Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3.

Once again we are looking forward to a great term for our school. An early highlight for this term is our participation in the debating event at the Mount Gambier Eisteddfod. Next week four teams of students from the Upper Primary class will debate a given topic with other primary schools at the Wehl Street Theatre. The students have worked hard to prepare their debates and we wish them good luck. Mrs Hogg has also entered the Yr 1-4 students in the recorder section of the Eisteddfod, further details of this activity are provided in the newsletter.

We are also looking forward to making use of some new ipads. An additional 10 ipads have been purchased and will provide a great resource to support class activities. Mrs Pratt will be participating in some workshops to learn about how ipads can be used in the classroom and we look forward to her sharing these ideas. In other staff training, Ms Warburton and Mrs Harradine will be participating in a series of Maths workshops this term to support our school priorities in this area.

Late last term the Upper Primary teaching position was advertised and the successful applicant was Eryn Brumby. Eryn currently teaches at Elizabeth Vales PS in Adelaide and is excited about the opportunity to come and work at Mil Lel. Eryn will commence her position from the beginning of 2015. The principal position is currently being advertised due to my tenure finishing at the end of the year. The outcome of this process will be known towards the end of the term.

Regards,

Stephen

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DATES TO REMEMBER

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**PUPIL FREE DAY DATE REMINDER**

A pupil free day for staff to participate in an Australian Curriculum professional development day has been approved for Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2014.

**GOVERNING COUNCIL**

The next Governing Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August.

**MOUNT GAMBIER EISTEDDFOD INVOLVEMENT**

In the coming weeks we have a number of students participating in Mount Gambier Eisteddfod events within the categories of Debating, Speech and Drama and Music. 

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August the Years 1-4 students will be participating in the recorder section. This will be held at the Wehl Street Theatre and we will be on stage at 10:15am. The Year 1 & 2 students and Year 3 & 4 class will form two groups for their performance. 

You are very welcome to come and watch. If family members or friends intend to be an audience member at the Eisteddfod please be aware that there is a $2 entry fee. Students will be travelling to and from the theatre by bus (no cost).

**ASSEMBLY ARRANGEMENTS**

Our first assembly for the term will be held in Week 3, Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup> (compere: Year 1 & 2 class). Our second assembly will be held to coincide with the Parent Club 75<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations on Thursday August 21 and will be held at the Mil Lel Hall. At this stage we have not determined the assembly time, we will inform you via the Week 3 newsletter once details have been finalised. The final assembly of the term will be held in Week 9, Tuesday September 16<sup>th</sup> (compere: Year 5, 6 & 7 class).

**HAMBURGER ORDERS**

Hamburger lunch orders begin tomorrow for those who have ordered. If you are ordering each week please remember to place your order on Mondays. Thank you to the families who responded to our request to fill the salad roster. The complete roster for Term 3 is:

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If you are providing salads please ensure safe food handling practices are followed. If you or a family member is unwell at the time you have been rostered please tell us and we will arrange a swap for you. Food Safety Fact Sheets are on display in the kitchen area of the French Room for further information.

**Computer Skills Competition**

Last term Mia Kirby participated in the UNSW Computer Skills Competition and achieved a Distinction. Well done Mia!

**Melbourne Auskick Trip**

“We went to Melbourne and waited for each other at Gate 7 at Etihad Stadium. We got into our groups, lined up and we watched the real AFL players from our seats up near the top of the stadium. We could see the Richmond and Port cheer squads barracking.

Then we went into the change rooms and changed into our Auskick uniforms. We were both on the same team. We ran through an Auskick banner onto the oval to play at half time. Our team kicked some goals. Both our dads helped set up and Charlie’s dad was a goal umpire. When we were running off the field we got high fives from other people.

We both had lots of fun.”

*By Charlie K & William V*

**LSE SAPSASA District Basketball (Yrs 5,6&7) Reminder**

The LSE SAPSASA District Basketball Day will be on Friday, August 8th (Week 3, Term 3). The winning teams from the district day will than compete at a regional day at the Millicent Basketball Stadium on Thursday, August 28th. If your child/children wish to nominate please complete the enclosed reply slip and return by Monday July 28th. Parent help will be required to manage and umpire each team.

**Upper Primary Netball Carnival**

A netball carnival for upper primary girls will be held in Week 9, Monday September 15th. Games will be played at Olympic Park and we require parent assistance with transport and supervision. If you are able to assist, please indicate on the reply slip. Once more details are provided to us, we will pass them on to the participating students.

**Parent Club News**

**Soup Day**

Parent Club will be providing pumpkin soup for all students at lunch on Wednesday 6th August. Please send lunch for your child if they do not want soup or if a cup of soup is not enough for them.

**Parent Club 75th Birthday Luncheon**

As part of the celebration Parent Club will be displaying memorabilia from past years. If you have any items or photos that are suitable, Parent Club would be happy to hear from you. Invitations will be sent out soon.

**Uniforms**

The Rugby tops have arrived for those who have ordered. Sandra Robinson will be available Monday morning 8:30-9:00 for collection.

**Next Parent Club Meeting** – Tomorrow, Friday July 25th in the French Room at 2:00pm. Pre-school children are welcome. Hostess: Suzanne Harding.
INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF GOVERNMENT SCHOOL AND PRESCHOOL GOVERNANCE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Have your say on how to strengthen and support governance in schools and preschools.

Effective and inclusive local governance is an essential for any successful School.

An independent review is currently being undertaken on the governance arrangements in our public schools and preschools and we are seeking your input, as community members and as parents.

Education is a shared experience and there is considerable evidence that the active engagement of parents and community members enhances the quality of teaching and learning of children and young people.

This is a great way to get involved in how our school’s governance is shaped for the future. To have your say, visit [www.saplan.org.au/yoursay/shaping-our-schoos-and-preschools](http://www.saplan.org.au/yoursay/shaping-our-schoos-and-preschools). Consultation closes 1 August 2014.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

You will find further information regarding the following on our Notice Board, by phone contact numbers or visiting websites provided.

**AC.CARE – ‘BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS’**

Monday 28th July, 4th August, 11th August, 18th August. 9:30am-11:30am. For more information or to register to attend this workshop, call the Family Relationship Centre on 8721 3500 or 1800 880 913, [www.accare.org.au](http://www.accare.org.au)

**LIMESTONE COAST ROTARY CAREERS EXPO**

Friday 8th August 2014. 9:00am-2:30pm. TafeSA, Mount Gambier Campus, Wireless Road West. An action packed program tailored to meet the needs of students seeking information relating to many and varied tertiary study and employment opportunities.

**CYBER SAFETY AWARENESS**

Free Presentation for Parents – All welcome, bookings preferred.

Monday 11th August, 7:30-9:00pm, Mount Gambier City Hall (enter via Cave Gardens).

For bookings and further information contact District Council of Grant [info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au](mailto:info@dcgrant.sa.gov.au) or 8721 0444.

**ANZ NetSetGO!**

Sundays from 3rd August – 14th September, 10:00-11:30am for 5-10 year olds at Olympic Park. Registration $65. To register please email or text your name, age, DOB and phone number to [hobitznetballclub@bigpond.com](mailto:hobitznetballclub@bigpond.com) or 0407 391 385.

Auskick concluded last term with a friendly Student vs Parent game and sausage sizzle to follow. Much fun was had by all!

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