Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to start with congratulations to two of our students who have achieved fantastic results recently. Firstly to Abbey M. for her selection in the 12 years and under National Indigenous netball team which competed at the Gold Coast recently in the School Sport Australia National Exchange against the QLD, NSW, ACT, VIC and NT representative teams. What an amazing achievement.

Secondly to Storm W. for winning the Sunshine Coast Regional 11yr Long Jump at the recent Trials. Storm now has gained selection in the Sunshine Coast team to compete at the QLD trials. We wish her all the best.

Unfortunately there was a mix-up in communication in regard to the announcement of the awarding of the pool licence in the last newsletter. Due to business reasons Cowan Taylor Aquatics withdrew their application. As a result the contract for the licence will now be re-tendered.

In order to support our Chaplaincy programme (which has not had a funding increase since it commenced 8 or 9 years ago, but everything else has gone up) we are having a “gold coin” donation free dress day on the last day of term. (Fri 19 Sep).

Tomorrow is our Noosa Show holiday. Please call in and see our terrific school display. A big thanks to Mrs Ramsay, Sandy, Shaylene and Wayne for their great work in organizing and setting up.

(Holiday) Quote of the week:
I have had a holiday, and I’d like to take it up professionally.

Have a good show holiday weekend.

Regards
Mick Byrne
Principal

P & C NEWS

FATHER’S DAY STALL
Thank you to everyone who donated and / or purchased items for our recent Father’s Day Stall and raffle, and to Rosemary, Glenda and Tanya for organising this. Over $500 was raised and many students had the pleasure of presenting their fathers with Father’s Day gifts they had chosen themselves from this stall.

TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS
Volunteering at the tuckshop is a great way to contribute to and engage with our school community, to meet new people and learn new skills. If you are interested in becoming a tuckshop volunteer, even if you can only spare a few hours / fortnight or on a monthly basis, please contact P&C or speak to Glenda at the tuckshop.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER
As discussed at our last P&C meeting, a change of uniform supplier is being considered (in light of concerns raised about the fit of the current supplier’s skorts and shorts). Samples of the proposed new supplier’s uniforms have been received and will be presented at our next P&C meeting for further discussion.

OUR NEXT P&C MEETING: 9am MONDAY
15 SEPTEMBER
in the Outside School Hours Care Building
All welcome to attend!
Please email any agenda items you would like to have discussed to psspandc@hotmail.com
YEAR FIVE TEST THEIR LEADERSHIP SKILLS AT MAPLETON

This year a group of year five students went on a school camp to Mapleton. We arrived on the 13th of August and we stayed till the 15th of August. We stayed at the Mapleton QCCC camp.

There were four cabins in total two were occupied by girls and the other two by boys. The camp also included a hall, a dining room and a pool, and there were two ovals, a lake and under the hall lived an archery area and an indoor climbing wall.

We went to the camp to complete our leadership process, next year we will be in Year Six which makes us the oldest grade in the school. So that means next year we will be the new school leaders.

Giant Swing:  
The giant swing was one of the best activities at the camp. You would get pulled to the top by the rest of the team. Then you would let go, you can feel the air gushing past you. And you get that extra bit of adrenaline rush.

Flying fox:  
The Flying Fox was really fun, it had a cable 30 metres above the ground. To get up to the platform you had to climb up a tree. Next the instructor straps you to the line then you jump.

Orienteering:  
For Orienteering we had to run around with a map trying to find orange and white markers, with a partner for safety reasons.

The activities listed here are just some of the activities we did.

Our supervisors were Mr Trewick, Mrs Brown, Ben Wright and Mark Douglas. So a huge thanks to them, we wouldn’t have been able to do it without them helping us.

THANK YOU

By Jessica Etheridge  
& Brayden Forrest  5/6PT
A REFLECTION OF MY TIME AT KIDS TEACHING KIDS
On Thursday and Friday of Week 8 the year 6 and 7 Eco-Warriors were lucky enough to experience the wonderful Kids in Action Conference, otherwise known as the Target Kids Teaching Kids.
On the first day we looked and even participated in some cool displays, watched awesome main stage performances and took part in some amazing workshops, some of which were very hands on. One of my favourite workshops was Kin Kin’s Micro Beads. We learned that micro beads are tiny blue pieces of plastic that companies use in some products. They are used in toothpastes, cleaning products and body scrubs. Pomona’s Waste Warriors made a silent film about waste management. Our film received great feedback after it was seen by hundreds of participants. The founder of Kids teaching Kids, Richard Wood even wants to put it on the Kids teaching Kids website!
On the second day all the students were split into two groups. We went to Shelley Beach and participated in a number on activities with some special guests. My favourite activity was making art with recyclable objects. I made a piece of coral with Mrs Lavender. We had a great time learning lots of new and exciting things and meeting new friends. On behalf of Pomona State School Waste Warriors I’d like to thank Mrs Lavender for organising us to go, Mandy Bottrell and Joadie Hardy for filming and support and Joab Botterell for editing our silent film.
Tara Long (Year 6 Eco-Warrior)

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER SPORT?
Come Play Softball!!
Suncoast Hinterland Softball Association invites interested players to sign-on for the upcoming Summer season.
Sign On & Come Try Day: Saturday 13th September & Saturday 20th September
Where: Mooloolah Multi Sports Complex – 129 Mooloolah Connection Rd, Mooloolah (Brand new facilities)
Who: Males & Females of all ages & abilities – 5yrs to masters
Contact: Karen 0422204661 or suncoasthinterlandsoftball@gmail.com
Your child may be eligible for the State Gov’t’s Get Started voucher – valued up to $150.
Register ASAP to avoid missing out on this opportunity!! http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame/getstarted.html

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

FREE DRESS DAY!
The last Friday of school (19th Sept) will be a FREE DRESS DAY to help raise funds for the Chaplaincy Program for next term. A gold coin donation will be gratefully collected by the Grade 6 girls. So remember to wear your ‘fav’ clothes.

Our RSPCA fundraiser outcome
Our recent Cupcake Day for the RSPCA was a huge success with $123.40 being raised. RSPCA care for more than 44,000 neglected, injured or homeless animals each week.
So a BIG thank you to all of you who helped make so many cupcakes.

Blessings
Chappie Paulette
### Getting Ready for Prep in 2015

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| **Wednesday - 17th September 2014** 2pm – 3.30pm | **Getting to know Pomona School – for Parents**  
Tour of School, Afternoon Tea with the Prep teachers. |
| **Wednesday - 8th October 2014** 15th October 2014 9.00am – 10.00am | **Pre Prep Session – for Students (with parents attending)**  
A wonderful way for your child to become familiar with the class setting and teachers that they will encounter when they commence prep.  
**Ms Saunders** classroom. Sign in at the office first.  
Bring shoes and a hat. |
| **Thursday - 23rd October 2014** 30th October 2014 9.00am – 10.00am | **Pre Prep Session – for Students (with parents attending)**  
A wonderful way for your child to become familiar with the class setting and teachers that they will encounter when they commence prep.  
**Mrs Thompson’s** classroom. Sign in at the office first.  
Bring shoes and a hat. |
| **Tuesday - 4th November 2014** 9am – 11am | **KidsMatter Transition Workshop (Session One) – for parents**  
Parent workshop aimed at preparing and supporting parents and carers to assist their child in transitioning into formal school.  
In the Library. |
| **Early November** | 2015 Booklist sent home.  
Quick and easy way to organise stationery for your child. Ensure that you order the items through the local newsagent as advised. |
| **Tuesday - 9th December 2014** 9.30am – 10am | **Meet the Teacher.**  
For **student and parents** to meet their child’s teacher for 2015.  
In the relevant classroom. |
| **Tuesday - 27 January 2015** | **First Day of School 2015!**  
“Tears, Tissues and Tim Tams” in the Library 8.50am.  
It’s a time to chat with other parents and “let go” of your child for the day! It also allows your child’s teacher to provide settling in time with the class.  
For parents after they have dropped their child off! |
| **Date TBA - February 2015** | **KidsMatter Transition Workshop (Session Two) – for parents**  
Follow up from the first workshop. Helps in dealing with school transition.  
In the Library. |

For further details contact:  
**Principal:** Mr. Mick Byrne, Pomona State School, Station Street, Pomona  
**OR Acting Head of Student Services:** Jacque Wright  
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- "I feel great! In control and totally overwhelmed at the changes in my son’s behaviour."
- "I’m a new person and see things different now. I owe you my happiness and sanity."
- "I have more knowledge and skills to be in control. I am confident and believe in myself."
- "The program has changed our lives for the better."
- "Even though my son has been diagnosed with ADHD, he is much calmer now."
- "We will definitely carry on what we have learnt & it will make a big difference in our home and in public."

Who can the program help?

☐ Do you have a young family?
☐ Are your children often difficult?
☐ Are you embarrassed when you are asked to collect your child?
☐ Does your child often refuse to follow requests?
☐ Does your child have more tantrums than expected?
☐ Does your child always demand your attention?
☐ Does your child respond to being told ‘No’ with a tantrum?
☐ Would you like to learn more about how to manage your child’s behaviour?
☐ Do you often feel tired and frustrated?

If you answered YES to any of these questions then you and your child may benefit from the program.

What are the likely outcomes?

☐ A happier, calmer more relaxed family.
☐ A more secure and contented child.
☐ A sense of empowerment for you.
☐ The realisation that you are not alone.
☐ Family outings become a pleasure.
☐ Child quite content within the boundaries the parents set.
☐ Eating and sleeping are no longer battle times.
☐ Breaking of a cycle of interaction that doesn’t work and forming a new cycle that does.

Who can attend?

☐ MYCP works well for children between the ages of 2½ and 7 years.
☐ Mum’s, Dad’s, Grandparents and Carers.
☐ Both parent and child attend three sessions per week.
☐ Each session will take approximately 45 to 60 minutes.
☐ Generally, families attend for approximately 4-6 weeks.

SESSION TIMES
☐ Usually three times weekly.
☐ Contact your nearest centre for particular days and times.

COST

MYCP is a FREE program funded by Education Queensland.
Have you ever been to the Cooran Acoustic Night?
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Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition
We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students starting in Term 4. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition.

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If you would like your child to participate please register using one of the options below. Registrations close at the end of Term 3. We are unable to accept registrations after this time! Limited places are available so be quick so you don’t miss out!

Option 1: Online Registration (Preferred)

Option 2: Phone Registration 1300 889 179
If you don’t have access to the internet you can register by calling 1300 889 179. Our office is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

More Information
If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below.

Phone: 1300 889 179
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We hope you can support this program.

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Fees
Fees for Before and After School Care:
- Before School Care – $18.00 per child. (Breakfast Included)
- After School Care – $23.00 per child (Afternoon tea included.)

Fees for Vacation Care
A Vacation Care Program is provided for Prep – Year 7 children during school holidays, from 6.00am until 6.00pm each day. The program of daily activities is available two weeks before the start of each holiday.
- Bookings are essential for children attending any of our OSHC programs.
- $56.00 per day (Morning Tea, Lunch & afternoon tea included)

(Healthy menu plan & Food supplied for each session.)

Childcare Benefit or Childcare Rebate
Childcare benefit and Childcare Rebate can be claimed by eligible families through Centrelink/Family Assistance, which can reduce out-of-pocket costs for OSHC care significantly - often dropping costs down to $5-10 per day for some families.

For further information about our OSHC program please contact the Co-ordinator Melissa Conley via email pomona.oshc@bigpond.com or by phone (07) 54850778/0437000644.
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