Welcome Back to the New School Year

What an exciting year we are going to have! The building program is well underway and demolition of the main building will be completed next week.

A letter was sent home earlier this week to clarify communication arrangements and the location of the office. If you didn’t receive this letter, copies are available from the class teacher or from the office which can be most easily reached from Somerville Road, up the hill from the old school entrance.

We are still experiencing difficulties with our phone line but hope to have it connected by tomorrow and appreciate your patience with this.

Parking

For safety reasons, please DO NOT park in the staff car park at any time.

Please do not attempt to walk through the staff car park as there is no direct access to the office or school grounds from the car park.

Take care when driving or parking in the streets around the school and abide by the parking signs.

Staff Update

Mrs Debbie Pankhurst and Mrs Faye Rendall have each announced their retirement after many years of service to the school and its students.

Mrs Pankhurst has been working in the Grade 3/4 Reading Room and has operated Breakfast Club for the last two years and she will be sadly missed by her volunteer helpers, the students and their parents. We are currently making arrangements to continue the operation of Breakfast Club which will begin next week.

Mrs Rendall has worked as the library assistant for several years, keeping the library collection in order and helping with book borrowing. She has previously organised and managed school book fairs.

I wish Mrs Pankhurst and Mrs Rendall all the best for their retirement and thank them for their significant contribution to the education of the students of Hampton Park Primary School.

We welcome several new staff members this year:

Miss Lara-Jayne Wilson (Grade 1/2) and Mr Craig Scerri (Grade 6) have been appointed to the school as Leading Teachers.

Mrs Penny Denton—Prep Teacher

Mr Peter Lukas—PE and Sport Coordinator

We also welcome back Ms Leesa Warman who is teaching Grade 1/2. I’m sure you will join me in welcoming them to the Hampton Park Primary School community.

Leonie King
Principal
Student Accident Insurance: Please be aware that the Department of Education does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Hampton Park Primary School does not have a whole-of-school student accident insurance policy in place due to the enormous costs involved. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment if their child is injured and costs to parents would include ambulance transport if an ambulance is required. At the very least, we recommend you take out ambulance cover for your family.

A search on the internet should assist you to identify companies that offer student accident insurance. Student accident insurance policies cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance and are available from a number of commercial insurers.

Whilst the school doesn’t recommend any particular insurance company, some brochures have been provided to us and are available in the front office for anyone who wishes to collect one.

Students must wear sunsmart hats when playing outside or during PE or sport sessions.

All students must wear full school uniform at all times. Black shoes are required to be worn by all students. However, they can change into runners or sport shoes for PE or sport sessions.

If your child has a medical condition or allergy that you have not told us about, you must notify the office so we can update our records and provide the correct treatment should it be necessary.