Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the final term of the school year. This will be an exciting term, with many interesting and engaging activities happening. Our teachers are looking forward to providing high quality learning experiences for your children, so please continue to check our Facebook and Twitter accounts as well as our website for updates on the weekly happenings.

Our principal, Richard Powell is currently on Personal Leave after having minor surgery. We look forward to him returning to his role on Monday 27 October. On behalf of our community, we wish him a speedy recovery.

As community members, we have certain responsibilities when it comes to keeping our students safe near our roads. Recently, there has been an increased amount of reports from parents about unsafe behaviour by students and by adults in vehicles within our car parks. The NRMA is attending our school on Friday 31 October to present a Road Safe program to all students from Kindergarten to Year 5. Please find some time to discuss the learning from these sessions with your children.

Family, Subject and Program Contributions
Thank you to those families who have paid their contributions this year. These funds assist in the delivery of quality learning programs to the students at Amaroo School. To continue with the wonderful work being done by the staff at Amaroo School we urge you to pay your contributions as soon as possible. Please contact the school if you require a new invoice.

Student Achievements
Natalie, Bianca and Blake (pictured right) from KNTR shared their independent writing. They have been practising on sounding out words as they write. Kindergarten students have also been using a strategy called "Read, Write, Read" in which they read a text, write a reflection on the stimulus and re-read their own writing to a partner or teacher.

Samuel, Isaac, Matthew and Joyce (pictured bottom right) from Year 4 have designed a series of posters to remind students to return their permission slips for their upcoming excursion. These students are determined to have a 100% return rate by the end of this week.

Bronte (pictured bottom left) from 4SDU challenged me to answer questions from her very creative chess game.
On the last day of Term 3, our teachers participated in an initiative entitled “Staff Swap”. This challenged teachers to engage with students for a lesson in a different area of our school. This was a fun and exciting program that students and teachers really enjoyed. Below is our Deputy Principal, Gail Taylor teaching Year 1’s about Wombat Stew.

We welcome back the students that have returned from overseas. From all reports, the students that visited France were intrigued by the different culture, while the students from Fiji’s World Challenge were inspired to continue community based work. We are very proud of our overseas student ambassadors and are thrilled that they had such a wonderful, yet diverse experience.

As always, please contact the Deputy Principals; Janine Gould A/g, Gail Taylor, Sam Beattie, Tiffany Mahon or myself, to clarify any issue of concern to you. The whole school team at Amaroo School are committed to working with our community to ensure our students have the very best opportunities to learn.

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