**P & C AGM**

**Making a difference**

Our school has a strong focus on the partnership between the parent community and the staff. Parents, through the P&C have been instrumental over the last 5 years in seeing a range of programs introduced into the curriculum (particularly in the areas of environmental education, creative arts, ethics and science), in attracting over $120,000 in grant monies for specific projects, and contributing funds for much needed resources and infrastructure.

There is always scope to improve the school experience for our children, and you can make a difference. We invite you to become a member of the P&C and contribute what you can, whether it is a day here or there, or more. The health of the school community relies on new parents putting up their hands to be active participants.

**Our next meeting is the AGM on TONIGHT Tuesday 18 March, 7pm.** Come and hear an overview of the year that's been and where we are heading. Please consider how you can be part of our vibrant school community. Enquiries – phone Donna on 0439074977 or email ospandc@gmail.com.

**CANTEEN Roster**

March 21st – Shantala Johnston, Karen Bertram, Felisha Irby, Ciannait Low

March 28th – Christine Booth, Sarah Cook, Mike/Gina Davidson-Long, Yifat Rotshtain

**YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO MULLUM HIGH**

The next day for year 6 students is this Wednesday 19 March. Students travel by bus to Mullumbimby High and return home on the school busses.

**ASSEMBLY**

Our next major assembly will be this Thursday 20 March at 1.00pm with 5/6L hosting the assembly with assistance from 1E.

**ZONE WINTER TRIALS**

We have a number of students attending winter trials on Friday 21 March in rugby league, soccer and netball at venues in Mullumbimby and Bangalow. Please ensure all permission notes have been returned.

**DISCO**

Our disco is this Thursday 20 March. The K-2 disco runs from 5.30pm till 7.00pm. The theme for students in K-2 is superhero and fairies. The 3-6 disco runs from 7.00pm till 8.30pm. Years 3-6 theme will be past or future. The cost for this event will be $5.00. This will include a packet of chips and a popper.

**HARMONY DAY**

This Friday 21 March is Harmony Day. This is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world. By participating in Harmony Day activities, we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and enrich it. On Friday students are encouraged to wear something orange (the colour of Harmony day). Students will be involved in a range of class activities to celebrate Harmony Day. For more info go to: http://www.harmony.gov.au/

**WETLANDS CURRICULUM LAUNCH**

On Friday 28 March we will be having a celebration day to launch our outstanding Wetlands Curriculum. There will be a presentations in the hall from 10.00am. Students will be involved in a range of curriculum activities on the day that focus on our wetlands. We will also be running a mufti day in conjunction with this event to support our Story Dogs program. Children can come out of uniform. We ask them to make a gold coin donation to the Story Dogs program.

**ELECTIVE CREATIVE ARTS TERM 2**

Information is going home today in regard to our term 2 creative arts program. Students in years 3-6 have 8 choices for groups to be involved in. Please read the information and discuss with your child and return the options sheet to school as soon as possible.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

ASPECT (Autism Spectrum Australia) are running a social skills program for children 8-12 years. Please phone 0266283660 for more information.

Thanks Chris