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Well, here we are – nearly the end of another school year, and another year nearly done. I hope everyone is able to find time to spend with family and friends over the festive season.

School Surveys 2016

At our final meeting for 2016, the School Board was shown the results of this year's parent, student and staff surveys. There were some interesting results, with parent satisfaction being slightly down on last year, but student and teacher satisfaction both increasing.

The Board discussed a number of possible reasons for these somewhat conflicting perceptions, and we would be keen to hear from parents and/or students as to why this shift has occurred.

There was also a large reduction in the number of parents responding, and we are keen to understand why this has changed. If the school isn't aware of the good things they are doing it may not necessarily be continued and improved on, and if you don't tell us what's broken we can't fix it!

Farewells

It is with heavy hearts we say goodbye to Mrs Penny Halleen and Mr Lincoln Barrett. Both have made such an impact at our Board meetings, and their dedication and passion for North Beach Primary School is always evident.

We wish Mrs Halleen a happy retirement and all the best for her and her husband's health.

Mr Barrett has been selected for a role that will see him advising teaching staff all over the State, and we wish him every success.

Thank You

I would like to thank all the members of the Board, parents, community members and teachers and school staff – you really are an amazing bunch. Our meetings run smoothly largely due to the considerable efforts of Sue Logan, who is often an unsung hero in my view!

A number of our Board members hold more than one voluntary role in their 'spare' time, yet all still provide invaluable input at our meetings and really embody the school motto of "We Care".

I hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy 2017!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, interest in the Board or would like to provide any feedback (particularly around the School Survey issues) please contact me at kelster456@gmail.com.

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