



Para Meadows School Newsletter

Week 8

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Dear Parents & Carers,

The teachers are working hard writing reports and finalising student goals for 2013.

Planning is underway for 2014 and parents will be notified, in Week 11, the teacher and student learning support officer working with their student in 2014.

We have been meeting our new students both in Kinder and Year 7, and are seeing happy, keen faces ready to begin their schooling at Para Meadows.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

YEAR SIX GRADUATION

This **Thursday the 28th of November**, we will be holding our Year 6 graduation at school. The formalities will begin at **5pm** with a short presentation of certificates, finger food in the musical courtyard and a disco until 7 pm.

A **huge thank you to the Jess Trott** for donating her time to run the disco!

YEAR 12- SCHOOLIES

On **Friday the 29th of November** our school leavers are leaving the school at 8:30 am for a fun filled day at **Shoalhaven Zoo**. We look forward to lots of stories and photos in the next newsletter!

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY- Band Performance

Tuesday 3rd of December we are performing at the **Disability Trust open day in the upper mall at Wollongong Central**. The band is performing after the Other Superman (from Australia's Got Talent) at **12:30pm**. If you are in the area please come along and support the band!



A synthetic ice skating rink is being set up for the public to try their skills.

DECEMBER THE 4TH.

Collection day for **Christmas cake orders**.

YEAR 12 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY

The leavers assembly will begin at 12 noon sharp on Wednesday the 11th of December.

Please arrive and be seated by 11:45 am to guarantee a wonderful experience for our leavers. The assembly will be followed by light refreshments in the musical courtyard and the traditional cutting of the year 12 cake.

FRIDAY THE 13TH A very busy day

Friday the 13th of December is going to be a very busy day at school:

The P & C are running a **plant sale throughout the day**. So bring your money, purchase a Christmas gift and support the students of Para Meadows. The plants have been donated by **Ingrid Potkura, and Tracey Cardile**. **Thank you ladies for your efforts!**

1. PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

We will be having our awards assembly with the **presentation of the trophies and class awards**. The assembly will begin at **9:30 am** and it will also be a time to thank our volunteers for their efforts in 2013. Sister Joan has a small musical item with the Primary students and the band will showcase a couple of songs.

2. VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA

At the completion of the assembly we will be asking all of our volunteers to join the staff in the staffroom for a **thank you morning tea**. Many of the programs and activities at our school would be unable to go ahead without the generous support of the volunteers time and effort. **THANK YOU**.

We will also be able to thank two of our sponsors for this year **Port Kembla Coal Loader social club** who, through their kind donation, we have been able to run another successful Arts Program with Nicola Howard; and **Westfield Figtree** who

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***The Xmas cake/pudding order forms** need to be returned with the money by **Wednesday 27th November**. Cakes/Puddings will arrive for collection on **Wednesday 4th December**.

Next meeting

is on Wednesday 27/11/13 at 9:30am.

All Welcome!

have tirelessly raised funds to support our students.

3.SURPRISE VISITOR

After recess there will be a surprise visitor to the school for the students. He is a jolly man who would love to sit next to the Christmas tree and have his photo taken with individual students. Dean Robinson, (Narelle's son), has volunteered to be our photographer on the day.

Thank you Narelle and Dean! Photos will be sent home the following week.

REPORTS HOME

All **student reports will go home on Friday the 13th**, please take the time to read and enjoy your child's successes. If you could please complete the feedback form and return it to the school, it would be greatly appreciated by staff.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The P& C have kindly organised a **free sausage sizzle and popper for all the students and staff** as a thank you for a great year. Students will receive a sausage and a drink before lunch. Date to be confirmed.

WESTFIELD FIGTREE

Are running a **facebook promotion** supporting and rewarding "Giving People" If you think of someone worthy of nominating, follow the link, it is a great opportunity to thank someone in your life! There's **\$1000 gift card for the most deserving winner plus a \$500 gift card to you just for nominating!** Share & spread the word! **#HappyGiving** through **Westfield Figtree's facebook page.**

Our Gifts from Westfield Figtree



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| Attention Canteen volunteers: | |
| If you are unable to attend your day please phone Martina on 0423918486 or 42680893 | |
| Thu 28 Nov | Tracy & Jo |
| Fri 29 Nov | Martina & Dimitri |
| Mon 02 Dec | Suzie |
| Tue 03 Dec | Heather |
| Wednesday CLOSED | |
| Thu 05 Dec | Lynne |
| Fri 06 Dec | Martina |
| Mon 09 Dec | Lisa & Tracy |
| Tue 10 Dec | Martina |
| Wednesday CLOSED | |
| Thu 12 Dec | Gail & Jessica |
| Fri 13 Dec | Paula & Martina |
| Mon 16 Dec | Lynne |
| Tue 17 Dec | Martina |

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Para Meadows Ex-Students Group

Anyone interested in joining the group in 2014 please contact Genevieve on **0417651862** or **email: genovevecertificate@yahoo.com.au**

You will be most welcome to come along and join in the fun with lots of social activities! Open to all school leavers and adults with a disability.

Held at Para Meadows school hall from 7pm-9pm every fortnight on a Wednesday night.

We start back on **5th February 2014** and it is **\$3 to attend.** There are drinks and chips to purchase and we also serve a light supper.