Point Clare Takes a Hit!
The school is slowly recovering from the recent storm damage where a possible lightning strike took out random electronic equipment. We are working our way through repairs which included our bell system, computers, phones and photocopiers. We are hopeful most of it is covered by insurance.

Kids Day Out
Kids Day Out is the Central Coast event of the year. The event has heaps of exciting entertainment throughout the day, many informative stalls and lots of tasty food stands. Kids Day Out (KDO) is a major event on the Central Coast, targeting young children and their families. It is a collaborative effort of a wide variety of organisations that are united in their concern for the health and welfare of our children.

Entry Cost
KDO entry cost is only $5 per adult and $2 for all over 1 year old. This small cost is in response to the committee striving to keep the event affordable yet being sustainable. The contribution of your entry donation goes toward venue rental, security, first aid, insurance, clean up etc and the committee thanks you for your understanding.

Where is Kids Day Out?
Kids Day out is at a prime venue located at Kariong Mountains High School – Kariong. The layout of the buildings and surrounding area lends itself to the day and provides many great locations for shows, workshops and market stalls.

David Harris - Principal

You Can Do It! Week 3
Infants-
Golden Ticket- Caitlin W 1R- Getting Along
Iceblocks- Anni KA- Getting Along
Chloe T 2FN- Persistence
Jack 2FN- Persistence

Primary
Golden Ticket- Matthew L 3/4B- Getting Along
Iceblocks- Cameron 3/4B- Getting Along
Riki 3R- Resilience
Makaela 3LA- Getting Along

Point Clare Chatter
A Newsletter for the Community of Point Clare Public School

Important Dates

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Application for Year 7 selective high school in 2016
Parents must apply online until 17th November at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement
All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 12th March 2015.

Outstanding Excursion / Activity Payments
Please note that Wednesday 19th November is the last day for payment of any outstanding monies including the following activities which will be held later in the term:

- K-2 & Year 6 Kidansys (due now) $16.00
- Year 6 Movies $18.00
- Year 6 Farewell $25.00
- Year 6 Maths Fun Day $8.00
- Kinder Orana Christmas $4.00
- K-2 Christmas Party $10.00
- Years 3 & 4 Party/Sports Day $17.00

This is to allow for the processing of all monies prior to the school’s end of year rollover process on 30th November.

If you have made the Semester 2 bulk payment (excludes Year 6 Maths Fun Day) you will not have anything to pay. A reminder that payment can be made online via the school’s website.

Thank you for your co-operation.
**Maths Survey**

As a part of our 2014 School Evaluation and planning process, we are researching teaching and learning in the Key Learning Area of Maths. We would like your opinions and ideas about Maths at Point Clare.

All parents/carers, students (from Year 3 up) and teachers are being asked to complete our anonymous 5 minute survey on-line. Years 3-6 students will complete the survey during sessions in the school computer lab. Kindergarten to Year 2 students will be surveyed in class by their teachers.

The best data we could receive will be if 100% of our parents/carers to take part in this school-based research. We would appreciate your valuable input to help us make maths more relevant, interesting, varied and productive at our school.

The link to our Maths Survey will take you to Survey Monkey using the address below. Alternatively you will find a link to the survey on our school website. Thank you for your valued assistance.


**Year 5 Technology Leaders**

All present Year 5 students have received an email with an application to apply for the position of Technology Leader in 2015. There are 6 positions in all. Applications are due by email to Mrs Young by 3:00pm on Friday, 14th November. Successful applicants will be announced at the annual Presentation Day. Please encourage your child to apply for a position if they are interested in technology.

**Mrs Young – Deputy Principal**

**Narnia**

Brianna Irvine from 5/6W auditioned for the first time and landed a role in the ensemble cast for Narnia the Musical. Brianna loves music, dance and drama so it was very exciting to make it in. Congratulations Brianna.

**Mr Harris - Principal**

**Wanted Ethics Teachers and a Co-ordinator for 2015**

If you are interested in becoming an Ethics teacher or an Ethics coordinator contact Jenny Bourchier (Regional Ethics Manager – Gosford) on 0411 198 483

Also for more information about ethics teaching, check out primaryethics.com.au

**Notes from the Library…….**

**Book Borrowing** - Week 6 will be the last week for borrowing from the school library for the year. Any books you find at home with the Point Clare school barcode please send back to the library. Thanks for your support.

**$2 Book Sale** - This week (Week 4) the library is having a pre-owned library book sale. All books $2 each. The books are appropriate for grades 3-6. Books will be sold at second lunch – **tomorrow is your last chance to purchase books.**

**Mrs McHugh - Librarian**

**Boys Softball Team**

The Boys Softball Team played Caves Beach P.S. last Wednesday. After winning their first 5 games in the Knock-out the boys finally met their match against Caves Beach. Caves Beach had an outstanding windmill pitcher who was very fast and very accurate. Unfortunately he proved to be unhittable and Caves Beach won the match 21-0. The boys did not give up despite the score and I was very pleased with their efforts. We wish Caves Beach the best of luck in the finals.

After the match their coach told me that this match was the sixth game in a row that they had played without a run being scored against them. Thanks to the parents for supporting the team and providing transport. Thanks to Mrs Morgan for scoring, helping to manage the team and supporting the team over the last 3 years.

**Colin Cashman – Coach**

**Cricket**

Our fourth round match against Hornsby North Public School started positively, with us winning the toss and electing to bat. We managed to battle against some outstanding bowling by the opposition and were restricted to a 71 run lead. Special mention needs to go to Jack Hunter who showed great patience and scored a 12 not out.

After the half-time break, the boys knew what was needed and delivered with a determination that was truly wonderful to watch. In the first seven overs we kept our opponents to 20 runs. Lachlan Curtin Edwards was a standout, taking two wickets back to back as well as Lachlan Shedden who bowled two maidens.

The match was extremely close, going down to the second last over. Hornsby North deservedly hit the boundary to take the win from an assiduous Point Clare.

A HUGE thank you to all the parents who helped on the day with scoring, transporting students, umpiring, coaching and everything else that made the day run smoothly. These events simply would not happen without you.

**Eric Thorsby**
P&C News
Our P&C is now on Facebook, this page is aimed at keeping the school community up to date with P&C activities. By liking our page and posts our notices have a better chance of showing up in your news feed.

P&C for Point Clare Public School

Canteen News
New Menu
Our new Summer menu is now in action, if a copy of it didn’t reach you it can be viewed on the school website. There have been a number of new items introduced, which we hope everyone will enjoy.

Daily Specials
Monday- Pizza
Tuesday- Burgers
Wednesday- Pasta
Thursday- Sushi
Friday- Nachos

Uniform Shop News
Open Tuesday & Thursday 8.30 – 9am
We are now back in summer uniform

$5 Library/Excursion bags SALE
Normally $12 selling for $5 until sold out

SCHOOL BANKING
In term 4, the Commonwealth Bank is offering not one, but two competitions!
The Dollarmites have uncovered the ancient Clam of Fortune. Inside, they found these amazing prizes:
* 40 x GoPro Hero3 White Edition cameras
* 150 x Slip 'N Slide double wave riders.

Here’s how to win:
Every deposit you make with school banking will automatically create one entry for you into the competition. So the more you save, the more chances you have to win (to a maximum of 6 entries).
Competition runs 20th October - 20th November 2014.

To find out more, including terms & conditions, visit www.commbank.com.au/deepseasavers

The second is a search for Australia’s Smart School Savers. Parents can visit www.commbank.com.au/smartschoolsavers and have their child tell us in 50 words or less what they are saving for and how they plan to achieve it. The competition is open to children aged between 5 to 12 years of age. There are some great prizes up for grabs – including a national prize of $1,000 and iPads for six regional winners.
**Consistent Savers:** week 3 was 1R (9 bankers).
Congratulations!

**Rewards**
There are 2 new rewards available in term 4: a projector cup and sea streamers. As both of these rewards are too large for the display cabinet, you can see samples of them on your rewards card. If you don’t have a rewards card, please ask for one with your next deposit.

***Please note that the Whale Shark Pencil case and Penguin Plush Keyring are now OUT OF STOCK.***

Rewards available in term 4 are:
- Handball
- Scented Pencils
- Shark Keyring
- Swimming bag
- Projector Cup (NEW)
- Sea Streamers (NEW)
- Dollarmites moneybox
- Wallet (2013 item; while stocks last)
- Headphones (2013 item; while stocks last)
- Knuckles game (2013 item, while stocks last)
- Pat Moneybox (2013 item; while stocks last)
- Pru Moneybox (2013 item; while stocks last)
- Spen Moneybox (2013 item; while stocks last)

Saving regularly is an important habit to get into, whether you’re saving a little or a lot. Keep up the great work and remember to bring in your School Banking deposit each WEDNESDAY. If you have any questions about school banking, please contact Liz on 0411 497 567 or liz.post@icloud.com


Happy Savings!
Liz & Odette

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**Handicraft Open Day for World Vision**
**Saturday 8th November**
Large range of items from overseas countries.
Come and browse and enjoy a cup of tea.
Last time at this venue – 37 Kurrawa Ave, Point Clare.
All day from 10am - for more info phone Eunice 4324 7492