Welcome back. I am really excited about being here at Nulkaba as principal for the whole year instead of beginning in Term 2. Lots of wonderful events and programs will be running this year. Last week our sound system in the COLA was updated. This is going to be an amazing addition to our school. A big thank you to the P&C for the funds, Terry Galvin for the organisation and Custom Audio for the great work.

Kindergarten
It was wonderful to see so many parents and excited new students here last Friday as Kindergarten commenced their educational journey at Nulkaba Public School. They all looked spectacular in their uniforms and nearly all of them went off to their classes easily. I believe this is a tribute to our extended orientation program which has enabled the students to feel at home at school. We will run this program again this year. This year we would like our enrolments finalised early as it is likely new rooms are needed if our numbers continue to grow. Could you please put your name down for enrolment of your child for 2014 as soon as possible?

Stationery Fees
Each year the school invoices you for stationery fees. This money allows the school to provide, pens, pencils, rulers etc as well as paper for photocopying, art supplies and much more. The cost is $60 per year or $15 per term. I know many of you probably look to purchasing some of this yourself but we find it easier to have the same basic equipment for all students when completing their school work. Unlike many schools this is the only cost as text books are not used. You can also see from this that photocopying would be greater. Please support us in this process.

P&C
Our first P&C meeting for the year is next Tuesday, 12/2/2013, please come along and be a part of this wonderful group. We meet every second Tuesday of the month at 6.30 in the Staffroom. The School Fair, one of the major fundraisers, will be held on the 23rd March. Please support this in any way you can. Many of the excellent extras that are in our school are completely funded by the P&C.

Swimming Carnival
This was a fabulous day, very lucky with the weather. A big thank you to all the parents who came to watch and help the staff run a smooth carnival. The students were brilliant and it was wonderful to see the House Captains and School Leaders really support their team mates.

I look forward to meeting many of you over the coming weeks and my door is always open if you need to discuss anything. Just talk to our wonderful office staff to make an appointment.

Narelle Hunt
Principal
Nulkaba Public School
### P&C MEETING

**TUESDAY**

12th February 2013
6.30pm

**SCHOOL STAFF ROOM**

*All welcome*

*Have your say*

*Be involved in your child’s education*

### REMINDER

**FINAL DATE FOR PAYMENTS**

**STAGE 2—RUGBY LEAGUE BLITZ SKILL DAY**

*This excursion has limited to 60 Students*

*$3.00 DUE FRIDAY 1/3/13*

### NULKABA NIBBLES

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**IF YOU CAN HELP TO FILL OUR CURRENT VACANCIES PLEASE CONTACT LINDA ON 0457 514 786**

Support your school by volunteering in the canteen once per month
2013 Library Assistants

Well, we have hit the ground running in the library, getting off to a quick start with the appointment of new members in the Library Assistant team. Over 30 senior students expressed their interest in becoming a Library Assistant, presenting Mrs Morris with a very difficult task in making a final selection. In fact, we now have a 12 member team, simply because of the strength of the students applying for the role... AND, there are several students who Mrs Morris has on a reserve list, so that should any vacancies occur, they will be quickly filled.

ALL students who applied for the role are to be congratulated as is shows that our students see our Library as a very important part of our school. Sadly not all applicants can be included in the team, and so we say special congratulations to the following Year 5 students: Adam C, Aspen B, Mackenzie S, Molly B, Molly W, Liam C, Isabella L, Lily C and Eloise B. These students join our continuing Year 6 Assistants: Lily L, Chloe B and Kyla B.

The Things You Find...

It’s always amazing the ‘lost’ things that turn up during a Christmas clean-up! Mrs Morris would like to say a big Thank You to those parents who found overdue Library books over the holidays and returned them to the Library last week. There are still books that are yet to be returned from last year, so as soon as possible, reminder letters will again go out to students with outstanding loans. It really is important for overdue books to be returned, or where they have been lost, to have that confirmed. So please stay on the lookout and hopefully a few more of our missing books will reappear.

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2013

YES! It’s on again folks! We are already up and running – Mrs Morris will have information sheets and reading logs available next week. Look out for more information in our next newsletter!

Cessnock United FC Registration Days
At Baddeley Park Cessnock

All new players must provide a copy of birth certificate.

Saturday 9/2/2013
Sunday 10/02/2013
Saturday 16/02/2013

10-12pm each day.

Shorts $18
Socks $12
5-7yrs $67
8-11yrs $82
12-18yrs $96
Seniors $195

WE ARE ENTERING AN ALL GIRL SIDE IN UNDER 6s THIS YR FOR THE GIRLS THAT DONT WANT TO PLAY WITH THE BOYS, THEY WILL PLAY IN AN ALL GIRL COMP.

For further information contact Ann Skinner on 0416001979

Issue 1 Book Club

Order forms for this year’s first issue of Book Club have been distributed to students this week. As usual, order forms and payment should be left in the ‘Book Orders Box’ found near the front door of the Library. Spare order forms are available from Mrs Morris. **Orders are due by Friday February 15th. Please see Mrs Morris if you have any questions re Book Club.**
SCRIPTURE

Dear Parents/Carers,

Scripture will commence Wednesday, 20th February for K-4.
Stage 3 will commence in Term 3.
All children are expected to participate in Scripture unless the school is notified in writing.

Mrs Narelle Hunt
Principal

URGENT

CANTEEN

Volunteers required
WEDNESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2013
Please contact Linda if you are available to help 0457 514 786

CESSNOCK JUNIOR GOLF FOUNDATION

VENUE: SUNDAY GOLF CLINICS AT STONEBRIDGE GOLF CLUB
MOUNT VIEW ROAD CESSNOCK

DATE: STARTING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10TH
TIME: 3:00PM TO 4:30PM APPROX

COST: $5.00

- ALL AGES, BEGINNERS WELCOME
- EQUIPMENT PROVIDED OR USE YOUR OWN

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES AND ENROLMENTS
CONTACT: AMANDA CRAMPTON
PH: 0421 205 999
EMAIL: acrampton75@gmail.com

COALFIELDS NETBALL CLUB REGISTRATION 2013

Yes it’s that time again!

Maitland competition start date is the 6th April 2013

As a member of our club in 2012 you and your friends are invited to join us again for a fun filled year of netball.

Please be advised that registrations will be held at East Cessnock Bowling Club on;

SATURDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2013 — 9AM – 1PM
SATURDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2013 — 9AM – 1PM
SATURDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2013 — 9AM – 1PM

We look forward to seeing you on these days. If you are unable to attend either of these three dates please contact PAUL STACEY on 0430 226 619. Email paulstacey446@gmail.com or GAYLE MADDEN on 0422 260 423. Email gayle_madden@yahoo.com.au

Don’t forget the Website for all your Information and links to Maitland. www.coalfields.netball.asn.au

HAPPY NETBALLING.

Want to re-enter the workforce but need to brush up on your skills first?

Come and talk with the helpful staff at CESSNOCK TAFE, CAREER SKILLS EDUCATION

OUR COURSES for 2013

- Preparation for Work & Study-Certificate I (PWS) 10756/57/58
  Year 9 equivalent course, to upgrade literacy, numeracy & employment skills.
- Skills for Work & Training-Certificate II (SWAT) 10697
  Provides a pathway to work, further study and training.
- Career Education & Employment for Women-Certificate II (CEEW) 10697
  This course helps women reenter the workforce or education after a long absence.
 Work placement included in the course.
- Tertiary Preparation-Certificate IV (TPC) 9048
  Year 12 equivalent course, a pathway to tertiary education & employment.
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
  Course for people from non-English speaking backgrounds to improve English language skills for work or further study.
- Access to Work & Training-Certificate I (ATLN) 10442/10757/58
  Course for Centrelink, JSA or DES referred clients to upgrade language, literacy, numeracy & employment skills.

CONTACT: CESSNOCK TAFE 4993 0400

or

Dianne Whittaker 4993 0411 (Head Teacher)
Welcome to 2013 from the Nulkaba P&C

Our first P&C Meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday 12th February at 6:30pm in the Staff Room – come and see how you can be involved in shaping the school for your children.

If you would like to join the P&C please complete the form below and return with your $1 membership fee (per person).

Even if you can’t attend our meetings, we still encourage parents to join the P&C. Annual membership only costs $1 per person –

If you intend to do any volunteer work with the school, you should join the P&C so that you have insurance cover.

Please complete the form below and return with your $1 to a P&C rep or the office (Joining the P&C does not mean you have to attend meetings – although you are very welcome to!)

Nulkaba Public School P&C Membership Form

Why join the P & C?
Joining the P&C is one of the best ways to show your children how much you value their education and how interested you are in what they do.

A lot can and has been achieved through the P & C and school working together towards common goals. To do this the P & C needs people from all walks of life and with a range of talents who are committed to delivering great outcomes for our children and school.

If you intend to do any volunteer work with the school you should join the P&C so that you have insurance cover. Annual membership to Nulkaba School P & C costs $1.

How you can help?

- Just by joining your P & C you add your voice to what’s happening in the school;
- Canteen volunteer;
- Classroom helper, eg reading, groups etc…
- Assisting with fundraising activities, eg stalls, School Fair etc…;
- Working bee volunteer;
- Attend P&C meetings.

Please complete the form below and hand it in today with your $1 to join up for 2013.

For more than one person please put all names and include $1 each.

Name: ____________________________________________

Home Phone: __________________________ Mobile: __________________________

Email Address: _______________________________________ Child’s Class: ______________________