Dear Parents, Staff & Students

Our weeks are beginning to fly by but all students are very settled and working well in all classrooms. Our WOW day was a great success and thank you again to our SRC, Mr McKrell And Mr John for organizing this and to our parents and students who supported the day with a gold coin. It is Week 7 next week and I know all our weekends will be becoming busier. Try to relax and enjoy.

Leadership and Our School Captains and Vice Captains 2015

All nominations for School Captains and Vice Captains for 2015 have closed today. All children from Kindergarten to Year 5 will vote as well as the staff. I personally will talk to each nominee about leadership and ask them three questions. What leadership means to them? How would they apply their beliefs about leadership to this school? How would they inspire leadership in others? The nominees have to prepare a speech to be delivered to the rest of the school. In that speech it is important that the candidates include their thoughts about the above questions as well as telling about themselves and their involvement in the school. Our values of respect and responsibility, care and compassion, honesty and integrity, acceptance and friendliness, fairness/cooperation and excellence are important to be included in that speech. The speeches will be delivered during Week 8. Each nominee has also been asked to promote themselves by supplying a photograph of themselves on an A4 sheet of paper with their name and just words to describe the type of person they are. The Captain and Vice Captain positions in schools are responsible positions but at Alfords Point Public School we encourage all children to be leaders.

Kindergarten Enrolment

If you have not enrolled your child as yet in Alfords Point Public School please come up to the school and we will give you an enrolment form and help you if you are unsure of what to do. It is really important that we have your enrolment form as this allows us to communicate dates coming up for Kindergarten 2015 and we would love everyone to be informed and involved. Please don’t hesitate to ring and ask for a tour of the school if you have a child ready for next year. We would love to see you and show you around our beautiful school.

Safety in Our Playground

During this week we have had two incidents in our school playground at 3pm that have not been safe behaviour. This is just to remind all students, parents and parents of pre-schoolers that our school rules apply to everyone while on the school property. All students know it is unsafe to pick up sticks, stones, nuts and berries. It is also not a time to play with skipping ropes, footballs or soccer balls. All students and pre-schoolers are to stay close to their parents if parents are socialising with other parents. If there is an incident parents need to remember to come straight to the office to discuss the matter and refrain from addressing the issue in the playground. This is to keep everyone safe. Thank you as always for your cooperation.

Parent Volunteers and Scripture Teachers Morning Tea

A note will go home today inviting all volunteers in our school community to a special morning tea. This morning tea is to say thank you to everyone who helps at our school. We would love you to come along so that staff and myself can thank you personally for all your efforts. The morning tea will be Wednesday 3 December at 10.45am. We hope to see you there.

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Parents in Partnership
Thank you to all parents for supporting our consultative process either by attending one of two workshops or completing the survey online. We have gathered some really important information which the Executive and myself have collated today. We will keep you informed about our School Management Plan and our future directions over the next weeks. Please feel free to make any suggestions over the next weeks as we value your input. We are all in partnership.

The Bridge Playgroup
This term our Bridge Playgroup will be running at school. This is an extension of our Transition to School Program but all are welcome. Playgroup has begun and it is at 9.15am in the canteen hall each Thursday. Thank you to Slavica who has organised Playgroup throughout the year.

Carols by Candlelight
Our Carols by Candlelight is on Monday evening 5.30pm to 8.30pm 15 December. Our organisation is underway with Kirrawee High School performing as well as a “Bop till you Drop” disco. Of course, there will be our wonderful sausage sizzle as well as fairy floss. Our P&C has organised Christmas stalls and it will have the feel of Christmas markets. Our Artist in Residence, Ken Tucker will be painting an artwork on the evening and this will be raffled. Raffle tickets for this will come home shortly as well as purchasing them on the night. As always it will be a beautiful way to finish the year and celebrate Christmas with all our families together. Please come along.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C meeting is on Thursday 20 November at 1.45 pm in the school library. At this meeting we will be discussing the future of our canteen. This is a really important meeting to attend as we need your input into our future direction. There will also be other important items open for discussion. Come along and be part of the decision making of your school.

Kindergarten 2015 Afternoon Tea
On Thursday 4 December at 2.00pm we will be having an afternoon tea for our new kindies and their parents. Kindergarten 2014 are the hosts for the afternoon and they will bring along a plate of food. 2014 Kindy parents are also invited to this special afternoon tea. It should be lots of fun and we would love everyone to join in.

Robyn Dowse
Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK - T4, Week 6
KL Luca W
KD Joshua B
1-2R Jay K
1-2J Jeremy Z
2-3P Melia Q
3-4B Ayden J
3-4M Dane K
5-6B Thanh Loan B
5-6D Costa T

Skoolbag
Thank you to those parents who have already downloaded the App for Skoolbag. We will be using the Alfords Point Public School Skoolbag App to enhance communication across the school community. A copy of the instructions on how to install the Skoolbag App on your smartphone has been included with this newsletter. We would encourage all families to install this App as we will endeavour to use this App to communicate regularly with our school community. A section of the App will be password protected. To obtain the required username and password please contact the front office.

Jennie Lombe
Assistant Principal

THE POINT CAFE
Monday, 17 November Special – 4 mini spring rolls $2 add 30c for sweet chilli sauce.
Volunteer needed on Monday, 17 November 12.30 to 2.30pm. New volunteers needed in 2015.

Volunteers, Week 7
Monday, 17 November
Nici Jones
Wednesday, 19 November
Angela Riley & Annmarie Hola C/S
Friday, 21 November
Pam Ryan, Chris Powell & Alana Witting
Thank you
Natasha Petkovski & Megan Brice (Canteen Coordinators)
Canteen Mobile: 0458 806 875
Email: apcanteen@telstra.com

UNIFORM SHOP
In 2014 the uniform shop will be opening on Friday mornings at 8.30am - 9.15am in the hall.

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P&C Trivia Night

The P&C would like to thank our generous sponsors for their support at our Trivia Night. Please support our local businesses in return. The event was a great success and we raised approximately $1500 towards next year's funding of our School Chaplain, Miss Ruth.

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