Dear Parents,

Welcome back to St. Theresa’s for the 2013 school year. We hope you have had a great break over the Christmas period and that the children are excited about their return to school for the year.

Today we are sending home a short welcome note with some important information on it for the start of the year.... Our first full newsletter will be on Monday.

We have had a great start to the year and our new children are already settled and working hard. We will formally welcome all new children in the newsletter next week. We also take this opportunity to welcome all of the new families who are now a part of our community.

We will be welcoming 3 new staff members this year.

- Sharon Flanagan will be joining us in grade 2/3.
- Tenielle-Marie Pereira will be joining us in grade 5/6
- Venetia Livens will be joining us in the office in a short while.

We welcome these new staff members and know that they will quickly feel a part of the school community and get to know our families.

🔥 Over the holidays Rosalee made the difficult decision to move on from St. Theresa’s after 10 years and will explore some new opportunities this year. We thank Rosalee for her great service to our children and school community over that long period of time and wish her well.

🎉 As we mentioned last year, Anna will be decreasing her hours and Venetia Livens will begin soon. Anna will be in the office to help us for the moment until Venetia is settled.

🌈 Our newsletter will come home beginning next Monday and will come home with the eldest child in each family.
Please note that there are no lunch orders until further notice. All children will need to bring their lunch each day for the moment.

Please make sure that all items belonging to your child have a name on them.

Please ensure that your child has a school hat at school every day. We do have a “no hat no play” policy as part of our Sunsmart program at the school and this is particularly important at this time of the year.

For the moment if you need uniform items and you need your child to try them on, you will need to make a time with Anna. If you know your sizes already, you can take an order form and complete it and we can organize these items during the day for you to collect at home time. Please note that uniform items need to be paid for in cash or by cheque.

If you have a current health care card or pension card that is valid and dated for the 29th January 2013, you will need to bring your card to the office as soon as possible to be eligible for the Government Education Allowance.

School fees and levies can be paid from Monday onwards at the office. We will send information regarding online payments and direct debits in the newsletter on Monday.