Message from the School Council President:
I am pleased to announce on behalf of School Council that the successful applicant in the recent principal recruitment process was Rachel Saunders. We undertook a rigorous process in line with Department guidelines and Rachel proved her value to the school. It is a five year contract so we look forward to working with Rachel into the future.  

Pete Arkins

Principal News:
Last week of term! I’d like to take this opportunity to thank all families, staff and students for making me so very welcome this term in my role as acting Principal. I have loved getting to know everyone and watching the growth of each and every student. I am thrilled to have been successful in obtaining the substantive Principal role, therefore I will be back next term, and I look forward to an exciting future ahead at Bethanga!

Wishing everyone a restful break - an opportunity to recharge the batteries ready for a fabulous term 3!

Student Reports
Thank you to Mr Hogan, Mrs Wood and Miss Guymer who have so thoughtfully prepared the semester one reports for our students. It was a pleasure to read each report, not only to see the academic growth, but also the depth at which our teachers know each student personally. Each student has also contributed their reflection of the semester in their report - a component I am sure as parents you will appreciate! Reports will be sent home with students on Thursday.

Student in grade 4-6 have worked diligently to prepare sessions they will run independently this Wednesday as part of Bluearth Day. Bluearth is a unique movement approach to learning that endeavours to improve health, behaviour, self-esteem, confidence and academic achievement. The added component of taking on the role of instructors has increased student’s communication skills, initiative and pride in their role of responsibility. Families are welcome to join us for these student-led Bluearth sessions this Wednesday. The first session will commence at 12 noon, feel free to bring lunch along to enjoy with students before the second session at 2pm.

Our Bluearth Day will not proceed if the weather does not allow for outdoor activities. The forecast for this week is not very promising; there is a high likelihood of rain on Wednesday. The day will be cancelled without notice if we have rainy weather on Wednesday, so please ring the school if you are planning to attend and are unsure on the day. (See attached flyer)

School Banking Dates: Wednesday 22nd June
**Last Day of Term**

Term 2 will finish this Friday. School will finish at 2:30pm. In celebration of the fabulous term we have had, the junior school council are organising a casual clothes day. The theme of the casual clothes day is 'mood meter' students are encouraged to dress in clothes that match a quadrant of the mood meter (red, yellow, blue and green) or perhaps all four!! As well as this students have organised some fun activities such as Lucky dips, pin the tail on the mood meter. Students wishing to participate in these activities will need to bring 50cents for each activity.

Throughout the term, students have learnt about the mood meter. The way we can plot our emotions based on pleasantness and energy. I have been so impressed with how students and teachers have embraced this concept – students are not only knowledgeable about different emotions that are found in each quadrant, they are also able to ‘check-in’ and recognise where they are on the mood meter.

Next term we will expand on this further by exploring where we need to be for optimal learning (which is not necessarily yellow or green – a great persuasive text or debate comes from the red quadrant!)

It is requested that students bring a gold coin donation. Money raised from this event will be used to purchase A1 size mood meters for each classroom.

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**Year 3/4 Camp**

Notes will go home with all students in grade 3 and 4 today outlining travel details for camp which will take place Tuesday-Friday in the first week back. There has been an adjustment to the cost of the camp - full payment is now only $150... amazing value for four days and three nights! Full payment **MUST** be received by Friday for students to attend (therefore any electronic transfers needs to occur no later than Wednesday to ensure payment is recorded at school before the holidays. Confirmation of amount outstanding is included in individual student notes). Students not attending camp will be required at school.

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**Working Bee**

A reminder to all families that we will hold a working bee this Sunday 26th June from 9am. Mulching the front gardens will be the priority but there are many other jobs that can also be done! I thank all families who contribute at the working bee in advance. In small schools where we do not have the luxury of a 'grounds person', everyone pitching in is necessary to get jobs done. Giving up your time to improve the school grounds is very much appreciated.
Winter Warmers!

So we started this challenge with the goal of knitting 100 squares to form blankets... thank you to everyone who has, and continues to knit for this worthy cause! I am thrilled to say that due to the contributions of not only our parents and carers, but also the wider community - our official knitted square tally is 168!! The photo shows the students in F/1 honing their skip counting skills by counting the squares in lots of 5!

Is there anyone in our school community who could possibly commence the job of sewing the squares together? If you are able to help out with this - please see me this week, would be great to have a blanket sewn together over the holidays!

Please continue to send completed squares in to school. This project will continue until our cluster Indonesian Day which; takes place on Wednesday 27th July. A whole month to go... What will be our final tally???

Choir CD

Miss Briggs is in the process of making a rehearsal CSD for the choir. The eisteddfod is on Thursday 28th July, not long after the holidays.

**It is very important that all choir students practise their parts with the CD.** This will help us be our best on the day.

Casserole Night

A night to meet and eat will be held on Saturday 23rd July at the Bethanga Golf Club. The cost of the night is $5.00 per head. Bring along a casserole to share. This is an adults only night to give parents, family, friends and community members a chance to meet and catch up.
## Term 2 2016

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### MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:

None this week

### PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THAT OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE!

Thank you!

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