P&C Day
Yesterday was **P&C Day**. A day to show appreciation for the hard work P&C’s do for our schools. On behalf of the school staff I would like to say thank you for everything that the P&C do for Broke Public School. We have received funding for many items over the years all of which benefit the students and also help make our job so much easier. Home readers, library books, excursions just to name a few of the wonderful donations to the school. The P&C work hard cooking barbecues, fundraising, working in the canteen as well as covering books and achieving quietly around the school for the students and staff. Thank you!

P&C News
The minutes from the AGM & the February meeting are now available on the schools website.

P&C Bunnings BBQ
The P&C will be manning the BBQ at Singleton Bunnings on Saturday 16th March. If you can help out on the day please contact the school.

Harmony Day
We will be having a free sausage sizzle lunch followed by a students v’s parents/community members soccer match on Thursday 21st March. Everyone is asked to wear orange. Lunch will be available from 1pm.

Car park
After consultation with the P&C and the council we are considering changing the area behind the school, access via Adair St into a car park. This will help alleviate the congestion of parking in Cochrane St at 3pm each day and ultimately keep the students safe. I am negotiating with the council about what needs to happen, but it is not a given yet! Watch this space.
**Lions Club donation**

Thank you to the Singleton Lions Club for the donation of an iPad and cover for Izaak to use whilst he is a student at Broke Public School. The iPad will help Izaak have greater access to his curriculum and assist him consolidate his learning.

Izaak being presented with his iPad from Judy Langbien with Mrs Mamo assisting.

**Easter Hat Parade**

Our Easter hat parade will be held on Thursday 28th March. We will combine the parade with an assembly. Hats should be made at home prior to the day. Year 6 will also be doing an Easter Egg raffle. Tickets are attached to today’s newsletter.

**Lost**

If anybody knows the whereabouts of a stuffed toy “Lucky”, a black/brown dog, please contact the school.

**Book Club**

Just a reminder that book club orders are due back by next Friday 15th March.

**Donation Drive**

Attached to today’s newsletter is your 2013 Stewart House Donation Drive envelope. Please return your donation before Friday 10th May, Stewart House Day, to be in draw for your chance to win a $4000 family holiday.
Class News

Bilbies
This week Kindergarten have been working on the sound ‘I’ and Year 1 have been revising all double sounds, wh, sh, ch and th. The students have also been working hard with their reading and writing and working in their ‘rotation groups’. A great effort from each student!
In maths we are continuing with addition and subtraction and discovering the properties of 2D shapes.
Our COGs unit this term has focussed on ‘Me/Our Families’ and we have begun talking about museums and what we find in museums and what would we put in our own museums!

Drawing 2D shapes from the teacher’s instructions!
How many sides does a square have?
What two shapes are quadrilaterals?
Where is a vertex?
Can you answer stage 1 maths questions?

Mrs Nott

Koalas
This week in the Koalas we have been focussing on our times tables, specifically 2X for year 1, 4X and 6X for years 2 and 3. Our grammar focus is common and proper nouns as well as sentence structure. In PDHPE we have been doing the Multi-Stage fitness test (Beep test) with most students improving on their past performances. Well done everyone.

Mr Walsh

Wallabies
This week in the Wallabies class we have been revising subtraction and learning new strategies to help solve these questions. We have also been looking at the geography of China. The students have been using an atlas to locate major cities in China. They have also been labelling China’s natural features; including mountain ranges, rivers and deserts.

Will and Ruby locating China’s major cities

Miss Cunningham