Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those Students, Staff and Parents who have made me welcome at your school. For those of you I have not met my name is Stephen Rowe and I will be the Acting Principal for at least this term. It has only been a week and I have seen some great and exciting programs in the school community and had an opportunity to speak to a lot of really great kids.

Please feel free to make a time to talk to me if you have any concerns about your child so that we can work together to solve the problem.

It’s Not OK to be Away

Shortly the school will be sending home an Attendance Report that will give you an indication of your child’s attendance. This indication will be a percentage of attendance and for your information an attendance percentage of 92% of the time over a 12 year period of school calculate to almost 1 lost year of school contact.

The report will include a table with the following information:

Every Day Counts

Being at school every day counts, with one day absent each week quickly adding up to two months of missed lessons in a year.

Unless your child is ill, it is expected that your child will be at school learning every day of the school year. We encourage our students to be here as much as possible and to use the time they have effectively. We don’t want them wasting class learning time and when the need arises they need to catch up on work missed.

More information on the importance of regular school attendance is available at https://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/index.html

Stephen Rowe
Principal
Dear Parents,

We will be photographing your school on Wednesday 26th August 2014. You will receive a flyer/envelope for each of your students explaining the products available and how they may be ordered. This year we have introduced online ordering for your convenience and the convenience of your school.

Sibling Photos are also available for students enrolled at the school. Please collect a ‘Sibling Order Envelope’ from your class teacher. Please note: online orders for siblings close 48 hours prior to the day of photography. After this time, the Sibling Order Envelope must be returned to the school, on or before photo day.

**Ordering Online:** Should you wish to order online you will find detailed instructions (as per below) on how to go about this on the back of your order flyer, or you can order using your paid envelope in the same way you always have.

Please note: envelopes are not required to be handed in if ordering online.

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**BOOK FAIR——BOOK FAIR ... BOOK FAIR .... BOOK FAIR!!!**

We will be having Book Fair in 3 weeks time. We are planning to do it three times in one week — one morning and two afternoon.

If you have any suggestion or ideas of how to run this fantastic event please don’t hesitate to contact the school and ask Renee Bond or even myself at the library. All purchases will help support our school.

Our theme for this book fair is Garden—Book Fair Garden!!! Maybe we could dress up to that theme!!!!how exciting.

More information in our next newsletter.

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