Students of the Week

2 February 2017

Brooke Bull
Prep

Liam Forrest
Year 1/2

Allarnah Morris
Year 2/3

Harrison Kruckow
Year 4

Jason Houghton
Newman

Haylee Wilkins
Year 6

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LA LA LAND (PG) $8

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$230 per week
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Welcome Prep / Year 1 students and families

We have all settled in well to the daily routines and expectations in Prep / Year 1. It has been wonderful to see so many students independently entering the classroom, organising their belongings and preparing for learning each day. Well done! We look forward to showcasing our amazing work and classroom next at our ‘Meet the Teacher’ afternoon next Wednesday!

Mrs Delamare

Uniforms have arrived but sizes 14 and 16 are still to arrive. If you want any of these sizes, orders can be placed for them.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Tuckshop Convenor, Tanya, is keen to supply healthy and delicious food for our children. To ensure our tuckshop can prepare quality food and our service is exceptional, Tanya needs your help. We are calling for volunteers to contact Tanya on 0409282676 with times and days you might be willing to volunteer on her roster. Please call Tanya and have a chat about where you can help.

****We urgently need help tomorrow in the tuckshop, so please call her if you can spare an hour or two.****