Principal’s Report

Good afternoon and welcome to our second ‘fortnightly’ Dunkley Herald for 2015. Hopefully by now everyone is aware of the new format of Weekly PBL assemblies on a Monday morning, fortnightly “formal” assemblies every 2nd Friday in the hall (even weeks) and fortnightly newsletters every alternate Wednesday (odd weeks).

Term 1 has begun very well for most students. As mentioned last fortnight, our enrolments are up significantly in 2015 and we welcome our new students and families to our community.

Student Representative Council (SRC) elections have been held and we will be inducting these students at our Friday assembly in week six (Friday 6 March). Swimming carnival ribbons will be handed out at our next assembly in week four assembly (Friday 20 February). 1/2P will also be presenting an item at this assembly.

Fabulous day at the swimming carnival.

Cloudy skies and early rain were no match for the determination, pride and enthusiasm of our students, parents and staff at last week’s swimming carnival. It was great to see increased numbers of students attending and great leadership shown by our new House Captains who provided loud and energetic encouragement for their teams. Some fantastic individual performances were recorded and subsequently we will have a number of students representing MHPS at Zone in week five.

Thank you to the parents who generously gave their time to help with time keeping and other tasks. Special mention to Mrs Phillips who seamlessly coordinated the days events.

PLEASE Cross Dunkley Pde safely.

I have had a number of phone calls from concerned residents about ‘near misses’ on Dunkley Parade. May I remind all parents and students to use the pedestrian lights at the corner of Dunkley and Tennent Rd when crossing. Dunkley Pde gets extremely busy around school start and finish times and traffic visibility is often blocked by the school bus and other distractions. I realise parking at our school is sometimes tricky, but I would encourage all of our school community to take the extra couple of minutes to cross safely at the lights.

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Have a great week.
Steve Gately
**Important Dates to Remember**

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**School Assembly**

**There will be no Friday school assembly this week.**

This year, school assemblies will be held every second week (even weeks). The next school assembly will be on Friday 20 February at 11.40 am. PBL awards will be handed out on Monday mornings at 9am in the hall. At the next formal school assembly on Friday 20 February the swimming carnival ribbons will be awarded and there will be a class item presented by 1/2P.

**Library News**

Welcome back! We are looking forward to another exciting year in the Library. All students in Kinder to Year 2 need to bring a library bag to be able to borrow. Any students with outstanding loans from last year need to return their books before being able to borrow for this year.

Library days for classes this year are as follows;

- **Wednesday** 3/4B 1/2P KT 2/3M
- **Thursday** K/6G K/1M 4/5B
- **Friday** 5/6P

Mrs Barbour

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**Canteen Roster – Week 4 Term 1**

| Mon 16 Feb | Leeanne W |
| Tue 17 Feb | Toni L-A  Kylie Q |
| Every Wed | Closed    |
| Thu 19 Feb | Zarah H  Rebecca G |
| Fri 20 Feb | Nooi S   Sarah G |

**Canteen Roster – Week 5 Term 1**

| Mon 23 Feb | Cath C |
| Tue 24 Feb | Debbie F |
| Every Wed | Closed |
| Thu 26 Feb | Danielle McC  Greg W |
| Fri 27 Feb | Kirra s  Rachelle R |

**Community News**

- **1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching**
  Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children aged 2-12. A program for parents/carers at Allambi Care on 19, 26 Feb and 5 March 2015. Sessions 6.30pm to 8.45pm for details contact Allambi Care 49445914.
- **Warners Bay Junior AFL Club**
  Rego day Tue 17 Feb 4.30pm – 6.30pm, Feighan Oval, Warners Bay. Register on-line – www.warnersbay.org.au
- **Phoenix Charlestown Baseball Club**
  Come and Try Baseball day on Sunday 1 March 9.30am at Windsor Oval Carbeen St Gateshead.
- **Wraners Bay football Club**

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**Urgent Reminders**

- **Uniform Shop** will be open on Thursdays from 2.30pm to 3pm.
- Open classroom Information Evening and free sausage sizzle next Wednesday 18 Feb from 5.30pm.
- **Contact Card, Medical Excursion Note, General Permission to Publish and Asthma Action Plan** need to be returned to the office.

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