Commonwealth Games Day –
August 14th
We are all ready for our special day this Thursday, but the weather is not looking great. We are reliant on whether Council closes the ground or not and of course we need to see what the weather will be like on the day. It is our aim to inform people as soon as possible if the day is cancelled.

If we go ahead on Thursday, we encourage students to wear their country's colours or their school sports uniform. It would be smart to wear something warm! There will be a canteen operating on the day plus a coffee van for parents. Students should bring their own recess, lunch and a drink if they don't plan to purchase from the canteen.

K-2 students will travel by bus and 3-6 students are walking down to Fagan Park. Students should come to school first so they can have their name marked off. Our Commonwealth Games Day is all about fun and participation, so parents are encouraged to follow their child's "country" around to watch from close range. The day starts at approx. 10am with our official opening ceremony - complete with flags and a Queen's Baton Relay. There is the Athletes Oath and then it's off to the events. After lunch we have the official closing ceremony. Weather permitting it should be a great day!

Mobile Phone Policy
The school has just updated its mobile phone policy for students.

Point Clare Primary School recognises that many students and their families own a mobile phone. We also recognise that some parents/guardians request that their child/ren bring a mobile phone to school for before and after school safety/security reasons. Our core business of teaching and learning needs to be conducted in an environment free from unnecessary distractions or disruptions. Therefore the school strongly discourages the bringing of mobile phones to school by students. The school is prepared to allow mobile phones on the premises but only within the parameters stated below.

Students
- In general, students should not bring valuable items to school, as they can be easily lost or stolen, which is often distressful for a primary age child.
- Students remain responsible for all of their personal effects whilst at school. When students enter the school grounds the school takes no responsibility for mobile phones. Mobile phones are brought to school entirely at the owner's risk. The school accepts no responsibility for replacing lost, stolen or damaged mobile phones.
- There are no reasons why a student needs to have in their possession or use a mobile phone during the school day.
- Parents are reminded that in cases of emergency the school office remains a vital and appropriate point of contact and can ensure your child is reached quickly and assisted in any appropriate way.
- Students are advised that if they bring a mobile phone onto the school grounds during the school day, their parents need to complete the Mobile Phones at School agreement. Mobile phones should be switched off as soon as students enter the school grounds. Phones must be kept turned off and in student's bags throughout the school day.
- If students do bring their mobile phone to school it should be clearly marked with their name.
- Students are not permitted to bring mobile phones on school excursions and overnight camps under any circumstances. School staff will not be held responsible for the security of phones should this guideline be breached. In instances where students need to contact their parents this will be organized by supervising staff.


David Harris - Principal
**Publishing Student Information**

The school / Department of Education and Communities may publish information about your child for the purposes of sharing his/ her experiences with other students, informing the school and broader community about school and student activities and recording student participation in noteworthy projects or community service.

This information may include your child’s name, age, class and information collected at school such as photographs, sound and visual recordings of your child, your child’s work and expressions of opinion such as in interactive media.

The communications in which your child’s information may be published include but are not limited to:

- Public websites of the Department of Education and Communities including the school website, the Department of Education and Communities intranet (staff only), blogs and wikis.
- Department of Education and Communities publications including the school newsletter, annual school magazine and school report, promotional material published in print and electronically including on the Department of Education and Communities’ websites.
- Official Department of Education and Communities and school social media accounts on networks such as YouTube, Facebook and Twitter.

Parents should be aware that when information is published on public websites and social media channels it can be linked to by third parties and may be discoverable online for a number of years, if not permanently. Search engines may also cache and retain copies of published information.

Authority to Publish is currently held for all students enrolled at Point Clare Public School. If granted it remains effective until otherwise advised.

Please contact the school if you require further clarification about your child’s current Authority to Publish status.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge – 2 Weeks to go!!!**

Congratulations to Year 3 students - Chase Aldridge, Madison Clark, Ryan Hughes, Elizabeth Mercier, Leilani Mitchell and Year 4 students - Jessica Batarseh, Emma Crossley-Sheehan, Kyanah Goddard, Matthew Loaney, Elanor Meese, Skye Regan, Alexander Ryan and Lachlan Shedden.

For more information or assistance contact Mrs Allan

Meredith.allan@det.nsw.edu.au

Mrs Allan – Co-ordinator

**Thank you!**

The school would like to extend a big “Thank you” to the Brien Family (Gregory Brien in 4M) for donating a keyboard for our school band. We really appreciate it!!!

**Can you help?**

If anyone has an old or unused base guitar to donate – we would be very appreciative of that too.

Thank you.  

Jenny Ricketts – for the School Band

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**Important Dates**

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**Book Week Reminders**

18<sup>th</sup> August – Aditi and her Rickshaw for K-2. $5.00 paid at the door. Permission notes to classroom teacher.

19<sup>th</sup> August – Book Character Parade & Book Week Cake Competition

- 11.15am
- K-2 after recess
- Parents and friends are invited to attend.

& Bookweek Cake Competition strictly voluntary. All cakes to the Library. Cakes must be picked up at the end of the day or will be disposed.  

Mrs McHugh - Librarian

**You Can Do It!**

Congratulations to our Week 4 Winners

- **Infants**
  - Golden Ticket- Zac 1K- Persistence
  - Iceblocks- Layla KMC- Getting Along
  - Liam KMC- Organisation
  - Seren 1H- Confidence

- **Primary**
  - Golden Ticket- Deklan 5/6A- Getting Along
  - Iceblocks- Maddy H 5/6W- Organisation
  - Hayley 5/6A- Confidence
  - Dan H 5/6A- Confidence

Mrs McGavin – Co-ordinator

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New Girrakool House Captain Lachlan Curtin-Edwards is congratulated by his grandparents at our Assembly last week.
Spectacular Public Speaking!
It never ceases to amaze me the high standard of Public Speaking in our school, through the wide variety of talking activities in the classroom and various competitions throughout the year, children are developing so much confidence!

Not all students like to talk in front of a class or group but with persistent effort every child has the chance to develop their skills.

Stage 1, 2 and 3 held a competition within their class where they had to write and present a speech on a creative topic. Teachers and students were entertained by the wide variety of topics.

Some children were selected from their class to present their speech in front of their fellow stage members. Here we saw so much talent!

Then 6 children, 2 from each stage were selected to participate in the Central Coast Public Speaking Competition at Chertsey Public School on Thursday 14th August. They are:

Stage 1: Jesse Grima and Khyra Dickey both talking about "Queen for a Day".
Stage 2: Lauren Rigney "Tooth Fairy" and Juliana Sanders "Responses to give a Telemarketer"
Stage 2: Grace Foskett - "Lessons from Disney"
And Claudia Barnes "Living with Grandparents"

Teachers and students wish them the best of luck.

Denise Bentlin – Co-ordinator

Important Uniform Reminder from Mr Harris - Sports Jumpers and Jackets
Just a reminder that Representative Sports Jumpers and Jackets should only be worn on Fridays. Maroon school uniform jackets and jumpers should be worn on other days. If for some reason your child can't wear correct uniform, parents should write a note to the class teacher explaining the reasons why. We thank you for adhering to this request so our school uniform always looks good.

Sporting News...
Touch Football Results
Girls Team
The girls and boys touch football sides played a Gala Day at McEvoy Oval last Wednesday. The girls played well in their first match and won defeating Woy Woy 4-1. Unfortunately they were unsuccessful in their next 2 matches. Well done girls.

Boys Team
Teamwork and determination was the order of the day as the Boys Touch side made a good account of themselves at the recent Gala Day. The boys had limited time and practise together so it was a bit hit and miss when they took to the field in their first game against a well drilled Woy Woy PS side. The team never gave up and attacked and defended with great determination, but in the end Woy Woy PS proved the better side.

The boys however became even more determined and held a training session before their next game. They polished their defence and created structure in their attack, so when they took to the field against Ettalong PS the performance was much improved. They led on two occasions scoring excellent team tries, but were pipped at the end losing 3-2.

Well done to every player who tried their hearts out, displaying good sportsmanship and team enthusiasm.

Thanks to all the parents who helped out as well.

Ms Thomas and Mr Harris

Athletics Champion House

Athletics Champions
Fundraising News...
Framed Artworks
Last chance to purchase this week.

- 1 Framed Artwork - $8.00
- 2 Framed Artworks - $15.00
- 3 or more Framed Artworks - $20.00

Please send the money in an envelope with your child’s name and class on front of the envelope and your child will be able to bring the artwork home. Thank you for your support

Point Clare Public School P&C

School Banking
Welcome to our students who have joined banking in term 3. We have some new rewards on offer this term. Rewards available in term 3 are:

- Handball (whilst stock lasts)
- Scented Pencils (whilst stock lasts)
- Shark or Penguin Keyring
- Whale Shark Pencil Case
- Moneybox (new release)
- Swimming Bag (new release)

Samples of the new items are on display on the notice board between Mrs Carey’s classroom and the office. To redeem a reward, fill in the appropriate rewards card for the item of your choice, and send it in with your 10 tokens. Rewards take approximately 1-2 weeks to arrive. Pooling of tokens is not allowed.

Consistent Savers: Week 2 – 1R, Week 3 – 1R, Week 4 – 1T

If you have any questions about school banking, please contact Liz on 0411 497 567 or liz.post@icloud.com

Further information can be found at
or

Happy saving! – Liz Post & Odette Clarkson

Canteen News

Commonwealth Games Day
The canteen is offering Lunch orders on the day, a note went home yesterday with details, orders are due in on Wednesday to allow for stock ordering. ONLINE ORDERING IS AVAILABLE ON MUNCHMONITOR.
We will also be selling Lollies, Chips, Brownie Cakes, Finger buns, Drinks, Pies, Sausage Rolls and Quiches on the Day (limited stock).

We also have a Coffee Cart coming so parents can get a range of delicious hot drinks on the day 😊

Green Lunch
This terms Green Lunch will be on Friday 29th August. A note was sent home last week with full details.

Help Needed
Our canteen doesn’t survive without our wonderful volunteers. We still need help on Mondays and Tuesdays if you are available to join our team please contact the canteen. Thanks in advance!

Uniform Shop News
Open Tuesday & Thursday 8.30 – 9am

PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILDS BELONGINGS
Lost property is full of items with no names on them, without a label items can’t find their way back to their owner. These items are cleared from the system at the end of each month.

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

Today’s Primary Author Visit – Steven Herrick
Community News...

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ATTENTION ALL JUNIOR CRICKET PLAYERS!
JOIN THE BRISBANE WATER “BLUETONGUES” FOR THE 2014/15 SEASON!

Brisbane Water is a family based club and caters for boys and girls of any age and any ability. We have teams from Under 8’s to Under 17’s, plus Mito “In2Cricket” for 4 – 7 year olds.

Sat, 16th AUGUST 2014 – East Gosford Shops 9am – 12 noon
Sat, 23rd AUGUST 2014 – McDonald’s West Gosford 9am – 12 noon

Please call our Secretary Mark on 0434 329 886 or email us on secretary@bwcc.com.au

CoastCanCare Wellness Program
“Finding peace in the midst of uncertainty and hurt”
CoastCanCare invites adults with cancer, their families and carers to participate in a five 6 week group wellness program...

Date | Time | Venue
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Wednesday - 13 August 2014 | 10am – 12noon | Canva Retreat, Gosford Hospital
Wednesday - 20 August 2014 | 10am – 12noon | Canva Retreat, Gosford Hospital
Wednesday - 27 August 2014 | 10am – 12noon | Canva Retreat, Gosford Hospital
Wednesday - 03 September 2014 | 10am – 12noon | Canva Retreat, Gosford Hospital
Wednesday - 10 September 2014 | 10am – 12noon | Central Coast Cancer Centre, Gosford Hospital
Wednesday - 17 September 2014 | 10am – 12noon | Canva Retreat, Gosford Hospital

All sessions will be facilitated by Lexi McConaghy, Clinical Psychologist, Cancer Services, Central Coast Local Health District

6 week program

CoastCanCare is a Central Coast Local Health District (CCLHD) initiative, funded by NSW Health. It is for adults with cancer, their family members and carers on the Central Coast. You need not be a patient of CCLHD or receiving current treatment to attend CoastCanCare programs.

Terralig Surf Life Saving Club
2014-15 Registrations
Sundays 31 Aug, 7 and 21 September 9am – 11am

Terralig SLSC is a family oriented club with opportunities for all family members to join a great community service in a healthy environment. Our Nippers program (October – March) encourages participation and teaches vital surf and beach safety skills in all children aged 5-14yrs. Our lifesavers are dedicated and committed to community safety - we encourage you to join us.

Enquiries - 4330 6500

Walk to cure DIABETES 2014
SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER
Davistown to Kincumber
Davistown Central Coast Expressway
Parking at Kincumber and return

Register Today!
Family & Friends Welcome!

For more information:
Marjaan Phelan – 0418 613 388
tenquabondage@gmail.com

Arrive by ferry, bus or car to Davistown Waterfront
Dogs permitted along the walk route.
Pram and wheelchair friendly.
Nippers registered - gather at the Finish line and receive a free BBQ high tea and ice cream treat.