Welcome Back! Term One 2014
Welcome back to the 2014 school year, we are definitely off and running in the Middle Sub School. Firstly, I would like to take this chance to introduce the teachers running the Middle School, multi-age classes. We have an almost entirely new team! In 3/4 A we welcome Ms Annie Stephan, fresh and full of enthusiasm. 3/4 B are in the very capable hands of Ms Paula Baker, who has a passion for and great knowledge of the program ‘Play is the Way’. 3/4 C are fortunate to have two teachers Ms Aleesha Wood (who needs no introduction!) and Amanda Johannsen, who is returning from maternity leave. The remaining class is 3/4 D and will be taught by Mr Paul Duncan, who is very strong in the area of Information, Communication and Technology.

Term Overview
This Term is, as always, jammed packed with activities. The first two weeks will be spent ‘Setting the Climate’. The key idea behind this is that it sets the foundations for the learning environment and provides opportunities to seek and develop clarity about our school values and what they look like in action. The activities undertaken are imperative to the smooth running of classrooms by giving students ownership and responsibility for developing agreements and processes. It also sets expectations and clear guidelines for the way students agree to treat one another and approach their learning in order to become successful learners.

Our inquiry topic for Term 1 is ‘Where do I fit in?’ which will explore areas such as the stages of life, healthy eating, belonging, conflict resolution, bullying, family friends and peer pressure. These topics influence the texts chosen in our literacy block and where possible, other curriculum areas.

Footsteps Dance lessons will be held in Term One. The dance lessons are choreographed by qualified dance teachers and are always a hit with students and a great way to help increase physical activity. Teachers and aides are often seen taking part also!

The Life Ed Van will make its annual visit to Chelsea Heights Primary School. Level Three and Four students attend the van for a one hour session and the program will support our inquiry topic. Students love the interactive program and of course a visit from Harold the famous giraffe puppet!

The Digital Excellence program will commence again in Term One and has been included in your Term levies for a small fee of $2. Stayed tuned for more information.

Reminders
- Hats are to be worn all Term
- Notices are sent home in the red C.H.P.S bag each Thursday
- Nude Food Day -Wednesday