**Upcoming Events:**

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<td>Music Lessons with Dr. David Banney</td>
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<td>P&amp;C Meeting and AGM</td>
<td>Wednesday 9th March 7.00pm</td>
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<td>Maitland Library visit</td>
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<td>P&amp;C Fundraiser Bunnings BBQ</td>
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**P&C**

In 2006 the Federation of P&C Associations launched its first “P&C day” to be held annually on the first Wednesday in week 6. This year that fell on 2nd March. It is a time to stop and marvel at the tremendous effort and contribution P&Cs make to schools. At Nillo Infants School the P&C continues to support our work as teachers and provide resources and support for our students in a variety of ways.

P&Cs epitomise the efforts of volunteers within our society where individuals join together and work towards a collective goal. Across the state, P&C associations contribute $50 million to local schools, as well as countless volunteer hours.

With our AGM coming up next week it is time to consider how you can assist. No one has more or less time than anyone else. (Please see also P&C Journal Vol 63 No 5 Term 1 2011.) It is also time to yet again thank all our tireless regular workers at Nillo.

**Assembly Awards**

Congratulations to the following students:

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<td>[Reg Nichols, Sheridan Todd, Travis Bryant, Reed Sweetman]</td>
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<td><strong>1 RED</strong></td>
<td>[Finnegan, Slattery-O'Brien, Aynsley Russ, Jorja Lomas, Grace Marshall]</td>
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<td><strong>2 GREEN</strong></td>
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<td><strong>YOU CAN DO IT!</strong></td>
<td>[Paige Walmsley, Grace Fatches]</td>
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<td><strong>PLAYGROUND</strong></td>
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**Voluntary Contributions**

I recently read in a paper about some public school’s contributions adding up to hundreds of dollars. $20 per family is a small price to cover such consumables as paper towels, liquid soap and paper. If you haven’t sent yours in could you please attend to this matter?

**Clean Up Australia**

Today was school’s contribution to Clean up Australia. Year 2 went along Belmore Rd and Year 1 and Kinder cleaned up the playground area.

**East Maitland VIEW club**

Recently we received a generous donation from the club that comprised stationary items and some lovely homemade library bags. We thank them very much for their support.
Maitland Show

It was remiss of me not to thank Christine Galbraith for her efforts in getting us to contribute to the Maitland Show. For those who endured the heat and went to the show you may have seen the bird feeders made from the sunflower seeds from the garden and the photographic display. We have displayed the photos and a procedure in the hallway.

Garden and Playground

We have had several quotes for synthetic surfaces and shade structures. We are hopeful that these things can be done in the next school holidays. Soil will then be reallocated to areas in the garden. It is hoped we can make new raised garden beds. All this takes time and while the garden area is untidy, there are plans for a makeover.

Lost/Found

A reminder that a lady’s ring was found at school on our out of uniform day. If you have misplaced a ring please see Mrs. Collier.

Behaviour-Respect- Rules

Students in NSW government schools are provided with a high quality education so that they may learn to the best of their ability and become self-disciplined, tolerant, enterprising and contributing members of the school and community.

Core rules for student behaviour have been developed to establish consistent expectations in all government schools in support of these aims.

These rules are based on our core values of integrity, excellence, respect, responsibility, cooperation, participation, care, fairness and democracy.

The critical role of parents and care-givers is recognised as the primary influence on each child’s character and behaviour and as essential partners in supporting the core rules and the successful education of their children.

The Department is committed to supporting principals and school staff in the implementation of these rules through state-wide policies and programs, together with regional support staff, professional learning and alternative provisions, in order to promote the highest standards of behaviour and learning in our schools.

THE CORE RULES

All students in NSW government schools are expected to:

- Attend every school day, unless they are legally excused, and be in class on time and prepared to learn.

- Maintain a neat appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school’s uniform or dress code policy.

- Behave safely, considerately and responsibly, including when travelling to and from school.

- Show respect at all times for teachers, other school staff and helpers, including following class rules, speaking courteously and cooperating with instructions and learning activities.

- Treat one another with dignity and respect.

- Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.

Behaviour that infringes on the safety of others, such as harassment, bullying and illegal or anti-social behaviour of any kind, will not be tolerated.

Maitland Library

Nillo Infants School visits the Maitland library once a month for a library lesson and borrowing. Students must be members of the library to be allowed to borrow. We will be going to Maitland Library on FRIDAY 11th MARCH at 11.30am If you are able to walk along with us we would appreciate some extra eyes and hands for our first couple of visits.

Scholastic Book Club

The next catalogue/order form for book club (2/2011) has been sent out with this newsletter. Please have your order and money in to the office by 23rd March 2011.

The books ordered from book club 1/2011 have been distributed.

Special Recess

Thank you to the families who provided special recess on Wednesday. Delicious!
P&C AGM

P&C Positions for Election

President
The overseer of P&C and BASC – chairs meetings – liaises with everyone in charge of events to make sure things run smoothly

Vice President P&C
The President's right hand person – steps in where and when needed

Secretary
Responsible for taking the minutes at meetings and reading them at the following meeting – writes letters

P&C Treasurer
Responsible for banking funds, paying bills, writing and presenting monthly financial report at meetings

Newsletter Coordinator
Responsible for writing and getting the P&C news to the school office for publication with the school newsletter once a fortnight

Canteen Coordinator
Responsible for all facets of canteen usage including purchase of food and drink to sell, organizing rosters, counting money, collating orders, stocktakes

Uniform Coordinator
Responsible for all facets of uniform shop including purchase of uniforms to sell, making up orders, selling uniforms one day per week as convenient to you, stocktakes

Fundraising Coordinator
Responsible for organizing the fundraising as decided by the P&C committee

Fundraising Assistants
Helpers to the Fundraising Coordinator

Playground Coordinator
Liaises with the Principal re the playground

Publicity Coordinator
Responsible for releasing publicity to the media – posters and flyers

BASC Positions

BASC Coordinator
This is a paid position, not elected

Vice President BASC
The President's right hand person with regard to BASC – liaises with BASC Coordinator regularly

Treasurer BASC
Overseeing communications between the BASC Coordinator and the Accountant