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From the Principal - Mrs Maraga

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Reports Home Friday

The semester two reports will be sent home tomorrow, Friday 12 December. These reports will provide you with information about your child's progress over the last two terms. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher about the report please contact them to arrange a suitable time.

Classes 2015

Next year the students from Years 1 to 6 will commence school on Wednesday 28 January 2015. As in previous years we will place the students into temporary classes until we know exactly how many students are attending Regentville. Once we have determined exact numbers we will inform you and the students of their permanent class placement for 2015.

We will be welcoming many new families to our school community next year with our expected enrolment to be slightly higher the current 705 students. I know that as always, the new parents and students will be warmly welcomed to our school by all.

Kindergarten 2015

The first day of school for 106 kindergarten students at Regentville will be Friday 30 January 2015. It will be an exciting time for them and their families as they commence their formal education. The wonderful P&C will be providing their now traditional "Tea and Tissues" in the hall for all parents.

Parents are also booking in timeslots for their child's Best Start Assessment to be held on either Wednesday 28 January or Thursday 29 January 2015. If you require more information about this please contact the school office.

Thank you to P&C

A big thank you to the wonderful P&C team who are a vital part in our school community. Their tireless work running discos, stalls and supporting students and staff at our school is very much appreciated.

Thank you to helpers

A school this size with all that is happening cannot function without the support and at times, help from parents and grandparents. On Wednesday the staff provided a morning tea as a way of saying thank you to the many helpers this year. The library was full of people who had helped out this year in many different ways to support student learning. Your time and efforts is very much appreciated by all.

Farewell Kerrie Howson

Next week we say farewell to Mrs Kerrie Howson who will retire after 15 years of service to Regentville Public School. Many of you will know that Kerrie is a wonderful ambassador for Regentville Public School. She always greets students, parents, visitors and teachers with a friendly smile and a pleasant manner and nothing has been too much trouble for her to support, advise and assist all who come to the front office. We will all miss Kerrie but I am sure that you would join me in wishing her the very best for her retirement years.

Welcome Glyn Jones

In 2015 we will welcome Mr Glyn Jones who has been appointed to Regentville Public School through merit selection. Glyn is an experienced teacher bringing many skills and will become a valued member of the teaching staff.

Happy holidays

Finally, I would like to wish you all a happy and safe holiday filled with lots of enjoyable family time. I forward to welcoming our students and parents in 2015 refreshed and ready for the excitement of the new year. Don't forget to find the time to read whenever possible.

Dates for the Calendar

12 Dec Reports home
15 Dec K-2 Party Day at school
17 Dec Stage 2 and 3 Party Days (off site)
17 Dec Term 4 ends

28 Jan Yr 1 to Yr 6 students return for 2015
30 Jan Kindergarten students return

Canteen News

I would like to thank all of my canteen volunteers for their help this year. Without them we would not be able to open every day. A very Merry Christmas to all the students and their families.
Thank you
Merry Christmas
Mrs Sally Simmons

School Leaders 2015

Angela S (Captain)
Tianna E
Zahlie V

Max O (Captain)
Matthew K
Luke V

ANZAC DAY 2015

As most of your children will be able to tell you, next year commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli Campaign and the birth of the term ANZAC. To mark this significant event we would like to prepare something special and personal for our ANZAC service.

We are planning to create a slide show which we will show during the service which will include photos of those service men and women who are relatives of the Regentville Public School Community. If you would like to contribute to this please email a photo of your serving relative stating their name and rank and where they served. Also a small snapshot of your child/ children to show the connection.

These photos need to be emailed to me at kim.scott16@det.nsw.edu.au

I would like to start receiving these as soon as possible as I am expecting a good response and would like to start putting this together sooner rather than later.

Thank you.

Kim Scott

Star Performers

- Congratulations to all of the awards winners at Monday's Presentation Day Assembly.
- Well done to the Year 5 and 6 students and their teachers for a moving Graduation Assembly on Tuesday.
- Thanks to all involved in the preparation of the hall for the Year 6 Farewell.
- Thank you to all who donated to the Giving Tree which is our schools small way of helping others in need.

Star Performer

Abigail in 2L got a haircut last week and it was all for a good cause! She is donating her hair to a charity for kids with cancer. She has been growing her hair all year to reach the 20cm mark and it will be used to make wigs for children who have lost their hair. Well done Abigail!



Mother's Day Classic 2015

The annual Women in Super Mother's Day Classic is Australia's biggest breast cancer research fundraising event. Every Mother's Day for the past 17 years, Australians have walked or run to fund research and honour those who have been diagnosed with breast cancer.

At the 2014 Mother's Day Classic more than 135,000 participants in 97 locations around the nation raised \$4.5 million, bringing the overall total raised to \$24.3 million.

To find an event near you and to register yourself or a community or corporate team, please visit www.mothersdayclassic.com.au

*Next year's event is being held on **Sunday 10 May 2015**, and is open to all ages and fitness levels so there is something for everyone whether you want to participate or simply come along and support.*

More than a quarter of a million Australians have participated in past Mother's Day Classic events, and you can too by registering at www.mothersdayclassic.com.au.

In the last newsletter, Luke from 2L sent a letter to the Prime Minister, Mr Abbott, asking him to stop the killing of sharks. This is a copy of Mr Abbott's letter to Luke.



PRIME MINISTER

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2 December 2014

Master Luke Coldicott
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Dear Luke

Thank you for taking the time to write to me.

One of the most enjoyable things about being Prime Minister is hearing from young people like yourself.

I congratulate you on taking an interest in our system of government.

We are a great country and a great people. One day it will be the responsibility of you and your generation to lead our country.

It says something positive about you that you were willing to take the time to write and share with me your thoughts about the issues that face our country.

Our democracy truly rests on the idea that every individual counts and everyone can have his or her say in the issues that matter the most to them.

Thank you for your correspondence and I send you my best wishes.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Abbott', written over a horizontal line.

TONY ABBOTT