The School Council will meet on Wednesday 6th April at 1:30. The meeting is just before the 2pm school assembly. This is an opportunity to look at the planning documents that are being considered and to have a look at the annual report. I welcome the comments and advice that is offered by families that attend the meeting. It is impressive the way family can offer a different perspective of how the school can be more effective. I hope you can join the Chairperson, Mayor Logan Howlett and I as we consider the direction of the school.

The P & C have met a second time to organise a committee. The core committee will consist of

- Kelly Kelly – President
- Bianca Rafferty - Vice President
- James Kelly – Treasurer
- Alison Causby– Secretary

I am sure the wider community is most grateful to these people for putting up their hands for these positions. Robina Cartledge, Sarah Gould and Tasha Walker have formally offered their support at the meeting. I look forward to seeing them around the school this year. Many thanks to those who could not attend the meeting but have offered their time to support the P & C projects. For those that have not returned their offer of support as yet, you are still welcome to send through those slips. Most of the fund raising events happen when parents are at the school, so, you may find it easier than you realise to lend a hand to the P & C.

Kind regards,

Elizabeth Melville
Easter Bonnet Parade & Raffle Draw

Wednesday 23rd March 2PM
Tickets are still available in the office at 50c each—$5 for a book of 10.
Come and join the fun and be there for the Easter Raffle draw.
Lots of prizes to be won

Sandplay Therapy – who can benefit from it?

Many children experience issues which potentially hinder their ability to give their full attention and concentration to academic learning. These issues can range from;

- Being developmentally less mature than their classmates,
- Experiencing disturbed sleep,
- Finding it difficult to learn what is appropriate school behavior,
- Being involved in bullying,
- Living with stress for any reason,
- Being at risk of exclusion from school,
- Having suffered trauma,
- Not finding play comes naturally to them,
- Or any number of additional factors which result in the development of an obstacle to full academic learning participation.

Through non-directive, child-led sandplay children can work through past issues and prepare for future events in the safe and protected environment of the playroom under the watchful eye of the trained and experienced sandplay therapist.

For additional information contact the therapist through the school office.

Canteen opens on Wednesday and Friday this year.

Please support your canteen by volunteering your time or by purchasing their delicious and nutritious meals for your children.

Without your support the P&C and canteen cannot function or offer valued support to the special days enjoyed by us all such as Sports Carnival, Special Event Breakfasts, Sausage sizzle lunches etc.

Feel free to approach Kelly and introduce yourself when you see her smiling face at the canteen.
Teddy Bears Picnic

On Thursday the 10th of March, the Pre-primary and Kindy class held a Teddy Bears Picnic. In the lead up to this exciting event, the children were involved in a number of activities relating to bears. These activities linked directly across the learning areas within the Australian Curriculum and the Early Years Learning framework. The children sang songs, completed crafts and cooking, rehearsed nursery rhymes, played games and looked at the habitat and life of bears in the environment.

The picnic was a very successful community event, where all parents, caregivers and younger siblings were invited to attend. The Early Childhood teachers strongly encourage positive relationships between caregivers and educators and therefore this was a brilliant opportunity to get to know families.

We began the day completing lots of activities including cooking and crafts. Then at 11.00am, the parents arrived and we carried our teddies out to the picnic rugs. We all indulged in some delicious food, cooked by the children and donated by the parents. Following this the children played beautifully with their teddies in the playground and the adults were encouraged to get involved with their child’s imaginative play.

Overall, Mrs Rowe and Miss Sarah were blown away by the enthusiasm and support from the families involved. They felt so lucky at the end of the day to be working with not just wonderful children, but their caring, loving and motivated parents too!

Thank you to all involved and we look forward to our next community event in Term 2…MOTHERS DAY!
Every Child  Every Chance  Every Day