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Swimming carnival - 14 February

The school swimming carnival will be held on Friday, 14 February 2014 at Jindera Pool for all students in Years 3 – 6 and any Year 2 students who turn 8 this year and can competently swim 25 metres without an aid or assistance. A permission note was sent home last week and parents/carers are asked to complete this and ensure that it is returned to the school. Students are also reminded to complete the entry form to indicate the events they would like to participate in. The 25m events are designed for less confident swimmers only and school representatives to the Southern Riverina carnival must have participated in the 50 metre events. Students will walk to and from Jindera Pool and should bring swimming costumes, towel, sunscreen, water in a water bottle, a rash shirt and $2.50 entry if you are not a season ticket holder. Lunch can be purchased from the pool canteen on the day. Parents and carers are encouraged to attend.

Years 3 and 4 camp – 2, 3 and 4 April 2014

A two night excursion has been organised for students in Years 3 and 4 to Howman’s Gap Alpine Centre on 2, 3 and 4 April 2014 where the students will be involved in activities such as low ropes, bushwalking and other adventure-based learning and team building activities.

The final cost of the excursion will be advised shortly and will include all travel, meals, accommodation and activities in the program. This major excursion may be heavily subsidised by the P&C, but it is expected to cost approximately $230 per student.

An expression of interest form will be sent home next week for students in Years 3 and 4 to indicate their interest to attend. This should be returned by Monday 17 February with a $50.00 deposit. All parents will be issued with a payment plan to secure a place. All parents will be issued with a payment plan that may assist with organising and completing payments for the excursion.

Is your child in a new class without their friends?

At some stage in their school life your child is likely to find themselves in a class without their close friends. It’s normal for them to initially feel a little anxious about this, so how should you handle it?

In 13 plus years of education, your child will eventually find themselves in a class without their close friends. Tempting as it may be to request a class swap (which can be a logistical nightmare for schools and not always possible), here are some important things to consider first.

- Don’t rob your child of this opportunity to develop social skills. School is a place where our kids learn important social skills as well as academic ones. Finding their place and making friends in a new group is a vital skill to develop and one they’ll rely on for the rest of their lives. The classroom is one of the gentlest places to start learning.

- Teachers turn a “bunch of kids” into a team every year. They keep an eye out for students who aren’t mixing in and create opportunities to pair them up with different children.

- There’s still lunch and recess to play with their mates. It’s also a great opportunity for them to learn about separating social time and work time.

- Lots of their classmates are in the same boat. Everyone is starting a new year, with a new teacher and a new classroom and many will be looking for new friendships too. Some kids choose a new “best friend” in every class they are in, which builds a rich network of friendships over the years.

- Children learn different skills from different classmates. These days there are lots of opportunities for group work in class, when students team up and work through tasks together. Unlikely pairings can produce excellent workmates, who share a common language of learning and help each other along.

- You can gently help them make new friends. If you are able to spend some time in your child’s classroom (for example, by helping out with reading or maths groups) you’ll meet the other children and be able to suggest possible friends to your child. Your child will be thrilled to see you in their classroom and it also seems to fast track their sense of ‘belonging’! Encourage play dates with classmates.

- If, after a couple of weeks, your child doesn’t seem to be settling in or is still anxious about their new class, by all means drop a note to the teacher or make an appointment to chat. Veteran parents and teachers tell us that more likely than not, your child will be absolutely fine and will have developed a new level of resilience from spreading their wings a little.