

Para Meadows School Newsletter

Week 10

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Dear Parents & Carers,
We have made it to the end of term 3, what a busy time we have had and an even busier term to come. I wish everyone a safe and happy holidays and hope that the weather allows a lot of adventures over the next two weeks. School resumes on **Tuesday the 7th of October.**

This Friday is an **assembly day and World Talk like a Pirate Day.** Staff and students are encouraged to come as a pirate for a **gold coin donation proceeds going to 'Steptember Cerebral Palsy'.**

Supporting our Students Learning

The canteen is a valuable resource in our school and I thank all parents for their continued support in running the canteen and purchasing from the canteen. The students across the school engage in learning for life activities and access the canteen to improve communication, money skills and social skills. In consultation with the canteen committee I have decided that there will be **NO MORE CREDIT FOR STUDENTS.** Students can only access the canteen with money to support their learning in important life skills.

Positive Behaviour
Students of the Week
Congratulations to Miles Lambkin and a special young lady for using the equipment in school safely!



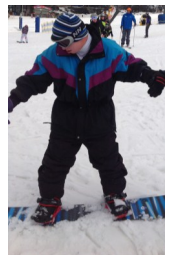
SURVEY

I have enclosed a survey with this newsletter, it is a reflection on the students and families currently attending Para Meadows School and

parental perceptions on whether the school is meeting the learning needs of your child. Please could you take five minutes to complete and return to the school by the end of the week.

SNOW CAMP

On Friday afternoon we welcomed back our triumphant alpine adventurers from snow camp. The eleven students looked happy to be home, retelling stories of their fun time to family and friends. I would like to again **thank Lorraine, Barbara, Chris and Shayne** for giving up their time to support this valuable experience for our students. **Photos will be on the website.**



Best Regards, Gill Hendry

FREE MULCH! If anyone would like some mulch for their garden, feel free to help yourself to as much as you like. There are 2 piles, 1 on the grass in our parking area and 1 down at the Child Development Centre. Must bring your own trailer or bags.

P&C News

****Father's Day Stall raised \$572**

****Portugese tart Fundraiser \$348.91**

Next Meeting:
22nd of October, 2014
at 9:30am.

All Welcome!

****The 5 cent Fundraiser Money Boxes** were sent out and will be returned **by 21st November, 2014.**



Candice putting the final touches on her lemon meringue tarts.

CAREERS CORNER Term 3 has been a busy term for our senior students. The TAFE Bakery classes are over for 2014. Students will be notified of arrangements to return the TAFE uniforms and reimbursement of deposits.

Congratulations to Candice Marsh on being accepted at TAFE next year for the Bakery course.

On the **last day of term**, the **WOW Programme** will have their graduation at the **Wollongong Fire Station and Beaton Park**. We will notify



parents of details of the Term 4 WOW programme next term. In Term 4, commencing Week 2, our 4 Year 12 students will continue attending the Greenacres Joblink taster course on Tuesdays Weeks 2 – 5. Have a wonderful holiday. Deb



Funds jazz up school graduation

KATE WALSH

YEAR 12 students at Para Meadows School will be looking dapper in their suits at their end-of-year formal thanks to the fund-raising efforts of another Illawarra high school.

Bull High School students presented a cheque for \$1400, including a \$300 contribution from Glenmore Park High School, to the North Wollongong school for students with special needs on Friday morning.

Para Meadows teacher and careers advisor Deb Koppel said the money would go towards helping the school's six final-year boys hire suits and a limo for their graduation celebrations in December.

"There's no way budget-wise they would be able to do that, this is great and all the boys are going to hire suits and hop in a limo and do a little tour around Wollongong for their formal," she said.

"Parents come as well, it's a big family occasion."

Brad Green, year 12 advisor at Bull High, said the students had run marathons, a hot dog lunch, a student versus staff soccer game and a concert to raise the money.



Support: Bull High school students have raised money to go towards an end of year formal for Para Meadows students. Bull High students Al Watts, left, and Grace Donovan with Para Meadows school vice-captain Justin Myer. 8/9/2014 Picture: GREG TOTT

Attention Canteen volunteers:

If you are unable to attend your day please Tracy on 0438273836



CANTEEN ROSTER

Thu 18 Sep	Jessica & Dara
Fri 19 Sep	Lisa & Tracy
HOLIDAYS 22/9–3/10 inclusive	
Tues 07 Oct	Martina
Wednesday CLOSED	
Thu 09 Oct	Gail & Jessica
Fri 10 Oct	Lisa & Tracy
Mon 13 Oct	Martina
Tue 14 Oct	Wendy & Donna G.
Wednesday CLOSED	
Thu 16 Oct	Jessica & Dara
Fri 17 Oct	Paula & John
Mon 20 Oct	Sharon

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, \$3 to attend. There are drinks and chips to purchase and we also serve a light supper.

Upcoming Dates:
17/9/14; 1st October