**Sandy Hollow Snippets**

“Creating Future Leaders”

14 October 2015

Thanks to everyone for making me feel so welcome. My role in the short time I am at Sandy Hollow will be to maintain the high quality education that Christina and her team deliver on a daily basis. A job made easier because of the excellent school organisation already in place and the professional and hardworking teachers who have made my transition seamless. I look forward to working with parents and the broader school community too, as there is now clear evidence that when parents and schools have closely aligned goals and work together to achieve those goals that students benefit enormously. I encourage you all to take an interest in your child’s education – read with them, discuss what they have been learning and challenge them to learn new things out of school.

**Lock Down/Lock Out drill**

Next Friday, we will be conducting a lock down/lock out drill. This allows students, staff and visitors to the school to understand their role in the event of such an emergency taking place. Everyone on the school site during the drill will be expected to follow the protocols. Please do not be alarmed if your child comes home and tells you they were locked into their classrooms; it is a practice only. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact staff during school hours.

**Merriwa Central Year 7 Orientation**

Students attending Merriwa Central School next year will participate in the Year 7 Transition program on Thursday, 15 October. Students are to make their own travel arrangements to Merriwa Central School and arrive prior to 9.00am. The day will include a variety of introductory lessons enabling students to meet others and experience high school.

**Teacher Appreciation Day**

Next Monday, 19 October, the P&C will be celebrating a special Teacher Appreciation Day Assembly. This will be followed by a morning tea for staff, students and families – and we would love to see parents join us at the assembly, commencing at 10.45am, and afterwards for morning tea. We are asking families to provide a plate of cakes, slices, fruit, or sandwiches to share at our morning tea. Please remember to choose nut-free options.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Nicola Field

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**State Athletics Carnival**

Our senior relay team will be competing at the State Athletics Carnival at Homebush on Thursday, 17 October. We wish them all the best and hope they soak up the atmosphere for what is sure to be a memorable experience.

**School Photos**

School photos will be on Tuesday, 20 October. The photographers will be in early in the morning. Please ensure students are in their best school uniform and we will endeavour to keep them looking tidy until the photos.

**Cassilis Sports Workshop**

The students travelled to Cassilis last Friday to enjoy a day of different and varied sports. We all had a wonderful day and increased our skills in rugby, martial arts, dance, Zumba and lots more. Thank you to our parent drivers, without whom we would be unable to attend these days; and thank you to Cassilis Public School teachers and parents for their organisation for and on the day.

Glen Kite

Acting Principal

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**P&C Meeting**

The next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 22 October at 2pm in the music room. All welcome.

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**Additions and Attachments**

- Some receipts.
- Denman Amateur Swimming Club flyer.
- Teacher Appreciation Assembly information.

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Milo cricket money due tomorrow.

Thank you.