



West Morley Primary School

P&C Principal's Report

10th May 2017

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Welcome

I wish to welcome Tina Backers to the P&C in her new role as canteen manageress. The changeover has been very smooth from a school perspective and we look forward to the wonderful services the canteen provides for the school community.

Camp Australia

The number of students enrolled in Camp Australia continues to grow and feedback from our school community is extremely positive.

We are currently negotiating further use of school facilities to cater for the growing numbers.

A letter will be issued to our school community reminding families not to use the playgrounds or oval at the end of school as they are licenced to Camp Australia and need to be available for their sole use.

50th Celebrations Steering Committee

The 50th Celebration Steering Committee met last term which resulted in a call for feedback on ways to celebrate our special anniversary.

The committee will be meeting next week to finalise the selection of events then will call for expressions of interest for volunteers to assist organising these events.

River Rangers

Our River Rangers Cadets program is being well attended and is engaged in a number of exciting programs. Unfortunately we have cancelled this Friday nights sleepover due to my absence and not having enough qualified support to cover. This event will be re-scheduled for another weekend in the coming weeks.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

The school is using an online booking system for the first time for families to book their parent/teacher meetings. As with any new system there can be some glitches.

Unfortunately it appears some devices are limited in accessing the site, however, a number of parents have successfully negotiated the system as well and have been extremely satisfied.

NAPLAN

Our students are half way through their NAPLAN assessments this week. It has been fantastic to see most students strongly focussed and calm during the process. The testing finalises this Friday.

Communication

The school has commenced trialling new methods of communication to the school community. Our school newsletter had a new format last term and it will continue to be developed over the year. The intention is to issue a "summary" newsletter at the end of each term, highlighting and celebrating key events. The school app is being used to push out key messages throughout the term and the school website remains the key source of information for community members.

I welcome the P&C reviewing its communication strategies and request any feedback on our current strategies or any new initiatives the P&C may wish to utilise.

Mr Peter Harty
Principal