Classes 2013
All children have settled in well to their new classrooms, even kindergarten. 3C and 3B are getting over their ‘farmyard’ smell and damp/mould smells respectively.

Class Parents
We are still short a few class parents, please see your child’s teacher if you are able to assist with this role.

Meet the Teacher Evening
Last week during the Meet the Teacher evening, parents were informed about the innovative and creative programs being provided in all classrooms. Thank you to all the parents who attended these meeting. I heard many positive comments. Thank you to all the teachers for their dedication and commitment to our children.

Homework
Homework is a valuable part of schooling. It allows for practising, extending and consolidating work done in class. Homework provides training for students in planning and organising time and develops a range of skills in identifying and using information resources. Homework should have a specific, explicit learning purpose and the teacher should provide feedback to your child about their homework.
As a guideline- homework for Years 3 and 4 should take about 30 minutes each night. Years 5 and 6 should apply themselves for approximately 45 mins.
After this time of application, if the set tasks are not completed, please allow your child to leave the rest for another time. Some children are able to complete many tasks in the set time and other children struggle to finish one task. Please speak with your child’s teacher so that your child is completing the correct amount of homework for them.

Swimming Carnival
Our annual swimming carnival is Monday, 4th March. This involves all students Years 3-6 and those students in Year 2 who have already turned 8 or are turning 8 this year. I encourage and expect all of the students mentioned to attend and participate. A carnival is about fun, school spirit, house spirit and participation. Let’s see if we can have a record number of participants at the pool on the day!

Buildings etc
We were lucky to receive our new classroom before school commenced and even luckier to have the furniture arrive also.
We are in the process of getting quotes for air conditioning for the classrooms in A block.
New blinds have been ordered for B block and this money is coming from the Stage 3 2012 Clever Climate project.
New concertina doors are needed for two rooms – one in A block and one in B block – these cost around $10,000 each. We need to do something very soon otherwise they will fall on someone.