Welcome to our last week of term 3.

I’d like to start off with thanking all who were able to assist with our ‘café’ for the Terrigal Trotters event on Saturday. While being a long and busy day, it was a very successful event for our school, raising much needed funds for our upcoming school programs. We had many visitors on the day, many of whom complimented us on our fantastic school.

Our years 5 and 6 students are off to Canberra this week and we know they’ll have an exciting time visiting our nation’s capital. It’ll feel a little strange without them, but our Junior class and year 3 will have some exciting things to occupy themselves with while they’re gone.

I’d like to remind parents that our school start date for next term is Tuesday, 7th October, for both students and staff. Our pupil free days are at the finish of the school term for term 4.

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, intensive swimming lessons commence during week 2 of next term. We will be joining Laguna Public School and Wollombi Public School for lessons held at Kurri Kurri swimming pool. These lessons are held over 5 days and conclude at the end of week 3.

Our Kindergarten Transition program, Ready, Set, Go will start on Monday of week 2 next term, for our next years Kindergarten students. A program has been uploaded onto our school website and all potential enrolments are invited to attend. This program runs over 6 weeks and allows children to experience all aspects of “big school.”

We’d all like to wish all of our families a restful holiday break and we’ll be back after two weeks ready for an interesting and fun filled last term of the year.

Our school would like to thank William’s Produce in Bellbird, for supplying chook feed for our school chooks.

Till next term-
Donna Stackman

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**Diary Dates:**

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Maths - During this last week of term, our Junior class will be undergoing testing on all mathematical concepts. They are encouraged to participate in Mathletics and Studyladder at home for extra practice of learning tasks.

Morning News - This week our students have ‘free choice’ of news topic. We discussed this last Friday in class and our children are aware of the requirements for an interesting talk. They may bring props to add interest to their talk if they wish.

K-3 Excursion 17/9/14 - “Oliver” Production, performed by K-6 students of Kitchener Public School. Travel to Kitchener PS will be by bus and parents. Leaving school at 11:30am for a start of 12:30pm. Please ensure your child’s permission note is returned to school as we cannot allow children to attend without a signed permission note.

Homework - Kindergarten to year 3 will have weekly homework this week including spelling work, handwriting and mathematics. Home readers will be included along with a response to reading sheet. Years 5 & 6 will have a nightly task during their time at Canberra, Mrs Miller will supervise this.

L3 Reading - We’d like our Kindergarten students to continue practicing their L3 reading method during the holidays. They can use any book of their choosing, either a new or familiar read. If parents would like a refresher on how to encourage this at home, please see us this week.

As Friday is our last day of the term, we will have “Friday Fun Afternoon”. After lunch, we will be watching a video.

From the Kitchen Garden...

Kale chips!

Lightly spray kale leaves with pure olive oil.

Dust with sea salt and bake in a medium oven until crisp, then eat until you can’t fit any more in.

Yummy indeed and extremely healthy!

Tuesday, 7th October, 2014