Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Term 1! We hope you and your child had a wonderful break and enjoyed some quality time together. Hopefully your child has had time to rest for a busy and productive term ahead.

Thank you to the parents who made sure their child had a pencil case, hat, art smock, library bag and tissue box on the first day of school. If any of these items have been overlooked, we would very much appreciate them being brought into the classroom as soon as possible.

**Grade 2 Team, 2015**
The teachers in the Grade 2 team this year are:

2A – Brooke Hawes (Room 8)  
2B – Rebecca Burgess (Room 9)  
2C – Emma Allwright (Room 13)  
2D – Michelle Lamont (Room 14).

If you need to speak to your child’s teacher for any reason, please call the school and we will call you back within 24 hours or make an appointment to speak to us personally.

**Homework**
Homework will start next week with distribution on Monday & homework being completed and returned on Friday. The homework is designed to be a quick task completed each night with reading and spelling words practised daily. If you are experiencing difficulties with your child completing homework please contact your child’s teacher.

**Reading**
Students will be bringing home their reader bags, diaries and take home books this week. It is an expectation that your child is reading on a daily basis and they are recording the books they read in their student diary so teachers can track their reading. This is also an opportunity to develop their independence by ensuring they pack the reader bag to bring to school daily. There will be a note included with your child’s student diary further detailing diary and take home reading expectations.

**SunSmart**
Term 1 is a ‘No Hat, No Play’ term. Students are expected to wear either a blue broad brimmed or bucket hat at recess and lunch every day (Please note caps are not acceptable SunSmart hats). If they are not wearing an approved hat, they will be limited to staying in the courtyard. For more information on this, our SunSmart policy can be found on the school website.

**It's Not OK to Be Away**
If your child is going to be absent from school, please ring the school in the morning to inform us and on your child’s return to school please provide a written explanation of the absence to the classroom teacher.

**Dates to Remember**
Some important events that are coming up in Term 1:

- Parent/Teacher interviews (meet & greet): Monday February 15th & Tuesday February 16th
- School Photos: Wednesday March 9th
- School Carnival: Friday March 18th
- Last Day of Term 1: Thursday March 24th

Regards,
The Grade 2 Team 😊
Be Respectful
Be Responsible
Be Safe
Be a Learner