Please be aware that from 8:30 onwards in the morning, and from 3:15 pm onwards, students are often crossing Olive Grove Avenue to get to their parent/caregiver’s car, or come to school. It is extremely important that the 25km/hour speed limit is followed to ensure the safety of everyone—students and their families. Thank you for your support in this important matter.

Deutsch Tag—German Day
We will be having our ‘Deutsch Tag’ (German Day) showcase day at Hahndorf on Wednesday, the 28th of September (week ten). Deutsch Tag will be an excellent opportunity for our students to put their knowledge and understanding of the German language and culture to the test in an authentic environment. Students will be going on a ‘scavenger hunt’ throughout the main street of Hahndorf, and hopefully collecting some goodies on the way! Hopefully everyone who joins us will find the day as enjoyable as the students!

Small School’s Combined Sports Day
Students have been madly learning the health hustle, and some of the tabloid events, for our Small School Sports Day, which is to be held on Thursday, the 29th of September 2016. This will be held at Truro Oval, Truro, with a starting time of 9:10. Thank you so much to all the parents and caregivers for returning the forms regarding this, and for assisting with transporting students to Truro, it is greatly appreciated.

We apologise for having two ‘away’ days in a row, however the sports day was the only date that all schools could agree to this year. Fortunately, all schools committed to a date for next year as well, so that other days can be planned around this in advance. So, next year, if we continue to participate in the small schools sports day, it will be held on Friday September 22, 2017.

We are all keeping our fingers crossed for beautiful weather during our very busy last week of school. We really hope that you can join us for either or both of these exciting days during week ten, and thank you all sincerely for supporting your child/ren in their learning journey.
School Photos
We will be having school photos here on **Wednesday, 26th of October** (week 2 term 4). The photographers will again be MSP Photography, and students will be receiving their envelopes next week containing information regarding prices and packages. Payment methods include cash payment in the envelope, alternatively you can make payments online. If you would like a ‘sibling photo package’, please see Kellie or Katie in the front office.

Facebook Page and Closed (private) group
Thank you to the families who have completed and returned the updated photo permissions form. Once we have updated consent, we can begin posting photos and share information about the wonderful learning that occurs at Palmer PS every day. If you have not done so already, we would love you to join our closed group, ‘Palmer Primary School’. This can be found by searching ‘Palmer Primary School’ in facebook, our group appears like this:

We are also in the process of creating a public page that will be accessible by anyone with a facebook account. This will be much more generic, including things like newsletters and only photos of students who have consent for their photo to be on the public facebook page. This page will be ‘live’ once the last permission forms have been returned. Thanks for your support in this.

Interviews—spots still available!
I would like to remind everyone that interviews are available during week nine and ten of this term and we have quite a few timeslots still available. This is a great opportunity to discuss your child’s mid-year report with their class teacher and myself, discuss assessments including NAPLAN (for students in years 3,5 and 7) PAT testing and both formative and summative assessments that occur everyday. As always, we are also available outside of these times to discuss any issues or concerns you may have.

2017 Camp Options
We are currently exploring options for our 2017 camp. At the moment we are exploring Arbury Park, a purpose-built outdoor camp for two nights at the end of May 2017, or zoo snooze for one night. Both options would be below $100. We will discuss this at Governing Council Tuesday night, and for those of you not in the facebook closed group or on governing council, I would love to hear your thoughts and opinions on these options.

Kind regards,

Lauren