Principal’s Message
Midway through our term has brought us to **Semester 1 assessments** which teachers are now working through with students. Teachers gather data daily in classrooms and combine this with data gathered from test situations to build a rich picture of student learning. This summary is then compiled into students’ reports for parent information. Reports will be issued on the last day of term with 3 Way Conferences to be held early in Term 3.

Our planned **science excursion** to the quarry at Torryburn will hopefully go ahead next Monday. Should the weather continue to be dry, it should be safe underfoot for children to hunt for fossils. All classes have been working on an Earth Science unit with the expert guidance of Dr. and Mr. Wright and now have good background knowledge to make the most of this excursion. Please return notes and money for this excursion if you have not already done so.

Children have been working on their athletics skills under the expert coaching of Rachael Homan who is employed under the federally funded Sporting Schools Program. This is excellent training for our **athletics carnival** to be held at the Gresford Sporting Complex and scheduled for 5th June. Parents are invited to attend and assistance will be welcomed for running events. Field events will be held on 4th June at school and parent spectators are again welcome.

We are seeking support to continue to maintain our **Breakfast Club**. We have been very fortunate to have regular volunteers from St. Vincent De Paul and the parent community but now are in need of such generous volunteers to keep this important program going. Please phone the school if you are able to assist.

We are pleased to welcome some ex pupils to our school who are gaining **work experience** shadowing teachers. Thomas Hojer and Ella Duncan have been of great help to teachers this week and Ellen Hodges joins us next week.

**Professional learning** for staff this fortnight has been in the areas of quality teaching, literacy, numeracy, goal setting, leadership, road safety and office management.

Kind regards,

Pauline

“In order to succeed, your desire for success should be greater than your fear of failure.”

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**School Planning Snippets**

One of our strategic directions in our school plan is to work to improve communications. All school excursion/permission notes now go on our school website under the parent/P & C info tab. Refer to the calendar section on the front page of the website to keep up to date with latest events.
Year 2 doing Pattern work in Maths

K/1 learning all about fractions by eating pizza.
School Banking with the Commonwealth Bank is now available every Thursday. So start saving now!

Tucker Box News

Just a reminder that all Sports Carnival lunch orders are due on MONDAY 1st JUNE 2015.

If you are able to donate a cake or two it would be wonderful.

We also need some volunteers for the Sports Carnival on Friday 5th June. If you are able to help please let Sylvia or Kristy know.

Don’t forget your pie order which should be returned to school by FRIDAY 12th JUNE 2015. All orders to be picked up by WEDNESDAY 24th June, 2015.

Hope to see you all at the Sports Carnival!

Sylvia & Kristy.
Awards

Good Listener Award
Chelsea Abra, Daniel Craig, Charlize Tucker & Katie Curtin-Edwards

Library Award
Acacia Galvin & Toby Mead

Spelling Champions
Ebony Briggs
William Craig
Jaxon O'Connor
Brooklyn Bidner
Harrison Sellens

Sports Award
Sophie Davis
Katharina Lawrence
Shaelyn Crouch
Lara Silver
Brodie Huckstadt

K/1 - Kammi Conn & Bella Sellens
1/2 - Mathilda Joliffe & Chase Hoffman
3/4 - Katie Curtin-Edwards & Kaitlin Horn
5/6 - Liza Edwards & Cooper Curtin-Edwards