Events, activities and other snippets!

We have had a number of terrific programs recently and are really excited about the many great things that are happening at the school.

Our training day about Mindfulness was excellent. Thank you to the parents who were able to come along. Teachers are beginning to implement elements of Mindfulness practice into their daily lessons. We will be receiving a visit on Monday 7th April from Bobbi and Shakti. Each class will participate in Mindfulness in Education.

Thank you to the families who have paid the Text Workbook Fees ($30 per child/$50 per family) and Voluntary Contribution ($30 per child/$50 per family). The children are so fortunate to have so many excellent resources and we really appreciate the contributions made by families. We have received contributions from just over half of our families.

Several families have contributed more than was requested! Thank you for your kind generosity!

The Life Education Visit will be running over two days next week. We ask all families to return their notes and $9 per child. As mentioned on the permission note, parents seeking student assistance to help with covering this cost need to ask at the office for a ‘Student Assistance’ form. Thank you

Parents of Year 7 students in 2015, the expression of interest forms are due at the school even if your child is going to a non government high school. Thank you

Thank you to the families who contacted the school to advise that they had just checked and treated their children for head lice. The only way we will keep these critters under control is to all remain vigilant! Thanks
Action at last week’s Drama Enrichment day at Corndale P.S

This week we wish a very Happy Birthday to Katie, Sam W and Sam H. We hope you have a great day.

Easter Scripture Presentation
On Friday 11th April at 12.30 pm there will be the Easter Scripture presentation. The presentation is open to all and will inform the children of the significance of Easter. If you would not like your child to attend, please let Genevieve or your child’s teacher know before Friday 11th April.

There will be no SRE lessons on Thursday 10th April.

Drama Enrichment Day at Corndale

On Monday 11th of March six stage 3 students went to Corndale Public School to participate in the Drama workshop with Mrs McEwen. We played lots of fun drama games and learnt how to be confident in our different roles.

Poppy: I liked how we got to make up mini skits and present it to the parents and students.

Faith: I liked the games and also the interacting with other kids.

Ruby: I enjoyed all of it, especially the singing and dancing.

Holly: I loved all of it!

A special thanks to the parents for transport! From Year 6 students

I had some terrific feedback about the behaviour and attitude of the Dunoon students which highlighted what a lovely bunch of children we have! Well done, everyone!
Stories from 1/2

Yesterday (excerpt)

Yesterday Chloe and I went on our bikes together. We stopped at a shop and we got two rings for free. I got a crown and Chloe got a mouse. Then we asked my Mum if Chloe could come to the club with us. She said yes. We got on our bikes and started to go. When we got there we went on the oval. Then Eade arrived and we went to her Mum’s house.

Leyla Year 2

Chickens

I like chickens because they lay eggs. If you have some scraps they will eat them for you. They can fit through small places that people can’t. I have chickens. They lay eggs and their colours are brown and white and black. I have four chickens.

Jack Wilson Year 2

Life Education visit : 2nd & 4th April

The sale of Harold merchandise to the children whilst the program is visiting assists the delivery of this Life Education Program. Below is a price list for the merchandise. It is not compulsory to purchase goods. If purchasing please supply correct money in an envelope with your child’s name and class along with the item requested.

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Please disregard the original close of entry dates set out in the Week 6 Bulletin. If your child would like to enter any of the competitions please have their subject entry and monies enclosed in an envelope and return to the office by Tuesday 8th of April this will be the closing dates for all the subject entries.

Thank you for your understanding.

Merchandise: (All prices Inc. GST)

- Tattoo $0.50
- Harold Sticky Note Pad $1.50
- Harold Activity Bag $3.00
- Harold Key ring $3.00
- Harold Hand Ball $3.00
- Harold Stationery Set $3.00
- Small Harold Soft Toy $8.00
- Large Harold Soft Toy $15.00

A new enrolment!
Meeting
Thank you to everyone who attended last night’s meeting. We had a robust discussion about what and how the PandC would fund activities at the school. We made a commitment to try and fund the Language teacher now and into the future. At the moment this requires $3600 a year. We are currently able to do this but without any fundraising we will be unable to continue to fund this and other projects. The fundraising activities for this year are currently set at the Channon market, the Field Athletics Carnival held at Dunoon PS and the Bunnings sausage sizzle. Collectively these fundraising activities are likely to generate close to $3000. Unfortunately that doesn’t leave us a lot of money to put into other projects. Last year we were able to fund most of the bus trips to excursions (a cost of $1150). Due to our anticipated level of fundraising and our desire to fund other projects we are unable to fund these trips. To facilitate the payment of excursion costs for both families and the school we suggested that a note be sent home once a term requesting a small payment (approx $5) to cover all activities for that term. Genevieve will be advising on this in the coming weeks.

The PandC agreed that it is important for us to be able to contribute to the school through providing funding for projects. In order to do this we will need to fundraise and we ask that everyone who benefits from this funding find some way to assist us in our efforts. We would ideally like to find funding from sources other than sausage sizzles so if you have any ideas or know of any funding opportunities please let us know.

Sub Committees and Projects
At last nights meeting we spoke about the need to have adequate meeting time to discuss projects more fully. It was agreed that sub committees and projects would have separate meetings and contact lists to help facilitate this. each committee or project group could then report back to the PandC who act as a type of executive body. Future meetings are:
* Kitchen garden - meeting on a regular basis with the next meeting on Monday 31 March 3.15pm at the school
* Canteen plans and ideas for the future - meeting this Thursday 27 March 7.30pm at the Dunoon Sports Club (see this bulletin for more details)

Community and School partnership survey
Thank you to everyone who filled out the survey 2 weeks ago. We only received a small response so we’ve attached the form again. Please fill it out and let us know what skills you have and how you’d like to be involved.

Channon Market - April 13
Thank you to all the families who have already volunteered. As you can see from the roster we still need volunteers (approx 20 spots). Please fill in your name (on next page) in one of the blank spots and return this portion to the office. Alternatively you can email Lisa with a time. If you wish to donate produce or home cooking please indicate and return the note.

Name:
Contact phone (in case of cancellation on the day):
Home baking or produce:
Canteen Meeting
Thurs 27\textsuperscript{th} March
(this week)
7:30pm
@
Dunoon Sports Club

Come help shape the future of the canteen
If you can’t make it but would like to contribute to the direction of the canteen please contact Kristy 6689 5568/pkbloomfield@gmail.com

Next Canteen is on Friday 4th of April
Menu to follow
Canteen Volunteers
2014 Term 2

We desperately need volunteers.
Get to know the kids & fellow parents.
Being a Friday it finishes in time for assembly
Mums & Dads are encouraged to help
Lunch & tea/coffee is provided

Canteen is a valuable asset to the school but we need helpers. Please return this form ASAP.

Name:____________________________________
Ph:________________________
Email address: _____________________________________________________________________

I would like to help in terms:

- Term 1
- Term 2
- Term 3
- Term 4

(Volunteer notes are sent home at the end of each term, but if you tick the other terms here then you wont need to remember to send the other notes in. You can always make changes if something pops up)

I can assist on a Friday:

- from 8:45am-2:15pm
- from 8:45am-9.15am (taking the orders)
- from __________ to _________ (please specify when you can help)

I would like to help __________ times a term or on ___________________ (date/s)

I can assist with home baking/cooking for the Friday:

I would like to help __________ times a term or on ___________________ (date/s)

Other assistance I can provide______________________________________________

Donations:
If you are able to donate any of the following, please let me know prior to each Thursday, so I can alter my shopping, thank you:

- gluten free bread
- eggs
  (we use 2-4 eggs per week)
- fruit
- salad vegetables
- finger vegetables
- canned/fresh/frozen fruit for muffins
- home baking (see below)

Any home baking that can be frozen (muffins are great) & used as needed, are welcome as well if you don’t wish to commit to a roster.

Could all home cooking please be labeled with ingredients. Please make particular note if an item is gluten free or has nuts in it.
School and the Community Projects Survey

In the bulletin a couple of weeks ago you would have read about 2 of the projects that are currently being undertaken at Dunoon PS – The Kitchen Garden Program and the Learnscape. We (the school staff and the PandC) are keen for these projects to be joint projects that enrich the children, the staff and the community. We are also keen to develop any other projects that parents/carers might be interested in and willing to assist with. In order to do this we’d like to know your thoughts.

This survey is an opportunity for you to give us feedback about your skills, interests and availability. Please don’t feel that you will become obliged to participate or organise activities. What we are hoping is that if we know what you are interested in we will be able to best let you know how you might be able to contribute if you would like to. The prompt return of this survey would be appreciated. If there is more than one person in your family who would like to complete this survey please feel free to write on the back or email me for another form.

Regards
Lisa (PandC President)

Name:
Child’s Name:
Contact details (email or phone):

Yes. I would like to be involved in current projects (circle choices)

- Learnscape
- Kitchen Garden
- Parents’ Band

Yes. I have some ideas for future projects (please list any ideas):

Yes. I have skills or resources that might be useful (please list):

Yes. I am able to participate (please list times either during or after school hours):

Sorry. I am unable to contribute at this time but please keep me up to date via (circle choices):

- Email
- The school bulletin
- The school website
- A notice board
Vacation Care
@
Dunoon Public School
April School Holidays

Yes……Yes……Yes…… it finally looks possible :)

It is with great pleasure that it looks like I have found an option for Dunoon to be able to offer vacation care in the school holidays. There is still some fine tuning, but it is looking very promising. It will still be operated through Northern Rivers Childcare Services but under a family day care agreement rather than OSHC. While this does mean we can open in school holidays, it does mean we will be limited to 7 children per day (that includes my own 2). It will mean the first to book get the places & bookings will be firm - if you cancel your place & I can not fill it then you will be charged for the cancellation. Sorry, but with the restriction on numbers it's the only way to make it viable. We can open on what ever days we get enough bookings for. I will be hoping initially that we will get enough numbers to open 2-3days per week. Fees will be similar to normal vacation care fees but I am waiting to find out what they actually will be.

Bookings/enquiries - Kristy Bloomfield:
6689 5568/ 0410 047 143/ pkbloomfield@gmail.com

Run by :
Northern Rivers Childcare Services
6621 6437
www.nrcs.org.au

Lismore Lantern Parade needs your help!

We’re fundraising to buy and renovate new headquarters in Keen St, Lismore. Help secure the future of our Lantern Parade, donate today, this campaign finishes on April 6th at
http://www.chuffed.org/project/lismorelanterns/

Many thanks
Amber Gooley