P&C
The P&C are very active at Muirfield. I thank the many parents, family and community members who work with the school to ensure all our students have all the extras that school funding does not provide.

P&C funds from your P&C contribution, the canteen, the uniform shop, the computer market and fundraising funded many projects and activities last year. The ceiling on the COLA, installed during the summer holidays, has improved acoustics and stopped birds nesting in the roof. The P&C paid for the total amount, over $60,000. The P&C pays for 15 hours a week of IT support in the school, a necessity with increasing reliance on IT in teaching and for administration. P&C funds have also been put towards grounds improvements; student welfare events such as a psychologist presentation to Year 12, Harmony Day, International Women’s Day and ROSE morning teas; and sporting programs.

The P&C CAPA Committee work with the CAPA staff to give our students opportunities to perform. Planning is well under way for this year’s MADD night at the Riverside Theatre at Parramatta.

There are many different ways you can become involved at Muirfield. P&C meets in the Staff Common Room on the second Wednesday of each month. Come along to find out more.

Computer Market
As many of you know, the computer market operates every Sunday in our hall. I encourage you to have a look when you are considering purchasing a computer or peripherals. Stall holders pay a fee which goes directly to the P&C. You can also grab a sausage sandwich or a coffee.

Fundraising Committee – Bunnings BBQ & Car Boot Sale
The P&C Fundraising Committee is organising several events this year. The first event of the year is a BBQ at Bunnings North Parramatta on Sunday 24th March. They need your support. If you are able to help on the BBQ click on this link: http://www.editgrid.com/user/mhspandc/MHSBunningsBBQ24March2013 to add your name to the helpers roster. If you cannot spare the time, bring your family and friends down for a sausage sandwich.

Next term there will be a Car Boot Sale, on Saturday 25th May. Stalls will cost $30. As you will be under the COLA you will be protected from the weather. Ring Karin Grant on 0425 354 924 to book a stall. The Committee also need helpers for Muirfield’s own stalls and activities. Click on the following link to add your name/s to the Roster: http://www.editgrid.com/user/mhspandc/CarBoot_Stall_Helpers_Register

Open Day
We held a successful Open Day last week. The evening definitely had that Muirfield buzz of happiness. We had many comments from parents that the number of teachers willing to give their time was impressive; and that all the students and teachers seemed so happy to be here. I know that for many of our existing families, it was the joy and pride evident in the student tour guides that convinced you to choose Muirfield for your child. I thank the students who volunteered for the evening, and the parents who acted as taxi services, collecting their children after the event. While we are still in the middle of Term 1 we are actually planning for next year. Year 7 2014 enrolments will be coming in very shortly. The years certainly roll by quickly.
International Women’s Day 2013

International Women’s Day – time for action to end violence against women.
Our Student Executive, supported by Mrs Pasternatsky, once again organised our IW8 event. The annual breakfast provides students with an opportunity to acknowledge and thank a significant woman in their life. The speeches also provides a chance to share significant information. Our students spoke movingly about the impact of violence on women. I thank Mrs Pasternatsky for her work organising the event and Mrs Rose-vear, Mrs Carter and Mrs Westwood for preparing the morning feast.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please do not enter the school car park between the hours of 7.30am and 3.00pm. Parents are to drop off their children in Tiernan Ave. This is a much safer option. As well as the facility to turn cars, the road is much wider. Children can cross at the pedestrian lights. Given the narrow entry of our carpark, the number of staff entering and the difficulty turning into the carpark off Barclay Road, it is a dangerous for students to be dropped off in the carpark. Congestion at the carpark lights endangers all students.

Northern Sydney Region
Student Services
Parent Forum

An invitation is extended to all parents of students accessing Northern Sydney Region Student Services Programs to attend an information sharing meeting with other parents and regional representatives.

At this forum we welcome Liz McDonald, District Guidance Officer, Department of Education and Communities. Liz will be speaking about “Cyber Safety” and will provide us with strategies to support our children when they are accessing the internet at home.

Date: April 5, 2013
Time: 10.00am to 12.00 noon
Venue: Lindfield East Public School Hall
90 Tryon Road, East Lindfield

It would be appreciated if you would reply by 2nd April 2013 to assist us with catering. If there are any specific questions you would like addressed please include them at your time of reply.

Please reply to Leanne Mulligan on 99873900 or Leanne.mulligan@det.nsw.edu.au or for further information, please contact Kate McCosker - Student Welfare Consultant, 9987 3919 or kate.mccosker@det.nsw.edu.au