



Bulletin #1

Welcome to 2017 and what promises to be a wonderful year of learning, excitement, challenge and fun at Long Street Primary School. I trust you all had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends and are looking forward to the year ahead.

I would like to welcome new staff to the school: **Tammy Edwards** is working with our year 4/5 class in Room 11; **Emily Toms** is working with our year 2/3 class in Room 4 and **Ria Harrison** is working in our Reception/1 class in Room 1. We hope they enjoy their time at Long Street and wish them well in their work. We also welcome **Mrs Sandra Grosso** who has been appointed as the new Canteen Manager. Sandra comes to our school with a wealth of knowledge and experience having worked in the food industry for over 20 years.

School Fees

Governing Council has set this year's school fees at \$231.00 which is in line with the DECD standard fees policy. School Card applications need to be completed every year. Please see Raylene in the finance office for an application form. EFTPOS facilities are available in the finance office and payment plans can be arranged through Raylene and the Principal. Invoices for school fees will arrive home during Week 2.

School Uniforms

Long Street Primary School has a strict uniform policy which is endorsed by Governing Council and will be enforced by the school. School uniforms can be ordered through Lisette in the front office. Payment is made when the uniform items are collected. Hats can be purchased from the front office for \$10. A reminder that we also now have a new baseball style jacket which can be ordered ready for the cooler weather.

Grievance Process

Grievances are inevitably going to occur throughout the school year. It is my expectation that all grievances are handled respectfully and calmly. Aggression of any kind directed at students or staff will not be tolerated at any time. We are here to systematically work through the grievance process and will support you and your child with all issues or concerns that are brought to our attention.

School App

Long Street Primary has invested in an app called **SKOOLBAG**. This app is free to download to your mobile device and provides alerts and shares information about the following: your child's class, upcoming events, excursion details, policies, school newsletters, school bulletins, canteen news and a variety of other information relating to the school. If you have any difficulties please speak with Lisette on the front desk who will gladly support you.

Canteen

A new canteen menu for 2017 is now available and a copy is coming home with your child. Please replace your 2016 pink menu with a 2017 gold menu. The menu is also available from the front office and on our school app.

SunSmart

Our school is registered as a SunSmart school. This means we follow the procedures and practices outlined by this organisation. The framework supports our decisions of whether to allow students to play outside on extreme weather days. The safety and wellbeing of students is paramount in ensuring students are protected from the sun and UV rays. Further information can be sought from the SunSmart policy which is available on the school's website. As part of our SunSmart policy, children are required to wear a hat whenever they are outdoors, all year round. Please ensure that your child has a Long Street hat (with their name printed inside) that is in a condition that complies with our Dress Code Policy eg. no rips, tears or graffiti.

Attendance

This year we will be having a whole school focus on improving attendance. Please take the time to read the attached information regarding our attendance policy and the impact that non-attendance can have on students.

Regards

Bryan Rotherham
Principal