Hi everybody,

Term 2 certainly came to a ‘blustering’ end and I hope everybody was safe over the past few days.

Changes to EMA payments: From 2015 the Government will distribute the funds previously used for EMA directly to schools. DEECD will develop the arrangements to be used to distribute these funds to schools – consultation will occur with stakeholders about this.

Due to recent storms the Shed 11 (Hastings) Youth Centre has sustained damage and will be closed until Friday 4 July whilst repair works are undertaken. Unfortunately this means scheduled drop in sessions will not occur on Monday 30 June and Tuesday 1 July as advertised. Shed 11 will re-open on Friday 4 July at 1:30pm with a free barbeque and other activities on offer. Should any parents/guardians require further information please do not hesitate to contact the Hastings Office on: 5950 1666.

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia 6 – 13th July 2014 to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Please check out your local paper or contact your local council for activities near you.

Please be advised that Monday 18th August 2014 will be our third designated curriculum day and no students will be attending school on that day.

The newsletters are also available via our Peninsula Specialist College website. Please go to the website and have a look at www.peninsulaspecialist.vic.edu.au

Have a safe break

Peter
Students have enjoyed their continued cultural journey whilst painting their deadly Totem Poles with Aunty Marg.
Selected seniors have competed in the Special Schools State Cross Country. Congratulations to all who competed.

The S.S.S.A Soccer Carnival was a great day; P.S.C missed out on a final by only a game! Well Done!
Class 1 and 2 performed Monkey Song, Nathan used microphone
Class 3 and 4 performed Walking In the Jungle and Roar Like A Lion
Class 9 & 10 thought Camp Munyung was:
Really, Awesome  Spectacular  Wicked  Super
Good Fun  Amazing  Fantastic  Challenged
Inspiring for staff seeing students rise to the
challenge by showing independence

‘It was exciting going to camp!’ Ruby
Cooking in the Kitchen

In the kitchen we celebrated NAIDOC week by inventing a sauce using native Lemon Myrtle and Mountain Pepper Berry to go with our home made fettuccine. It was very yummy! We also wondered about how the first people would have used these leaves and berries so long ago??