Gold Awardees Morning Tea
A very special morning tea was held on Wednesday 9th April for all our amazing students was shared with Ms Coleman and Mr Bass to celebrate their achievement of a Gold Award or higher for Term 1. We look forward to celebrating the achievements of many more students during Term 2.

School Development Days
Staff returned fresh and full of enthusiasm to commence the new school term. Yesterday staff focused on the implementation of the new NSW Mathematics Curriculum, which will commence in 2015, and also refreshed their anaphylaxis training. We look forward to an exciting and eventful term.

Introduction from the Principal
I feel very privileged to be the incoming principal of Milton Public School. This school is well regarded within the educational community and is known as a school that for a very long time has provided for all children a well-rounded and balanced education delivered by outstanding educators; I’m excited to be leading a team that will continue this fine tradition. I wish Mrs Barclay all the best as she moves into her new role as Director and acknowledge the great work she has done here at Milton. I would also like to thank Mr Bass and Miss Coleman for the great job they have done in the time that they have relieved in the principal position. I am looking forward to working with you, the staff and students to ensure our school continues to deliver a modern, 21st century curriculum.

Please drop by and say hello, or if you see me around the school or town come up and introduce yourself. Don’t forget that our P&C meets the second Tuesday of each month.

The next P & C Meeting will be held here at school Tuesday 13th May.

WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY
• Tennis knockout MPS v UPS

THURSDAY
• 3 - 6 Cross Country
• NRL Dragons Resilience K-2

FRIDAY
• Year 3/4 AFL Gala Day

MONDAY
• K-6 Assembly

TUESDAY
• Student Banking (Bendigo Bank)

COMING EVENTS

MOTHERS DAY STALL
Thursday 8th May

STEWARD HOUSE MUFTI DAY
Friday 9th May

NAPLAN
Years 3 and 5
13th - 15th May
ANZAC Day

Congratulations and thank you to staff and students who marched proudly on ANZAC Day as representatives of Milton Public School. This followed our very moving school service on the last day of term.

Service Men and Women Honoured at School

Milton Public School students and staff commemorated ANZAC Day with a special service held in the school hall on the last day of Term 1. Thank you Lieutenant Brendan Dumbrell who spoke about the Anzac tradition. Milton Public School would also like to thank Mr Ray Laraghy, the President of the Shoalhaven National Servicemen Association, Keith Hanchard a member of Shoalhaven National Servicemen Association, Mr Mick Cooper the Vice President of the Ulladulla RSL Sub Branch and his wife Mrs Desley Cooper, Mrs Audrey Fox and Mrs Robin Shepherd representing the Milton/ Ulladulla War Widow Society for their attendance. Milton Public School would also like to thank the National Servicemen Association and the Ulladulla War Widow Society for their generous donation of books for our school library.

Thank you also to Mr Isaac Homes who played the bugle for us this year. As always our choir sang beautifully and the Four Amigos performed brilliantly, their first public appearance for 2014. Congratulations to our school captains and prefects for an outstanding assembly.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. On Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th May, students will undertake the 2014 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN assess the skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through school curriculum and shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children.

All students are required to participate in the tests. An individual NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. More information is available at: http://www.nap.edu.au/verve_resources/NAPLAN_2014_Parents_Brochure.pdf

Multicultural Public Speaking

The Multicultural Public Speaking Competition will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 20th May (week 4) for Years 5 & 6 and Wednesday 21st May for Years 3 & 4 from 9:40am. Congratulations to all the students competing who are currently writing and reciting their speeches at home. Additional “improvised” speech rehearsal will be held in the Multi-Purpose room 1st half of lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays from the beginning of Term 2.

Well done to all students involved for having a go and we look forward to hearing your speeches.

4N Need Wool

If anyone has some old (or new) wool they don't need and would like to donate it to 4N we would really appreciate that. During term two 4N will be doing some knitting and any colour wool would be fine. Please leave it at the front office and we will pick it up from there.

Thank you from 4N and Mr Nisbet

Stewart House Fundraising

In 2014, Stewart House celebrates 83 years of service to students attending NSW public schools. This wonderful organisation, run by teachers in the Department of Education, provides opportunities to children from all over the state. Stewart House needs your support to ensure we can continue to provide important services to children. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school.

Please help Stewart House by joining in the fund drive. Envelopes have been sent home today to each family. They need to be returned to Mr Tidbury in the Multi-purpose room next to the Library each morning before Stewart House Day, Friday 9th May.

On Friday 9th May students can come in multi and bring a gold coin donation for Stewart House on Friday 9th May.

Kindergarten Year 1 and 2

Developing fine motor skills is an important part of being in Kindergarten. We do a lot of cutting and pasting. It would be greatly appreciated if you could send in two glue sticks for the children to share by the end of week 2.

During our Fireworks art unit the children will be making a fireworks sculpture. We would greatly appreciate any cylinders- glad wrap, paper towel and foil cylinders.

Please do not send in any toilet rolls. We also need empty egg cartons.

Many thanks from K1/2 teachers.

3-6 Cross Country

The school Cross Country event will be run this Thursday 1st May on the Milton School Oval. Students from Years 3-6 aged 8, 9 and 10 years will run the 2km course after recess commencing at 12:00 noon. While students aged 11 and 12 years will run their 3 km course after lunch commencing at 2:00pm. It would be great to see lots of students in their house colours. Parents are welcome to attend. The first 6 place getters in each age group will compete at Potato Point in the District Cross Country the following week.

Eurobodalla Soccer

Well done to Yasin Davison, Monique Collins, Chelsea Pheeney and Harm Schaan who represented the Eurobodalla district football team at the South Coast trails. Xanthe Pheeney made the South Coast team but was unable to compete due to injury.
Year 4 Dolphin Watch Excursion

We all had a play on the spider web at the park and then we walked to the Lady Denman Museum IN THE POURING RAIN. We all got soaked! At the Museum we went to the sea room to learn about whaling and scuba diving in the olden days. We got to feel this stringy stuff they put in the grooves of a ship deck. Then we went on the Lady Denman ferry. We got to the top storey and pretended to drive the boat.
Annalise Hare and Ellie Brophy

We went on a dolphin watch boat which had two storeys that we could go on. We got on the boat and took off into Jervis Bay. When we went over the waves it made me want to go to the toilet. We saw lots of bottle nosed dolphins. One did a backflip! We saw lots of baby dolphins with their mums.
Ella Thompson and Bethany Cook

First we went on the dolphin watch boat. The boat started and we went out to the bay, there was a little swell. We got a bit further out and saw a huge white navy boat, it looked scary. The skipper told us to look to the left and there were about fifteen dolphins, everyone ran over to the other side of the boat to take a photo. The dolphins came close to the boat and some even went under. The dolphins hung around for a while and then we went back to the dock.
Ellis Carey and Drew Ramsden

I had the best day ever except for the bit when I got sick. At least we saw dolphins doing backflips. That was my favourite part.
Isis Burdich

At the end of the day, we caught the bus back to school where our parents were waiting for us. After all the fun of the day, I would definitely say that it was the best school excursion I have ever been on.
Mia Smith

We had lunch and then went on the mangrove walk. On the mangrove walk there were lots of crabs. There were also lots of toadfish and mullet.
Jay Ramsden

Some people got to throw boomerangs. One got stuck in the tree. After the people threw the boomerangs we went to the museum and we saw the harpoon gun and the Lady Denman boat. It was very old and fun.
Kobi Hobden

YMCA NSW Parliament Primary School Challenge

Last week I and 44 others from different schools set out on a challenge to fix something that was wrong with our school. The camp went for two nights and three days. After our initial introduction we were divided into groups based on the topic we chose. I chose road safety. We had a couple of hours to write a two minute speech about our subject, ready for presentation at Parliament House. The next day we had an early start and headed straight to Parliament House. I had to open the ceremony and we started our speeches straight away. When all of our speeches were over we went back to camp, discussed how to fix our problems and played a few games. With the last day gone we went back home to our family. I loved this experience, I made some new friends and I would love to go again. I hope I can make a change in our school so everyone is safe and happy.

School Captain 2014
Easter Hat Parade

Once again our Easter Hat Parade was a memorable experience for all the children at Milton Public School. Thank you to all the parents and children who contributed to make this a real success. A special thank you to the Easter Bunny and his helpers for travelling all the way here to give each of our well behaved students an Easter egg. A big thank you to Mrs Burns and Mrs Sommerville for organising a wonderful event. Thank you parents for your amazing efforts with donating so many kilo's of chocolate and to the P&C for organizing the Easter Raffle. Congratulations to all the winners—hope you enjoyed the chocolate and other prizes!
P & C NEWS

Milton Public School would like to thank all the students who brought in Easter eggs for our bumper Easter Raffle. We were lucky enough to have over 45 prizes. Congratulations to all our raffle winners. Congratulations also to Mr McDonald who won our wine raffle and to Chloe and Hayley Gracia who won the $100 Toyworld voucher for paying their school fees within the first term.

COMMUNITY NEWS

AFL Auskick Starts Next Thursday

AFL Auskick starts next Thursday at the AFL Oval situated in the Ulladulla Sports Park. Auskick is for boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 11 years old, no matter of skill ability. Participation and skill development through fun games and skill drills. Auskick starts at 4:15pm and finishes at 5:15pm. Cheap registration which includes the AFL Auskick Pack. For further information call John Dyball on 4465 3854.

"Zero Tolerance" to protect your child

When it comes to the safety of vulnerable road users like school children, drivers found breaking the law will be met with zero tolerance. If you've heard the expression 'it's only a matter of time until someone gets hurt' then you understand why it is important for everyone to obey the road rules.

When an offence is detected – you will be fined!

Illegal parking around schools endangers children’s lives

FACT

When a child is hit at an impact speed of 30km/hr, they have a 95% chance of surviving. At 70km/hr, that child’s chance of survival is less than 7%. *Source: Australian Transport Safety Bureau

FACT

Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need you to take extra care when driving and parking around schools zones.

40km/hr School Zones are provided to increase the safety of all pedestrians, but especially children, who are walking in the vicinity of schools. Obey the limit and be aware of the time of day.

NO STOPPING

What does this mean?
You cannot stop in this area for any reason.

Why is it there?
To keep sight distance clear for drivers, children and other pedestrians to avoid crashes.

What does this mean?
You cannot stop or park in a bus zone unless you are driving a bus.

Why is it there?
To provide a safe place for buses to set down & pick up passengers.

Enforcement is required around schools to save lives.
A message from Shoalhaven City Council Rangers and Road Safety Officer.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 30/04 Natalie Sruhan
Thursday 01/05 Nicole Neil / Dale Pryde
Sharon Gilson
Friday 02/05 Sharon Chappell
Monday 05/05 Lindy Parsons
Tuesday 08/05 Lloyd McDonald
Wednesday 07/05 Masami Hussey

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