Hi everyone.

Welcome back to the school year for 2015. What a wonderful way to spend my birthday, being surrounded by so many happy faces! I am feeling so positive about being at Ungarra and I would like to thank the whole school community for extending such a warm welcome to me.

I had a wonderful Christmas break, waving goodbye to my daughter a few weeks ago who is now entering her second week of Rotary exchange in Denmark.

**STAFF PLANNING**

Last week we had 2 very productive days. Thursday was full of rich discussions, planning and whole school goal setting.

Goals to start the year are:

- Daily reading by all children to an adult
- Each Math lesson will begin with a mental routine
- Our focus “ingredient” for WEEK 1 is “MANNERS”
  
  (we’ll build on these each week & encourage families to do the same at home)
STAFF TRAINING DAY

On Friday Lake Wangary and Port Neill joined with us to explore the Arts curriculum. We had Claire Wood from Adelaide to run the session and everyone enjoyed a fabulous lunch in our kitchen making fresh tortilla and tacos. The small school connection is such a vital part of our development and continued learning. I am looking forward to continuing this strongly throughout the year.

NEW STAFF

I would like to welcome Ashleigh Ferguson to our school also. Ashleigh comes with a wealth of knowledge and experience across many year levels and has also been extended a very warm welcome into the school community.

Welcome also to Sharon Campbell our new SSO who is replacing Nikki. Sharon also works at the Port Lincoln Special School. We have been fortunate in securing CPSW funding again for 2015 and so we continue to have Eden and Janet with us which was wonderful news at the end of last year!

WEEK ONE NEWS

Tuesday morning began with a quick Assembly to celebrate the award presented to our school at the Australia Day breakfast in Tumby Bay. Riley had the responsibility of bringing the award to school on the bus this morning.

Positive Play awards are off and running in the yard. Children can earn tickets by playing together in a positive inclusive manner. All tickets come to the jar in the office and one lucky winner at Fridays Assembly will choose a prize from the Lucky Dip box. We also have a ‘Positive thought for the day” jar. Everyone in the school, children and adults are rostered on to write their positive thought about school for the day and place it in the jar by the end of the day. Declan started us off with this and had his positive thought done before lunch! Nice one Declan.
MEET AND GREET NIGHT

THURSDAY 5TH OF FEBRUARY from AT 4.50 PM—7.30 PM

This will be an opportunity for parents to meet new staff members and hear about what will be happening in the school and classrooms this term.

Welcome from Kathy at 4.50 pm
Junior Primary overview with Ashleigh at 5.00 pm
Upper Primary overview with Ken at 5.30 pm
Overview of the term from Kathy
BBQ tea to follow, please bring a salad or a sweet

For supervision reasons there will be a G rated video screening along with some colouring in and games in the stone room while the parent sessions are taking place so all children will be supervised indoors until the conclusion of the interviews. Please bring your child/ren to the stone room when you arrive.

Preschool parents and children children welcome to attend

As part of our literacy program, this term teachers from both classes are keen to get parent involvement with listening to reading for the first hour of each day.

Keep your eye out for a roster at our Meet and Greet night and pop your name down where it best suits.

The other area where we are looking for support is with the cutting up of Monday lunches and daily fruit. Fruit can be cut up anytime from 8.30 –9.30 am and some families may be happy to do this on a weekly basis (e.g. every Friday). If you are happy to do this we can leave you off the lunch roster.

Monday lunches can either be cut up during that same time or between 12 and 1 pm. If you are able to help out with the serving/clean up of the lunches anytime, that would also be appreciated. All families will be asked to help out with Monday lunches and again, rosters will be available to put your name on next Thursday night.

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Hi everyone and welcome back to the new year. Due to the public holiday last Monday our first Playcentre will be on Monday 2nd of February. This will be a MORNING SESSION ONLY as I will use the afternoon to do the term’s planning, so bring along your ideas. See you all then.

This year the Active After School program will be restructured and the new national program will not roll out into schools until term 3 of this year. This means that there will be no after school sessions on sports practice days at this stage. Students will either need to be picked up from school by parents at 3.30 pm or go home on the bus in the usual way. Students can not be dropped unsupervised at the Complex for duty of care reasons.

Sue is keen to take the kids on an excursion to a local shearing shed to collect some aged manure for the garden. If you’d be willing to host a school visit, sing out.

Kitchen lessons will commence in week 2 with the JP’s cooking on Tuesdays and the UP’s on Wednesday. Please remember that students will need to be wearing covered shoes (i.e. sand shoes) for all kitchen lessons.

Unfortunately our summer garden did not fare so well in the holidays so we would be grateful for any excess produce people may have to be able to use in kitchen lessons. If you have any to spare tomatoes, zucchinis, pumpkins, cucumbers or other seasonal produce, please drop it off when you are next in the school.

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Community News

Notice from SA Power Networks

Power cut, Sunday 8th February

8am—3pm

Areas affected—Ungarra, Brayfield, Tumby Bay, Yaranyacka, Moody, Butler-Dixon, Port Neill and Stokes

We have had some bowls and containers left in the kitchen from last year (see picture) so please come and collect if they are yours.