Term Events
The school holidays commence this Friday afternoon, with students returning to school on Tuesday, 6th October. Term 3 has been a term filled with activities ranging from lots of exciting work in classrooms, to sporting Gala Days, choir events, dance events, Book Week and of course, our Open Day with Sculpture by the School. Thank you to our outstanding students who participate in these events, the teachers who spend so much of their own time and effort in preparation, rehearsing acts and coaching teams, and of course to our wonderful parents and carers who provide transport and support for all of these events. Our Sculpture by the School event has been noticed by The NSW Environment Trust for its sustainability focus and is to be acknowledged and shared in a published teaching resource to be available for teachers from 2017. Congratulations to our teachers and students for such a great effort, and particularly to Mrs Wilson who provided on-going encouragement and support to all staff members for this initiative. The sculptures were very thought provoking and demonstrated many different uses for recycled materials.

Student Absences
This is a reminder that if your child is absent from school a note or email to the teacher; or a phone call to the front office is required explaining the reason for the absence. If your child is away from the school for 2 or more days and you have not notified the school, we may contact you for an explanation. Parents and carers must give an explanation of each absence within 7 days of the absence or the absence is to be marked in the class roll as ‘unjustified’.

Lyp Sync
The Stage 3 students have spent the past few weeks making Lyp Sync dvds. This initiative led by Mr McNeill has provided lots of fun learning for the students around the use of technology and movie making. The screening of the dvds is to be held this afternoon and all classes are invited to attend. Just a word of warning to Stage 3 – watch out, we teachers have made our own dvd to challenge you! The winner will be announced at a later stage.

You Can Do It
The You Can Do it Reward lunch will be held this Thursday for students who have received a Golden Ticket. These students may wear mufti to school on Thursday. Congratulations to our award winners who were randomly chosen weekly from all students who received a reward. Well done to all the students who are increasingly achieving the Keys to Success.

Mathletics
Great news! Point Clare School has signed the students up to the world’s most popular Maths on-line learning site, Mathletics. Commencing in Term 4, each student will receive a personal log on to the Mathletics web site and will have unlimited access to Mathletics at school and at home. Mathletics will be used by teachers as a learning tool in the classroom to support our school Maths teaching and learning programs. Teachers may use this site to set work for students to complete as Homework or in class. Students may use Mathletics alone, in a group or as a whole class. Next term, we will run some information sessions for parents who wish to learn more about Mathletics. We’re excited to be able to offer this program to all the students. The cost will be added to next year’s Bulk Payment and should be about $15 per child. Very cost effective for unlimited access both at home and school for such a valuable learning resource.

I hope all families have a relaxing and safe well deserved holiday.

Jane Young, Acting Principal

PLEASE NOTE - TERM 4 COMMENCES ON TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER, 2015

Henny Penny
Hatching Program
The children of Kindergarten would like to thank the Point Clare Vet for helping take care of a sick chicken.

Mrs Carey – Acting Deputy Principal

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**YOU CAN DO IT - Winners Week 10**

**Infants**
- **Golden Ticket** - Caitlin F - Resilience
- **Iceblocks** - Sylvi - organisation
  - Isabelle 2A - organisation
  - Charline 1/2R - Persistence

**Primary**
- **Golden Tickets** - Tegan - 4R Organisation
- **Iceblocks** - Loreli 4J - Persistence
  - Dannen 5/6A - Confidence
  - Skyla 4R - organisation

**Get Your Act Together**
The catchphrase for this year’s talent showcases “Get Your Act Together”. Although it will not be on until Week 8 next term, children can start rehearsing and organising for auditions to be held in Weeks 6 and 7. K – Year 2 will audition for Mr Booth, and Years 3-6 with Mrs Lawson. Children may only perform in one item at this stage.

We are looking for a variety of acts such as singing/dancing/instrumental/drama.

**Mrs Lawson and Mr Booth – Co-ordinators**

**Peer Support**
We introduce a 3 step model this week to encourage resilient responses; Pause, Plan, Proceed. The children take part in an activity to identify their feelings and the immediate effects on their bodies i.e. butterflies in their stomachs. The normalcy of feelings is acknowledged and the importance of being proactive is stressed. The children learn that pausing when they are emotional is helpful. They can do this by being still, taking a deep breath or counting to ten. Pausing gives children space to see a situation more accurately before planning a response.

Ask your child to describe the 3 steps of the model and what is involved in each one.

**Mr Rayner – Co-ordinator**

**Premier’s Spelling Bee Regional Final**
Last Monday James G, Xanthia M, Matthew L and Lauren R competed in the Premier’s Spelling Bee Regional Final at Umina Public School. The students reported back that they had a great time and spelled some very challenging words before being eliminated from the competition. We would like to congratulate them on being such great representatives of the school.

**Mr McNeill – Spelling Bee Co-ordinator**

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**Important Dates**

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**Movie Mayhem**

Year 6 invite you to come and join them in the hall on the 18th of September for a marvellous movie fundraising night! $5 includes popcorn, lollies and drinks!

**Proceeds go to Year 6 fundraising programmes for our school**

**K-2**: 5:00pm till 6:45pm

3-6: 6:45pm till 8:30pm

**BBQ**: 5:00pm-7:00pm $3.00 / sausage sandwich/drink

K-2 “HOME” rated PG

3-6 “PAPER PLANES” rated PG

Don’t be slow - come be part of this show

Remember your pillow and PJs!

To assist us with catering could you please indicate below if you will be requiring sausage sandwiches: ___ (payment on night)

I will be requiring sausage sandwiches.

Name: ____________________________  Class: ____________________________
Fred Hollows Foundation Humanity Awards
Last Monday I had the pleasure of travelling to NSW Parliament House in Sydney with the Lea-Butler family to attend the NSW Fred Hollows Foundation Humanity Awards. The program aimed to recognise students from across the state that demonstrated outstanding care, compassion and kindness. After being nominated for the award by the Stage 3 teachers, Lochlan L-B was a finalist and received his award from Premier Mike Baird and Fred Hollows Foundation Founding Director Gabi Hollows (Fred’s wife). We would like to congratulate Lochlan and his very proud family on this wonderful achievement.

Mr McNeill – Rel. Assistant Principal (Stage 3)

Debating Success
How proud are we at Point Clare of our 2015 Debating team. These students commit to turning up all lunchtime each Tuesday to hone their debating skills and gain confidence with their delivery of thoughtfully constructed arguments and rebuttals. As a result of this perseverance and dedication to succeed, the team have won 3 of their 4 debates placing them equal first for this Zone. Congratulations debaters, you are to be commended on your outstanding result!

Mrs Wilson – Debating Co-ordinator

Ex Students Triumph in Mock Trial upset!
Henry Kendall High School’s Year 11 mock trial team has defeated Barker College at Gosford Court House in the State competition. Barker College won the competition last year so it was quite an upset and a huge victory for our Public Schools. HKHS is one of the top 32 scoring teams in NSW and ACT. We are extremely proud to acknowledge that 2 of the team, Ella Whelan and Molly Mitchell are past students of Point Clare PS and we wish them well in their next trial.

Mrs Wilson – Year 6 Teacher

Zone and Regional Athletics Report
In week 6 of this term the Zone Athletics carnival was held at Mingara. Our students achieved the following places:

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Sophie B. broke the Zone record for the 11Year Girls 800m but came second in the event. Hayden D. was the Senior Boys Age Champion, winning by half a point. Our school team also won the Overall Handicap Point Score for the carnival by 1 point. The students in bold travelled to Homebush last Monday to compete in the Sydney North Regional Athletics Carnival. As mentioned last week, Sam B and Jorjah C. have qualified for the State Athletics Carnival, taking place on the 14th & 15th October. Many other students did personal best times/marks and just missed qualifying. Congratulations to all students.

Mr McNeill – Athletics Convenor

Sydney North Cricket Team
Congratulations to Brianna I. for being selected in the Sydney North Cricket Team. She will be playing in Dubbo against other teams from New South Wales over 4 days in November.

Mr Rayner – Sports Co-ordinator
**Hurry! – Enrol Now for Kindergarten 2016**
If you have a child entering Kindergarten next year, or know of a family with a Kindergarten age child, please ensure they are enrolled for commencement in 2016. Please collect an enrolment pack from the school front office ASAP so you can be part of our Transition Program.

**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.

President, Point Clare Public School P&C

**Robotic Mentoring Programme**
Stage 3 students were excited and highly motivated to be part of a Robotic Mentoring program with Henry Kendall HS students over the last two weeks. Lessons on programming Lego EV Robotic vehicles to navigate mazes, dance, ‘talk’, and lift various objects were highly engaging. Students also learnt to remotely control their robots using iPads to ‘battle’ each other - a competitive and thrilling activity!
We are very grateful to HKHS for their help with this program and a Robotic club is going to established next term for students to continue to hone their programming skills.

**YOUR P&C NEWS**

G'day all.
Well, that’s another term done and dusted. Thank you to the wonderful people who have volunteered this term, it has been a busy one.
Thank you also to all the families who have supported our events and contributed to our fundraising efforts.
I hope your family enjoys some quality time together during the beautiful Spring break.
See you next term.

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

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

**CANTEEN**
**THANK YOU**
As we see out the last week of Term 3 we wanted to take this opportunity to thank all the fantastic people who volunteer their time to the Canteen.
Whether it’s once a term or twice a week, thank you! The time you give keeps the Canteen in operation. We know our students love their canteen so thank you for helping to keep it going for them.

**WE NEED YOU ON WEDNESDAY’S - TERM 4**
Wednesday’s are a day we struggle for volunteers. It just seems to be everyone’s busy day.
If you are available to help in the Canteen any Wednesday in Term 4 we’d love to hear from you.
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

**THANK YOU**
Thank you to our team of volunteers who give their time each week to serve the school community. We appreciate the time you give serving in the Uniform Shop, with online orders, classroom deliveries, and lost property. You are all awesome 😊

Judy Wilson - Program Facilitator
LAST CHANCE FOR LOST PROPERTY
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.

UNIFORM SHOP ONLINE ORDERS
Online ordering is available via MunchMonitor (www.munchmonitor.com).
Online orders are delivered each Thursday.
Cut off time for online orders is 7:00am Thursdays.
Orders can also be left at the office, and will be delivered to classrooms on Thursdays as well.
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. If you don’t need to try on please consider using MunchMonitor online orders (see details above).

Thank you,
Uniform Committee

FUNDRAISING NEWS
FAMILY PORTRAIT DAY - TERM 4, SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER
A reminder that we will be holding our biannual family portrait day at the school on Sunday 18 October. It involves a 15min photo session with a professional photographer in the hall.
The cost is $20 per family, which is donated to the school.
Each family receives a framed photo with the option to purchase more photos. There is also a chance to win a family portrait pack valued at over $200.
Keep an eye out for the detailed note coming home soon.

Thank you,
Fundraising Committee

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update
Please Read Following the decision last month to recall the Cosmic Light Beam Torch due to a potential safety issue, a decision has been made to also withdraw the upcoming Lunar Light Band reward from the School Banking Rewards Program. To avoid disappointment there is a new reward item available for redemption in Term 4 while stocks last.
Students can now test their skills with a game of frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider! Once students have collected 10 tokens, they can simply include a note, along with their 10 tokens in their deposit wallet on banking day to advise that they would like to redeem their tokens for the Galaxy Glider reward item. Don’t forget the Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4.


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

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Happy saving!
Liz & Odette
PARKLANDS COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL now taking enrolments for 2016.

Parklands Community Preschool provides education and care for children aged between 2-6 years. We are located in the beautiful and peaceful community precinct of Mt Penang Parklands, Kariong. Our commitment to the provision of quality education for children in the early years is our passion. Our educators embrace sustainable practices and our environment is a reflection of our philosophy towards play-based learning in a natural environment.

Parklands Community Preschool is a non-profit, community-based organisation which is partially funded by the NSW Department of Education. We have been rated as EXCEEDING the National Quality Standards.

Parklands Community Preschool - a great choice for you and your child prior to starting school.

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