Dear Parents/Caregivers,

2016 STAFFING
It is important that parents/caregivers understand that teacher allocations are determined on Day 8 of the new school year. On Day 8, Education Queensland make a decision about the level of staffing required for each school. It is imperative that students are enrolled and attending school by Day 8. At present our enrolments are very close to securing another teacher in 2016. We are endeavouring to plan as accurately as possible to limit disruption at the beginning of the new school year, however please be aware that changes may be required as a result of staffing allocations as determined from Day 8 enrolments.

BOOK LISTS
Book lists have been sent home with students for 2016. If you have misplaced your 2016 booklist please see your class teacher or the office for another copy. There is some misinformation going around about booklist ordering from the newsagent. Les and Mitch have asked me to pass on the following information, some of which is different to previous years.

There is no deadline for ordering the book packs from the newsagent (In the past there was due to textbook ordering). There is no penalty for putting in orders later (this was a textbook discount thing). But please note the plan is that the orders will be available for collection before the Pupil Free week, so if parents/caregivers put orders in mid-January, it may be a week or so until the order is ready.

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME
Pomona State School in consultation with the P&C Association has chosen to operate a Student Resource Scheme for 2016 to assist parents with the cost and resourcing of additional educational resources that provide enhanced learning opportunities. The scheme is supported and approved by the School’s Parents and Citizens Association and operates under the policy and guidelines of The Department of Education and Training (DET). The scheme is not used to raise funds for other purposes. The scheme provides the entire package for the specified participation fee and is not available in parts. Participation in the scheme is voluntary and there is no obligation placed on a parent/caregiver to participate. A parent/caregiver’s decision to participate is based on consideration of the value and convenience afforded by the scheme. However, please be aware that materials required under this scheme are not funded by school grants. The purpose of the scheme is to provide the parent/caregiver with a cost effective more economical alternative to purchasing required resources and consumables through reduced prices gained from the school’s bulk purchasing processes. The provision of this scheme ensures that well-resourced learning by our students remains our key focus.

Total cost of the scheme is $60.00 per student and details of what is included in the scheme will be forthcoming, but includes subscriptions to Mathletics, Reading Eggs, Ebooks, Apps, school produced workbooks, as well as Design & Food Technology and Art supplies. Please do not make any payments this year, you will be invoiced early in 2016 after returning your participation agreement form, should you wish to participate. If you do not wish to participate you will need to return the form and it will then be your responsibility to purchase/provide all the resources provided by the scheme.

FESTIVE SEASON
As the end of the school year approaches I know there will be plenty of students wishing to give their friends and class mates a little Christmas goodie. Please be mindful that not all students are able to receive these sweet treats and the giving of a Christmas card or a non-food item may be more suitable.
STUDENT COUNCIL EARLY ACT
WOW!! The student Council made SHOWBAGS sold out in 50 minutes at Pomona in the Park on Thursday evening, they were selling like hot cakes. Thank you for supporting our Student Council. The students raised $450 towards the upper school playground fund. A Fantastic effort. Well Done! A special thank you to Mrs Kellie Saunderson who has been supporting the Student Council Early Act students, nurturing and supporting their ideas and making them come alive into fundraising opportunities.

On Friday 27 November students at the Pomona State School showed their citizenship and leadership qualities by taking responsibilities for real life problems within their school and the global community when Josh Butler, President of the school EarlyAct Club presented a cheque for $230 to Carol Johnson of the Rotary Club of Cooroy for Shelterbox. Shelterbox is an international disaster relief agency that seeks to provide shelter, warmth and dignity to families that have lost their homes to disasters. It provides shelter with a family sized tent made to withstand high winds and heavy rainfall, thermal blankets for sleeping, water purification equipment, a stove with full set of cooking and eating utensils, a basic tool kit, solar lights and children’s activity pack - in fact everything required to provide for a family devastated by the total loss of their home.

POMONA IN THE PARK
What a fantastic night!! A HUGE thanks to our major sponsors, Page Furnishers, Pomona IGA and Pomona Lions. I was blown away by the community support and the number of people who came out on a balmy spring evening to support their children and our beautiful little school. The student performances were magical and I know there were plenty of proud family members watching on. Don’t forget to order and pay for your Pomona in the Park DVD at the school office.

A giant thank you to all the wonderful parents who assisted staff with the preparation of the class items, costumes and general support in the lead up to this spectacular evening. Congratulations to all the raffle winners on the night. There were some pretty happy winners collecting their prizes from the P&C at the end of the evening. A special thank you to the P&C members for their continued support and recognition of all the hours that go on behind the scenes to support the school.

REPORT CARDS
Report cards will be sent home on Thursday 10th December with students.

PLAY IT STAF – AT SCHOOL, AT HOME, AND DURING HOLIDAYS
Summer holidays wouldn’t be complete without time spent near and in the water. With thousands of Queensland families expected to enjoy the warmer days swimming, fishing, and boating at local lakes and dams, it’s important to remember that still water can be risky. Seqwater, South East Queensland’s bulk water supplier, has launched their summer safety campaign that encourages a deeper level of thinking about safe behaviours while having fun at South East Queensland’s dams, lakes, and parks. Enjoy a safe summer and always keep an eye on family and friends around water. More information and general safety advice can be found on the Seqwater website.

SCHOOL WATCH
Help us keep an eye on our school these holidays. If you see anything suspicious please don’t attempt to intervene, call the School Watch number – 131 788. Let’s work together to help create a safer school community.

As this is the last school newsletter for the year have a safe and merry Christmas.

Cheers,

Alyson Covey
Principal
A CHANGE TO THE OPERATING TIMES OF THE STATION STREET SCHOOL CROSSING

The Station Street School crossing operating times will be changing from the beginning of new school term 2016. The new operating times will be 8:00 am – 9:00 am and 2:40 pm -3:10 pm.

This change in operating times is to accommodate the needs of both the school and the pupils. The periods when school crossing supervisors will be on duty should ensure maximum safety for most pupils attending the school.

Parents and teachers are asked to encourage their children to use the supervised crossing and to set a good example themselves by obeying the supervisor’s directions whenever they use the crossing.

**PLEASE ASSIST YOUR SUPERVISORS TO PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN.**

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC STUDENTS SAY ‘THANK YOU’

A big thank you to the Tewantin Noosa Music Club for the donation of musical instruments to Pomona SS. The instruments you have provided will mean that more children are able to join the Instrumental Music Program. Our school is well supported by both teachers and administration. You have made our young musicians very happy. Again, thank you very much.

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!**

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**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

Congratulations to Alyssa Roy from 5/6CL. Alyssa recently competed in her very first competition at the National titles for Silat Martial Arts. She scored bronze and silver medallions at the titles. Alyssa has been doing Silat for approximately 18 months and she is a blue belt.

The following info explains the sport:

Silat Perisai Diri (PD) is a unique Indonesian martial art utilising natural reflexes to dangerous situations. PD is characterised as being practical, with techniques that adhere to the natural movement of the human body, resulting in a holistic system of self-defence that is simple in application and maintains effectiveness.
P & C NEWS

POMONA IN THE PARK & THE MEGA-RAFFLE
Well done to all our talented students (and their teachers!) for providing such a great night of entertainment for us all at Pomona in the Park last week!

A huge thank you to all who participated in our Mega-Raffle, and congratulations to all prize winners. Ticket sales were over $3000, but the final profit on the event is still being worked out. All profits from P&C activities go back to the school, so thank you again to those who supported the raffle. Special thanks to all the generous school families and local businesses who donated the prizes, a complete list of which is included separately in this newsletter. Thank you also to Synda Turnbull for helping us out with the raffle poster (at late notice!).

Last but not least, thank you very much to our Pomona in the Park sponsors Pages Furniture, IGA Pomona and Alligator Water Tanks, and to the Cooroy-Pomona Lions Club for again providing the main food stall at this event. Without these donations and volunteers, Pomona in the Park would not be the spectacular enjoyable event that it is for all of our school families.

TUCKSHOP AND UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

TUCKSHOP COORDINATOR
The P&C Executive Committee would like to advise that Glenda Vassallo is no longer our Tuckshop Convenor, and we wish her well in her future endeavours. Marni Shearman and Michelle Pickering will be filling in for the remainder of 2015 as temporary Tuckshop Convenors. Very soon we will be seeking applications from interested parties to fill the casual Tuckshop & Uniform Shop Convenor role for 2016. All interested parties will be welcome and encouraged to apply. More information will be available very soon, and please email P&C Executive at psspandc@hotmail.com if you have questions or concerns.

❖ LIMITED STOCK FOR REMAINDER TERM FOUR
Please check the availability of all orders at the tuckshop for the remaining days. As happens every year, we need to run stock levels down to avoid risk of spoilage over the holidays, so some items will be unavailable. Chicken fingers in particular should be checked when ordering. Thanks in advance for your flexibility with orders in these final few days of the year.

❖ HOURS OF OPERATION – CHRISTMAS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:
➢ Please note that the Tuckshop will be closed on the final two days of this term (Thursday 10th and Friday 11th December) for cleaning and stocktake.
➢ The Uniform Shop will be open as usual on these days, and again before the end of the Christmas holidays on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd January 2016.

❖ HALF PRICE SALE – SKORTS
The remaining stock of the previous supply of school skorts will be sold off at half price (now $10) to make room for the new supplier’s stock. Limited sizes and stocks are available so snap up a bargain!

❖ PAYMENT OPTIONS
➢ EFTPOS facilities are not available at our Uniform Shop so payment must be in cash or via Direct Debit (BSB 014557 Account 498343886), using your surname as a reference. Printed confirmation of your payment must be provided for direct debit payments before uniforms can be supplied.

OUR NEXT P&C MEETING WILL BE AT 9am MONDAY 7th DECEMBER in the Outside School Hours Care Building

Please email any agenda items to psspandc@hotmail.com
All welcome to attend!

Community news - Pomona Kindy

The many school families whose children attended Pomona & District Kindergarten may be interested to learn that Lyndal Fletcher, long-time teacher and co-Director of the Kindy, is leaving at the end of the year to take up a role at a different Kindy. Any farewell well-wishes can be directed to the Kindy. A farewell morning tea is being held for Lyndal at 11am on Wed 9 December, which past Kindy families are welcome to attend.
THANK YOU SO MUCH

TO ALL OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS AND DONORS FOR
POMONA IN THE PARK 2015:

POMONA IGA   PAGES FURNITURE, POMONA

COOROY-POMONA LIONS CLUB   ALLIGATOR WATER TANKS

- Cognition Bikes, Tewantin
- Kingfisher Bay Resort, Fraser Island
- Airlink Transfers, Pomona
- True Value Hardware, Pomona
- B & M Professional Carpet Cleaning & Pest Control
- “Freedom Wheels” - Sunshine Coast Harley(R) Davidson Trike tours
- “The Spirit House” Restaurant and Cooking School, Yandina
- “Buddy Bewdy” Dingo Hire and Home Maintenance Service
  - Dance Form Professional Studio, Cooroy
  - Platinum Pressure Clean, Sunshine Coast
- Bowen with Angela, Pomona
- Kristine Ditchfield School of Dance
  - Pomona Newsagency
- Gitsham Prime Foods, Pomona
  - Pomona Produce
  - Bunnings, Gympie
- Pomona Service Station
- Rusty Hinge Clothing, Pomona
  - CoffeeExtra, Pomona
- Hinterland Beauty & Massage by Jules, Pomona
- “Your Inspiration at Home” donations by Kelli Saunderson
  - Hairolicious, Pomona
  - LiveLife Pharmacy, Pomona
  - Trent Paujger and family
  - Sweetpea & Jasmine, Cooroy
- Pomona Pet Spa & Grooming
  - ABL2 Driving School
  - Pomona Post Office
- Raine & Horne, Pomona
  - Mitre 10 Cooroy
  - Cooroy Fish & Chips
  - Cooroy Chicken & Chips
- Pelican Boat & Stand Up Paddle Hire, Noosa
  - KFC
  - Brenda Carlos
- Gelignite Jack’s, Cooroy
- Pomona Produce
- Richie’s Bakery, Cooroy
- Jamaica Blue, Cooroy
INDIGENOUS GARDEN NEWS

There have been some recent developments in our Indigenous Yarning Circle Garden. Recently, some lovely new plants were donated to our school. We would like to thank Fuschia Collard from the Coolum Community Native Nursery for donating a variety of new indigenous plants for our garden. We would also like to thank one of our wonderful parents, Vanessa Moscato for spending a considerable amount of her own time to weed the garden. Vanessa, who is very knowledgeable with Indigenous plants, is producing a PowerPoint for our students to use that will explain how the Gubbi Gubbi people, our traditional land owners, used the plants located in our gardens. Vanessa also spoke to IKL about how the Gubbi Gubbi people gathered bush tucker. The children sampled some of the food in the garden and role played the traditional jobs of men and women.

Three weeks ago, a number of staff from Noosaville State School visited the Indigenous Gardens. They are planning to create their own Indigenous Gardens and Learning Areas. The staff were very grateful that we could share our ideas to help them on their journey.

4EB - NUDE FOOD CHAMPIONS

In late October, the Eco-Warriors ran a ‘Nude Food Day’ during Nude Food Month. Nude Food refers to packing healthy nutritious meals without the use of any disposable packaging which contributes to landfill. It was fantastic to see almost 200 students participate on this special day. This was our best effort yet! Congratulations to 3GB who were the ‘Nude Food Champions’ in Term 4. Our next Nude Food Day will be held during Term 1 in 2016. It’s so easy to put your child’s fresh food and baked goods into little reusable containers, instead of wrapping them in glad wrap. Imagine how much plastic waste we could divert from landfill if day we ALL used containers or paper lunch wrap instead of using plastic wrap!!

CHESS CHAMPIONS ANNOUNCED

Sadly, our annual Pomona State School Chess Tournament has come to an end. During the past eight weeks, over 60 of our best chess players got to try their best moves, in a lunch time chess competition. Well done to everyone who participated and congratulations to our winners listed below. Medallions and trophies were awarded during last Friday’s parade.

YEAR 1 - Angus Kunde
YEAR 2 - Jove Tankey
YEAR 3 - Brock Etheridge
YEAR 4 - Deklan Bowden
YEAR 5 - Lachlan Nelson
YEAR 6 - Rourke Radford-Burns

The year level winners later played each other in a knock out competition to find who would be our school’s ‘ultimate chess champion’. Deklan Bowden (Year 4) and Lachlan Nelson (Year 5) were the most successful in this competition and after a battle of the minds; the ultimate Pomona Chess Champ was Lachlan!

We decided to give an encouragement award once again and Jove Tankey in Year 2 is the worthy recipient of this award. He showed incredible determination and courage when he competed against the older year level champions. Jove’s chess matches were very close and he fought so hard until the end.

Left: Overall Runner-Up, Deklan Bowden.
Right: Overall Chess Champion, Lachlan Nelson.
I want to personally thank the students who volunteered their precious time during lunch hours to adjudicate some chess matches. I want to also acknowledge our wonderful Teacher Aide Max Winch. Their combined knowledge and assistance has been invaluable and quite simply, our Chess Club and tournament wouldn’t exist without their expertise.

The students are already looking forward to the next tournament in 2016!

**NEW ENRICHMENT TEACHER FOR 2016**

Recently it was announced that Mrs Jo Ramsay will become Pomona State School’s new Enrichment Teacher in 2016. I would like to wish Jo all the very best in this role and I know she already has plans to introduce many new programs which include technology. I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience as the Enrichment Teacher during the past five years and it’s been an absolute pleasure working closely with our incredibly talented students. I will still continue my role as the Eco-Warrior Coordinator in 2016.

*Kathy Lavender*

Enrichment Teacher & Eco-Warrior Coordinator

**BUDDY BENCH**

A Big Thank you to Bunnings Noosaville who donated a bench to the school as part of the ‘Buddy Bench’ project and to Siobhan Grey, the WH Activities Organiser, for organising paint and brushes for the decorating team.

The ‘Buddy Bench’ idea came from Charlie, a nine year old boy from Cairns who implemented the buddy bench into his school. This is a permanent bench at school where children are encouraged to sit when they are feeling left out or bullied. If another student sees someone sitting on the bench they are urged to invite them to play, walk or talk with them.

We thought this was a great idea and were lucky enough to be one of the schools selected by Bunnings to receive a bench.

On Friday 20 November Siobhan Grey and 2 representatives from each of the lower school classes, did a wonderful job of decorating our ‘Buddy Bench’ in rainbow colours and hand prints. This bench will be placed in the lower school play area and next year, we hope to implement one in the upper school.

Thanks again Siobhan and Bunnings for supporting our school and this valuable project.

Shaylene & Wayne

Garden Club co-ordinators
CODING, ROBOTICS AND RASPBERRY PI
Coding and Robotics has featured in the news recently, as the new Australian curriculum for Digital Technologies is released for next year. What is coding? It is the language that developers use to program computers, and of course, robots. It is planned that from 2020, coding will be taught from Preparatory level to Year 10 in every state school. In addition, each child will have the opportunity to apply their coding knowledge with robotics.

With this in mind, we will offer our students a head start in 2016, with a Coding and Robotics lunchtime club. Pomona State School currently owns ten Lego Mindstorm Robot kits. To help students learn coding, we have purchased five Raspberry Pi. We have been particularly fortunate that Wythes Real Estate have generously donated funds for another five Raspberry Pi.

Not sure what a Raspberry Pi is? Information on the Raspberry Pi project can be found at:


If your child is interested in nominating for this lunchtime club, please remind them to add their name to the list at the front office. In the meantime, they can have fun learning to code during the holidays.

For parents: http://scratch.mit.edu/parents/

For students: http://scratch.mit.edu/

GIVE GIRL GUIDES A GO!!
Guiding provides a values based dynamic and flexible non-formal educational program for girls and young women in a fun and supportive girl's only environment. Girls develop leadership skills and a sense of personal responsibility and a shared purpose to make the world a better place.

Guides discover, decide, plan, participate and develop their program to suit their Unit with the guidance of an Adult Leader.

Guiding activities vary from week to week and ensure the positive Guiding motto's of "Be Prepared" and 'Guides can do anything.'

- If you join Girl Guides between 5-17 you will be a youth member and placed into a Unit.
- Units are structured so girls are with their own age group.
- Unit meetings usually take place once a week during the Queensland school term for 2 hours within a local hut or community space.
- Units have opportunities to participate in many programs outside Unit meetings, for example: helping run community events, embrace the outdoors through camping and other adventurous activities, enjoy social outings with other Units and even learn how to save a life.

Inspire Girls! Unit Leaders and Assistant Leaders Required
Unit Leaders and Assistant Unit Leaders drive weekly meetings, helping the girls to plan activities, achieve goals, and have fun.

You don't need to have been a Guide yourself. Training is provided

- Make a difference to girls' lives
- Learn new skills and develop existing ones
- Be part of a team of like-minded women
- Give your CV a boost by developing management and leadership skills
- Develop lasting friendships with other Leaders
- Take action on issues which affect the lives of women in Australia and overseas
- Have lots of fun!

for more information please visit guidesqld.org and girlguides.org.au

Please call 0407146917 or 0425850360 for information about your local unit.
Beyond Toast

Our breakfast club attendees are thoroughly enjoying a variety of foods (cereals, bananas, yoghurts, mixed fruits and often more) for breakfast these days with good ‘ol toast still rating as number one on the menu. I would like to thank Geni and John Pennell who deliver stocks to our door every week that are sourced from a massive foodbank in Brisbane. After a written submission earlier this year it was decided that our school would be blessed by becoming one of just three local schools to receive weekly supplies. This came about as each week we were providing many more children with breakfast, not because we had more needy students but because we had turned our breakfast club into a massive success in terms of how we ran it and offered it to everyone. This could not have come at a better time as funds were all but exhausted to keep the club running. Other schools are now looking at our model with the view of improving their own breakfast clubs.

Of course, the food needs to be prepared and served, so without our faithful groups of volunteers no one would be enjoying the fruits of Geni and John’s efforts. Representing Rotary is volunteer John, and Christine, David and Narelle are from the Uniting Church. Darrel and Elaine, are parents committed to our school. Without these people we would have no breakfast club at all, so a huge thank you from us all.

The club has been running for around 4 years now and during this time both Rotary, Uniting Church and the Forrest family have helped to provide funds and consumables. Also Bendigo Bank provided funds that kept the Breakfast Club running all last year. Thank you for all your gifts of finances and food. We are currently serving over 180 students during three days, not a bad effort considering the daily serving time is just a half hour from 8.00 to 8.30. Whilst not all of these children come to school without breakfast many are going through growing spurts and are pleased to have a Milo and toast or cereals by the time they get to school. For some, it can be quite a long time since they had breakfast. It’s a good feeling knowing that these children go into school with full tummies. The club is open to all students and is a proven excellent opportunity for children to interact with other students and volunteers. Interesting topics emerge including jokes and telling and listening to stories both long and short!

We all look forward to continuing the club next year!

Flick the Switch

I know what will happen after Christmas, we see it so many times and I have been guilty of it myself in past years. What am I talking about? Why, it’s the 21-Day Detox Program, of course. That’s the healthy eating program where you fast on most things you love to eat and become a cow. By that I mean eating green stuff and other great life-sustaining natural food with no additives. Then I know what is likely to happen in January. You will slide, a day at a time, back into your old lifestyle because you are too busy, the kids are keeping you hopping, the boss is breathing down your neck or the guilt of not completing those menacing jobs, has finally got the better of you. So it’s off to Serge’s to grab a yummy pizza for dinner. You tell yourself one pizza won’t hurt. You’re right, one pizza won’t hurt, and it’s all the other stuff that creeps back into your daily intake that’s the killer. That’s life you say, well, that’s just one way of looking at it. That’s when you can feel a failure, as though you have let yourself down. You realise that you need more discipline but you have no idea who to turn to, and so the years roll by and you are still the same. Eventually, you come to the conclusion that you simply cannot adhere to any life-changing programs on your own. You need help! That’s my story anyway and I am sure I am not the only one who needs help!

You know that saying when the student is ready the teacher appears? Well, my teacher has appeared and it wouldn’t be right for me to keep it a secret so I have decided to share it with you. Not only would my teacher love to help you to make sure you know how to stick to your new year’s resolutions no matter how outlandish they are, she will show you that you have the ability to make permanent change in any area of your life. It all starts in your brain and once you realise it and embrace a few techniques you can breeze through 2016 with a whole new ability. You could be doing things you never dreamt you could or would ever do. Once you have the know-how and have tried and tested it (because I know you are not just going to believe what I say) you can then teach the simple scientifically proven process to your children.

How many times have you heard or said this saying: IF I ONLY KNEW THEN WHAT I KNOW NOW....? I have said it a few times this year. Well, I know something NOW that will allow me to achieve many of the things I
have longed to do all my life but felt I couldn’t possibly do because I simply couldn’t retain all the knowledge I needed to remember in order to succeed. It’s a matter of being educated in how to be educated.

My teacher is Dr Caroline Leaf. Have you heard of her? Perhaps you are succeeding with her programs. Dr Leaf is a brain scientist and yes, it does take a scientist to teach you this stuff because she can put facts behind her work to back it up.

**SWITCH ON YOUR BRAIN The Key to Peak Happiness, Thinking, and Health.** This priceless book features the 21-Day Brain Detox Plan. Once I would have read a title like this and though, here we go another program on how to remember stuff by linking a name or an object to something else. If I had thought that with this book I would have been wrong. This book explains it all to you in such easy to understand ways that you cannot help but get excited. You instantly see how Dr Leaf has translated modern brain science into language accessible to everyone. But wait, there’s more! Dr Leaf’s ability to merge science and scripture plainly shows us that the ancient history book we call the Bible tells us how to renew our mind.

The prologue starts off with: What would you do if you found a switch that could turn on your brain and enable you to be happier, healthier in your mind and body, more prosperous, and more intelligent?

I know what I would do: Flick the switch!

The book is available in my library at school now!

**Chappy’s Wheelbarrow Raffle**

With so much on at the end of the year we have decided to raffle the wheelbarrow full of groceries in January. Tickets will be available from the first day back in Term 1, 2016.

A big thank you to all those who have made this raffle possible by generously donating groceries. As we have a couple of weeks to go before school ends we should be able to making it full to overflowing if everyone brings in just one more product. The old saying, ‘it is better to give than receive’ certainly is true, giving brings so much pleasure! We are not to deny ourselves that pleasure! 😊

**Blessings**

**Chappy Paulette**
2016 Sign On

commences early January 2016 online at

www.myfootballclub.com.au

Visit www.sunshinecoastfootball.com.au
to find a club near you

For further details to play, coach or referee
call 5456 2727 or
email: admin@sunshinecoastfootball.com.au
Pomona Night of Lights
with Coruno Laser Productions presents a
Laser Show Extravaganza

Stan Topper Park
Thursday 17 December
6.00pm - 8.00pm

Christmas Carols
Santa Visit
SHOC
Lions Club BBQ/Drinks
Raffles

Music by
Steve & Ainsley Apirana

LIONS INTERNATIONAL
NOOSA COUNCIL

For and By the Community
FREE XMAS FAMILY NIGHT @ BUNNINGS NOOSAVILLE
December 10th 6-8pm
Come and join us for the biggest night of the year. We will have fantastic entertainment including Miss Donna, a jumping castle, fairy floss and sno- cones, snake show and the amazing Tewantin State School Choir.
Peregian Lions will be running the BBQ and the Vietnam Veterans will be selling tickets to their Mega raffle which includes a trailer!!
Santa will of course be in the house and the Bunnings elves will be running fabulous festive craft sessions. There will be games, giveaways and best dressed competition.
So dress in your Xmas best and join in all the fun. Bookings essential.

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FAMILY DAY
13 December 11am – 2pm
Christmas craft fun for all ages.
10 January 11am-2pm
Board not bored!
On the second Sunday of each month, Kids of all ages can come along and have fun with FREE art-making activities. Children must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian.

Experience Art
Exhibitions, Programs & Events

Opening Hours: Tuesday to Friday, 10am - 4pm
Saturday to Sunday, 10am - 3pm
The gallery is closed Mondays, public holidays and during exhibition changeovers.
Access: There is level access from the lower car park next to gallery.
Accessible toilet facilities are also available.

Christmas opening hours 2015/16
Noosa Regional Gallery will be closed from 2pm Thursday 24 December 2015 and will re-open at 10am Tuesday 5 January 2016

Travelling to the Gallery:
Car: Five minute drive from Hastings Street, Noosa.
Free parking available.
Bus: Travel to Tewantin Central. The gallery is a short stroll from the bus stop. For timetable information contact Translink on 131 230 or visit www.translink.com.au
Train: Queensland Rail operates a limited service to and from Brisbane, which stops at the hinterland towns of Nambour, Eumundi and Cooroy.
For timetable and connecting bus information contact Translink on 131 230 or visit www.translink.com.au
Ferry: Noosa Ferries depart from Hastings Street, Noosa and arrive at Noosa Marina in Tewantin, operating daily

Noosa Regional Gallery is located riverside on the ground floor of Noosa Council’s main office at 9 Pelican Street, Tewantin.

Noosa Regional Gallery
07 5539 6145
gallery@noosa.qld.gov.au
www.noosaregionalgallery.com.au
Summer Reading Club

This year, the Summer Reading Club is all about discovery. There are Lost Worlds to explore, alternate universes to discover and mythical creatures you wouldn’t believe - all in your library! Follow the clues in the exciting online scavenger hunt, visit your library often to check out what’s on, and you could win an iPad, iPod, book bundles, movie tickets, and more. To get onboard register online at www.summerreadingclub.org.au/theclub or at your local library from December 1.

Christmas Make It

Noosaville 10am-noon Tuesday 15 Dec
Cooroy 10am-noon Wednesday 16 Dec

Christmas Storytime
Come along for Christmas stories and songs. There may even be a special visitor! All ages. Bookings not required. Free.

10-11am
Noosaville
Tuesday 22 Dec
Thursday 24 Dec
Cooroy
Wednesday 23 Dec

Rooftop Cinema
How to Train Your Dragon 2 rated G, is presented in partnership with Starry Nights Outdoor Movies. For all ages, no bookings required. Entry by gold coin.
www.starrynights.com.au

Cooroy from 6.30pm Friday 1 Jan

Talking Turtles
Join us for an interactive presentation by Coolum and North Shore Coast Care. Learn about the endangered loggerhead turtle, local nesting sites and join in the craft. Ages 5+. Bookings required. Gold coin donation appreciated.

Noosaville 10-11.30am Monday 11 Jan
PIANO LESSONS
Chris Kurylowicz Piano Lessons

I have a current blue card and have various before and after school availability. I try to structure each lesson for each student depending on level. Adult students also welcome.

One on one lessons, $30/half hour, but can be negotiable depending on circumstances.

Longer lessons also available.

Sms 0448 159 882 and leave short message and I will call you back when free or
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KO-JI MARTIAL ART

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