Dear Families,
Once again welcome back to Term 1 2016.

Congratulations to Daniel Zhydenko who is our new School Captain and Riley West who is our Student Councillor for 2016. Sapphira takes on a new role with Mrs DiMaggio as Library Assistant. While our school is small I know that students will do a fantastic job in their new roles to assist in improving the school. We have ordered badges and Mr Curtis Pitt may be visiting the school this term to present student leaders with these.

New medical information was sent out on Wednesday and if there are any changes to your child’s children’s health please let the school know as soon as possible. Please note that any student with asthma must have a medical plan from the doctor and a copy of this must be kept in schools. There are new forms to complete if the school has to administer medication.

Please let us know if you have a change of address or phone number so these details can be uploaded into One School.

There have been several bomb threats made to schools in the last week. We take these very seriously and are prepared if this occurs at Bartle Frere. There is a process for all schools to follow and we have had a meeting around this to ensure everyone is safe. Lockdowns, fire drills and emergency procedures are practised regularly so that we all know what to do.

Our Teddy Bears’ Picnic is fast approaching and students are very excited about this. The date has been set for the 9th March. We also have a mobile farm attending on the day linking in with what we are doing in the sciences.

There has been a reduction in Teacher Aide hours this year and the school will be using the Investing for Success monies to top up hours for staff so that the learning agenda is not affected.

Religion is taught on Monday afternoon with Mrs Lizzio. Students were very excited to see her again. Please fill in the forms sent home on Thursday and return by Monday.

Home Ice-cream will continue each fortnight on a Wednesday and if you would like to purchase ice-cream the dates are 17/2, 2/3, and 16/3.

There will be a P&C Meeting next Wednesday 10th February at 3pm.

Have a great weekend!

Danielle Weirman
Principal

Student of the Week

Congratulations XAVIER for active listening and always doing your best!!
NRL AND COWBOYS COMING TO BARTLE FRERE!!!!

NRL will be visiting the school on the 17th February to play some games with students and give out some prizes. We welcome back Tyson who is a regular visitor to the school.

Congratulations Riley who is our Student Councillor for 2016

AROUND THE SCHOOL

Students making their Lego to carry a dictionary down a 45 degree ramp. While some had to go back to the drawing table everyone was successful in the end!!