Welcome to Education Week 2015. This year’s theme is celebrating local heroes. I’m sure that we all know one or two people that we could deem as ‘local hero’ because we all see and do a variety of activities in our lives. We have some special ‘local heroes’ here at Point Clare. This week I would like to acknowledge every teacher at Point Clare Public School as a ‘local hero’.

Teaching is a difficult job. It eats into your family time with evening preparation for class, attendance at meetings and school functions at weekends and even attendance at school during school holidays to make sure everything is ready for the students. Teachers worry about ‘their kids’. They think about how to assist them to achieve, they worry about their friendship groups, their health and more, just like you do as parents. Every year your class becomes your extra ‘family’. So, on behalf of the school community I would like to say thank you. We appreciate you.

Gosford City Learning Community Celebration Assembly
Congratulations to our school community members and students who received awards at this special Education Week Assembly yesterday.
Reading Helpers: Penny Bonner and Mike Gero.
Staff Members: Wendy Hillan, Kylie McGavin, Jim Ruhan.
P&C Members: Nicole Stammers, Angela Mitchell and Eco Club Donna Harland.
Students: Neo, Alydia, Maddison, Ben, Matthew, Tyson, Gemma, Brandon and Caitlin.

Preparations are well under way for our Open Day tomorrow and we are looking forward to hosting as many family members as possible between 9:15 and 11:00am. Please spend some time to look around your child’s classroom and let them share some of their work with you, pop in to a performance or two, have a cuppa and cake and view “Sculpture by the School”. You don’t need to stay the whole time, just come along for as long as you can. See you tomorrow.

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
Science Test Results
Last term, 34 students sat the UNSW Science Test. Congratulations to all children who entered. Our school received 3 Distinctions, 11 Credits, 5 Merit and 15 Participation Certificates.

Children who received Distinction Achievement:
Finn Year 4
Neo Year 6
Enya Year 6

Children who received Credit Achievement are:
Khyra Year 3
Joshua Year 3
Ryan Year 4
Matthew Year 4
Alexander Year 4
Georgia Year 4
Lauren Year 4
Hayden Year 4
Greg Year 5
Alissa Year 6
Mia Year 6

Children who received Merit Achievement are:
Rowan Year 3
Aidan Year 3
Anneka Year 5
Tinya Year 6
Eira Year 6

Well Done! Jenny Ricketts – Assistant Principal

Premier's Reading Challenge - 4 weeks to go!
All students have been encouraged to read books to complete the annual Premier’s Reading Challenge. K-2 classes have been sharing books with their teachers, while primary students (3-6) are being encouraged to read independently both at home and in class. Once primary students have finished reading their twenty books, they will need to complete their online reading record on the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge website.

Congratulations to the following students who have already completed the challenge.
Year 3 - Ariana, Eve, Iona.
Year 4 - Kaleah, Callum, Chloe. Year 6 - Maddison.

If you need help completing reading records or require further information, please contact Mrs Allan as soon as possible.
MEREDITH.ALLAN@det.nsw.edu.au

Kindergarten 2016
Kindergarten enrolment packs now available from the front office. If you have a child or know of any children that are wishing to attend Point Clare Public School for Kindergarten next year please come collect an enrolment pack. Students must live in the Point Clare zone: Point Clare, Tascott, Koolewong and West Gosford (selected area) to be automatically eligible to attend our school.

YOU CAN DO IT - Winners
K-2 - Golden ticket
Marnie 1/2T- Persistence
Iceblocks- Lachlan 1/2T- Persistence
Kristina 2FN- Resilience
Anthony 2HW- Getting Along

3-6 - Golden ticket
Emma 4J- persistence
Iceblocks-
Marco 3C- Persistence
Sophie 4J- Organisation
Allochia 6R- Getting Along

Important Dates

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5/6M Sculpture preview
Sporting News ..... Artist:

Athletics Carnival
Last Wednesday, Primary students and some Year 2 students travelled to McEvoy Oval at Umina for our Athletics Carnival. Students enjoyed the day and participated in various track and field events, as well as a variety of novelties. We were fortunate that the weather held out. This allowed the program to run smoothly. I would like to thank the teachers and parents who assisted on the day for helping to make the carnival a success. Thanks also to the P&C volunteers who ran the canteen. We are yet to complete our high jump events but at present all sporting houses are within reach of winning the carnival.

Three records were broken on the day:

Sam B
- 11 Years boys discus: Sam threw a distance of 25.25 metres, beating his brother Tom’s record of 21.30m in 2013.

Sophie B
- 11 Years girls 800m: Sophie ran the distance in 2 minutes 48.35 seconds, beating the previous record of 3 minutes 2 seconds. Kasey B also beat the previous record with 3 minutes 1.12 seconds.
- 11 Years girls long jump: Sophie jumped 4.03m, beating the previous record by 21cm. Kasey B also beat the record with 4.00m.

The zone carnival will be held at Mingara athletics track on Friday 21st August. Children who finished first or second in track finals will be able to attend this carnival. Qualifying distances for field events will determine whether or not 2 competitors will be eligible to compete at zone. Age champions and final point score will be in the newsletter soon.

Girls Soccer Results
Last Tuesday Point Clare's girls’ soccer team played against Gosford Public. The girls were the dominant side maintaining at least 75% of the time with the ball. Despite several opportunities the girls failed to consolidate with a goal, going into the second half at nil all. During the second half the girls continued to dominate but a goal from Gosford left them with some ground to make up. Despite continued efforts our goal never came, meaning the girls have been knocked out of the tournament.

I would like to commend the girls on their dedication to training and their hard effort on the field. They were wonderful representatives of our school, and every one of them showed genuine progress in their understanding of the game. Hold your head high girls because you are super stars!

Thank you once again to the dedicated band of parents who helped provide transport to and from the game.

Kylie McGavin

Woolworths Earn & Learn
From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 18th September 2015 when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator. Please place stickers on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and once completed simply place the sheet in the collection box at school. Please support the Earn & Learn Program which allows the school to purchase valuable education resources.

Mitchell McNeill

Hunter Cup Netball
Last Thursday 2 teams from Stage 3 played in the Hunter Cup Netball Competition. The Competition Team won 4 out of 5 games and were runner-ups. The mixed team played in a social competition and had a wonderful day. A special thanks to the parents who supported, transported, bandaged and scored for the day.

Trish Arkell
YOUR P&C NEWS

G'day all.

This week I'd like to introduce some of the different areas of skill and experience within the P&C you may be interested in engaging with.

We have some formal committees, as well as areas of need and interest. Our current formal committees are the Canteen and Uniform Shop Committee and Fundraising Committee.

These committees are not just about volunteering, they actively run the structures they support.

We also have a strong commitment to the Eco Club, as well as creating digital and systems management tools to be more efficient and lighten the workload. At the last P&C meeting we established a Grants Sub-Committee to apply for community funds/grants.

Do any of these things pique your interest?

If so, send us an email at pointclarepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au, or come to our Wednesday meetings, introduce yourself and let us know what skills you have to share.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 12 August, 7:30pm in the school Staff Room.

Hope to hear from you soon.

Cheers

Jen Moes
President, Point Clare Public School P&C

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

CANTEEN

CANTEEN @ THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
A huge thanks go out to all those who helped last Wednesday at the athletics canteen and the school canteen. It was great to serve so many enthusiastic little people.

Without our wonderful volunteers these days just wouldn’t be the same, so thank you all so much!

Thanks also to our hard working Canteen Manager, Anwyn and our Canteen Assistant, Vanessa. Both these ladies put in extra effort to ensure our canteens ran smoothly on the day.

CANTEEN 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 8:30 - 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.

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
An Invitation
To ALL the Students at Point Clare Public School
Come along to Le Club Français and discover an exciting, fun way to learn French!
Location: Point Clare Public School – Hall
Date: Wednesday 5th August 2015
Time: 2:25pm-2:55pm (school time)
To register or for more info please call Nathalie 0430 286 590 or email nathalie.roy@lcflclubs.com.au

PLEASE REPLY BY MONDAY 3rd AUGUST TO THE FRONT OFFICE WITH DETAILS BELOW:

COMPLIMENTARY FRENCH CLASS
My child ____________________ of class ____________ will be attending this session on Wednesday, August 5 at 2:25pm.
Parent signature: _________________________________

Wyong Musical Theatre Company Inc
Production of
Disney’s
MULAN JR
Music and Lyrics by
Matthew Wilder and David Zippel
Stephen Schwartz
Jeanine Tesori and Alexa Junge
Music Adapted and Arranged
and Additional Music and Lyrics by
Bryan Louiselle
Book Adapted and Additional Lyrics by
Patricia Cotter
Based on the 1998 Disney Film "Mulan" and the Story "Fa Mulan" by
Robert D San Souci
By arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty. Ltd, exclusive agent for Musical Theatre International.
NY Fri 16th Sept 7:30pm Wed 23rd Sept 11am
Sat 19th Sept 2pm & 7:30pm Thu 24th Sept 11am & 2pm
Sun 20th Sept 2pm Fri 25th Sept 7:30pm
Tue 22nd Sept 11am & 2pm Sat 26th Sept 2pm & 7:30pm
Tickets: www.wmtc.com.au or 1300 366 470 All $20
only 146 seats per performance, so book early. Group discounts
Venue: Wyong Grove Theatre
1 North Road, Wyong

COMING TO... Why not try baseball with Gosford Indians Baseball Club?
REGISTRATION DATES
2015 – 2016 SEASON
Boys and girls, new and old players are invited to come and register
for our MID WEEK comp U8’s – U16’s.
Where: Adcock Park (near the baseball canteen)
When: Tuesday 11th and 18th August
Time: 4 – 6pm
For further information please contact Kate Frost on 0416 277 016 or email: kafrost@optusnet.com.au