Mater Little Miracles Mufti day
In conjunction with our local IGA we will be having a mufti day this Friday 22 March. Dress as your favourite sporting hero, bring along a gold coin donation and help support the Mater Little Miracles Easter Appeal.
Tracey Tebbutt
SRC Patron

Shane’s Simplicities…….
P&C Meeting (AGM)

P&C Meeting - Congratulations to the re-elected P&C executive who have again stood to be the representatives of our school community for the coming 12 months. Sadly numbers attending the meeting were lower than expected and may not reflect the diversity of thoughts and opinions that exist across our entire school parent and community body. That said, the invitation was put to all to be involved and it is the right of parents to choose their level of engagement and commitment to the activities of our school.

On Monday evening I gave a presentation of our school’s Student Welfare Policy which outlines the behaviour expectations of the school, along with leadership roles and the use of awards, certificates and merits to recognise student achievements. The parents at the meeting gave comment and suggestions to this policy and it was accepted as being a reflection of how these matters operate within our school.

Any parent wishing to access a copy of this policy can do so by contacting the school and requesting the same.
Parents interested in attending the next meeting (not the AGM, so no jobs to fill) are encouraged to join us in the school staffroom on Monday evening of Week 3 next term (13 May) commencing at 6:30pm.

For Your Diary

Week 8 18 - 22 March
Fri Ride to School Day
4/5/6 Swimming $2
Little Mater Mufti Day

Week 9 25 - 29 March
Mon 2/3 Swimming $2
Wed K & 1 Swimming $2
Fri Good Friday

Week 10 1 - 5 April
Mon Easter Monday
Wed K & 1 Swimming $2
Thursday X Country 1 pm
Fri 4/5/6 Swimming $2

P & C Meeting
Monday 13 May 6:30pm

email: woodburn-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au Web: www.woodburn-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
After school pick-up

In recent times some parents have been late picking up students after school (on occasions well after 4pm), or in other cases parents have been asked by students to arrive late so that they can play after school. The afternoon duty provided by staff is for BUS travel students and wherever possible students being collected by parents should be collected as near to the 3:25pm school completion as possible. We of course accommodate students whose parents are not at school to collect them straight away, with the intention of keeping all students safe. I thank all parents who are punctual in collecting students from school and remind all families that our bus duty should conclude with the departure of our last bus by 3:55pm. No students should still be waiting at school beyond this time.

Parent/Student Information Update

Thank you to the families who have completed and returned the student/family information update that was sent home last week. If you are yet to return this information then I urge you to do so as soon as possible so that we can update school records ensuring they are as accurate as possible.

Bus Travel Concerns

Please do not cease to raise bus travel concerns with your child’s bus travel provider. Unless issues are raised with these companies it is hard for them to appreciate the level of dissatisfaction and concerns parents may have. That said, Northern Rivers Buslines has asked me for some extra tolerance as they seek a permanent solution to the Grafton Bus/Swan Bay-New Italy bus concerns that I have raised. As I have already been battling this issue since the school term began I am disappointed that more weeks to find a solution are being sought. If your child/children are impacted keep raising your concerns so that an answer is found sooner rather than later.

Remember

We are having a draw at this Friday’s assembly for a family pass (2 adults & 2 children) to Movie World on the Gold Coast. All you need to do to be in the draw is to have paid your Voluntary Contribution. Good luck!

Easter Hat Parade

On Thursday March 28 at 12:10 pm we will have our annual Easter Hat Parade. After lunch all children in KJ, 1J and 2/3T will parade the hats at school and after the parade K/J, 1J and 2/3T will share their beautiful hats down the main street of Woodburn. On our walk downtown we will also visit IGA to check out the display of their entries to the Mater Little Miracles Easter Appeal Colouring-In Competition.

The children will then return to School at approximately 1:25 pm for a picnic with their families.

Students in Years 4-6 who wish to be part of our Easter Hat Parade will also have the opportunity to bring their hat along and parade them at school.

All Easter hats for the parade are to be made at home and brought to school on Thursday morning.

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the parade and join us for the picnic (weather permitting).

Susan Johnston
Visiting performance coordinator

Buddies 2

Brainstorm Productions will be performing “Buddies 2” at our School on Friday 12 April 2013. The performance will include messages concerning bullying, friendships, social skills, positive behaviours and Cyber Safety. The cost will be $3.50 per child. Please complete the orange permission note sent home on Tuesday 19 March and return same with money by Friday 5 April 2013.

Susan Johnston
Visiting performance coordinator

Cross Country Carnival

Our annual Cross Country Carnival will be held on Thursday 4 April 2013 starting at 1.00pm. Events are held for all age groups with 8-10 year olds running 2kms and 11 - 12 year olds running 3kms. All parents and family members
are invited to attend and cheer on the students.

**Gymnastics @ School**
We have been offered the opportunity to have a professional Gymnastics program run during Term 2 for 8 weeks. The cost would be $40 in total with students receiving a certificate of attainment at the end of the program. We need to have 100 students attend to get this program up and running. If you are interested for your child/children to attend please complete the Expression of Interest at the end of the newsletter and return by Thursday 28 March. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY!

Susan Johnston  
Sports Coordinator

**National Ride 2 School Day**
Friday 22 March is National Ride 2 School Day for 2013. Excitement is mounting as we get closer to National Ride2School Day!

A few reminders for the day include:
- School gates will be open as normal to allow parents and students to walk and ride.
- Riders to wear helmets.
- To ensure security of the bikes and scooters, students place their bikes in the bike racks.
- Parents who can assist by riding or walking to school with their child/children should ensure safety procedures are followed.

Suzanne Johnston  
COORDINATOR

**Student Banking**
Remember to bring in your banking each Friday. If you would like to open an account with the Commonwealth Bank please come to the office for a application form.

Lyn Blake  
SCHOOL BANKING COORDINATOR

**Easter Raffle**
It's almost Easter time again! Please send in a donation for our Easter Hamper. Every item received gives you a ticket in the draw. Please send back your raffle tickets (sent home last week) by Thursday 28 March. Raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade. Extra books are available at the office.

Many thanks  
Kim & Alison  
Fundraising Committee

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**Canteen Roster**

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A reminder that there is NO HOT FOOD at recess!!

**NEW SNACKS** - Fruit in Jelly Cups 70c  Frozen Yoghurt Drops 5c ea  Choc Mousse Cups 80c

**REMINDER** - BROWN PAPER BAGS ARE 10C EACH IF NOT BROUGHT FROM HOME! Please have your money securely placed in your lunch bag! Parent Helpers for the next week are in bold. Thanks for your ongoing help - we really appreciate you! If you cannot make it on your rostered day it is up to you to find a replacement. Any ideas for canteen PLEASE come along to the next P & C Meeting!
Community Stuff

Playgroup at Woodburn Public School
Every Thursday (during school terms) from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Come along for a fun morning. We have a great facility with plenty of toys and games. It’s very informal - a chat and morning tea while the kids play. It’s open to Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas and Carers.

Evans Head & Woodburn Pre Schools
Taking Enrolments. Enrol now!!
EH: 66825235 (Mon-Fri)
WB: 66822993 (M,T,W)

Pam Bellingham School of Dance
Woodburn Ages 3 to adult
Classical, contemporary, tap
Ladies Fun and Fitness class
Phone 0414 953 879

Woodburn SES - Recruiting Now - We Want You!!
Receive nationally recognised training.

JUST DANCE!
COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING ANYONE???
Who’s interested in being part of a competitive cheer team of Richmond Rumours in 2013?
Correct cheer shoes would be required and there may be extra costs associated with travel & comp registration etc. If there is enough interest, the team age category will be based on the majority of students that are keen...Contact me ASAP if u want in! It promises to be an an exciting opportunity!!!

ATTENTION LADIES!!!
Please note that for 2013, I have decided to make our ‘Yummy Mummies’ dance & fitness classes FREE if you have a child enrolled with us! All you have to pay is your upfront 2013 Insurance fee ($15). Just in case any of you needed an extra incentive! You can attend either or both lessons each week... Woodburn Public School Hall- Mondays @ 10:15- 11:15am & Thursdays @ 8- 9pm
 Cheers- Miss Tammy (0409822565)