Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Last night we had a delightful P&C meeting with lots of energy and ideas. It’s great to know that we have parents who are committed to this school, not just for the benefit of their own children but because they value our school as an important contributor to society and a way to a better future.

That’s also why I am always delighted when parents, grandparents and friends of the school put their hands up, or roll up their sleeves, to get a job done that improves our school. Thank you!

That’s why I appreciate it when some families donate extra $$$ to the school because they couldn’t help out at a BBQ or a Gardens Working Bee, an excavation (Stewart), or some other fundraiser, but they still wanted to contribute in some way. Thank you!

That’s why I like it when families that have financial difficulties and can’t afford to contribute fees, make the effort to pay by instalments and maybe choose to contribute as volunteers in and out of the classroom, instead. Thank you!

Families who value our school do find ways to contribute to our success, whether they are well off or poor, whether they are working or not. And I know from observation, that it’s often the busiest of people who are the ones who most often find the time to help out. So thank you so much!

I believe that a good education is a passport to an interesting and fulfilling life.

A good education is also an insurance policy for the “common good”. A well educated society tends to be more peaceful, compassionate, productive and wealthy.

Oh, and a good education isn’t just about literacy and numeracy and good NAPLAN results, or getting a job, or getting in to university … it’s also about …

LEARNING TO UNDERSTAND, our WORLD, OURSELVES and OTHERS, to accept CHALLENGES, to CREATE options and solutions, and striving to be the BEST THAT WE CAN BE as individuals and as citizens.

Cheers!

Ray Rincheval, Proud Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
KE  Tayla Foldes
KG  Ava Drady
1B  Ella Dudgeon
1C  Paige Holder
2E  Lila Farley
2P  Damon Smith
Star Solver  Lachie Potts

Our school will celebrate its 30th Anniversary this year.

We are looking for ex-students who are willing to share their stories about their time at our school and their adventures in life since then. Pass the word!

Education Week this year will feature open days with a display of photos showing 30 years of Sandy Beach PS serving our community.

We also hope to have a dinner-dance get together for adults at Beachstone Café in October (details to follow).
News from the Snack Shack

Thanks to all our volunteers who have been in through the week, Janet, Emily, Tathra and Tracy. A huge thank you to our volunteers who assisted at the Cross Country Carnival, it would & could not have happened without the help of some dedicated parents and grandparents, thanks Pete, Cheryl, Kelly, Diane and Emily.

MOTHER’S DAY RAFFLE—the Canteen has a wonderful Basket of Goodies to raffle—(goods valued in excess of $250) which is first prize, 2nd prize is “a Perfect Slicer” and 3rd prize is another Basket of Goodies (valued at $30). If you would like to purchase a ticket they are $2.00 each or 3 tickets for $5.00. Please send money in an envelope with child’s name and class and number of tickets you would like directly to the canteen. The tickets will be sent home with your children and the raffle will be drawn on Friday 8th May.

Jody Phillips - Canteen Supervisor

Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser,
What a GREAT success!!

A big THANKYOU must go to Andrew Hayes for organising everything. And, to ALL our hardworking helpers:

PAUL LYNCH, THE ‘MORIZ’S, CHARMAINE HALL,
ANDREW NELSON, GARTH FREUDENSTEIN,
TRAVIS REIBEL,
THE FLUECHTER’S, JUDE HODGSON AND,
everyone who baked,
baby sat or came down in support... THANKYOU!!

ALL 59kgs of sausages were sold!! Water, soft drinks & home made Anzac Biscuits too!

We raised just short of $1500, a portion of which will go to the YR 6 Excursion.

THANKS AGAIN EVERYONE

Simmy Hayes

DID YOU KNOW?
Parking in our Disability Access driveways is an offence. Please keep this area clear for the Maxi Taxi.

A swinging farm gate has now been installed at this entry.

DID YOU KNOW?
Our sunshade installation is complete and it looks amazing!

DID YOU KNOW?
Our ANZAC Day march was well attended and our students made a good impression while respecting the memory of our fallen service men and women.

DID YOU KNOW?
Our P&C BBQ at Bunnings on Sunday was well run and the profits will contribute to the success of our school.

MANY THANKS to Graham Geyson, (ex-servicememan) Trevor Wilson (an indigenous ex-servicememan with a remarkable moustache!) and Jackson Della and Lynette Hand (both Army Cadets from Woolgoolga HS) who were special guests at our ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony at school last Friday. Congratulations also to our student leaders who ran the ceremony.