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Wednesday, 21 March 2012
GOLD COIN DONATION ON THE DAY

Pacific Palms Public School - Newsletter 8th March 2012
"Your safe and caring community school"
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OUR STUDENTS EXCEL

The very best part of my week is having children visit my office to show me what they have been learning in class. This week I had a little knock on the door and there were four new Kinders with writing to show me and I could read every word! They were very proud to receive a Principal's gold sticker as the photo shows.



Archie Miller, Fern Bannerman, Pascaal Meleo, Stevie Woodhill

WELCOME TO THE DAYS AHEAD

The following events are happening over the coming days and weeks:

UP AND COMING EVENTS CALENDER

Fri, 9 Mar	Assembly @ 2 pm in hall. 5/6M item.
Wed, 21 Mar	Harmony Day <i>(see back page)</i>
Fri, 23 Mar	Cross Country @ 9.30 am Boomerang Beach
Fri, 23 Mar	School Assembly @ 2 pm in hall.
Sat, 31 Mar	Trivia Night at Pacific Palms Surf Club. <i>(more info inside)</i>

OUR STUDENTS EXCEL cont

Manning PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to the following students who represented Pacific Palms Public School at the Zone Swimming Carnival. These students were a credit to our school. Thank you to Mrs Michel for accompanying the team on the day and for all the mums and dads who provided transport and cheered our team on.

Harry Edwards	Isaac Weerheim	Irena Cashman
Raffi Mamott	Hannah Williams	Misty Cornish
Ben Mamott	Max Wynne	Jessica Gwynne
Oscar Salt	Alexandra Edwards	Ysabella Jolley
Mackenzie Vidal	Kendall Vidal	Tess Montague
Amber Cashman	Lucy Connon	Samantha Gwynne

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Priority Schools Funding 2013-2016

Every family should have received a survey for this important funding opportunity. If you have not yet returned your survey tomorrow is the last day.

OUR PROFESSIONAL AND DEDICATED TEACHERS

Staffing Update

Due to increasing numbers at our school we will at some point be appointing a third Assistant Principal. In the meantime we welcome Mrs Carmel Rigby to the school's leadership team in the role of Relieving Assistant Principal.

Welcome to Ms Ebony Notting who is replacing Mr Summers for the rest of this term. Ms Notting will be working in all classes across the school providing release from face to face teaching time for teachers.

Pacific Palms Public School P+C
presents
TRIVIA... with a twist
great prizes to be won!*
tables of up to 8 people @ \$10 p.p.
b.y.o.
#1 - brains
#2 - nibbles or food (drinks to be purchased from the booti bar)
#3 - gold coin collection to pay for clues if you forget #1
where : surf club, lizzie beach
when : saturday 31st of march 7pm start
dress : dress up! (might be worth some points?)
how : space is limited so book a table or space -
kate@isarchitect.com.au or 0405 75 75 82
* as prizes are usually donated the quality can not be guaranteed by the committee, however we hope to all have a fun night!

YMCA LEARN TO PLAY BASKETBALL

MONDAYS
4 to 5pm

Boys & Girls
Ages 8 to 12 years

**Learn the skills
& play a game**

just \$4 per week*
to be paid in advance at time of
registration.

includes a swim afterwards
(children under 10 must be accompanied by
a responsible person 16 years or over)



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OUR PROFESSIONAL AND DEDICATED TEACHERS cont.

Welcome to Ms Melanie Robertson who is teaching two days per week, Thursdays and Fridays. Ms Robertson will visit a few classes but on Fridays most of her time will be on 1/2 G while Ms Godfree works on our Student Welfare program.

Professional Learning

Collegial Leadership Networks: Yesterday our three Assistant Principals met with other Assistant Principals at Forster Public School. This group is called a Collegial Leadership Network and meets once each term. The agenda at each meeting focuses on aspects of educational leadership. Yesterday participants particularly looked at how we cater for our higher performing students to ensure we provide an environment where every child can achieve their potential.

Each Wednesday afternoon all teaching staff meet together after school to focus on quality teaching. Different aspects of this are covered at each meeting. Last week's meeting looked at our school management plan, in particular Literacy and Numeracy. We discussed our key strategies for this year and how each teacher would address them in their classrooms.

OTHER NEWS

Sentral

This is a new computerised system in our school which enables us to keep track of all aspects of each student's time at our school including daily attendance, academic progress, behaviour etc. Mr Ryan is the coordinator of this system and together with Ms Godfree is teaching staff how it all works. This system will also allow us to effectively track student progress in all areas of their schooling.

OTHER NEWS cont.

Leadership Camp

Notes will be going home shortly about our 2012 Leadership Camp for Year Six students to be held on Thursday, 29 March and Friday, 30 March 2012. The camp is run by our Stage 3 teachers Mrs Wood, Ms Newell and Mr Wilson. Activities are designed to promote leadership and a positive outlook on the future.

Pacific Palms Library News

Please note the following library borrowing times:

- Monday: 5/6W, KR, K/1R, 3/4B
- Tuesday: 1/2M, 4/5N, 1/2G, 2/3M
- Wednesday: 5/6M, 3/4TY, KC, 1/2G

OUR COMMUNITY

Thank You - Pacific Palms Seafood - \$330 Donation

A very big thank you to Kelly and Matt from Pacific Palms Seafood who donated \$330 in support of our school from their green frog.

Kerry Tulloch
Principal

Parent Contacts/Volunteers

This year we would like to appoint a Parent Contact for each class. The Parent Contact's role is to coordinate assistance for the class teacher for the small jobs that take the teacher away from valuable teaching time (such as collecting excursion money, pasting worksheets into homework books etc) This is not a time consuming role – an example would be to stay on at school after the morning drop off for ½ hour once a week. The idea behind this program is to provide an opportunity for parents to assist their child's class teacher and get parents more involved in their child's education. We also urgently need volunteers to help out in the school's garden on a Tuesday morning.

If you are interested in becoming the **Parent Contact** for your child's class or **volunteering in general at the school**, please contact **Virginia Healey (Community Liaison Officer)** on 0411 151 259 or email virginia.healey@det.nsw.edu.au



Shalimar Belly Dance proudly presents **Shimmy by the Sea**

International Womens Day 2012

Day & Night Fundraising Event for the Forster Womens Shed & War Widows of Afghanistan...

Daytime Workshops:

8.30 - 10am: Yoga by Megan Jones of Dhirata Therapies
 10.30 - 12pm: American Tribal Style Bellydance w/ Linda
 12.30 - 2pm: Gypsy - Flamenco w/ Sonya
 2.30 - 4pm: Tribal Fusion - ATS w/ Antonia

Full details at www.facebook.com/shalimarbellydance

Bookings are Essential
 See below for details...

Night-time Variety Show with glorious performances from

Dance of Life
Shalimar Belly Dance
Anise Tribal Bellydance & Sirens of Vesta
 plus **Dinner, Drumming & Live Music**

A Spectacular Event - Don't Miss It!!



March 10 - Tuncurry Memorial Hall
Yoga & Dance Classes from 8.30am
Dinner & Show from 6pm - \$45 - BYO

Tickets from: Forster Neighbourhood Centre, Bluey's Beach Visitor Info Centre, Bluey's Cellar & Deli or contact shalimarbellydance@gmail.com or 0424 625 238

Tickets selling fast - Limited Number - Get in Quick!

Info at: www.facebook.com/shalimarbellydance - Funds raised go to: www.sawa-australia.org + www.fnc.org.au/womens_shed.htm

Pacific Palms Netball Club Newsletter March 2012.

Hi ladies, well the season is well and truly upon us! The list of teams is below with the coaches, contact details and training times. The first grading day is 17th March 2012 at Boronia Courts. The format for the day is yet to be decided by Great Lakes and you will be advised of your playing times by your coaches at next weeks training.

Jnr B- PP Aristocrat Hair Studio Forster Lucy Connon Scarlett Ker Gabby Edwards Samantha Gwynne Kirra Vandersteen Tamzyn McSweeney Haddi Church Bella Lawson Natasha Elliot-Rankin Ivy Fades Tarryn Clifford Coach: Mardi Church Ph: 0438222548 Train: TBA	Jnr A - PP Building & Design Pepper Bannerman Amber Cashman Ysabella Jolley Kendall Vidal Tess Lee Indiana Yates Jade Astorini Alley Edwards Tess Montague Miranda Lewis Ellana Macdonald Coach: Angela Edwards & Cindy Judson Ph: 0410664218 (Angela) Train: Tuesday 3:15 at school.	Jnr A- PP Hair Design Mackenzie Vidal Daisy Huthnance Serena McSweeney Cambell Scott-Young Ruby Birrell Tahlia Morson Molly Connon Misty Cornish Amber Morris Coach: Jill McSweeney Ph: 0408560696 Train: Mondays 3:30 at Smith Lake court
B3- PP Pharmacy Sienna Robbins Irena Cashman Caitlin Gwynne Chelsea Slack Maddison Reeves Jessica Gwynne Miranda Riley Tyler Grantham Madison Douglas Coach: Karma Reeves Ph: 0412553293 Train: Thursday 3:20 at Smiths Lake Court	B2- Boomerang Beach Surf Co Tully Church Laura Keep Emira Harris Danielle Wood Shannon Notley Brooklyn MacDonald Jessey Lewis Coach: Megan Newell Ph: 0418403452 Train: Thursday 4:15 at Smiths Lake Court	B2- PP The Recky Shelby Huthnance Wednesday Bannerman Angelique Rowe Sarah Rooney Shae Finch Madeline Jones Occa Witherow-Thornley Coach: Brooke Marvell Ph: 0400357512 Train: Thursday 4:15 Smiths Lake Court

For anyone needing a uniform, please contact your coach and they will take a list. As the club is waiting on the new dresses to arrive we will have to commence the season in our old ones. So if you have any old uniforms that you don't use anymore could you please drop them into either Jill McSweeney or Megan Newell. Many thanks and happy netballing.

Pacific Palms Netball Club Committee.

Fundraiser for YOUTH FOCUS

I'm doing a bike challenge this month – bike riding every day for 45 min.

I would like to motivate everyone to join me.

It helps to get up and do exercise, when you feel down.

Let's bike ride together: **Wednesday 3pm at school**
Thursday 3pm at school

Please help me raise money for our kids in need and awareness.
So many people suffer from depression.

How to help? Go on to my fundraising website:

www.everydayhero.com.au/Petra_Richter

One hour professional help cost's \$45.00

My aim is to help 50 kids.

Thank you for reading this and please pass on this important message.

Thank you,
Petra the ENJO lady ☺



Aikido Classes have started in the Great Lakes.

Children and Adults welcome

3.45pm-4.45pm, Thursdays

Bungwahl Historic Hall, The Lakes Way

Any enquiries please call Mandy on 0427 355 243

Waste 2art



Entry online or ph 1800 330 246

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FREE
ENTRY

Over \$5000 worth of prizes to win!



Artworks will all be judged as mixed media and must be predominantly made from material that would otherwise end up in landfill or be recycled.

Key Dates:

10th October 2012 - Entries close.

26th October 2012 - Artworks to be delivered.

8th November 2012 - Awards Ceremony at The Gloucester Art Gallery. Full terms and conditions on website.

July school holidays - Workshops will be held. Details will be announced in May.



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