I hope that everyone has had a healthy and enjoyable break and are refreshed for a new term of learning. I know that I am looking forward to meeting all of the students, staff and families at Argenton over the next few days and weeks. On the school front we have a busy term ahead with many interesting and educational activities already planned.

I have been speaking to the staff and students about what makes Argenton such a wonderful school and calling for any suggestions about how we can continue to improve upon this. If you have any suggestions, concerns or ideas you would like us to consider please do not hesitate in speaking to myself or jotting it down on paper and giving it to me.

At present we have had some families and students move away from the area and our numbers are now lower as a result. I will be looking at putting together an updated brochure about our school and taking a walk around our community to see what we can do to address the decreasing enrolment.

You Can Do It – Getting Along—How we speak to each other can show that we are listening and considering other people. How we interact when in a group and ensuring that those around us feel included. The old saying that a smile costs nothing but can mean a lot is really true. Try it out.

Too sick for school?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/documents/
Afternoon tea P & C meeting Tuesday 22nd July at 3:30pm - Please come along for a cuppa and some of Mrs Guy's lovely cake! Everyone welcome.

Office News...

Assemblies are held every Friday at 12.30pm in the school library. Parents are more than welcome to attend, we look forward to seeing some new faces in 2014. Text book fees for 2014 have been set at a base price of $30.00 per student, these fees will be payable from the start of Term 2, when students will bring home an invoice for payment. Student equipment prices will include:

1 * Mathletics Licence (K-6)
1 * Spelling City Licence (3-6)
1 * Reading Eggs Licence (K-6)
1 * Maths Mentals text book (3-6)
1 * Targetting Handwriting text book (K-6)
1 * Spelling Conventions (3-6)

Specialised craft and music equipment

The value of these resources is about $60.00 per student. The school and P&C will cover half of the whole cost.