

# SNIPPETS

## TERM 2, MAY, 2009

Dear Parents and Tutors,  
Welcome back to the second term of 2009 .

**NAPLAN:** Literacy and Numeracy assessment will take place in week 3 (if the material arrives on time) and your teachers will be conducting this mainly over air. There will be one or two exceptions where this will be done by staff on a visit. If material does not arrive on time other dates will be arranged. Our STL is coordinating this assessment program.

**Assemblies:** The year 3/4 assembly is next Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May and the year1/2 assembly is on the 29<sup>th</sup> May.

**P&C:** The May meeting is on the 12<sup>th</sup> May at 12:30.

**Welcome:** Ms Jessica Churchman has joined the staff and will be teaching with Mr Parsons and Mrs Jansen. Ms Churchman is in her first year of teaching and I am sure she will enjoy the range of experiences that our style brings.

**Numbers:** Our numbers have dropped as a number of students from the Menzies area have now enrolled at Menzies Primary as transport to the school from the surrounding area has now been made available. Movement of any surplus staff member/s from SOTA may occur in the foreseeable future.

**Year 1-4 Program:** The year 1-4 teachers have written a new program for the remainder of the year. It offers an integrated and flexible approach to catering for multiple age groups on and offline. Mrs Jansen, Mrs Currie and Miss Ward will be adjusting the program for individuals or groups as the need arises. Please discuss the program with them because immediate feedback informs constructive adjustments.

**STL:** Mrs Jansen will assume the STL role on Fridays whilst Mrs McQuie is teaching Indonesian.

**Wireless Networks:** A number of families are now using this technology for connections instead of satellite dishes. DET is looking at bulk orders for wireless modems and the like, for users of this technology so don't hesitate to let me know what you need if you are able to access wireless technology and I will pass it on. It seems a much cheaper alternative to erecting satellite dishes.

Have a great term.  
Gerry Keegan  
Principal.

