

Para Meadows School Newsletter

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Dear Parents & Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff at Para Meadows for their daily contributions to the running of the school. Every day the students in our classes present with new and varied challenges compared to their mainstream counterparts. The staff go that extra mile everyday to ensure that each and every student is engaged and happy in the learning taking place, and that their needs are being met to the best of our abilities.

PARA MEADOWS OPEN DAY

On Saturday the 26th of November between 10am and 2 pm the school will be open to celebrate 40 years of excellence in teaching students with disabilities! The school band will perform along with Dream Big Dance Troop and the Disability Trust's Music Makers. There will be commemorative cookbooks, aprons and tea towels available to be purchased on the day. The P & C are providing a sausage sizzle and tea and coffee for a gold coin donation. There will be opportunities to tour around the school and experience the differences between Para Meadows School 1976 and Para Meadows School 2016.



<u>Communication Morning Tea and</u> <u>Chat</u>

On Friday 4th November we will be

holding a practical 'hands on' communication workshop. *Bring along your child's device or borrow it from them for an hour !* Come and try some of the options we have in school. We can discuss what you can do next to extend your child's communication.

It will also be a great chance to chat to other parents over a cuppa.

The meeting will be held in the school meeting room at **10:40am till 12:10 pm** (after

assembly) and will be run by Lisa and Heather.

2016 Chronicle

Staff will again be preparing the Para Meadows Chronicle. The chronicle is a photo page per class of students engaged in learning or leisure. If you **DO NOT** want your child to be included in the Chronicle which is shared with **families only**, *please let your class teacher know as soon as possible*.

PBS Stars of the Week Peaceful-Good sitting



The NDIS will roll out in the Illawarra after July 2017, we are looking to organise a series of parent meetings early in the new year to assist in providing information around the NDIS and plans for individuals.

If you are interested in attending a session, during the day or early evening, could you please complete the slip below and return to school.

NDIS information sessions

I am interested in attending a session held during the day.

Name:.....

I am interested in attending a session held in the early evening.

Best regards for the next fortnight, Gill Hendry

P&C NEWS Next Meeting: Wednesday 23/11/16 @ 9:30 am All Welcome!

If you would like to volunteer for the <u>canteen</u> <u>on a</u> Tuesday please ring Tracy on 0438273836.

Dream Cricket Bowral





Thomas, Luke B, Luke M, Ree, Jack and Keegan were just some of the great kids showing off their cricketing skills in Bowral.









Attention Canteen volunteers: If you are unable to attend your day please phone Tracy on 0438273836 CANTEEN ROSTER	
Thu 03 Nov	Jessica Gizzi
Fri 04 Nov	Paula & John
Mon 07 Nov	Paula & John
Tue 08 Nov	Wendy
CLOSED	
Thu 10 Nov	Тгасу
Fri 11 Nov	Paula & John
Mon 14 Nov	Jo & Juliette
Tue 15 Nov	Amanda & Nicole
CLOSED	
Thu 17 Nov	Jessica Gizzi
Fri 18 Nov	Paula & John
Mon 21 Nov	Paula & John

Para Meadows Ex-Students Group

Anyone interested in joining the group in 2016 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.

Dates for 2016: 09Nov/23Nov/07Dec

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> If you are interested in helping out please contact **Genoveve** Vieira on 0417651862 or email <u>genovevecertificate@yahoo.com.au</u>