Surf Fun
This week the children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 are taking part in the Surf Fun program at Terrigal Beach. These activities are run by the Surf Life Saving Association and teach the children necessary skills to stay safe at the beach. The Year 3 children took part in the program on Monday and Year 4 on Tuesday both groups were lucky enough to have such a beautiful day. Hopefully the weather will continue to be kind to us for the rest of the week.

Please ensure that the permission notes for Surf Fun are returned to your child’s class teacher with all sections filled in correctly. This will enable your child to take full advantage of all the wonderful activities open to them on the day.

School Canteen News
Congratulations to the school Canteen Committee and wonderful volunteers. At the Central Coast Canteen Awards 2015 our school was awarded the NSW Fresh Tastes@School. This means that our canteen is providing fresh and healthy food options for the school community. Thank you to Nicole and Anwyn who attended the awards.

Outstanding Payments
Please note that Friday 20th November is the last day for payment of any outstanding monies for the following activities which will be held later in the term: Year 6 Movies, Year 6 Farewell, Orana Christmas Visit and Christmas Parties for K-2, Stage 2 and Stage 3. 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 bulk payment you will not have anything to pay.

Thank you for your co-operation.

2016
It is so hard to believe that we are fast approaching the end of the year. The school is beginning to make tentative plans for 2016. If you know of anyone planning to come to Point Clare Public School in 2016 please ask them to come up to the office to arrange enrolment. In addition if you are not planning to return to Point Clare Public School in 2016 please notify the office as soon as possible.

Thank you

Teddy Bears’ Picnic Kindergarten 2015 / 2016
Tuesday 17th November is the Teddy Bears’ Picnic. This is the final activity of the Kindergarten Transition program. The children who are in kindergarten this year will also take part in the special picnic. The children will need to bring a Teddy for the Grand Parade. Please ensure all orders are sent to the canteen as soon as possible.

Allyson Carey, Acting Deputy Principal

 Helpers Morning Tea
This year our morning tea to say “thank you” to all our wonderful volunteers will be held on Wednesday 25th November. Invitations will be issued during the coming weeks.
YOU CAN DO IT - Winners Week 5

Infants
Golden ticket - Henry 1/2T Getting Along
Iceblocks - Dan 1/23R Persistence
   Bill 2HW- Resilience
   Ruby KPC- Organisation

Primary
Golden tickets - Drew 5/6T- Organisation
Iceblocks - Eira 5/6W- Confidence
   Ally 4R- Confidence
   Aiden 5/6T Organisation

The School Opal Card
The School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) gives eligible students free or subsidised travel between home and school, on the approved train, bus or ferry services.

From 2nd November, 2015, a new online SSTS application process has been introduced for schools within the Opal network, coinciding with the introduction of the School Opal card. From Term One 2016, Transport for NSW will be issuing School Opal Cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme via a new online application process.

Most parents, guardians and students won’t need to apply for a School Opal card if they have already been given a school students travel pass and will automatically receive a School Opal card in 2016. It will be sent to the student’s school at the beginning of the school year in 2016.

Students progressing from Year 2 to Year 3, change of address or new applications will need to apply online.

Those students who have already requested a bus pass for 2016 will not need to apply, as your application form will suffice.

A Fact Sheet is attached to the back of this newsletter.

Ball Games Carnival
The District Ball Games Carnival was held recently at Ettalong Oval. The results of the day are not available at the moment, but many of the Point Clare Captain Ball, Tunnel Ball, Unders and Overs and Tug of War teams made the final of their respective events. The children also took part in breaking the world record for Unders and Overs. More details will be mentioned when they are available.

Mr Cashman – Co-ordinator

School Ball Games Carnival
Last Friday’s School Ball Games Carnival was hotly contested by all students. Teachers were most impressed to see the effort, skills and sportsmanship displayed throughout the morning. The children played Captain Ball, Tunnel Ball, Overs and Unders and Tug-o-war. After Stage 2 results were added to Stage 3 results, the winning house was Girrakool followed closely by Wambina.

Mr Rayner – Co-ordinator

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Sydney North Girls Cricket
Last week Brianna I. represented the School as part of the Sydney North Girl’s Cricket Team at the PSSA State girl’s cricket championships in Dubbo. The team did an amazing job winning their first four matches playing 200 overs of cricket over two days. Unfortunately with a wash out on the third day and going down to CIS on the fourth day they went into the 3rd/4th playoff game winning this convincingly and finishing outright 3rd which was a fantastic achievement.

2017 Year 7 Selective High School
Applications are now open for entry into Year 7 - 2017 government selective high school. You must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.
YOUR P&C NEWS

G’day all.

Don’t forget this Wednesday is our last P&C general meeting for 2015. It is also the last meeting you can become a financial member in time to vote in the AGM (which will be mid Feb 2016).

If you would like a greater say in how the P&C looks in 2016, come on Wednesday and join for $1. This means you will be able to nominate for a position and vote in the AGM elections. All positions will be open at the AGM including: President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Canteen Convenor, Uniform shop Convenor, Fundraising Convenor, School Council representative and committee representatives.

Wednesday evening’s general meeting will be held in the staffroom between 7:30 and 9:30pm. There is always an opportunity for you to ask questions or raise issues of interest for investigation and discussion. Hope to see you there.

Cheers
Jen Moes
President, Point Clare Public School P&C

FACEBOOK PAGE

P&C activities can be found on our Facebook page. Here’s the link to keep up to date. Make sure to ‘Like’ us! https://www.facebook.com/pages/PC-for-Point-Clare-Public-School

CANTEEN

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC LUNCH ORDER FOR CURRENT & 2016 KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

Orders for this special lunch order are due in today - Tuesday 10 November. Orders can be made via the MunchMonitor online ordering - go to the school shop section. Details for using MunchMonitor are available on the school website.

This special lunch order is available to all students currently in Kindergarten or 2016 Kindergarten, and will be served at the Teddy Bears picnic on Tuesday 17 November.

RED DAY THIS FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Red day is the Canteen treat day. We sell items classified as red in the Healthy Canteen traffic light system. All our regular menu items are still available, but we will also have lollies, brownie cake, and other sweet treats.

HEALTHY CANTEEN AWARD 2015
Our Canteen has received its Healthy Canteen Award for 2015! Thanks go to our committed committee members, our hard working and amazing employees - Anwyn Jeannot, Vanessa Roffey, and Kerrie Ghali, and our ever-fabulous team of volunteers who all work towards achieving this award each year.

VOLUNTEERING
To join our roster please contact Anwyn in the Canteen on Thursday or Friday via the school office 4325 0594, or fill in a Volunteer Form which can be found outside the Canteen door.

Thank You
Canteen Committee

UNIFORM SHOP
Open Tuesdays during term 8:30am - 9:00am

UNIFORM SHOP ONLINE ORDERS
Online ordering is now available via MunchMonitor (www.munchmonitor.com).

Online orders are delivered each Thursday.
Cut off time for online orders is 7:00am Thursdays.
This service allows for credit card payments.
Please see the school website for full details.

Thank you,
Uniform Committee
FUNDRAISING NEWS
Carols Night is Approaching
It is nearly that fun filled time again! This year our school carols event will be held on Wednesday 2nd of December from 5:30pm – 8:30pm.

The night consists of singing, socialising and watching some very talented students perform. There will be food and drink available for purchase, glow products, face painting, and a visit from Santa! We will also draw our huge Christmas raffle on the night too.

Please keep an eye out for notes and raffle tickets coming home next week.

Thank You
Fundraising Committee

School Banking
Please note that the last day of banking for 2015 will be WEDNESDAY 25th NOVEMBER.

REWARDS: Due to the ongoing issue of button batteries the Commonwealth Bank School Banking team have decided to withdraw the Lunar Light Band which was due to be released for term 4. In its place we will have a Galaxy Glider available. The Glow-in-the-Dark Solar System and swimming bag are now out of stock. The list of rewards available is as follows:

- ET DVD
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens
- Intergalactic Rocket
- Outer Space Savers Money Box
- Galaxy Glider
- Shark plush keyring (2014)
- Scented pencils (2014)

CONSISTENT SAVERS - week 5 1/2T (9bankers)


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

Happy saving!
Liz & Odette

Community News...
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Transport for NSW

Fact sheet: The School Opal card

Who's eligible?
To be eligible for a School Opal card, students need to be NSW residents and may need to live a minimum distance away from their school:

- Years K-2 (Infants) there's no minimum distance.
- Years 3-6 (Primary) 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking or further.
- Years 7-12 (Secondary) 2.0km straight line distance or 2.9km walking or further.

Students completing secondary studies at TAFE, boarding school students and students temporarily in Australia may also be eligible for a School Opal card. The eligibility criteria for these students is available at transportnsw.info/school-students.

A School Opal card is provided to eligible students who need to travel within the Opal network. Paper travel passes are issued to eligible students who need to travel outside the Opal network.

Who needs to apply?
Most students or parents won't need to apply for the School Opal card. The School Opal card will be sent to a student’s school automatically at the beginning of the new school year in 2016. However, a new application is required if:

- The student is just starting school or has not had a pass for travel before.
- The student is progressing from Year 2 to 3, or Year 6 to 7.
- The student is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school.
- The student's personal details have changed (e.g. address).

Applications must be made by a parent or guardian for children aged 15 years and under. Applications must be made by the student if aged 16 years or older.

How to apply
Step 1 Complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students.
Step 2 Print, sign and submit the form to the school for endorsement.
Step 3 The school will then forward the application to Transport for NSW for processing. Once approved, Transport for NSW sends the School Opal card to the home address given in the application.

The application may take several weeks and the applicant’s email address is required.

If the student doesn't qualify for free travel
They may be eligible for a Term Bus Pass which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.
Apply at transportnsw.info/school-students.

Find out more
For more information on the School Opal card and the School Student Travel Scheme (SSTS), please visit transportnsw.info/school-students.