**Dance Festival**
This week on Thursday evening, our Senior Dance Group will be performing at Laycock St Theatre in the Central Coast Dance Festival. I would like to congratulate our wonderful dancers on firstly being selected to perform, and secondly on maintaining a strict rehearsal regime under the leadership of Mrs McGavin, with support from Mrs Cuthbertson. I know you will perform well on Thursday. Thank you to Mrs McGavin and Mrs Cuthbertson for giving up so many lunchtimes to rehearse this group. We appreciate you.

**NAIDOC Day**
Also on Friday our Aboriginal students will be attending Henry Kendall High School to participate in a variety of activities to celebrate NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islander Day Observance Committee). These 14 students are lucky enough to be able to take along a friend for the day. Have a fun day!

**Canberra Excursion**
Year 6 students are heading off to Canberra next week for their major excursion. If you are the parent/carer of a Year 6 student, please ensure your payments are finalised and that your child has all the requirements for this excursion. This is a wonderful experience for the students learning about Australian democracy and having lots of fun! Thank you to our amazing teachers and Student Support Learning Officer who are giving up 4 whole days and 3 nights away from their families to accompany the students on this excursion.

**Student Reports**
Teachers have spent the past few weeks writing up the Student Reports for Semester 1 and these will be given out to students on the last day of the term. If for some reason your child is absent on the last day, we will hold the reports for you until next term.

**School Sporting Teams**
Congratulations to our various school sporting teams who have been competing against local schools over the past few weeks. We appreciate your excellent sportsmanship and congratulate you all on participation and representing the school. Thank you also to your fantastic teachers who are giving of their own time to train the teams. Please see separate sport reports elsewhere in this Newsletter.

**School Holidays**
As stated last week, there will be some movement of demountable classrooms across the site in the school holidays in preparation for our Building program. Parents/carers, we would appreciate if you could ensure your children are not playing on the school site during the school holidays as there will be heavy vehicles on site.

**Term Dates**
Term 2 concludes on Friday June 26th and students resume for Term 3 on Tuesday, 14th July. Teachers will be attending a Staff Development Day with teachers from the Gosford Learning Community Schools on Monday, 13th July, so will not be on site at Point Clare Public School on that day.

**Bus Stop Behaviour**
Many students from our school catch the bus to and from school each day but are unable to be supervised at the bus stop each morning as parents have already left for work. Parents and carers, please speak with your child about taking care at the Bus Stop as some silly behaviour is taking place and we do not want an accident to occur.

**Students Before and After School Hours**
Reminder: Student supervision commences at 8:25am. Students who arrive at school before that time are to be either in Before School Care or sitting outside KB classroom. After school supervision is for bus and car travelling students only. If you are collecting your child from school, please enter the grounds to collect them. School finishes for students at 2:55pm. If your child is going to After School Care they should proceed there immediately they are released from class.

Jane Young, Acting Principal
Week 6 off to Canberra
We wish students and staff an enjoyable and positive learning experience in Canberra next week. Thank you for your financial support of this very valuable excursion which provides essential learning opportunities around the role of Government and Canberra as our nation’s capital.

We are indebted to the Australian Government for their support of our school through the PACER program which provides a financial rebate based on distance travelled. For Point Clare this represented a $20 per child reduction to the overall cost.

Without financial support from the Australian Government and input from our elected representatives, the children would not gain a full appreciation of the operation of government nor have opportunity to visit Parliament House, the National Electoral Education Centre located at Old Parliament House and the Australian War Memorial, all integral parts of their studies on Democracy and Civics.

Mr Rayner – Co-ordinator

Stage 1 Rugby Skills
In the last week of term Mr Johnson who runs our fantastic skill/thinking based program will be absent. Therefore, the last session of the program will be conducted on Monday of Week 2, Term 3.

Parents are cordially invited to attend. A note will go home in Week 1, Term 3 with specific times for classes.

Mrs Atkinson – Stage 1 Assistant Principal

YOU CAN DO IT - Winners Week 8
Infants - K - Year 2
Golden ticket – Corey 1/2T - Persistence
Iceblocks – Banjo 2FN - Persistence
Marie 1/2R - Confidence
Lennox 2FN - Persistence

Primary - Years 3 - 6
Golden ticket – Iona 3/4LA - Confidence
Iceblocks – Corey 6R - Persistence
Sophie - Confidence
Mia 3/4B - Organisation

Sport News ....
Regional Cross Country
Congratulations to our students who represented our school at Regional last week. A special mention must go to Sophie Boyd who finished 3rd in the 11 years and will now run at the State Carnival in July at Eastern Creek. Good luck Sophie!

Mr Rayner – Co-ordinator

Stage 2 Sport
Due to the recent wet weather and Fagan Park being so wet Stage 2 will now travel by bus to Fagan Park on Friday, 26th June (last day of the school term) for Athletics track practice. Cost for bus Fare is $4.00

Mr Rayner – Co-ordinator

Netball
Last Wednesday our netball team played against Kariong PS. They played extremely well in very slippery conditions and enjoyed the contest. Unfortunately the team was knocked out with a score of 13 goals to 9. We congratulate Kariong the better team on the day. The girls will play in the Hunter Cup in July and we wish them well for that competition.

Mrs Arkell – Co-ordinator

Girls’ Softball Report
The Girls Softball Team played in an exciting match against Niagara Park P.S. last Friday. At the end of the match the score was 14 all and a tie breaker had to be played. The girl’s won the tie breaker 8-7 and now move onto the second round. Considering only 2 girls in the whole team had never played a game of softball before, the girls achieved a great win. Due to the current building alterations to the school the girls hadn’t even trained on a proper softball diamond. Thanks to the parents who helped with transport and scoring the match.

C Cashman – Coach
Free Mulch
The school has mulch available now, courtesy of the storm a few weeks ago. If you would like to take some mulch please contact the school office on 4325 0594 so that we can open the top gates for you.
Mrs Young – Acting Principal

Parenting Workshop
Parents who have attended the Parenting Workshop over the past three years have expressed great satisfaction with the days and how the skills they learnt helped them to create HAPPIER HOMES. They remarked they had valued the knowledge about what new approaches they could employ to manage their children’s difficult behaviour, and they reported that they were feeling calmer and much less frustrated with their children as they began to implement some of the strategies. They said they valued sharing their experiences with the other parents which left them feeling like they were not alone in their efforts.

The next Workshop will be run by Gregory Holland, School Counsellor at Point Clare PS, on the Monday mornings of weeks 3, 4, 5 of Term 3, from 9.00am till 11.00 am
Parents wishing to join the group, please fill out your details below and return to the school.

Gregory J. Holland MAPS
Psychologist - School Counsellor Point Clare PS

I am interested in attending the parenting program “1,2,3 Magic”
Name: ____________________________ Phone: ____________
Childs Name: ______________________ Class: ____________

Your P&C News
G’day,
Hope week 9 finds you well. This week I thought I’d explain a little about the P&C movement.

Each NSW Public School has a parent’s organisation, the Parents and Citizens Association (P&C). Each school P&C is affiliated to the Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations of NSW (P&C Federation). P&C Federation is a legislated organisation.

"P&C Federation is committed to a free public education system which is inclusive of all, irrespective of culture, gender, academic ability and socio-economic status. Parents as partners in the education process, have a right and a responsibility to play an active role in the education of their children." (www.pandc.org.au)

Point Clare Public School P&C is also a member of the Central Coast Council of P&Cs which supports the development and sustainability of parents’ voices in public education on the Central Coast. (www.cccpandc.org).

If you are interested in finding out more about the P&C movement have a look at the websites above. They are both easy to use and full of interesting information.

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

FACEBOOK PAGE
Like our FB page and be up to date with P&C activities.
Click the thumbs up icon.
https://www.facebook.com/pages/PC-for-Point-Clare-Public-School

Canteen
LUNCH ORDERS THIS WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE
This Wednesday is our Green Lunch Promo day. Orders closed last week for this promotion and no other lunch orders are available.

Thank you to all parents who have ordered lunches for our green day.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERING UPDATE
Thank you to all those who have joined the Canteen volunteer team. It’s great to see new faces joining this fabulous team!

The Canteen always has room for more volunteers on its roster. In particular we are looking to fill the following gaps:
• Wednesday 9-11am (fortnightly)
• Thursday 9-11am (fortnightly)
• Friday all day (monthly)
You may not be able to commit to these times fortnightly, but if you are available any of these times at any frequency we’d appreciate your help.

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 Tuesday 8.30-9am

End of term is nearly here - two weeks to go! Please check Lost Property for any items you are missing before the holidays. All items are cleared from Lost Property at the end of each term.

Thank you to our volunteers who work to sort and label the many lost property items each week.

UNIFORM SHOP VOLUNTEERS
The Uniform shop is run by volunteers. Your patience and appreciation goes a long way when they are busy serving the school community.

Thank you to all those who have taken the time to thank our wonderful volunteers.

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.

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN TUESDAY MORNINGS
The Uniform shop is open Tuesday mornings 8:30-9:00am. The Uniform shop is limited on space. It can only facilitate two change rooms at a time, which means we will always be busy. If you don’t need to try on please consider using MunchMonitor online orders (see details above).

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

Thank You
Uniform Committee

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