Principal’s Report

I was very pleased this morning to meet our first ever intake of Junior Kookaburras as they undertook the first of seven weekly School Readiness visits to our school in preparation for Kindy in 2015. Eighteen “little ones” had their first look at Big School which included a guided tour of the school, some reading, drawing, singing and games. Mrs Tuck is very excited at meeting our JK’s and is getting to know them all. Lots of fun activities have been planned for the next six visits so they can learn and meet new friends.

Dunkley Leaders

Our New Dunkley Leaders program also starts today. SRC representatives will be coordinating and managing structured games at recess and lunch. These students will be easily recognisable on the playground as they will be wearing orange fluro vests. This is a great opportunity for these students to develop leadership skills and role model appropriate social skills particularly towards our juniors. Our Year 6 Peer Support program also starts today which will further enhance the confidence and leadership skills of our senior students as they prepare for high school in 2015.

Looking Good, without the hood!

Winter is almost here, it’s getting a bit cold and we all want our kids to be warm at school. However, sometimes the temptation to let kids wear ‘hoodies’ and jackets of different colours with various brightly coloured logos means we can end up looking a bit like a ‘rabble’. I understand that at times uniforms get dirty and can’t always be washed and dried ready for the next school day. But, wearing school uniform is really important for our schools identity and gives a sense of unity and purpose. I would encourage all of our students to stick to our set school uniform whenever possible. The uniform shop is open on Thursday afternoons from 2.15pm till 2.45pm and they have plenty of winter stock available for purchase.

NAPLAN next week.

Next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday students in years 3 and 5 will be sitting the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. This is just one of a number of ways schools gather information about student performance so that we can ensure our teaching and learning programs are addressing areas where students require the most support. If your child is sitting the test this year and you have any questions give the school a call and myself or Mrs Phillips will be more than happy to discuss this with you. Best advice for your child leading up to test days is:-

- Get a good night’s sleep.
- Have a healthy breakfast.
- Try not to put too much pressure on yourself.
- Do your best.

Steve Gately - Principal
**Important Dates to Remember**

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**School Assembly**
The regular school assembly will take place on Friday at 11.40am. This week’s assembly item will be presented by K/1T.

**Pizza Day**
There will be a Pizza Day fundraiser next Wednesday 14 May. Pizza and a drink for only $5, orders and money need to be in by next Monday 12 May. Order forms have already been sent home but spare order forms are available at the office. All money raised is going to the Year 6 Farewell fundraising fund.

**Mother’s Day Morning Tea**
There will be a Mother’s Day morning tea on this Friday 9 May at 11am. All mums, grandmas, aunts and carers are welcome to come and enjoy a Devonshire tea with their children. Devonshire tea/coffee will be $5 with extra tea, coffee and scones available. Pay on the day.

**Government Dental Scheme**
This scheme provides eligible kids with $1000 to spend on selected dental services over a two year period. To benefit from this scheme, children must be eligible for Medicare and the family must be in receipt of Family Tax Benefit Part A or receive a Government payment. For more information contact your local dentist.

**Notes**
- Mother’s Day Stall tomorrow ($1, $3, $4 & $6 gifts available). See note below.
- Mother’s Day morning tea Friday 9 May ($5) at 11am. See note below.
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**Canteen Roster – Week 3 Term 2**

| Mon 12 May | Debbie F | Trish B |
| Tue 13 May | Leeanne W | Zarah H |
| Every Wed  | Closed   |         |
| Thur 15 May | Greg W  | Danielle McC |
| Fri 16 May | Donna K | Toni L-A |

**Stewart House**
Each year 1,800 public school children in need come to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, children are provided with a balanced of health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle. Envelopes to support their annual fundraiser have been sent home. For a $2 donation you can go into the draw for a $4000 holiday to the destination of your choice. All entries must be returned to the office by this Friday 9 May. Don’t forget to fill in your details on the back of the envelope.

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**Mount Hutton Public School**
**Mother’s Day Stall**
**Thursday 8 May**

There will be $1, $3 $4 & $6 gifts available!

Students are to bring their money on the day and will be able to purchase from the tables.

Anyone away on Thursday will have a chance to purchase gifts on Friday.

Donations for the stall can be left at the office.

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