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**Gonski Making a Difference**

As many would be aware the State Government has committed to provide funding to schools in accordance with the principles of the Gonski Report. This arrangement sees the needs of each child considered in the allocation of funds. The NSW Government have also committed funds at the level recommended by the Gonski report for the first six years post-issuing of the report. The Federal Government has committed to issuing the funding in accordance with the Report and at the level recommended by the Report for the first four years. The majority of funding is issued to schools in the fifth and sixth years. Our students have benefitted markedly by the governments issuing funding in this way. On the evening of November 4, from 6.00pm, an important occasion will be held for members of our community to learn more of the importance of the Gonski recommendations for our students and our nation. The occasion is being organised by members of the School Council and P&C association. Please place the date in your diary and arrange to attend.

Also during the week the school will provide an opportunity for parent and community members to learn more of some of the specific initiatives the school has been able to implement due to the funding of schools in accordance with the Gonski recommendations.

**Dropping off and Picking up Students to/from School**

Parents are reminded a ‘No Parking Zone’ has been established in Cypress Street for parents who wish to pull up in their car and drop off or pick up their children. Should you wish to accompany your child into the grounds you are most welcome to do so by coming into the southern car park, parking the car and walking in with your child. PLEASE DO NOT drop off children in the southern car park unless parking in a designated parking space. Unloading children near the ‘intersection’ in the car park or the canteen delivery bay is a safety risk. There have been numerous ‘near misses’. In particular you are asked NOT to use the canteen delivery bay as a pick up/drop off location – please use the Cypress St ‘No Parking Zone’ for quick pick up/drop offs. Parents and students are reminded there are two access gates in Cypress street for pedestrian and push bike access to the school. PLEASE DO NOT use the car park gates for pedestrian access to the school. If you are on foot or bike please use the Cypress St entrances. All students are reminded that on entering the school they are to dismount their bikes and walk them to the bike racks.

**Equipment Students Need to Bring to School**

Senior school rollover will happen on Monday 9th November and all parent/carers are asked to ensure students from Year 8-12 attend school with the equipment required to complete their school work. Information will be sent...
**Diary**

**This Week - Week 2 Term 4 - Week A**

- **Oct 19**: P&C Meetings, Kinder Orientation (9:30 - 11am)
- **Oct 20**: CHS Zone Open Beach Volleyball (Evans Head)
- **Oct 22**: Year 9/10 Ag & Food North Coast National (Lismore)
- **Oct 23**: Gold Coast Excursion Year 9/10 and STEP

**Next Week - Week 3 Term 4 - Week B**

- **Oct 26-28**: Year 8 Leadership Camp (Gold Coast)
- **Oct 26-30**: SES Cadet Training Week (Years 9/10)
- **Oct 27**: CHS Zone Cricket Open Boys (Lismore)
- **Oct 30**: CHS Regional Open Futsal Boys & Girls (TBA)

**Coming Event**

- **Nov 02**: Kinder Orientation (9:30 - 11am)
- **Nov 05-06**: Year 10 Oral Presentations
- **Nov 06**: CHS Regional Open Surf Lifesaving Carnival (TBA)
- **Nov 09-11**: Senior School Rollover
- **Nov 16-27**: Yr 2-4 Intensive Swimming
- **Nov 24**: CHS Regional Cricket Open Girls (Grafton)
- **Nov 25**: Lovebites Program Year 10 (9:20-3:30)
- **Dec 03**: Year 6 to Year 7 Orientation 2016 (Evans River)
- **Dec 04**: Year 12 QLD University Visit
- **Dec 14**: K-12 Presentation Assembly (11:30am)
- **Dec 16**: Last Day of Term 4 for Students
- **Dec 17-18**: School Development Days.

**WHAT IS FRESH TASTES?**

Our school implements the Fresh Tastes @ School NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy, which means our canteen has guidelines to follow when designing the menu. Fresh Tastes @ School uses a coloured spectrum to categorise food based on nutritional value:

- **GREEN**: these foods are a good source of nutrients and contain less saturated fat, sugar, salt and excessive kilojoules so fill the menu with these foods.
- **AMBER**: these foods have some nutritional value, moderate levels of saturated fat, added sugar and salt so select these foods carefully, avoid large portion sizes and don’t allow them to dominate the menu.
- **RED**: have little to no nutritional value and are high in saturated fat, added sugar, salt and excess kilojoules. These foods can only be sold on two occasions per term.

For more information, visit [www.healthy-kids.com.au](http://www.healthy-kids.com.au)

**FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY**

The Evans River K-12 School P&C have the unique opportunity to fundraise in the local community. We have been asked to consider running the BBQ for the Evans Head Touch Football Association on Thursday Evenings. To do this we will need volunteers for part or all of the evening. It may suit parents of players or players. For more information or to volunteer please contact the school or see Faye Granger in the canteen.

**Canteen Roster - Week A**

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**Science Trivia!**

**This Week’s Question**: What would you use VOIP for?

**Last Week’s Question**: Which major spiral galaxy is the closest to the Milky Way and might collide with it in about three billion years?

**Answer**: Andromeda

**Uniform Store**

**Eftpos Available**

The Uniform store is now fully stocked with Primary Skorts sizes 4-16 $20.00

*The School Uniform Store operates each Friday 8:30am to 9:30am.*

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**2015 HSC Music or Drama Performance DVD’s**

The DVD’s are available at the office for $10

All proceeds are used to purchase library books.

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**Newsletter 32/2015—Be a Learner, Be Respectful, Be Safe**
K-6 AWARDS Term 4  Week 1

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GONSKI Event—Our Kids, Our Community, Our Future

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- 11:30 AM Years 7 & 8 $3 per student
- 2:00 PM Years 9 & 10 $3.00 per student
- 6:30 PM for the Community $5 per adult

How is GONSKI funded? The Gonski plan is a six year plan of funding. However the Federal government only agreed to fund all States and Territories for 4 years from 2014. NSW, SA, Tasmania, Victoria and the ACT Governments signed agreements with the Federal Government to contribute an additional one third share from State funding. Where the funding is being delivered in full, [both Federal and State funding] schools are reporting that they are getting fantastic results. Our school has used our additional Gonski funds to improve our resources and staffing. Even at this early stage of the Gonski funding we are seeing benefits to our students.

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Come along next Monday 9AM to our P&C morning meeting (we meet in front of the Kinder room), all welcome. Or if you can’t make the morning join us for the afternoon meeting at 4:30PM in the Library.

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Congratulations to our Captains for 2016.
Alex Barker and Karri Williams

Congratulations to our Vice-Captains for 2016.
Jack Barwick and Katie Baker

Kinder Orientation was a great success; NO tears ALL smiles. We look forward to sharing another 4 weeks of Orientation. Remember to bring along your hats and to wear shoes. (Photo in Masthead)
Final weeks for free TAX HELP!!
The Tax Help Program provides a trained volunteer who will do your simple tax return for you FOR FREE. Finishes end of October. All returns will be done via MyGov and MyTax. Tax Help will be offered out of the Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre. Please phone 02 6682 4334 to book your appointment.

P&C News
Our next meetings will be held on Monday 19th October. Our morning meeting takes place at 9:00am in the Administration Building and the second meeting is held in the Library at 4:30pm. Please join one of our meetings and bring along your ideas.