Message from the Principal
I hope all our families and friends have a wonderful Easter break. Thank you to the parents, grandparents and community members who came along to our annual Easter Hat Parade. It was a hot day but all the students looked bright and happy. Thanks to the preschool for coming along too! Your hats were delightful. We love it when you visit with us.

A message from the P&C President
I just wanted to say what a fantastic morning I had today.

What a wonderful way to end the term.

The children looked like they had so much fun and I loved the Easter Bunny idea, all the children were telling me that the Easter Bunny had come.

Also lots of other parents were saying what a great morning.

Thank you.
Kelly Vernon

ANZAC Day at Pretty Beach PS
On 25 April 2015 we mark the 100th anniversary of the ANZAC landings at Gallipoli. To recognise this important national event we will commemorate Anzac Day at Pretty Beach School on Friday 24 April 2015. The ceremony will begin at 10:15am in the Library and parents and visitors are invited to join us for both the ceremony and morning tea afterwards at 11:00am.

School Photos Wednesday 22 April 2015
This is the second day back to school in Term 2. Order form envelopes were sent home in week 8. Family photo order form envelopes are available from the office. Payment can be made directly online at www.advancedlife.com.au
Students are to wear summer uniform and black shoes.

Rugby Trials
Congratulations to the following boys who attended the Rugby Union Trials last week: Callum W, Ulysses and Atticus.

Even though it was an extremely hot day, the boys did a great job and were successful in being selected to represent SCCPSSA at the Sydney North Trials at Pittwater Rugby Park on May 11, next term. Well done!

Staff Development Day
Our Staff Development Day for Term 2 is on Monday 20 April. The focus for the day will be on English and Maths, in particular the FoR and the TEN program. Julie Fitzsimmons our Best Start facilitator will lead our teaching staff through this engaging professional learning.

School Contributions
Just a reminder that school contributions are $40 per student or $80 per family. Payments can be made at the office. Thank you to those families have already paid.

Social Development and Work Habits Reports
On Monday each student received a Social Development and Work Habits progress report for Term 1. No teacher interview is required unless the teacher has indicated on the report.

P&C Executive
P&C AGM and General Meeting
President: Kelly Vernon
Vice Presidents: Emily Stoddart and Una Davids
Secretary: Leah Bennett
Treasurer: Martin Mitchell
Congratulations to the new office bearers for 2015

Term 1, 2015 in review
Congratulations everyone – students, staff and community members for your efforts during this term. What a fabulous way to start to 2015.

Students are actively engaged in meaningful and challenging learning experiences delivered by a strong, dynamic teaching team. Our staff at the coal face have willingly made connections with parents and community members and engaged in local community activities. Our teachers demonstrate a passion and deep understanding of teaching content while having high expectations for every student.

One of the many highlights that started 2015 was the welcoming of our Kindergarten students and their families to Pretty Beach Public School. The students quickly adjusted to the routines of “big school”. The students have shown amazing progress and have enjoyed participating in every aspect of school life. It has been a seamlessly
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smooth transition made possible through the care and dedication of our Kindergarten teacher - Mrs Simpson and the Year 6 buddies and all our student community who have warmly welcomed and cared for our newest students by displaying excellence, respect and responsibility.

Students eagerly participated in many sports events this term. These events include: the Annual Swimming Carnival at the Peninsula Leisure Centre, Zone Swimming Carnival, Sydney North Carnival, Cross Country Carnival and various representative trials. I am proud to say that participation and the encouragement of others was highly evident by our students. Feedback from staff members from neighbouring schools have reinforced the fact that our students continued to support each other when representing our school. This year, the Transition Sport’s days at Kincumber High School once again proved to be highly successful for our Stage 3 students.

We are very proud to offer a diverse range of learning experiences at Pretty Beach Public School. Our students have been fortunate to participate in many varied opportunities during this term. All students have engaged in personal safety, environmental awareness, computer and anti-bullying programs. Every student has been encouraged to participate in the Premier’s Reading and Sporting Challenges.

Our String and Percussion Programs continue to expand and we are looking forward to upcoming performance opportunities next term. Some of the performances will also include our guitar groups. Over the next few weeks, the dance troupe will be eagerly awaiting acknowledgement of their dance routine from the adjudicators from Central Coast Dance Festival. Twenty students from Years 3 to 6 participated in a photography workshop, developing skills in composing and developing photos for the Five Lands Walk. Our Garden Club continued to develop student awareness of sustainability. “Looking Back” over fifteen years of Harmony Day celebrations, culminated in a presentation at the school assembly on Harmony Day and Anti Bullying Day. Harmony Day celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

Our elected school captains, house captains and student leaders continued to be positive influences on our students. They enjoyed the opportunity to attend the National Young Leaders Day and listen to a variety of successful leaders including Bindi Irwin and entrepreneurs from the fields of politics, media and sport, all with the message that everyone can be a leader and that we can make a difference. Our school’s belief that every student has the capacity to lead is demonstrated by the offering of parliamentary portfolios for every Year 6 student through to student led assemblies, in which every student, K-6, has the opportunity to lead the school in a whole school assembly.

We hope our community can join us for our special Anzac Service being held at school on Friday 24 April. This service will be led by our school captains. This term I have had the delightful experience to view a dedicated group of students and volunteer mums, giving up their time to knit poppies for displays and for Anzac services at school and at Hardy’s Bay. Classes have also constructed material poppies to be displayed in “The Poppy Fields” in Gosford – a joint school and council initiative.

Community connections have been strengthened through our partnership with our P&C. Sunday’s P&C community markets, are a true testament to the dedication and support our parents provide for the wellbeing and positive outcomes our students. The school has also continued to refine and enhance our parent-teacher partnerships through provision of new interim reports, greater opportunity for parent-teacher interviews and the provision of Best Start reports for Kindergarten parents. Student led conferences will be timetabled during next term.

Above is just a snippet of opportunities and achievements that Pretty Beach PS has offered the students in Term 1. Everyday our classrooms are full of energy and enthusiasm for learning. Our school is one where we are all committed to displaying Excellence, Respect and Responsibility...

Thank you everyone for a great term and a great start to 2015. The future is looking very bright and I look forward to sharing in our learning journey next term.

Lastly, I would like to wish all our families a safe and relaxing holiday break.

Happy Easter everyone!
Deborah Callender – Principal

Thursday 2 April 2015

Diary Dates Term 2 Weeks 1 & 2

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Stranger Danger
With the Easter school holidays here, please remind your children of the danger of strangers.

Merit Awards
Congratulations to the students who received Merit Awards or Principal Awards at our last assembly.

**Term 1 Week 8 Merit Awards**

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**Principal Awards**

Bella C, Jedd P, CJ W
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Positive Behaviour Learning

| Excellence       | Being in the right place at the right time  
|                 | Quality work Personal best                  |
| Respect         | Listen to and follow instructions          
|                 | Speak politely                               |
| Responsibility  | Keep hands and feet to yourself            
|                 | Walk on all hard surfaces                  
|                 | Wear full school uniform                    
|                 | Be ready with personal belongings          |

Harmony & Anti Bullying Day Assembly

Harmony Day Medal recipients

Year 1/2R Assembly Item

Swimming Champions

Cross Country

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Debating Workshop

Easter Games

Poppies for ANZAC Day
Thank you to all our wonderful knitters who have worked so hard over the last few weeks, knitting Poppies, and making this beautiful wreath.

Combined Easter Scripture
Our school enjoyed a combined Easter Service with lots of singing (with actions) as they learnt the meaning of Easter. There were also some special prizes at the end of the service.
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Easter Raffle
Our Major Easter Raffle Prize winners are:
1st prize – CJ-
2nd prize – Maya
3rd prize – Alastair
4th prize – Euan
An amazing $244 was raised from the Easter Raffle which will be going towards literacy resources.

Easter Hat Parade

P&C News

P&C AGM 2015
A great result from the AGM with a new enthusiastic team very much looking forward to working together.

President: Kelly Vernon
Vice Presidents: Una Davis & Emily Stoddart
Secretary: Leah Bennetts
Treasurer: Martin Mitchell

The P&C also has a Strings Sub Committee and a Fund Raising Sub Committee.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES
Kindergarten: Adriana Parncutt
Year 1/2G: Caroline Perryman
Year 1/2R: Amy Hallewell
Year 3: Emily Stoddart
Year 4: Year5/6: Lynda Talbot

The Role of the Class Reps
• To obtain an email/phone number list for all parents of the class.
• To welcome new parents to the school.
• To help with P&C organisation such as rosters etc.
• To arrange occasional social events for class parents.

Pretty Beach P&C Community Markets
What a beautiful day we have had on Sunday at the markets! Feedback ranged from pleasant to awesome and everybody seemed to have a good time. We had 39 paying stalls attend and the P&C BBQ sold out! So over $2480 were raised for our school on that day, including $675 for the Strings Program. What a fantastic result all around!
A massive thank you goes out to all the parents who volunteered their time and resources in the lead up to this event and on the day. We are especially grateful to the Fulton and Cram families for donating substantial amounts to help with flyer printing and distribution and in turn to invite lots of visitors to our market and make it a success. Thanks to the school office and Mrs Callender for their support. And hats off to our wonderful entertainers for creating such a lovely vibe. Next market is on Sunday 7 June 2015 – put it in your diaries!

Book Reviews

Some reviews for our younger readers
Meet Weir Do. No, that's not a typo, that's his name! Weir Do's the new kid in school. With an unforgettable name, a crazy family and some seriously weird habits, fitting in won't be easy . . . as well as the sequel which is even weirder! But it's not just Weir who's weird, it's his whole family. Not even their pet bird is normal!
You'll have to read them both though to find out the whole 'weird' stories.

The latest books in the bestselling Dear Dumb Diary series are a hilarious hit! Jamie learns that maybe ALWAYS going along with whatever your friends say, even though you know it is probably wrong, is probably not the best thing to do (read the first book to see what happens). Followed by... Jamie, Isabella, and Angeline have known each other for a long time. They've even become friends - whether Jamie likes it or not. But when the trio starts a friendly competition, all bets are off.
Now time to borrow them to find out what happens to these friends.

Keep a look out in our next newsletter for some more reviews!

Canteen News

Please note when ordering students name and class needs to written clearly on their lunch order otherwise it may end up in the wrong basket.

Thank you to the parents who volunteered to help this term. See dates below when we need volunteers for next term. A reminder you are only required from 10:30 am to approximately 11:45 am.

Note: Canteen volunteers must sign in at the office before entering the canteen and the required Working With Children Check Declaration needs to be completed prior to volunteering.

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If you would like to volunteer at our school canteen, please call the office with your available dates.
APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

TENNIS FUN!

For the Students of
Pretty Beach Public School

THURS APRIL 16 & FRI APRIL 17
10.30am – 12.30pm
OR
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