Dear Parents and Carers,

Well we certainly finished book week off with some piratical fun. There were pirates of all shapes and sizes around the school. It was sometimes hard to tell who was having the most fun- the students or the staff. We even had a few parrots (although Mr Allardice’s parrot closely resembled a chicken!!!) You may even have noticed Captain Black Jack Artavilla roaming the corridors in search of treasure. The Pirate Parade was grand finale of our book week activities which included visit by authors Tony Wilson and Alan Brough who enjoyed inspiring the young authors of Sunshine Heights. Thanks to all involved in planning these really great events.

As you will be aware Mr Artavilla has taken on a short term role as Acting Senior Education Improvement Leader for the South Western Region. Although we will really miss his guidance and leadership in the coming few weeks we all wish him well in his new role. It is a wonderful opportunity for him to take on a new challenge and the knowledge he gains from the experience will no doubt be of great benefit to the school as a whole.

We have an excellent team of teachers, education support and administrative staff who will work together to ensure that our quality education program continues as normal. Please feel free to contact me in Mr Artavilla’s absence if you have any concerns.

A few reminders

Father’s/Special Person’s Breakfast at Sunshine Social tomorrow beginning at 7:30. A notice was sent home with prices and an order slip last week. We are look forward to seeing lots of people at breakfast. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us. Mr Greg will be providing the entertainment for us again. Thanks Mr Greg.

Swimming
Swimming starts on Monday next week and continues until Friday. Children need to come to school with all the things they need for swimming including their towel and underwear. There will be three groups of swimmers leaving at various times during the day. Please see your child’s teacher if you need further information.

Planning Weeks
Over the next two weeks teachers will be planning for Term 4. Teachers will be released for a day during that fortnight to plan with other members of their teaching team and the coaches. This enables us to have all the programs and resources we need ready to go at the beginning of Term 4.

Future Learners Exhibition
Preparations are already underway for our end of term Future Learners Exhibition. During the term students from Grades 1-6 have been working on a unit called “Design with a Need in Mind”. They will be showcasing the process they went through to design a Solution the need they identified. Parents are welcome to visit on Wednesday 19th September between 1:15 and 3:15. We look forward to sharing our learning with you.

Sharon Noel  
Acting Principal