In Orange class we have all settled into Term 3 at Ronald Street and everyone is happy to be back at school!

We have started our new unit of work, which is all about being fit and healthy. In cooking, we have already made some delicious healthy fruit kebabs and have learnt that we should eat 2 servings of fruit and 5 servings of vegetables every day to keep our bodies healthy. Hamish managed to eat 2 whole fruit kebabs and especially enjoyed the dates and mandarin pieces and Amy enjoyed putting pieces of fruit on to kebab sticks for her friends to eat.

We have been reading books about eating and are enjoying looking at, touching, smelling and tasting some interesting fruits and vegetables, including dates, mandarins, melon, carrots and radishes. Edward looks forward to each day that we taste a different type of fruit or vegetable and is willing to try everything on offer.

In Orange class, we are also learning how to keep fit by doing some fun exercises every morning at the end of morning circle. Pulasthi has learnt each of the movements in this routine very quickly and is having fun being active and learning new songs about how to be fit and healthy. We have added some new poses to our Yoga routine this term and everyone is participating and improving rapidly.

We are working on our balance with Tree pose and strength with Cobra pose. At the end of yoga, we all lay still and relax, this is Bennie’s favourite part of yoga, and he can lay very quiet and still.

All of the students are looking forward to returning to Willoughby school for the Willoughby Buddies program, which begins again in Week 4.
Welcome to week 2

Last Tuesday we visited the Lindfield site for a meeting regarding the rebuild. It is well and truly a construction site now and although it doesn’t look as if much has occurred they have levelled areas and have begun to lay footings and pipes and were set to commence retaining walls. Richard Crookes Construction have agreed to send us regular photo updates for inclusion in the newsletter. I have included some of these in this week’s newsletter. They appear confident that they can still make the mid-March deadline but we all need to pray for drought. The next meeting is August 27 at Lindfield and we look forward to viewing further progress.

IEP/ITP meetings are underway and going well. Thank you to all those parents who have already attended a meeting to plan goals for their child, they are a very important part of our educational planning. We realise that the distance for parents to travel to these meetings is making attendance more difficult. If you are unable to physically attend I encourage you to arrange a phone meeting to talk to your child/s teacher. We achieve the greatest outcomes for our students if we all work together as a team with an agreed focus.

A reminder that the annual bus trip to post-school program centres is set for August 27 with our Support Teacher Transition Eileen Lyons and we will again provide transport for parents if they require it in our school bus. The finalised itinerary will be sent home with a note inviting parents to attend in early August. This is a valuable opportunity for parents to visit post school services to determine what service may best meet their children’s needs. I encourage you to attend if you can and return the RSVP slip in order for us to ensure we can accommodate parents on our bus.

Tahani Edris, our Orange Class teacher is taking leave from this Tuesday as she is getting married. Tahani will return on August 19 and during this time Colleen Barton will be teaching Orange class. We wish Tahani all the best for this important event which I am sure will go well.

The next meeting of our P&C will be Monday, 5 August at 7:00pm. Please note the date in your diary, a note will go home when the venue is confirmed. Hoping to see you all there.

Countdown update (if the schedule remains unchanged)-131 school days

Christine
Jeans for Genes Day is a national day when people wear their jeans to raise much-needed funds for research into birth defects and diseases such as cancer, epilepsy, and a range of genetic disorders.

On Friday August 2nd, please send your child wearing their jeans along with a GOLD COIN donation.

Every dollar raised on the day will help scientists at Children’s Medical Research Institute discover treatments and cures, to give every child the opportunity to live a long and healthy life.
Building Progress

Week 8
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**PBEL Stars**

*To create a consistent whole school approach for safe and effective learning*

Our students continue to develop social skills linked to our expectations of

“Be Safe” “Be Friendly” and “Learn Together”.

This week our students of the week are:

**Ashlee**—Learning together,
very settled back at school

**Aidan**—Learning together
Sitting quietly with his friend and reading together
Events for your Diary

(Please note: Newly added events will be in **bold**)

2nd Aug—Jeans for Genes Day
5th Aug—P&C Meeting
11 Aug—Bunnings BBQ & Cake Stall

13th Aug—Immunisation Yr 7 Boys & Girls
27th Aug—Post School Options Bus Trip
9th—13th Sept—Senior Camp

Save the Date

The Cromehurst Bus Trip will be on Tuesday 27th August.

We will be visiting 3 post school places—

1. Job Centre at Chatswood,
2. Sunshine at Forestville and
3. Centacare at Waitara.

Please write this date in your diaries and further information will be sent out in the coming weeks.