Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**P&C**
The term is certainly flying by with less than two weeks to our Fair. Please support this major event in any way you can. Congratulations to the new executive of the P&C elected last week and a big thank you to those outgoing members. Our P&C work extremely hard to support our school in many ways and I and all my staff are extremely grateful.

**Sport**
Our students are very busy with zone trials, PSSA competitions and aerobics rehearsals these will continue over the rest of the term and into next term. So far the results have been amazing, well done. We had a wonderful cross country event last Friday. The students were awesome and ran very well even though it was quite hot. Good luck goes to our students going on to zone.

**Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition**
Last weekend the Newcastle Permanent Primary Mathematics Competition Camp was held at Myuna Bay. The top 100 students in our region attend. The last two years has seen students from Nulkaba attend. Well done Aspen for being selected this year.

**Kindergarten 2015**
Yes it’s that time of the year again... kindergarten enrolments for 2015.

If you have a child that will be starting school in 2015 please call the office and leave your details. The school will post you an official DEC enrolment form during Term 2.

This information will be distributed to pre-schools but it would be wonderful if you could mention that Nulkaba is now taking enrolments for 2015 to any parents that will have their first child starting school in 2015.

**Out of Zone Applications**
The DEC expects all schools to keep a 10% buffer for in zone enrolments throughout the year. The school will close out of zone applications at the end of Week 2 Term 2 – Friday May 9th 2014. Families can make contact with the office and arrange for an out of zone application to be completed. This needs to be completed even if you already have children enrolled at Nulkaba. Every year we have a large amount of applications for out-of-zone enrolments for kindergarten students. We need to follow set protocols and procedures in line with the DEC policy. Our arrangements are as follows:

1. All out-of-zone applications for Kindergarten 2015 must be at the office by the end of Week 2 Term 2 2014.
2. They must contain all relevant information - be very precise about the reasons you want your child to attend Nulkaba.
3. You need to have been to your local school to discuss your enrolment (this step does not apply to siblings)

During the rest of Term 2 we will look at those applications and make our decisions.

The time frame does apply to those of you with siblings already enrolled here.

Nulkaba has some facilities we would like to have upgraded. This will never happen while we have a large number of out-of-zone students. This includes extra classrooms.

*Narelle Hunt*
Principal
Nulkaba Public School
WHAT’S ON THE CALENDAR?

2014 Term 1 – Week 8
Tue 18 Mar Cessnock Zone Netball Trials
Fri 21 Mar Harmony Day

2014 Term 1 – Week 9
Mon 24 Mar Year 1 – Murrook Cultural Centre
Excursion (9:30 AM – 2:30PM)
Sat 29 Mar School Fair

2014 Term 1 – Week 10
Mon 31 Mar Year 2 – Murrook Cultural Centre
Excursion (9:30 AM – 2:30PM)
Wed 2 Apr Autism Day (Blue Day)
Fri 4 Apr Cessnock Zone Cross Country

Reminder
Final Date for Payments

Stage 3 Four Day Excursion to Sydney
$435 in total
Deposit due now, part payments can be made from now on.

P&C Meeting
Tuesday 8th April 2014 at 6.30 PM
In the School Staff Room
All welcome, have your say be involved in your child’s education
Parents new to the school especially welcome

Nulkaba Nibbles

CANTEEN ROSTER

Week A
Monday 17 March to Friday 21 March 2014

Day Date Names
Thursday 20 March S. Harrison
K. Hicks
Friday 21 March W. Saywell
J. Slatter

Week B
Monday 24 March to Friday 28 March 2014

Day Date Names
Monday 24 March S. Parker
R. Stirrat
P. Twentyman
Tuesday 25 March K. Watson
V. Williams
S. Zilic
Wednesday 26 March R. Meyers
L. Robinson
Thursday 27 March A. Burke
A. Trowbridge
K. Saunders
Friday 28 March R. Corcoran
L. Hirst

Week C
Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April 2014

Day Date Names
Monday 31 March J. Hope
H. McGregor
Tuesday 1 April A. Smith
K. Laybutt
Wednesday 2 April S. Clark
R. Proctor
Thursday 3 April W. Jenness
K. Vickers
Friday 4 April J. Borghero
M. Wills

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

Enrolment Updates

Thank you to all those families who have returned their checked and amended enrolment forms. This project has enabled the school to correct a number of errors or changes to enrolment forms both relating to student and family information.

These changes will ensure that our enrolment information is accurate and that our future funding will be accessed correctly.

For those families still to return the enrolment forms please do so by Wednesday 26th March.

For anyone who needs assistance or has any questions please contact the office.
Premier’s Reading Challenge Update!

Online records for this year’s PRC have only been open since March 3, but already we have close to 20% of students finished and validated for this year! As the pictures show, the library computer bank was in full use on March 3, with several students completing their online entries.

That has to be the fastest start we’ve ever seen so we have a lot of students to acknowledge for their efforts.

Firstly to S3S, who were the first class to enter their completed entries – Adam, Aspen, Ben, Charlie, Chelsea, Chloe, Eloise, Illy, Belle, Isla, Liam, Lilly, Lily, Lucy, Mackenzie (who apparently was up at the crack of dawn to complete her online entry!), Mason, Maya, Molly B Molly W, Nicholas, Noah, Raya, Samuel, Sarah, Sophie, Tyler, Will I, Will S, Zane and Zoe.

S3P are not far behind, and S2B are steaming ahead as well. Excellent effort to the following students from S3P: Ashley, Bailey, Brayden, Cooper, Elijah, Ella, Emelia, Hannah, Imogen, Isabel, Kate, Mackenzie, Monique, Nicholas, Nicolas, Oliver, Shannon, Jayden, Lachlan and Taleah. S2B students: Abbey, Arabella, Chloe, Grace, Harrison, Henry, Josh, Lachlan (who incidentally was the first Stage 2 student to complete his online entry), Maddie, Mali, May, Saraya, Tamara, Zac and Zion. From other classes, we have Ella B, Emily S, Emma R and Fletcher T from S2W; Cameron S from S3C and Beatrice N from S3J. Congratulations to all these students – some of whom can look forward to gaining the Gold Level certificate or the Platinum Level certificate at the end of the year.

Many other students have their entries partially complete, so we are well on track to match last year’s record number of entries – see Mrs Morris if there are any questions you have.

Our Newest Library Assistants

We can now officially congratulate our new library assistant team members. Lilly, Lucy, Illyanah, Chelsea and Jessica have been undertaking training and guidance from our Year 6 assistants, and were presented with their official assistant badges. The girls have been very conscientious and enthusiastic in learning to be a Library Assistant and have shown themselves to be committed team members. We wish them well in their work as a Library Assistant, and know that they will be excellent role models to all students.
Thank you for those families that have returned your year 6 students expression of interest form for High School 2015. This will allow us to enter data into the system before the end of the term. If you have not done so could you return your form to the office by Friday 21st March. If there are any questions please call the office.

For Sale

2x Mount View High School Girls Skirts Size 18 in good condition $50.00 for both.

School Zone Safety at Nulkaba PS

The 40km/h school zone slows traffic in the vicinity of the school.

Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8am and 9:30am and from 2:30pm till 4pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if school children cannot be seen.

A 40km/h school zone operates on all gazetted school days including staff development days (pupil free days). While some schools may operate on different term dates, school zone speed limits MUST be adhered to during NSW Government determined school terms.

Gazetted school term dates for more information on NSW school holidays follow this link.
http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView

More information on school speed zones can be found at

There is an app to help people identify school zones. More information on the app can be found at
http://schoolzonesnsw.leighmcculloch.com/

The following fines apply to speeding

CLASS A MOTOR VEHICLE

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For more information on all fines relating to a school zones see the following document.

Thank You!

Thank you to all the students who donated a gold coin for our ‘Sunnies for Sight Day’. We raised $426! This will be donated to the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children, to help support a range of educational services for students with vision and/or hearing impairments.

Mrs Petrysen, Mrs Hill & SRC
Nulkaba P&C Association

At the most recent P&C meeting, the Committee voted to support the ‘Technology for Stage 2’ project with a funding commitment of $500 per unit for 31 units (total $15,500).

Anyone with objections should address them in writing to Mr Jerome Scarborough, P&C President.

LOST PROPERTY

WE HAVE HAD QUITE A FEW ENQUIRES REGARDING LOST PROPERTY. HATS ARE ONE OF OUR MAIN CONCERNS.

COULD YOU PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD’S SCHOOL BAG AND RETURN ANY PROPERTY THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO YOUR CHILD TO THE OFFICE.

WE HAVE A LARGE QUANTITY OF JUMPERS AND JACKETS WITH NO NAMES. PLEASE COME AND TAKE A LOOK.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL YOUR CHILD’S PROPERTY IS CLEARLY MARKED WITH THEIR NAME

Students Arriving at School on Time

Many children are still arriving at school after their class has moved into the room. It is really important that students are at school before the first bell at 9.10am.

Children need to be ready to enter the classroom before the morning bell with the rest of their class group so that the teacher and students make a smooth and settled transition into the classroom in the morning with a minimum of fuss and disruption.

Students need to learn and observe routines early in their school years if they are to function successfully in the classroom in later years.

We know that occasionally incidents happen and students may be late. In the unfortunate event that your child arrives at school after the rest of the class has entered the room, parents and caregivers are required to collect a late note from the office. This note is then given to the class teacher by the parent.

Thank you for observing this routine

World Autism Day Blue Day

World Autism Day is Wednesday, 2nd of April.

Autism affects many families in our school community. As a way to help raise awareness and much needed funds for our local Autism Support Group, we ask that students wear something blue and bring in a gold coin donation.

All money raised will be donated to Strive (our local Autism Support Group).

A colouring-in competition will also take place. Students can get one from the office and once completed hand it in to Mrs Petrysen. All entries must be in by Friday 28th March.

Thankyou, SRC.
Coastal Valleys Region Girl Guides invite you to
Come and Try Guides!
at YOUR local Cessnock District Girl Guide Unit

For girls aged 7-18 years
Guides enjoy challenging and fun program of indoor and outdoor activities: games, leadership and life skills, craft, badges, cooking, camping and community events

For information on the location and available meetings in your area
Please contact Cessnock District Leader, Kylie, at cessnockguides@bigpond.com
OR email Region Membership Advisor at helenEG2@live.com.au
Visit our website www.girlguides-nswact.org.au to find out more about Guides

HAVING FUN TODAY - LEADING THE WORLD TOMORROW

Weekend of Dance at Woodville Hall

Talented dancers and professional dance teachers Hannah Trott and Eden Read will be performing and teaching at events at the Woodville School of Arts on 4 and 5 April.

On Friday 4 April they will host and perform at a vibrant dance and dinner evening at the School of Arts, from 7pm. Full buffet dinner and performance: $55 per head. Dress up! (but you don’t have to be formal). BYO alcohol. Soft drinks available.

On Saturday 5 April Hannah and Eden will run three lively and creative dance sessions for children to improve their skills – in tap, circus and jazz.

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Hannah is a graduate of the National Institute of Circus Arts Melbourne, an aerialist, an ex-Disney Princess, and a professional dancer who has performed widely in Europe, Asia and Australia. Eden is a dancer, choreographer and dance teacher, including in tap, jazz and musical theatre. He has performed in musicals including Hello Dolly, Sunset Boulevard, and toured internationally with the Irish tap show Spirit of the Dance. He has a Bachelor of Dance from the Victorian College of the Arts.

Both Hannah and Eden currently teach in schools in Victoria, and have appropriate child protection clearance.

For booking or more information please contact:
woodvillesoa@gmail.com
Viv Read 0414 294 339
Lis Smark 0408 660 638
Events on both days are fundraisers for the Woodville School of Arts maintenance fun
Crunch&Sip

Please ensure your child has a water bottle filled with water and a piece of fruit or vegetable every day. For more information visit: http://www.crunchandsip.com.au

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way
to save time on midweek meals

Are you pressed for time when it comes to creating healthy midweek meals? Here are some quick and easy tips to take the hassle out of midweek cooking.

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<td>When cooking lasagne, double amount of mince &amp; veg filling (add carrot, zucchini, sweet potato, corn, mushrooms), refrigerate extras.</td>
<td>Add extra filling from the previous night to spaghetti for quick spag bol.</td>
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<td>Prepare extra vegies with a baked dinner &amp; refrigerate leftovers.</td>
<td>Heat leftover veg &amp; add to a salad = warm roast vegetable salad.</td>
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By planning your meals you can save time, money and do wonders for your family’s health!

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit