Principal’s Report
Welcome back! I hope you all had a fantastic holiday with your families and I trust that the break was restful, in preparation for another wonderful school year here at Cambewarra Public School. It was wonderful to see the students dressed in full school uniform with the correct school shoes. A great start to the year.

Already this year is shaping up to be another exciting one, with the school’s bi-annual Calf and Craft Fair as our major school and community highlight.

Thank you to all our staff, parents and students for a seamless transition into new classes and for helping our new staff and students feel welcomed.

Looking forward to another great year,
Mrs Hilliar

This year we have 5 new teachers joining our staff.
Mrs Driscoll has been transferred to the teacher-librarian position from Tomerong Public School. Teaching Year One is Miss Robinson who joins us in a temporary position for 2015. On Stage Two we welcome Mr Stanley who also joins us in a temporary position for 2015. Teaching Stage Three is Mrs Merry, also joining us in a temporary position for 2015. Mrs Hackney joins us in the Release from face to face teaching position temporarily for Terms 1 and 2

We wish all our new staff a warm welcome to the Cambewarra School team.
Office Staff
Julia Wright  Relieving School Admin Manager
Ysabel Baard  School Admin Officer – IT
Dianne Halliday  School Admin Officer – Library
Bill Bates  General Assistant
Malcolm Schofield  Cleaner

School Learning Support Officers
Wendy Allan  Cindy Murray
Magella Smith  Rachelle Cove

Support Staff
Yvonne Fergusson  School Counsellor
Lisa Hood  Defence School Transition Aide (DSTA)
Jane Ewins  Well-Being Officer

Class Teachers
KW - Mrs Wellington
KS - Mrs Sturt
1R - Miss Robinson
1M - Ms Mison
2H - Mr Haigh
2R - Ms Reitz
3/4T - Mrs Turner
3/4S - Mr Stanley
3/4B - Mrs Bryant
5/6B - Mr Burns
5/6M - Mrs Merry
5/6I - Mr Irwin
Teacher-Librarian - Mrs Driscoll
School Learning and Support Officer & Reading Recovery - Mrs Bailey
Release from Face-to-Face Teaching - Mrs McGuire and Mrs Hackney

Class Structures
This year we had last minute enrolment changes to student numbers and therefore changes to our class structures. We were able to place students into their new classes on the second day of school, with the current enrolment at 298. Class structure scenarios were presented again the P&C meeting with agreement that the classes formed were generally in the best interest of students based on current student enrolment.

Here’s what a few of our students had to say about their new classes...

I’m happy with my new teacher because he is very kind and I wanted him to be my teacher, I have lots of friends in my class and Mr Irwin is teaching me well so far. – Keira

I’m happy because Mrs Bryant’s very nice and she helps us out a lot; she talks nicely and I have all my friends with me. – Khynan

I’m happy because my friends are in my class and my teacher’s nice, and I think Mrs Merry will teach me well. – Tanyel

I’m happy to be with Mr Burns because I haven’t been with him before, I think he will teach me very well this year and I have lots of my friends in my class. – Geoffrey

What’s On
Monday, 2/2

P&C Meeting
Kinders first day

Friday, 6/2

Swimming Carnival
2015 Kindergarten Students
A very big welcome to our brand new students arriving for their first day at “Big School” yesterday. We begin the year with 34 kindergarten students, our smallest group in over 5 years. There were just a few tears yesterday, with most happy to leave Mum and Dad. We know our Kinder students will have lots of fun learning, playing and growing here at Cambewarra Public School.

Here’s what our Kinders had to say about their first few days of “Big School”.

‘I like it and I had fun’          Mikenzii                             ‘I played with my buddy Sam’       Kalem
‘I like big school and my teacher’ Lexie                    ‘I like drawing pictures;’          Balin
‘I like the reading stories’      Sam                                   ‘I like catching the bus’           Billy

2015 School Routines – Term One

Fortnightly Assemblies for K-6 will be held at 2pm each Monday of the even weeks, and will begin in Week 4 (that being Monday, 16 February).

Weekly Newsletter will be sent home on Monday afternoons for Term One ONLY. Due to office staff entitlements decreasing in Term Two by two days per week, a review of the newsletter will be made during Term One in consultation with the P&C.

School Timetable and School Financial Planner for Term One, 2015 will be sent home next week with the newsletter.

Guitar lessons will be held on Thursday afternoon with Carmen.

School Band will be held on Fridays.

The Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesday afternoons from 2:00 -2:45pm.

Scripture will be held on Wednesdays, beginning in Week 4 (that being Wednesday, 18 February).

There will be no Canteen or Icy Tuesday until a new co-ordinator is found.
School Fees/Voluntary Contributions
At Cambewarra Public School we strive to provide the best education for your children. Whilst we have fantastic teachers, we do not receive enough funding to cover all material aspects of schooling.
Each year we therefore ask our families to pay school fees, to assist us with our running costs and to ensure that your child receives the quality education they deserve. It would be greatly appreciated if ALL families could pay as soon as possible. Last year roughly 68% of families contributed to school fees, an increase from the previous years. This year **the school fees are $45 per student per year**. Invoices will be sent home soon. Thank you.

P&C Meetings
P&C meetings will be held on the first Monday night of each month, at 6:30pm in the school staffroom. All parents, new or existing parents are invited and welcome to attend these meetings, to discuss ideas for the school and to meet other members of the community.

Guitar Lessons
Guitar lessons are available in school hours on Thursdays in the school term. If interested, please contact Carmen Gauci on 4446 0091.

Book Club
Book club brochures were handed out today and the due date for orders to be back to school is Thursday 19 February

Serena Wright wrote this beautiful poem upon returning to school last Wednesday. It really sums up how the staff at Cambewarra view our School Community.

Beautiful words Serena Wright, how fortunate you are to understand gratitude.

Cambewarra

In this world there are cities, towns, busy roads and the schools in those cities have smoke flying into the classes, the kids coughing and breathing in the chemicals and all the smoke but here, in Cambewarra the children are screaming in the playgrounds running around dancing and prancing, singing and spinning. The view of the hills and the trees above, the beautiful art scattered at the front of the office, the lovely community we live in. Watching the grass grow and the cows in the meadow, all the green in the view and in the grass and the trees, oh! No one knows how lucky we are.

Serena Wright 29 January 2015

Have a great week everyone. Mrs Hilliar
Cambewarra Public School 2015 Swimming Carnival
Friday February 6, 2015
Sausage Sizzle Order Form

All orders @ $ 4.00 include a sausage on a hot dog roll with or without sauce and a frozen zooper dooper........

Childs Name: 
Class: 
Number of Sausages at $ 4.00 per order = 

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Class: 
Number of Sausages at $ 4.00 per order = 

Total Money included

Please include correct money with your order

This is a fund raiser for the Cambewarra School P & C Association.

Volunteers required on the day. Contact Amanda – 0417 441 799