P&C Bits & Pieces -
Our Committee meeting last week was informative and productive. Parents and Carers interested in finding out what’s going on with the P&C can read the minutes each month, available on the school website. Our next meeting will be Thursday, 11th August with a presentation about AIME funding at 6.30pm prior to the meeting commencing at 7pm. Interested parents and carers are welcome to come just for the AIME presentation or to stay for the regular committee meeting.

Year 10 Sport Leadership Program -
Year 10 students who would like to volunteer as leaders for the Monday afternoon Junior Sport program, please see Mrs Rogers in PE to register your name. Students who have completed the program this semester have received positive comments about their development as young leaders, showing skills in communication, planning, and outstanding role models for the junior students.

Volunteers will be put through an induction as preparation and will then participate on Monday afternoons, Day 6 for the second semester. This is a valuable program to help students gain confidence in taking on leadership roles.

Junior Sport for Term 3 -
Students in Year 8 who would like to participate in the Soccer Clinic next term, please put your name on the sign up sheet at the PE Staffroom. The clinic will run for 4 weeks (Weeks 7 to 10) and will receive instruction from the local Soccer Development Office.

Next term, Yoga and Squash/Fitness will be offered. If you would like to select either of these as a sport, collect a permission note from the PE Staffroom and return it by the end of Week 10 this term. Students who do not make a selection will be placed into random groups and progress through a variety of sports.

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Positive Thought for the Week -
"Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great."

Canteen Corner -
Got a morning to spare? Our canteen welcomes volunteers and we’re happy for parents and carers to drop in anytime that suits you, for an hour or two or for the whole day. All profit generated in the canteen is used by the P&C to support the school and our children by purchasing resources and funding educational projects. Our canteen is a like never ending fundraiser, and it's such an easy way to support the school!

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iPad: ‘Bring Your Own Device’ -
This is a very exciting time of change for our school. Staff at the school have been investigating the best way to introduce BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). Essentially, the school had an option to go with one device or a variety of devices. The difficulty for your child’s teacher in the classroom is that many devices in the room can bring many varied problems. Teachers need to be able to structure lessons with a knowledge of how each device works and what materials are available on each device. So, after months of discussion and research, a decision has been made to go with one device. This in itself has brought more discussion as there isn’t one device that does everything.

The reasons we have chosen iPads include portability (they are light and small), hardiness as they are very sturdy when a cover is added, and most importantly the ability they provide for staff to differentiate teaching and enhance student outcomes. For the last two terms, all staff have trained in using iPads to develop digital units to engage students and promote better learning.

We are now approaching the next phase of BYOD implementation. This involves one class studying digital units using iPads during next term. This may sound like a slow process but we need to be sure we have addressed all issues before attempting to roll out the program across a year group. The class selected is the 7S class and their parents were informed earlier this term. The reason 7S was selected is due to class size and also the timetables of teachers on the class, matched free periods of other teachers who are driving the implementation of the program, thereby enabling them to assist where necessary.

All is going well and it is hoped that over the next term, meetings will be held with each Year 7 class and their parents to discuss possible rollout of the program to their classes. I realise that many of you will have questions regarding the BYOD program. At this stage, the program will only effect the current Year 7 and the Year 7 of 2017. There is a possibility in the future that some other years may be added to the program but this is dependant on each step of the program being successful and remember we are only trialling one class at a time.

BYOD continued...

Some important facts you might like to know:
- The chosen device is the iPad Air 2 16GB Wi-fi only.
- The school has a purchasing portal, which at this stage only 7S should buy through.
- Buying through the portal is not compulsory. You may already have one at home or prefer to buy elsewhere.
- All documents and even photos can be stored for free in the cloud, as long as the student is at a NSW Government school. This is why you only need 16GB.
- There is a lease option available through the portal.
- Unfortunately, only 7S can bring their device to school at this stage. We are so glad that so many students are interested in BYOD, but please understand that staff need to solve any issues that arise with this trial before expanding to other classes.

At this point in time, I just wanted to provide you with an update as to our current progress with BYOD. If you are a Year 7 Parent, you will be invited to a meeting in the future where the program can be further explained. Please don’t panic! This is a major change for our school and will provide our students with additional engaging tools to enhance their learning. We want the best outcomes for your children and are working very hard to make this successful. We appreciate your support and look forward to providing more information in the near future.

In preparation for our move to digital learning, we will be placing some useful links for Parents on our Webpage. This way, we can all work together to assist your children in becoming 21st Century digital citizens.

Jo Parsons
Relieving Principal

Tournament of the Minds Workshop -
Last Wednesday, 15th June, a group of 10 students went to North Nowra Public School to attend a workshop on ‘Thinking and Drama Skills’ to help prepare them for the Tournament of the Minds competition in August. They were instructed in techniques to help them think quickly and work together as a team to improve their spontaneous challenge skills.

There was also time spent talking about the best way to handle the drama section of the long term challenge in a way which would impress the judges. This was done by performing and solving some interesting challenges, and then given general feedback. It was very useful to see other schools answers and responses as well as our own and to be given tips that we can apply to our own preparation. It was a very worthwhile day.

Mrs Booth
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PCYC Movie Night -
The PCYC Shoalhaven is hosting their 2nd of 6 free family movie nights on the Friday, 8th of July 2016. 
Movie: Frozen
Time: Doors open at 5pm, movie starts at 6pm.
Location: 72 Park Road, Nowra.
There will be pre movie activities including free face painting and craft.
Entry is free!
Face paint, coffee, popcorn, canteen items and sausage sizzle will be available to purchase on the night.
For more information: (02) 4421 8588.