnival as there will not be any staff members at school on this day. The students will need the usual requirements for swimming including swimmers, towel, sunscreen, a hat and a change of clothes if they are returning to school, plenty of food and drink and a bag to put wet swimmers and towels in. Please make sure that all belongings are clearly marked with your child's name.

Parent assistance for time-keeping, marshalling and supervision will be required on the day. If you can assist us could you please let us know on arrival at the pool.

Library Books

There are still quite a few overdue library books that the students have not yet returned to the school.

Attached is a Borrower Overdue Notice if your child/children still have overdue library books. If you think that these books have already been returned, please let us know and we will look for them on the shelves.

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Dates for Your Diary

Week 1

Monday 26th January  
Australia Day public holiday

Tuesday 27th January  
First day of the 2015 school year. Staff Development Day.

Wednesday 28th January  
All students commence the 2015 school year

Week 6

Wednesday 4th March  
School photos