Swimming Carnival

Congratulations on a fantastic carnival last week. The winning house was Whales. An assembly was held last Friday at 9:30am for the presentation of ribbons. Ella Bhatti broke four long standing records at the carnival which date back as far as 1995 and 1996. Girls Open Freestyle 100m, 12yrs Girls 50m Freestyle, 12/13yrs Girls Breaststroke and 12/13yrs Girls Backstroke. A very special congratulations to Ella!

SRC Induction

Congratulations to our 2016 Student Council who were inducted today at a special assembly. Congratulations to Woolgoolga Public School Captains for 2016 – Jordan Griffey and Charlie Greenhalgh.

Congratulations also to our Student Councillors – Bradley Harboe, Emma Williams, Talon Mitchell, Kade Nicol, Ella Wilson, Skylea Woodward. I look forward to their leadership within the school.

‘Meet the Teacher’ Night for Parents

A reminder to all parents of students in Year 1 to 6 to come along to the ‘Meet the Teacher’ night this week. Parents will have the opportunity to meet teachers and hear about expectations for their child’s year of schooling. Years 1 and 2 at 5:30pm in the library, Years 3 and 4 at 6:00pm in the library and Years 5 and 6 at 6:30pm in the library. As always, we appreciate the relationship between parents and teachers as this ensures maximum success for our students.

Special Thank You

A very special thank you to Woolgoolga Mitre 10 for their donation of sporting goods.
House Captains Elected

The children in Years 3-6 held their house meetings last week to elect House Captains. Congratulations to the following students who have been elected by their peers.

**Stingrays**
Captains         Jorja Flaherty    Ryan Humphrey
Vice Captains    Kobie-Mai Fox    Ethan Davison

**Whales**
Captains         Ella Bhatti      William McKay
Vice Captains    Simer Sodhi      Ethan Murden

**Sharks**
Captains         Kiesha Viney     Kieran Dosanjh
Vice Captains    Azaly French     Kye Ward

**Dolphins**
Captains         Amber Rose Kelly  Ramazani Salumu
Vice Captains    Bonnie Henderson-Smith    Nic Lodge

P & C Meeting

Our first P & C meeting for the year will be held tomorrow, Tuesday 9th February in the school library at 7pm. All parents are welcome to attend and we encourage you to come along and support your school.

**Auditor Needed!** – Our P&C is looking for a person who is qualified to audit the P & C accounts and do the financial reports. Please phone or message Tanya (Treasurer) on 0407230758.

Woolgoolga Public School Weeks Ahead

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**Important Anaphylaxis Information**

Anaphylaxis is a severe and sudden allergic reaction to food such as nuts or shellfish, or insect bites. If your child is diagnosed at risk of an anaphylactic reaction, an individual health care plan is developed. You will need to provide information from your child’s doctor, including an ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis. The individual health care plan will describe your child’s needs and how the school plans to meet these needs during the school day, on excursions and in other school activities. Schools and parents work together to put arrangements in place for health care support. Information from the child’s doctor, provided by you, will inform the planning process.

Prevention is certainly better than cure. In our endeavour to prevent as many potentially dangerous situations as possible, many procedures have been put into place. All parents can assist by encouraging their child to avoid sharing or trading food and eating utensils. Encouraging children to wash their hands with soap after eating may also be helpful. While we are unable to tell parents what to pack for their child to eat in their lunch boxes, we are appealing to our parents to avoid sending nut products to school for their child to eat if at all possible. These products include:

- Peanut butter
- Nuts of any type
- Nutella
- Nut spreads
- Coconut
- Muesli bars of any type

**Lost Property**

A number of clothing items are in our lost property from last year. If you are missing items could you please come and check the items in our lost property. Please ensure all clothing is labelled.

**School Assemblies**

School assemblies remain on Fridays at the following times; Stages 2 & 3 at 12 noon and Stage 1 at 12:45pm.

**School Newsletter**

The distribution of our school newsletter will return to Thursday as of the 18th February.
Organisation is well under way for our Twilight Fete to be held on **FRIDAY, 18 MARCH 2016** from 3:30pm to 7:30pm on Centennial Oval. We have plenty planned for the evening including:

- **Hot food and tasty treats** – grab your dinner from our BBQ, canteen or curry stall and enjoy a range of tasty treats including homemade baked goodies, ice-creams, snow cones and fresh fruit salad.

- **Market stalls** – pick up some bargains from our White Elephant, second hand books and pre-loved clothes stalls and get some autumn seedlings from the plant stall plus browse plenty of quality market and community stalls.

- **Entertainment** – prepared to be wowed by stage performances from local groups and entertainers.

- **Fun activities** – of course no fete would be complete without rides, jumping castle, face painting, sock wrestling, footy toss and chocolate pond or a glow disco.

**Donations**

We are collecting donations for the following stalls:

- **White elephant** – donations of quality second hand items such as toys, bric-a-brac, homewares.

- **Second hand books** – donations of quality second hand books including fiction and non-fiction, childrens books and magazines in good condition.

- **Pre-loved clothes** – donations of quality pre-loved clothes including Indian clothes.

In coming weeks, we will also be asking for donations of home-made jams, pickles and cakes/biscuits as well as quality plants. If you are a home-maker, start getting your pickle on and preserve some yummy treats for sale. If you are a green-thumb, start preparing some seedlings to be ready for the fete.