School is quickly drawing to an end. There are so many things to do before the end of the year. Staffing is just about finalised, reports done and the fete was held and a huge success.

I am really looking forward to our celebrations this week. It is a really important time of year when we celebrate the achievements of our athletes, our artists and our scholars. It is also time we bid farewell to our Year 6 students and welcome our new Kinders. This time of change can be exciting and daunting for students, but all part of the schooling journey.

At this time of year I would like to say thank you to the staff and P&C for their valued support. Without your dedicated efforts every day, the school would not have the resourcing it currently has.

To the carers and parents, thanks for allowing us to educate your children. We are very lucky that you have shared them with us.

Students will receive their reports today, due to the fete being held. We didn’t want them to be mislaid in the things bought at the fete. They will also receive a letter stating who your child's teacher will be for 2015.

Mr Michael Darcy will begin as Assistant Principal in 2015 and the position of Assistant principal Special Education will be filled in the next 2 weeks.

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2014**: Wednesday 17th December 2014

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 2015**: Wednesday 28th January 2015

Mr Matthew Frost
A truly wonderful gentleman who has contributed greatly to our school. Matt is moving to Casino to be closer to grandparents and family. He will be missed.

_Signed_ Anne van Dartel
Principal

Christmas Fete
A big thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas fete yesterday. The money raised will be used to buy resources to support students in the classroom.

Students enjoyed the variety of different stalls and activities. A special thank you goes out to our wonderful P&C, Senior Constable Marty Paice, Jack Attenborough and Ross Scott, Alan Buck, Ivans jumping castles, Shirley in the canteen, Allyn Smith and Mrs Hoogesteger and the Crosgrove family for offering their time and expertise. Thank you to all the staff that organised and ran the different stalls on the day.

Miss Mercuri

Library
Reminder that all library books need to be returned to the library by next Monday the latest. Thank you.

Miss Mercuri

**Bro and Sista Speak**
On Monday 15th December we will be celebrating the end of our Bro Speak and Sista Speak programs for term 4. We will be having a lunch and presentation for participating students. Parents/Carers are encouraged to attend. Lunch will be from 12noon—1pm for Sista Speak and 1:15pm—2:15pm for Bro Speak, both will be held in the back demountable.

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