Thank you to all the parent helpers who assisted us with another successful swimming carnival. Congratulations to all the students who were selected to represent the school at the Zone Swimming Carnival next Tuesday.

Reminder that we have our Parent Meet and Greet next Wednesday for all students from Year 1-6. If you haven’t booked a time, please do so as we would love to catch up and see this as a very valuable information sharing opportunity.

School Photos will be held on **Wednesday 11th March**, with more information to be distributed shortly. This is a very busy day for the photographers, especially as we continue to grow in number. Usually a school of our size is done over 2 days, but due to the excellent behaviour of the students and the co-ordination of the staff we manage to get it done in one day.

**Helping your Kindy kid succeed at school**

A great way to kick off your child’s formal education is to understand the school culture and what your child is doing in the classroom. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

**Speech problems**

All kids learn how to talk and listen at different rates but did you know there’s a general pattern to your child’s language development? Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/speech-problems

**Friendships to boost your child’s learning**

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/friendships

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**School News**

**3 Gorton’s Writer of the Week**

**Hunter Sports High School Open Night**

There will be an open night at Hunter Sports HS on Tuesday 24th February for all prospective 2016 students and their parents/carers. More info at www.huntersports.com.au

**General Permission Note**

General permission notes went out yesterday to students in years 1-6. Please sign and return to the classroom teacher ASAP.

**NSW University Competition**

Notes were handed out to students in years 2-6 last week. If your child is interested in sitting for any of the competitions please make sure notes and money are returned to school by Friday 21st March.

**Canberra Excursion**

Reminder that the $100.00 deposit is due by Friday 28th February. You can pay the additional $300.00 in instalments up until Friday 20th March.
Any problems please phone Jacki - School 4933 7524 or Home 4932 7226

Canteen Roster

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Sick Bay Linen Roster

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Thank you to all the lovely ladies who have volunteered to assist with the linen roster this term. Your help is greatly appreciated.

I will give you a text as a friendly reminder the week before you’re rostered on.

More volunteers would be appreciated so if you are able to help out, please contact me on 0437343447.

Thank you

Katie Brown

Uniform Shop Roster Term 1 2015

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AGM Agenda:
- Pass Minutes of Prior AGM
- Financial Members list
- Audit Report
- Reports from President, Bookkeeper, Principal, Fundraising, Canteen, Uniform Shop
- Positions Vacant and to be filled at AGM, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer,
  Pass P&C Constitution
- Approval of Uniform shop operations
- Approval to continue Bookkeeper as paid position
- General Business

If you are unable to attend the AGM and wish to have an item listed on the agenda please ensure your communication is received to the P&C email address 14 days prior – eastmaitlandpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to make a nomination or absentee vote please send to the P&C email address 14 days prior to AGM date.

As many of the current P&C members will be leaving the school at the end of 2015 we would like to encourage new members to take on an Office Bearers position this year. Current members are willing to assist new members in their role as a transition period. Additional information regarding Office Bearers Roles and Responsibilities can be located here http://pandc.org.au/index.php/publications

Membership for the P&C is 50c for the year. Only Financial Members are able to vote on P&C matters raised at meetings and vote for positions at the AGM. If you are interested in attending the AGM and monthly P&C meetings please come along on Thursday 12th March at 6:00pm and pay your membership fee. You can also grab a membership form from the office at any time.

Thank you Thank you Thank you – To all the Parents who helped with the Swimming Carnival. The Swimming Carnival was a great success this year due to the number of helpers we had assisting the teachers. This would not have been possible without your assistance. I hope you all had a great day and appreciate your help.

P&C AGM
Thursday 12th March 2015
6pm East Maitland Bowling Club
Everyone Welcome
eastmaitlandpublicschoolpandc@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPEN FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE EVERY
Monday afternoon from 2:00pm till 3:00pm
& Thursday mornings from 8:30am till 9am

Please ensure you have cash or cheque on the day only as we do not have eftpos facilities.

Uniform Shop Orders can also be placed at the office on any school day.

Orders will be filled on a Thursday and delivered to Children's classes.


**Supplier prices change from time to time and prices will be adjusted as required on EMPS Price list.

Adjustment – Polo Shirts $20.00 each no discount for 2 shirts
Hats are now $15.00 each

Fundraising
Thank you Leighsa for your support.

Michelle-Leigh Photography Session
EMPS Fundraiser will be held on Saturday and Sunday 28th/29th March.

Bookings direct to Michelle Leigh Photography - Leighsa on 0421034805 or email leighsa@michelle-leigh.com.au

Sitting fee of $20.00 to be paid at the school office to secure your spot by 23rd March.

Included is a 20min family photography session and a 8x12 enlargement. Further photographs and enlargements available for purchase.

Please ask your children for a copy of the Flyer that is being sent home.

Funds raised from this event will go towards resources for the school such as home readers, sporting equipment etc.
MINI SESSIONS
20 min photo session +
8x12 inch enlargement
ONLY $20
(All Session fees go to School P&C Fundraising)

Saturday & Sunday
28th & 29th March
MORPETH
8am till 6pm

Extra images available to purchase
Viewing session in studio-
32 Belmore Road Lorn.
For bookings & information contact Leighsa
leighsa@michelle-leigh.com.au or 0421034805

Maitland Saints Junior AFL Club
Max McKeown Oval, Rutherford
2015 Registration Date
Sunday 22nd February 10am-2pm
Max McKeown Oval

NRL A battled - 5 Years to 9 Years
$35 (includes 2015 Auckland Pack)

Juniors - 8 Years to 17 Years

U10s: $150 (includes dinner & drinks)
U12s: $175 / $150 (includes dinner & drinks)

Youth Girls - 13 Years to 16 Years
U16s: $160 (includes dinner & socks)

Register on line at www.maitlandsaints.org.au
For further information please contact
Greg Davies on 0415 333 451

Reading Cinemas Maitland Presents
Into The Heart of The Sea
A FORD FAMILY FUNDRAISER
Friday 20 March 2015
Ken Tubman Dr, Maitland
Doors Open 6 pm Event Starts 6.45 pm
Tickets $25

Champagne & Nibbles on Arrival
All Proceeds Go to The Ford Family
For Tickets Contact The Cinema ph: (02) 4934 2340

Into the Heart of the Sea
A Biographical Drama Film directed by Ken Tubman
Starring Chris Hamsworth, Catriona Murphy and Tom Holland

For more information contact Roy. © Cinemas ph: 0447 301 621