Dear Parents/Caregivers,

PRESENTATION DAY
Our presentation day is on next Tuesday 10th December. Parents are all invited to attend. We ask that parents be seated by 9.30am.

YEAR SIX FAREWELL
The year six farewell is on tomorrow night. Parents are asked to have their children at school by 6.00pm. There will be a 15 minute photo opportunity before parents will be asked to leave. Parents are then invited back at 8.45pm for the last dance and the powerpoint presentation.

PERFORMING ARTS NIGHT
Our very talented children starred last Wednesday night. It was amazing to see the confidence that they exuded. I would like to thank all the parents for attending and the supplies brought for supper were outstanding.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY
This Friday we are having a sausage sizzle special from the canteen. Sausage sandwiches are at the very special price of $1.00. Because we are expecting a large volume of orders on the day, this will be the only item that is available for purchase for lunch.

CLASS REPORTS
We are hoping to have the class reports for all students ready for distribution on Friday 13th December. We have had trouble with reports due to damage caused to our computer server with the recent storms. If there is a change to the anticipated date we will inform parents.

STAGE TWO EXCURSION
Our stage two children will be travelling to Sydney next Wednesday 11th December for their “Lessons Afloat” excursion. I know both the teachers and the students are looking forward to the day.

PARTY DAY
Thursday 12th December will be party day. Children in stage two and stage three have the opportunity to travel to Mingara for a day of water fun. The cost per child is $20. A separate note is being sent home today. The younger children will be having their party day at school.
BUSY TIME OF THE YEAR
The period leading up to the end of the school year is a very busy time for schools. Some of the activities that are happening over the next few weeks include completing student reports, annual school report writing, organising the school’s 2014 management plan, preparing for presentation day, the year six farewell, Belmont’s got talent, stage two excursion and the parent helpers’ barbecue. A real hive of activity!

PLANTING TIME
Our Aboriginal garden which is in between the canteen and the Hall is getting a boost over the next week. Due to a council grant, new plants and seating will be added to compliment the plants that are already there. I would like to thank the Belmont Men’s Shed who constructed the seating for the garden. Some children have been painting the insect “motel” today with Mrs Kuba. These will be a highlight of the new garden. I would like to give a special thanks to Sandy Benson who was successful in gaining the grant from Lake Macquarie Council.

2014 PLANNING
I am again requesting that parents let us know if they will be moving out of area before school resumes next year. If your circumstances change you can email the school or send us a text message on 0474 137 226.

Thomas Kelly
Principal

Office News:
We are pleased to announce that we now have eftpos facilities available for payments of student excursions, book packs etc. Visa and Mastercard are accepted for credit card payments.

Bush Tucker Garden
If any students would like to help in the planting of the Bush Tucker Garden please bring some gloves to school on Tuesday 10th December as we hope to begin after the lunch bell at 12:05pm. The official opening of the Garden will be held on Monday 16th December at 12.05pm.

Out of Uniform Day Friday 13th December
It is an out of uniform day on Fri 13th Dec, a gold coin donation would be appreciated with all money raised going to a local charity to help families in need at Christmas.

Talent Quest
Parents are invited to attend the Talent Quest that is being held on Fri 13th 2013 in the School Hall from 12.05pm

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SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDER Friday 13th December 2013
PLEASE RETURN TO THE CANTEEN
I would like to order _________________ sausage sandwiches at $1 each.

Name__________________________________________________________

Class____________________     Please find enclosed $___________
Canteen Roster:
Thu 5th Dec: Gail, Janelle S
Fri 6th Dec: Ian, Janet
Mon 9th Dec: Cassie
Tue 10th Dec: Maree, Tara
Wed 11th Dec: Sam, Simone
Thu 12th Dec: Kylie, Kath
Fri 13th Dec: Janet, Rebecca

CANTEEN IS CLOSED FROM MONDAY 16th DEC – WEDNESDAY 18th DEC

Please make sure you pack lunch for your child/children.

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Faculty of Business and Computing
Business Services
Belmont Campus
Do you need skills for the future?
Do you need training in Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Medical, Bookkeeping, Information Technology or Retail?
A range of courses will be offered including full-time, part-time and flexible delivery options in our Personalised Learning Centre. Both day and evening classes are available.
Ring NOW to express your interest for Semester 1, 2014 courses.

INFORMATION/ENROLMENT SESSION WILL BE HELD ON
11 DECEMBER 2013 AT 10.00AM

Top Up Information/Enrolment Session on
21 January 2014 at 10.00am
Classes commence 3 February 2014
For further information, please give us a call on 4979 6162 or 4979 6226 or check our website at www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au