



Para Meadows School Newsletter

Week 4

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Dear Parents and Carers

It seems we have had lots to celebrate over the past two weeks including **Education Week** activities.

All week across the state, schools participated in open days, special events, regional openings and public performances to highlight the quality education that is provided in every public school in NSW.

We started off our week with a visit by the **Burwood Girls High School band** that was on a tour of the South Coast. The girls really captivated our students with a wide repertoire of both classical and popular music. They enjoyed their visit and promised to return.

thanked all of our support staff for the wonderful work they do in supporting our educational program. We don't know what we would do without them. They were treated to morning tea, a gift and were relieved of their playground duty.

Shopper Dockets

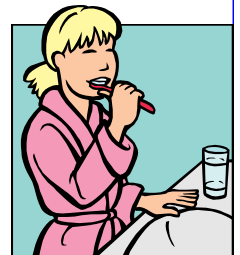
This year the school is participating in both the 'Woolworths' Earn and Learn Voucher Program and the 'Coles' Dockets for sporting resources.



A note has been sent home separately to explain the systems which basically ask you to send into school your vouchers and dockets received if you shop at either of these stores.

Medicare teen dental plan

To help keep your teenager's teeth in top shape, the **Australian Government provides eligible teenagers with a voucher, valued up to \$159.85, to help with the cost of a preventative dental check.**



To be eligible your child must be entitled to Medicare benefits, be receiving certain government payments individually or as part of a family, and be aged 12-17 years, for at least part of the calendar year.

If your child is in equal shared-care arrangements, the first family to claim the service with Medicare Australia will be entitled to the full benefit. The voucher expires on 31 December 2011.

For more information or eligibility visit your local Medicare office, call 13 2011 or go to www.medicareaustralia.gov.au

Best regards
Linda McLaughlin

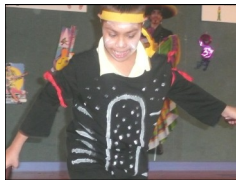
Congratulations to Robin Young for your nomination and then being awarded one of Illawarra South East Region's prestigious awards for teachers. Robin was one of only three teachers receiving the award for "Excellence in Teaching Practice by an Individual teacher".



Robin and her SLSO, Diane Flanagan, attended a ceremony on Friday and she was presented with the award by the Regional Director Maria Grey Spence.

We had lots of visitors to our classes and Dance Day last Friday.

We think the day was one of the best yet with colourful costume, music and movement. It is all thanks to the great organisation by Peter, Ngaire and Roy and our creative talented staff. We are also improving our skills at using technology to be inclusive for all of our students with some very novel ideas.



Some photos of the day are overleaf.

Last week was also **National SASS Recognition Week** when we recognised and





A wonderful performance by the students of Burwood Girls High



Dance Day



AUGUST CANTEEN ROSTER

Thu 11th August: Donna G

Fri 12th August: Pat

Mon 15th August: Samantha & Lynne

Tue 16th August: Karen & Beryl

Wed 17th August: **CLOSED**

Thu 18th August: Lisa & Tracy

Fri 19th August: Trish & Samantha

Mon 22nd August: Donna G & Suzie

Tues 23rd August: Effie & Rhonda

Wed 24th August: **CLOSED**

Thu 25th August: Gail & Jessica

Fri 26th August: Angela & Gail

Mon 29th August: Lisa & Tracy

Tue 30th August: Amanda & Samantha

Wed 31st August: **CLOSED**



Attention Canteen volunteers:

If you are unable to attend your day please phone
Trish on 42263942 or Samantha on 42847629.

PARA MEADOWS EX-STUDENTS

Meet Wednesday Nights—Each Fortnight from 27th July
7pm to 9pm \$3 fee - includes light supper.
Drinks and chips available to purchase.
For more information phone Genoveve on 4276 1670