NOTICES HOME THIS WEEK

- Head Lice (treatment & prevention)
- Divisional Cross Country (selected students)

HARMONY DAY
26th May, 2016

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Monday 16th May, 2016
at approx. 3.10 pm

School Hours and Break Times
Playgrounds supervised 8:45 – 9.00 a.m. and 3:30 – 3:45 p.m.
Students arrive 8:50 a.m.
Classes start promptly at 9.00 a.m.
Morning Recess is 11 – 11:30 a.m.
Lunch 1:40 – 2:30 p.m.
School finishes at 3.30 p.m.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION
Items sent home will generally be colour coded.

- Pale Blue or White General Notices
- Gold Excursion Incursion
- Orange Important Messages
- Bright Pink Fundraising

Please read this newsletter, as it is an important communication between school and home
Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to the news this week.

**NAPLAN**

During this week our students in years 3 and 5 have been completing their Naplan Tests. I would like to congratulate every one of you for the effort you are putting into the task. We know that you are doing your best. We also know how committed you are to learning all of the knowledge that is necessary for you to grow up and become a successful member of society. I wish you all well in your achievements and your final results.

There has been a lot of comment about these tests and the actual value of the data that they produce and how that data is used to rank schools. Children learn in so many ways and each child has unique abilities that need to be celebrated and recognised. These tests do not measure so many of the qualities it takes to be a successful human being, but we at school know the wonderful skills and attributes each one of you possess and we nurture your development and learning in those areas. Due to our diverse and stimulating curriculum our students do always achieve very well on these tests, as they are encouraged to build on their personal effort and confidence through developing a growth mindset. I look forward to the outcomes our school achieves, as I know that you have all done your very best on each of these Naplan tests.

Thank you for supporting our Mother’s Day stall last week.

Unfortunately there have been some comments from students and Mothers who were disappointed the students were not able to choose the gifts this year.

We have found over the last few years that holding the Mothers’/Fathers’ Day stalls are a huge time consumer for the Office staff as we do not have a Parents & Friends group, to assist them. We also note that the gifts available to us are becoming less value for money. For the first time we trialled this concept as an experiment.

To enable the Mothers & Father’s Day stalls to allow students to choose their gifts, we are asking for volunteers to assist the Office Staff in the ordering, bagging and helping students on the day of the Stall. If you are interested, please contact the Office, thank you.

Averil Nunn
Principal

**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING**

SCHOOLPIX will be visiting us on Tuesday, 31st May, 2016