Swimming Carnival: Thank you so much to all parents for your help and support in ensuring your children were in attendance; assisting where needed; looked after and signed out upon leaving. We were so impressed with the overall behavior and enthusiasm of our students. It was also great to hear comments from a number of sources about the wonderful behavior of the Middle Dural students in particular. Thank you students for your energy in making sure it was such a great day!

Crunch and Sip: A reminder to all parents that at 10:00am each day students in both classes stop for a five minute crunch and sip time to reboost their energy. We ask that students bring along some small item of fresh fruit or veg to “crunch” and have some water to “sip.” Please do not pack too much food as it is only a short break in the morning session.

Sports Uniforms: Our students are looking particularly dashing in their new sports attire! Remember that this year students can wear their sports clothes on Wednesday and Friday each week to allow comfort in PDHPE and sport. They’ll also get a greater wear out of them.

Safety Issues:
- Please ensure students are entering and exiting through the new gate when leaving on the Mid Dural Road side. Nobody should be using the driveway.
- A reminder that immediately outside this gate is a Bus Zone and as such no one should be parked there. (See attached sheet)
- Any parent parked over the road is asked to cross to meet your child and walk back across together when it is safe to do so.
- Students not catching the early bus are to wait on the K/1/2 verandah until parents arrive so that they are supervised.
- Nobody should be left unattended at the school before 8:35am when teachers are on duty.

Assemblies: Thank you for your attendance at our last assembly. Our students are always happy to show a little of what has been happening in their classroom. These are fortnightly events, unless otherwise specified. Hope to see you for our next assembly.

Chinese New Year: Thursday will see our P&C providing our students with a delicious morning tea of spring rolls and Chinese dumplings along with lucky red envelopes. We are looking forward to the commencement of this unit as a lead up to Harmony Day. Students will also be involved in Literacy and Art activities associated with this theme being carried out over the three weeks. It should be a lot of fun! Thank you to the P&C members who are organizing the food for us.
**Days to note:**

**Wednesdays** = Scripture and PDHPE (sports uniform)

**Thursdays** = Library day and Assembly every 2nd week

**Friday** = Sports day and Canteen day

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**From Farm to Plate**

This is a school presentation designed for our younger students by the Sydney Markets.

It is at no cost but is great to assist with learning about systems and services as well as healthy eating.

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**Becoming culturally aware** as our students experience the delights of a special morning tea at the commencement of the Chinese New Year. Involvement in the Arts and Literacy around this theme will benefit us all as well as providing opportunities for those who have experienced this to share with others.

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**Our P&C will be meeting on**

**Tuesday 10th March at 7:00pm**

in the school library.

These meetings are short, fun and best of all ..... **PRODUCTIVE!!!**

**Our last meeting...**

Only lasted a little over an hour, resulted in the commencement of a wish list and organization of fun events such as our Chinese New Year, explained a few school learning programs and was also good fun!

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

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**Never blame anyone in your life...**

*Good people give you happiness; Bad people give you experience; Worst people give you a lesson; Best people give you memories!*

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A small reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please speak to the class teacher to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 2 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

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**Ann Mills**

**Principal**

**Middle Dural PS**