Dear Friends of the St Joseph’s Community,

Welcome to the 2016 school year. I hope everyone has had a restful break and is ready for another busy and productive year. I am privileged to be the new Principal of St Joseph’s and I commit to leading the school in providing a first class education for your children.

Under the guidance of Mr Phil Stubbs and the wonderful staff, St Joseph’s has earned an excellent reputation as a school with happy, respectful children and quality, personalised learning.

This morning, I watched 59 children walk in through the school gates. Their smiles and laughter showed me that they are happy and feel connected to their school, friends and teachers. As a newcomer, I can ‘feel’ the happiness of every child and adult in the St Joey’s community.

We especially welcome our new children and their families. Today four children began in Kindergarten and joined the Infants Class. Mrs Sten and Mary helped Oliver, Aspen, Karina and Mia settle in and become a part of their class.

Another seven children have joined us this year. Henry, Connor, and Mitchell are in the Infants class, Lachlan, Max and Gracie are in the Primary Class and Alex is in the Senior class.

The classes and staffing for 2016 are as follows:

Mrs Wendy Perkins—Classroom Support (Senior Class)
Mrs Mary Ventry—Classroom Support (Infants & Primary Class)
Mrs Simone Hillyer — Office Manager
Mrs Gillian Forrester—Learning Support Teacher
Mrs Sally Power—Casual Relief Teacher

I would like to thank everyone for welcoming me to Bombala, the parish and school. Please feel free to pop in and introduce yourself.

With your continued support, we are confident that 2016 will be a very positive and successful year for your children and your families.

God Bless
Noeleen O’Neill

“Remember we are but travellers here” St Mary MacKillop (1873)
WELCOMING OUR KINDER STUDENTS TO THE INFANTS CLASS

We have had a very exciting start to the year in the Infants classroom. All of the new students have seamlessly transitioned into the new routine beautifully and the students have enjoyed getting to know each other through games, a school tour as well as using our new reading corner.

I asked the new kinder students what they liked most about today:

Mia—I like colouring in.

Oliver—I liked playing with the basketball

Karina—I like playing on the play equipment.

Aspen—I like playing handball

Mrs Sten
Infants Teacher
2016—Our First Day

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