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Following staff discussion and community consultation we have decided to restructure our break times. New school times are as follows:

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P&C AGM MEETING
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LIFE EDUCATION VAN—HEALTHY HAROLD
The Life Education Van will be visiting the school on the 20th and 21st May, 2015. The Life Education Van comes to the school and educates students in their stage groups.
A permission note was attached to last week’s newsletter and is to be returned to school with the cost of $10 per child. Students will also receive a workbook that they will be using during class time. Families can include all children on the one permission note. Any student who has not paid by this date will not be able to attend.

KINDER AFTERNOON TEA FOR MUMS
An afternoon tea will be held this Thursday at 2:30pm for all kindergarten mums to celebrate Mothers Day. Please come in and join our special afternoon tea with your child.

MOTHERS DAY STALL
The P&C will be holding a Mother’s Day Stall this Friday. Gifts will be available for your child to purchase a mothers day gift for you for $5, $2, $1. If you would like to receive a gift that your child has chosen, then please bring the money in on Friday.

SPORT
SMALL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL
The small schools cross country carnival will NOW be held this Wednesday 6th May, 2015, however, this will depend on the weather and conditions of the course due to recent rain. We will notify you of any changes. This event is for students in Years 3-6 and those turning 8 this year. Cost will be $10. Please sign the permission note below with the new date.

GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL—CANTEEN
MEAL DEAL—Friday 8th May, 2015
I give permission for ……………………………………………………………… to receive a meal deal consisting of a chicken burger or hamburger, bag of popcorn and popper for $5. All students need to provide recess. Muffins can be purchased for 50 cents.

BIRTHDAYS
Congratulations and Happy Birthday to:
Montana Francis turns 11 on Tuesday and Luke Butler turns 8 on Wednesday