End of School Year is Here!!!
The last day for students at school this year is tomorrow, Wednesday, December 16th.
Students in Years 1-6 return to school in 2016 on Thursday, 28th January. Kindergarten students will receive a personal letter with their start date.

School Leaders for 2016
Congratulations to our new leadership team for 2016:

School Leaders:
School Captains: Jade S and Lachlan S
Vice-Captains: Mia F and Floyd J
School Leaders: Kasey B, Ashlee C, Jye G and Mitchell F

Sports Captains:
Girrakool: Kasey B and Deklin A
Katandra: Natarsha G and Liam G
Rumbalara: Alex R and Chantelle L
Wambina: Ryan W and Eden S

Technology Leaders:
Greg B, Charlotte H, Cameron KC, Juliana S, Matthew L and Callum T

School Council
A parent / carer position was advertised for School Council, 2016. I am pleased to announce that the successful candidate was Julie Hyland who is a proud Aboriginal woman with three daughters at our school. Welcome to School Council, Julie. Julie writes:

I am the proud mother to Zoe, Ashlyn and Sarah, my three beautiful girls who attend this fantastic school. I want to show them how volunteering your time for a worthy cause is worth it and satisfying. I feel helping and being a part of their education would be an honour, and I look forward to getting to know you all.

5/6W Enrichment Class Excels
Our 5/6 Enrichment class, taught by Mrs Wilson has entered many competitions this year with an excellent success rate. The credit for this of course goes to the students, but also to Mrs Wilson and all the teachers who have taught these students from Kindergarten to their present Year 5 or Year 6 grade. Congratulations 5/6W.

As mentioned at Presentation Day yesterday, here are some of their outstanding achievements:

- English Writing Competition – ‘Whitlam What Matters’ – Highly Commended, Anke A
- Premiers Debating Competition – Division winners, Tinya H, Anya H, Eira J, Lani B, Emilie B
- Maths: Sumdog Hunter Central Coast Competition – Twice daily winners, 1 x overall winner, overall individual winners, Lorin A, Hayden C
- Australian Problem Solving Olympiad: Top 10% Outstanding Team Achievement Award, 4 students in top 2% of state
- Creative Arts: Schools Reconciliation Challenge Awards – Highly Commended
- Harmony Day Award – Charlotte H
- Operation Art – 4 Entries in state exhibition
- Moran Photographic Art Award; Kaea S semi-finalist
- Environment: Wet’n’Wild Wetlands Competition – 2 Highly Commended Awards

Farewell Year 6 and others
I would like to farewell our Year 6 students and wish them all the best for 2016 and their high school years. I would also like to wish our four Year 4 students all the best for their inclusion in the Opportunity Class at Gosford Public School in 2016. As well, we have some students leaving us as their families move to different places in the state and we wish them success in their new schools.

Thank you
Next year I will return to Point Clare in my substantive position as Deputy Principal. I would like to thank the school community for their support of me over the past 11 months whilst I have been in the Acting Principal role. I welcome our new principal, Mr Scott Campbell, who will commence in 2016.

Jane Young, Acting Principal
Week 11, Term 4

Tuesday 15th December, 2015

**Important Dates**

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**Students Return to School**

- Years 1-6 - Thursday 28th January 2016
- Kinder 2016 - Best Start - Times to be advised

**P&C NEWS**

**YOUR P&C SAYS THANK YOU!**

G’day all - Well, here we are, last newsletter for the year.

We would like to recognise the enormous support all volunteers give to the P&C in order to successfully run our events and services - your generosity does not go unnoticed. We’d particularly like to thank our long-serving volunteers, some of whom leave us this week after over 10 years of service. Your dedication and commitment is the strength of the P&C. THANK YOU!

Keep a look out on our Facebook page for an opportunity to join us during the break for a catch-up & planning session on Saturday 16 January (location and time to be determined).

On behalf of the P&C we wish your family a festive and safe break. We look forward to the adventures we will have next year as our new school takes shape.

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

**FACEBOOK PAGE**

P&C activities can be found on our Facebook page. Keep an eye out for the catch-up and planning session on Saturday 16 January. Here’s the link to stay up to date. Make sure to ‘Like’ us!

[https://www.facebook.com/pages/PC-for-Point-Clare-Public-School](https://www.facebook.com/pages/PC-for-Point-Clare-Public-School)

**YOUR CANTEEN SAYS THANK YOU!**

For many students, the Canteen adds extra enjoyment to their school year. This wouldn’t happen without the team effort of our excellent employees (Anwyn, Vanessa and Kerrie), our amazing volunteers, and our supportive customers.

Thank you to all those who help out in, or purchase from the Canteen. We have had a successful 2015, and we look forward to serving the school community again in 2016.

Thank you
Canteen Committee

**YOUR UNIFORM SHOP SAYS THANK YOU!**

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

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out in the Uniform Shop this year. You are all fabulous and your service to the school community is greatly appreciated!

**LOST PROPERTY**

With the end of year school clean-up in full swing, Lost Property is filling up fast! If you are missing something please check Lost Property before the holidays - Tuesday 15 or Wednesday 16 December.

All items are cleared from Lost Property at the end of the year.

**OPEN SATURDAY 23 JANUARY 2016**

We will be open Saturday 23 January from 9:00am to 11:00am. You can also collect your online orders on this morning. To pick up on Saturday 23 January, orders must be made online by Thursday 21st January.

This is our busiest open time of the year. If you don’t need to try on please consider using our online service ([www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com)).

We will be in our new Uniform Shop space on this day. It is located behind the school staffroom. Access will be via the carpark next to the school front office.

**SHOP OPENING TIME FOR 2016**

Our opening times for 2016 will be advertised in the first Point Clare Chatter (school newsletter) for 2016.

If you don’t need to try on please consider using MunchMonitor ([www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com)) online orders for delivery to classrooms on Thursdays, see the school website for more details.

Orders can also be left at the office, and will be delivered to classrooms on Thursdays.

Thank you
Uniform Committee
Community News...

Point Clare Public School does not endorse the products or services of any advertiser. No responsibility is accepted for the information contained in advertisements or claims made by them.

Point Clare Public School encourages all parents, carers and students to check out Planet Ark’s 12 Do’s of Christmas
http://12dos.planetark.org/
It offers simple tips for making your family’s Christmas special, without costing the earth – from fun festive recycled crafts to feel good gifts. This year Planet Ark has a free Christmas gift to use all year round - RecycleSmart – a new app to answer all your household waste and recycling questions.

NPWS Summer Fun in Port Stephens
Join our Discovery Rangers to experience a different side to Port Stephens and Tomaree National Park this summer holiday. There’s something for everyone.

**Tomaree’s WilderQuest treasure trail**
Thursday 7 January 2016, 9am–11.30am  

**WilderQuest wild world of rockpools**
Friday 8 January 2016, 1.30pm–3.30pm  

**Spooky night walk**
Wednesday 13 January 2016, 6.30pm–8.30pm  

**WilderQuest bush to beach family discovery**
Thursday 14 January 2016, 3pm–5pm  

Bookings and information

Bookings for all NPWS Discovery Tours are essential. Book online following the links above, or phone 13000 PARKS (13000 72757).