Zumba
Zumba lessons start this week. The cost will be $3 per week or $18 for the full six weeks. Due to the short notice, all students will attend this week, but the expectation for future weeks will be that students need to pay in advance. This will be the only sport that students will participate in for the next six weeks, so Zumba is not an optional extra. If you require financial assistance, please contact me during school hours.

Book Club
The next book club order was handed out yesterday. Orders are due back on Friday 1st August.

Soccer
Our soccer game has been re-scheduled for next Friday (24th July). It will be held at Kurri Kurri. Notes were sent home today and need to be returned no later than Monday 20th July. Those students who have already paid do not need to pay again.

Public Speaking
Students were notified at the end of last term about our public speaking program. The topic for this year is “My favourite activity is………..because ……….” All students need to prepare their speeches at home. Speeches will be delivered in class over the next two weeks with 2 finalists chosen from each grade level. The finalists will deliver their speeches at our Education Week assembly to be held on Friday 7th August at 2pm. This year some of our finalists will be representing the school at a Zone Public Speaking Competition.

Walkathon
Thank you to everyone who supported our walkathon. $1170.91 was raised by the students which is absolutely fantastic. This money will be put towards our swimming program at the end of the year. Prizes for the students have arrived and were handed out today.

Late Arrivals
Parents, please remember that it is a legal requirement that you sign your children in to school if you are running late in the mornings. There are forms in the office and all classrooms.

Christina Darlington
Principal

Weekly Awards - Week 10 Term 2
Homework Awards: Abby Cooper, Amy Thompson, Isabella Wallace, Sam Thompson, Natasha Marsh, Andrew Harris, Riley Borradaile, Mikayla Borradaile, Marshall Hinze, Reagan Turner, Austin Adams and Archie Johnson.

15th July 2015
Welcome back. It’s nice to see everyone rested and ready to go. Once again we have a very busy term lined up.
Welcome to our new enrolments - Ella and Andy Olive. I’m sure they are going to enjoy being part of our little school.
We also welcome Anne Glendinning from CSU Bathurst, who will be working with 3/4/5/6 for the next 5 weeks.

NAIDOC Week
Our students celebrated NAIDOC week at the end of last term. They participated in two video conferences. The first conference was conducted by the Sydney Museum and students had the opportunity to explore and learn about our three flags - Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander. They brainstormed elements that should be included on a flag, and then with this in mind, they designed their own flags. They enjoyed incorporating ideas from different cultures to design a flag that is more representative of our modern society.
The second video conference was conducted by the State Library. It was based around this year’s theme We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate.
Students were introduced to some Aboriginal words through the app tumbir. They then discussed what a ‘sacred’ place means to indigenous people. The students were encouraged to think about a place that is sacred to them. They then created a 3D paper sculpture that represented their sacred place. This activity generated a lot of interesting discussion.