Welcome to a new year!
Welcome to our new families and returning families. We are very happy to welcome back to Kennedy: Clayton, Jakob and Charlie. We also warmly welcome our new Preppies: Angus, Peyton, Ruby and Shanikah. We know you will love our wonderful little school. It is wonderful to have our Mrs Kaurila back from extended leave. I am very pleased and excited to be acting in the role as Principal for 2018.

Learning at Kennedy
We have confirmed our day 8 numbers as 24 students enrolled at Kennedy. This means we will continue to operate as one class. Mrs Kaurila will be full time, and she and I will team teach the class. We are well under way establishing our programs and routines. Students and staff are enjoying our new multi-age set up and the positive experiences that it offers.

Over the last two weeks students have been learning the new routines for the year and learning or reviewing our rules. The rules are Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner and all our actions must be safe, respectful and help us with our learning.

Kauri Pines
You may have noticed that there is a section of the playground cordoned off with orange mesh. This is a safety measure to prevent any injuries resulting from the trees dropping their very large seed nuts. We have reported the issue to the relevant authorities and expect to get a health and safety report on trees in the near future.

Transport Arrangements
Please remember that if you are changing your child’s going home routine (such as having a friend collect them) please let the office know. A text message or a voice message on the answering machine is fine. We will not let your child go home with someone else with out your express permission. This is for your child’s safety.

Facebook App
You can now Find Us On Facebook!
Make sure you like our page to see some of our goings on.

Parents & Citizens Association (P&C)
Our school’s P&C meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month (except for school holidays). This means our first meeting for the year is on Tuesday the 6th February.
Everyone is welcome. We would love to see you there.

Student Leaders
Today the students nominating to be student leaders in 2017 have presented their speeches at parade. Our nominees for School Captain this year are: Dion Wells, Ella Camilleri, Ryan Mclachlan and Dallas Ivey-Mothe. Our election will be early next week and we will announce our elected leaders shortly after. Next Friday we will hold our induction ceremony on Parade.
I am very proud of all our Year 6’s and I can already see them stepping up to support and guide our younger students.

Communication
We communicate important news and information in a variety of ways.
Our traditional methods of this newsletter and letters home will continue as before. Please check your child’s bag and homework folder regularly.
You can telephone the office at any time. If the phone is unanswered, please leave a message. We check the messages at every break and just before 3 pm so any messages regarding transport arrangements etc will be received. I will do my best to return parent calls as soon as possible.
School phone: 4066 655
School Mobile: 0459 897 085
Another great way to communicate with me is by email jmccu51@eq.ed.au. My emails are always checked daily and I will be able to respond to you quickly.

School Calendar
Attached is a copy of our school calendar. Please keep this safe for future reference.

Please do not ever hesitate to contact me with any issues or concerns. I look forward to working and learning with you all this year.
Regards,
Mrs Jo McCullagh
Meet our new Preppies!

We would like to welcome our adorable Preps for 2018 to our wonderful school. We look forward to sharing your learning experiences throughout the year Shanikah, Ruby, Peyton and Angus.

Around our Classrooms

Dates to remember:

6th Feb: Prep vision screening.
9th Feb: Induction Ceremony for School Leader’s (Parade).
29th Mar: Last day of Term 1.
30th Mar: Good Friday.
17th April: First day of Term 2.
25th April: Anzac day—Public Holiday.