



### **Principal's News**

I think it is safe to say that we are all enjoying the respite from the heat! The children were wonderful and calm, and accepted inside play on the hottest days.

Thank you for your patience with our phones and internet. The situation, however, brought to light the fact that in the case of an emergency, we have no communication out of the Valley when we all rely on Telstra services. I have begun investigating the possibility of an emergency communication device —such as a satellite phone.

Lee and I are working hard on our programmes and are collaborating to ensure consistency across the curriculum.

I have been focussing on maths (money), English (*The Invention of Hugo Cabret*, spelling), social and emotional learning (SEL), History (Megalong) and PDHPE (healthy eating and active lifestyles).

Lee is focussing on Maths (number), English (poetry, spelling, grammar), Art & Drama and Science (electricity).

Feel free to ask us any questions that you might have about our programmes.

Thank you so much for returning the information on your child that I requested. This simply ensures that we are thinking along the same lines to work towards the best learning outcomes for your children.

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### **Swimming carnival**

4 of our students participated in the combined swimming carnival with Mt Victoria PS and Katoomba North PS on Tuesday. From all reports, Caleb, Bridie, Riley and Zarli were an absolute credit to the school and tried their best in all events. Congratulations to Zarli who has made it through to the zone swimming carnival at Glenbrook Pool on Friday 24th February. Good luck Zarli!

### **P&C**

Yesterday we held our first P&C meeting for 2017. Congratulations to our committee members, and thank you for volunteering your time for these very important roles.

### **Next meeting:**

**Wednesday 15th March at 9:30am.**

**All welcome!**

### **Absences, Late Arrivals and Early Leavers.**

The Department of Education has moved all NSW schools over to an internet-based school management system. As a result, we need to record details of any students who arrive late to school, or leave early. We have made a sheet that will be hooked to the office door. Please fill this in each time that your child is late, or you need to collect them early.

In addition, please provide a note each time your child is absent from school. This simply needs to state the date of the absence, the reason, and your signature. Please send this note with your child on the day they return after their absence.