Dear parents and carers,

Next Thursday 14 March at 7.00pm the P&C will hold the Annual General Meeting followed by the March P&C Meeting. Parents and friends are most welcome to come along to support the school at this meeting.

I would like to thank the 2012 office bearers Ivan Balas, Megan Collins, Cathy Robertson, Kylie Hotson, Amanda Fowler, Michelle Zuvela and Nicole Powell for their generous contribution and support of so many school programs during 2012.

Next week we are planning to host Rod Slockee, Aboriginal liaison officer on Monday, travel to Bega for the stage 2 and stage 3 hockey gala day on Wednesday and then attend the Visiting Show Pickled Peck of Pickled Poems on Thursday. Parents are most welcome to come along to enjoy the school programs and especially the visiting show on Thursday 14 March at 9.30am in the school library. We are also looking forward to hosting the children from Wyndham PS for this performance.

Next Saturday 16 March P&C members will support the QLD Flood appeal organised by members of the Candelo Community, at a fund raising event to be held at the Candelo Showgrounds. Thank you to all of the parents who have volunteered to support cooking the BBQ for this event.

This week I will be attending the Principal Conference in Wollongong on Leadership – Innovation, Improvement and Change. Underpinning the conference is the concept that educators benefit from keeping abreast of current research. Department leaders will provide information about the international context driving the directions being taken for innovation, change and improvement for NSW government schools, as well as the planning details that will take place in schools over the next few years. I am also looking forward to the observations of the ‘real world’ by comedian Wendy Harmer at the conclusion of the conference.

Parents please note that we have scheduled SCHOOL PHOTOS for Thursday 28 March (the day before the Easter break). To date we have not had any parents advise that this date is unsuitable to hold the class photos.

STUDENT WELFARE

- The staff and parents encourage the wearing of school uniform to include school hats each day. Please ensure the name is on the hat. Please note that hats are available from the school office.
- Teachers monitor the lunch break to ensure that all children are eating their healthy lunches. We appreciate the move families are making to the NO PACKAGE lunch boxes. Drink bottles filled with water are encouraged at school.
- Next term we will focus on different vegetables to encourage children to try different foods.
- There are three bins available at lunch time to encourage a recycling program. The yellow bucket is for food scraps, the middle bin is for paper and recyclable materials and the other small bin is for rubbish.
- Year 6 are asked to return the tear out sheets in the enrolment package for High Schools. Please return by 22nd March.
SPORT
Thank you for returning the permission note for the following events/carnivals:

- Friday swimming for sport (weather permitting) this Friday 8, 15 and 22 March - it is expected that all students in years 2 to 6 participate.

Children will need swimmers, towel, goggles (optional), warm jacket, water shoes, water bottles, lunch and recess (also available at the canteen at the pool at swimming carnivals), sunscreen and hat.

- **Hockey Gala Day Stage 2 and 3** teams Wednesday 13 March at Bega Hockey Grounds. Selected teams from each stage will represent the school. Thank you to Wendy Thoms and Suzy Walker for their support of this hockey initiative. **Children must have a mouthguard** (and shinpads are recommended) to participate in the day’s activities.

Please fill in and return the Hockey Gala Day permission note, including the canteen menu on the back, by tomorrow.

- **Stage 3 Rugby League Tag Gala Day** Thursday 21 March Bega Ovals. Selected teams will represent the school at this event.

Tag Footy parent helpers please see Mrs Bourke if you are able to help with training.

PERFORMING ARTS

- Recorder workshops with Henry Grose, Susan Gray and Merryl Whitby are planned each Tuesday afternoon at 2.00pm in the music room. Nominated students will work towards the Opera House Recorder program. *(Mimosa Concert on Thursday 29 August.)*

- SCIP Wind program each Wednesday during school time, please apply to Helen Gill for this program of individual and small group tuition.

- **Candelo Festival Choir** 3.30 Tuesday afternoons with Melanie Horsnell.

- **Candelo Festival Movement group** 3.30 -4.30 Wednesday afternoons with Mrs Bourke during term 1. Students will be informed if they are selected for this program.

RECORDE R PROGRAMME FOR THE OPERA HOUSE
Great progress so far, well done everyone!

**Practice for this week**

- “Mango Walk” practice sections E and F. We’ve learned sections B and C so try playing them from memory.

- “Rocky Hammond” practice the intro, before A.

- “Galliard Irrégulier” practice section C. Remember to count “1,2,3,- 1,2 – 1,2” in the bars marked with the time signature. Try learning the singing bit at the beginning. (Listen to the CD). Your singing was wonderful on Tuesday!

See if you can spot any other bits in the pieces that are like the ones we’ve already looked at. **Tell me if you find some at our next lesson.**

Keep practicing your fingering. Use the chart, and say the note names as you do it. You can do this without blowing if you want.

For the calendar: **Opera House Concert Mimosa Concert on Thursday 29 August.**

Thank you
Henry Grose

School Parliament:
The Easter Competitions are well underway. Enter the Easter Colouring Competition and place your entry in the blue box in the foyer. Prizes are Easter eggs for each stage.

Enter the Easter Competition to win an Easter cookbook and cooking accessories. Tickets are 50 cents and are available from Year 5/6 children. The proceeds will go to the Year 6 fundraiser for the Stage 3 excursion.

This Monday Matthew will be running a ‘Guess the number of eggs in the Jar’ competition to raise money for Diabetes Australia, 20 cents a guess or 6 guesses for $1.

All competitions will be drawn Thursday 28 March. I commend the children for their use of initiative and thank their parents for their support.

Sport Ministers will assist teachers to order new equipment and to develop the teams for the Hockey Gala Day scheduled for Wednesday 13 March and Tag Gala Day on Thursday 21 March and as well as order the new sport equipment.
K/1/2 NEWS:
Over the last week we have returned to our original number of children in our class (18) with Braydan and Toby returning home. Together we have been settling into a nice routine and getting through a wonderful variety of activities. Next Thursday 14th we have our first visiting performance 'Pick a Peck of Pickled Poems'. Wyndam School will be joining us for this morning performance.
Kinders will be reading the big book 'Yes Ma'am' and continue hearing initial sounds of spoken words and creating rhyming patterns. We are looking at the letters 'm' 'f' and 's' and the sounds they make. Play eye spy using these sounds (not letter names) or search a magazine and find pictures of things that start with these sounds. In Maths Kinders continue with numbers to ten and look at 3D objects.
Year 1/2 will be reading the big book 'Mr Whisper', continue spelling activities, create questions and identify verbs. In Maths they will be 'counting on' as an addition and subtraction strategy, finding 10 as an adding strategy and naming and describing 3D objects. In Music we have all been singing 'Uluru Lullaby', 'Hickory Dickory Dock' (the extended version) and 'Incy Wincy'.
Awards This Week
Manners – Blair Childs, Xavier Bonomi
Maths Facts - Colin Gatt, Lily Mark
Till next week, Deb.

YEAR 2/3/4 NEWS:
Week 6 has been a wonderful, busy week at Candelo School.
Monday was Clean Up Australia Day. Thanks Deb for organising everything. Yr 2/3/4 had the very pleasant task of cleaning up the oval and playground. We were happy to report there was very little rubbish to be found. Well done Candelo! We are so lucky to have such a beautiful park across the road from our school for public use. Our class wrote a recount on the adventure. Archer found a very old small glass bottle that he took home to wash clean.
On Wednesday, a group of stage 2 children were involved in a hockey clinic kindly run by Wendy Thoms. Thanks Wendy!
In Maths, Yr 2/3 have been concentrating on problem solving and addition. Year 4 have been mastering mental addition strategies. Keep up the great work Yr 2/3/4.
A special mention to the following achievement award winners: Kasey Cameron, Jessica Eeles, Georgia Weller, Patrick Farrell and Lachlan O’Brien.
Kind regards, Mrs Reeve and Mrs Collins.

On Monday Candelo School helped clean up Australia.
Firstly, Ms Johansen talked about road safety.
Secondly, we walked across the road and went to the oval.
Thirdly, we cleaned the oval and the park.
Finally, we got free time to play in the park then we went back to school.
It made me feel good cleaning up Australia.
By: Amelia.

YEAR 5/6 NEWS:
The riddles found in The Hobbit this week will certainly add some fun to our talking and listening program. Phase 2 of The Hobbit imaginative creature 3D papier maiche model in craft will take place this week and will help reduce and reuse some of the newspaper stack.
Writing Advertisements following the dramatisation of known ads has encouraged the children to understand that there are a variety of forms of persuasive text.
The maths focus has been on fractions this week, equivalent fractions year 5 and addition of fractions for year 6. The children are learning to find the lowest common denominator so that they can add or subtract fractions.
Spelling this week includes geographical terms.
Homework sheets are due on Friday. Mrs Collins and Mr Blewett will continue class work on Wed to Fri while I am at the Principal’s Conference.
Awards for estimation skills and measurement facts: Grace Moore, Riley Whyman
Awards for the school rule- respect for others – Jacquelyn Wilson, Emily Weller
Regards, Mrs Bourke.
**BOOKCLUB**
Children have received their bookclub flyers today, please return by 19th March.

**CANTEEN NEWS**
There will be **no sausage rolls** for sale on Monday at canteen.
Please note we are now adding 2 weeks of volunteer names on the newsletter to advise who will be rostered for the following Monday.

**P&C NEWS:**

**P&C Annual General Meeting:** The AGM will be held at **7pm on 14 March 2013** at the School Library. All interested community members are welcome to nominate for positions on the committee. The positions that will need to be filled are:
- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Canteen Supervisor & Assistant
- Market BBQ Stall Co-ordinator X 2

Nominations can be emailed to Cathy Robertson at floyd69@bigpond.com or submitted on the night of the meeting. Most of these roles can be undertaken outside of school hours. Even if you have not had involvement in the P&C previously or you are new to the School, please consider if you are able to support the School through the P&C Committee. Involvement in the P&C is a great way to stay in touch with the latest happenings at the School and support your child's education. If you have any questions or are interested in any of the positions listed above or would like further information on the P&C please contact Ivan Balas on 64932620. The regular general meeting will be held directly after the AGM has concluded.

**Bundaberg Flood Victims - Benefit Night**
The Candelo Show Committee is holding a fundraising event showcasing local talent to raise funds for the Bundaberg Flood Victims.
Details are:
- **Date:** Saturday 16th March
- **Venue:** Show ground
- **Time:** 5pm start

Tickets for the night will be sold at the Show Ground on entry. Your donation to this event is greatly appreciated. There will be a monster raffle drawn on the night.

Food, softdrink, tea and coffee will be available. P&C will be lending their BBQ and helpers are required. If you are able to lend a hand on the BBQ please contact Marie Hackett on 6493 2427 or 0417 460 604.

**COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS**

**fLiNG Physical Theatre Audition for Projects**
Audition or register your interest for fLiNG Physical Theatre Projects
Saturday March 9th at Bega Indoor Stadium
- 2pm 10 - 12 years
- 3pm 12 -14 years
- 4pm 14 years and over

For further information please contact 64920222