



April 27th 2017

Dear Parents,

At the end of last term we announced that Annette Whitton would be moving from Year 2/3 Teacher on Thursday Island to teach on Hammond Island in the P/3 classroom. Annette was going to remain in the Year 2/3 teacher until the new teacher arrived.

On reflection, Annette has decided to remain as teacher in the Year 2/3 class on Thursday Island to provide consistency and continuity of the learning environment for the students in the Year 2/3 class.

While we did have an applicant who was interested in the P/3 Class on Hammond Island, they withdrew their interest yesterday due to gaining employment in another school in Cairns.

We will be re advertising the position this weekend to seek interested teachers for the teaching position on Hammond Island to replace Briohny Jones who is now teaching in our Year 4/5 class on Thursday Island. With the announcement from Bill Dixon that the position will be for a permanent teacher, we are looking forward to attracting more applicants.

It is important to us that we provide students with a high quality of learning and wellbeing and will continue to seek the best person for the position.

Sadly, we also farewell Ms Veronica Sandall this week as our school counsellor. Our counsellors work in a number of schools in the Cairns Catholic Diocese and Veronica will now be providing services in one of our Southern Schools. Mia Lumley who also works as a psychologist for Catholic Education will be replacing Veronica for the rest of 2017.

We thank Veronica for her commitment to the students of our school and wish her all the best and welcome Mia when she visits us in the next month.

As advertised last term, Ms Jenny Evans required accommodation to assist in staying on Thursday Island. Unfortunately, Jenny has not been able to acquire suitable accommodation. The school officer position is attached to the newsletter this week of any one who is interested in applying.

Take care and thank you for your support,
Sharon County
Principal