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Dear Parents / Guardians of Junior School Students,

It was excellent on Wednesday to welcome all of our students back to Arndell College Junior School for the start of Term 2! We are certainly looking forward to a very full and very positive term ahead.

It is our opinion that a significant 'point of difference' for Arndell Junior School is the quality of communication that we seek to offer to parents. We consider that this emphasis on communication and on partnership is exactly as it should be and very specifically supports the vision, mission and culture of our school. To this end, I would like to make you aware of a modification in the way we will be using **STUDENT DIARIES** in Term 2.

Our aim is to enable each Student's Diary to be used by both parents and teachers as a first means of communication. Of course, all other routes for communication remain very much open, but this one will now become more widely and effectively available than previously.

To this end:

Teachers will be looking at and signing each student's School Diary, each day.

Parents are asked to counter-sign Student Diaries each evening and to check for any teacher comments or school communication in them (Junior School Letters might also be placed in Arndell Student Diaries in order to facilitate safe delivery). This is where the effective use of School Diaries becomes an opportunity for mutual responsibility between the Junior School and all parents/guardians.

Parents / Guardians are also invited to use the Diaries to record details about their child (this might be practical, organisational information etc); to ask questions or to respond to any previous comments made by staff or to make comment themselves.

Our aim in this is pretty straightforward; that Student Diaries become a practical, easy, accessible and consistent support to enable good, mutual, on - going and effective communication to occur across our School , to the clear advantage of the Junior School, its parents - but most of all, for our children.

Your partnership in this initiative is therefore greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Rev Keith Peterson
Head of Junior School.

