Dear Parents/Guardians

The start of every new year is always full of expectation and promise. I hope you all had a rewarding break and are ready and raring to go as we hit the 2016 school year full of running.

We have had a very smooth start to the year with all our new kind families and several new ones deciding to bring their children to us for their primary school education. This reflects the dedication and hard work of a very committed staff that work together to provide the best opportunities we can for our students.

Who Let The Dogs Out?
Tomorrow (Wednesday) our school will be receiving a visit from 2 or 3 players from the Canterbury Bulldogs NRL team. They will be here from around 2:00 to talk to the students and maybe carry out some activities. Should be a great insight into what professional sportspeople have to do to stay at the top of their chosen sport.

Later in the afternoon (from around 4:00) the whole Bulldogs team will be at Cudgen Rugby League oval to meet anyone who would like to turn up and meet them. This is a terrific promotion of the game of rugby league.

Meet Your Teacher
The more we work in partnership with you the parents, the better job we can do helping your child learn. Next week we will be holding opportunities for you to meet your child’s teacher. These will be general meetings and involve your child’s class teacher talking to you as a group.

Meet the Teacher Talks
All parents encouraged to attend to hear from your child’s teacher about the things they will be doing this year.
3/4T & 3/4PH
Monday 8th February 3:15 pm
5/6C & 5/6M
Wednesday 10th February 3:15 pm
KR, K/1T, 2P & 2J
Wednesday 10th February 3:30 pm

In week 5 there will be individual parent/teacher meetings where you will have the chance to talk on a 1 to 1 basis with your child’s teacher. Notes for booking a time for this meeting will be sent home next week.

Junior Sign-ons
It’s that time of year when all our weekend sporting teams have their sign-ons. Playing any team sport of a weekend is a great way to meet friends and to also learn a few very valuable life skills.

This Saturday and next Saturday Cudgen Junior Rugby League Football Club will be holding their sign-on days at the club. These sessions will run from 10:00 until 12:00 so if you’re keen get on down to the club. If you’re a new player to the Hornets club remember to take your child’s birth certificate.

Band
As from next week the soothing tones of our musicians honing their skills will once again be floating around the school. If you’re a current member notes should have gone home advising you of details.

If your child is interested in being a new member just give the school a ring.

Sport
Life saving for years 3 to 6 will commence next week. Notes should be out there with a ‘first in, best dressed’ policy for filling the spots.

School sport will kick off as usual this week.
Practice for our knockout teams will begin with some softball training this week. It won’t be long and we’ll be holding trials for rugby league, netball and soccer teams so keep your eyes open for those.

If you have child in years 5 or 6 who is talented at either basketball or tennis and you would be keen to have them try out to make Tweed District teams or Far North Coast Zone teams you should contact the school.

Swimming Carnival
Our swimming carnival will be on this Friday and all students involved should have received their notes. We’ve held house meetings and elected captains and prepared some cheers to help spur their house members onto greater efforts. Our P & C will be running a sausage sizzle and selling some sushi for lunch.

It’s always a good day and with the temperature being so high of late I’m sure the swimmers will enjoy the chance to get wet. I might "fall in" myself!!

Mick Channells.
**Garden Club**

The students in K-2 will be commencing clubs next week. The students who come to me will be gardening. I would like to start the term by making a succulent garden. If you have any succulents, or know of any family or friend that would like to donate cutting for our garden it would be greatly appreciated. All cutting can be left in the KR classroom. They do not need to be potted as we will try to propagate them. We will also need small pots to plant them in, so don’t throw your old pots in the bin, send them in as well.

Thank you
Sue Rowe

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**Claim the Date**

**February 2016**

- **2** First Day for Kindergarten
- **8** Boys & Girls Cricket Trials at Twin Towns
- **5** Swimming Carnival
- **12** Life Saving 3-6 Program
- **16** Zone Cricket Trials

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

Open Wednesday Mornings 8.45am-9.00am

- Polo Shirts $35
- Track Pants $25
- Hat $15
- Fleecy Hooded Jackets $26

Order forms can be filled out any time at the office and will be completed on Wednesday mornings.

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**Book Club**

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There are already some items in the lost property basket.