Merit Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at yesterday's K-6 assembly.

Silver: Kobi H
Gold: Taylah A, Sascha M
Gold Bar 2: Jade M, Maddison C

Gold Awardees Morning Tea
We will hold the very special morning tea for our Gold awardees on Wednesday the 25th June to recognise and congratulate the students who have achieved a Gold Award or higher during Term 2. Mr Thomson and Mr Bass look forward to celebrating with these students.

End of Term 2
As Term 2 draws to a close, we would like to say thank you to staff, parents and students for a rewarding and successful term at Milton Public School. We can reflect on the many wonderful opportunities and achievements of our students during the last 9 weeks with pride. We would like to wish every family a happy and safe holiday break. A friendly reminder that students return Tuesday 15th July, and will begin the day with a NAIDOC week celebration assembly.

NAIDOC Week
The students and staff at MPS will acknowledge and celebrate NAIDOC week during the first week of Term 3. NAIDOC (National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee) week is a time when we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and recognise the contributions of Indigenous Australians to our nation.

The first day of Term 3, Tuesday 15th July will commence with a special NAIDOC week assembly, commencing at 10.00am. At the morning assembly there will be guest speakers. During the day classes will participate in a variety of activities including Dreamtime stories, art and craft. Parents and community members are welcome to join us at both the assembly and afterwards for morning tea in the library.

P&C News
School Fete
Next term our preparations start for yet another fantastic school fete. The date is set for Friday, 12th September, so put it in your diaries. If you are the crafty type, why not start making some cards or craft items to donate and sell at our craft stall. Are you a gardener? Start potting plants, we would love to sell them at our Plant & Produce stall. We would also like any donations of homemade jams, chutneys or spreads to sell too. This year we will bring back the ever popular showbags. If you have any other ideas for new stalls or ideas in general, please come along to one of our P&C meetings or email Mel Wills the-wills@bigpond.com. The school fete is a brilliant day, with loads of organisation required. This year apart from stall helpers, we will also be requiring people to help us set up stalls before the fete starts.

WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY
- Gold Awardees Morning Tea
- ICAS Spelling

THURSDAY

FRIDAY
- Last Day of Term 2

COMING EVENTS

Staff Development Day
Term 3 - Week 1 Monday 14th July 2014

Students Return
Tuesday 15th July 2014

NAIDOC Week
Tuesday 15th—Friday 18th July 2014

Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony
Wednesday 23rd July Gold Coin Donation Mufti Day

Education Week
Monday 28th July—Friday 1st August
Milton School Tennis Team
South Coast Champions

On Thursday 12th June 2014, the MPS Tennis Team travelled to Goulburn to play Goulburn West Public School in Round 5 of the NSW PSSA Tennis Knockout Competition. The travel to the venue was long but once there, the weather was perfect for tennis (Yes, in Goulburn would you believe!). After the singles matches, both schools were at 2 all with the boys easily accounting for their opposition 6 to 0 and the girls narrowly losing their matches in hard fought battles that could easily have gone either way. Next were the boys and girls doubles matches which were played and won with great skill and ease by the Milton players. The score now, 4 sets to 2. Finally the mixed doubles matches were played and Milton won again easily with the combinations of Anton and Jordan and Chilee and Rohan proving too strong for their opposition. At the end of the matches, MPS were crowned South Coast Champions winning 6 sets to 2. The team consists of Anton W, Chilee R, Rohan S and Jordan B. The next match is scheduled to be played this week against either San Souci or Camden South which is a quarter final match (final eight teams in the state). Congratulations on a fine performance so far and we wish you lots of luck and good fortune for the next round!

Bacchus Chef Darren Cooks with Year One

Darren Foots, head chef and owner of Bacchus Restaurant Milton, came in last week to demonstrate his amazing cooking ability and to talk about all the skills he needs to use in the kitchen. This complemented the unit of work the children have been studying, ‘Workers in the Community’. Using a much loved recipe from The Mollymook Deli, Darren cooked up a wonderful chocolate fudge slice and had prepared one earlier for the children to eat. 1B and 1S children really enjoyed this experience and we thank Darren for spending the time to share his stories and skill with the year one children.

A Huge Thank You!

While it is lovely to win awards and be recognised, you must never forget the support network that makes it possible. To every single staff member at Milton Public School, thank you for your support of the Shoalhaven Eisteddfod. Thank you for being accommodating and flexible. Thank you for understanding the need for extra rehearsals, thank you for making the hall available, thank you for the extraordinary amount of administrative work that is required and thank you for being a fantastic audience when items were "on tour". To our students, parents, family members and friends, thank you for your constant encouragement and support. To have more than 100 students at "Stars of the Eisteddfod" last Saturday in Nowra was mind blowing. To all those parents who personally wrote in explaining that they had prior commitments, but wished us well, thank you! To the staff who accompanied us, thank you. We have never had any doubt that we work in the best Public School in the country and we truly feel privileged to be part of the Milton Public School local community. Louise Allen and Sam Rutherford

Year 6 T-Shirts

Year 6 students have the opportunity to purchase a year 6 commemorative polo shirt (white) which lists all Year 6 students and teachers for 2014. Students will be able to wear these shirts to school each Monday and Friday during Term 3 and Term 4. Shirts are $25 each and can be ordered through the front office. Shirts will be made to order and there will be no spares. This week is the last chance for shirt orders. Please see Miss Coleman if you require more information.

Milton IGA wow the Year One students.

The wonderful staff of Milton IGA gave over 100 year one students the opportunity to explore the Milton store last week and to help them get an understanding of just how a supermarket works. Students were taken around the shop looking at and discussing various produce and products for sale and talking with members of staff about what their jobs within the store involves. To the amazement of MPS staff and students, IGA is as big below the store as it is above with scores of people working behind the scenes in the butchers and fresh food sections, the cool rooms and freezers and the storage bays to keep the shop ticking. Children were treated to a ‘ride’ on the forklift and the IGA staff were so friendly, talking with the children and sharing some great jokes. Thank you so much for allowing so many enthusiastic children through the store and thanks to the wonderful girls who guided the children on their tour!
Shoalhaven Eisteddfod

Milton Public School's Shoalhaven Eisteddfod success continued on Saturday with two groups invited to perform as part of the Stars of the Eisteddfod. Well over 100 Milton Public School students made the journey to Nowra to perform in this exclusive, invitation only concert. This was a great achievement for the school as we were by far the largest contingent of any school represented.

Not only were Milton Public School students outstanding performers, but the school was awarded the Schools Encouragement Award which recognises the school's commitment to the Shoalhaven Eisteddfod for over sixteen years and acknowledges the school's outstanding performing arts program together with the enthusiasm and professional skills of all teachers.

The citation in part states: This year students performed with considerable success in Infants and Primary Choirs, Infants and Primary Choral Verse Speaking and Special Education Verse Speaking. Fifteen pairs participated in the Poems for Two sections with many other individual performances in Verse Speaking – a total of thirty-five entries from the school.

This award comes with a $1 000 cheque generously donated by Jamie and Angie Strong. The money will be used by the school to further enhance our arts programs. However the accolades did not end there. Two outstanding Milton Public School teachers, Sam Rutherford and Louise Allen, were each awarded the prestigious Gilmour Award for outstanding commitment to the Shoalhaven Eisteddfod.

We are very proud of all students who performed and staff who made this wonderful opportunity available to Milton Public School students.

Mark Thomson

Lake Tabourie Excursion

On Wednesday Year 2 travelled to Lake Tabourie in our old fashioned clothes.

Before the bell I felt really happy. On the bus I sat next to Michael and we were really excited. I packed two cookies, a packet of grain waves, crackers and a green juicy apple. Michael and I were closing the curtains and opening them, closing the curtains and opening them. We were playing with the footrests. It was astonishing.

When we arrived I saw the big area and I knew we were going to play on it. In the museum I saw two sorts of glass inkwells. I saw some typewriters and they looked interesting. An unusual thing was the red metal object out the front. I don’t know what it was. At morning tea I played skipping.

After morning tea we went to Lions Park to have lunch and play games. I played cricket. I saw a bower bird nest.

On the ride back I sat next to Lucas. When we got to class we had news. The Wednesday people are: Luca, Connor, Jed, Lulu and Rowan. After news we had free time until home time. I was tired.

By Isaac K 2A

Past and Present Excursion

Yesterday (Wednesday the 18th of June) Year 2 went to Lake Tabourie Museum. It was interesting.

It was cool before school because I left at 8:30. I was super early. I arrived at 8:50am. I felt lonely because I was early. I was dressed in a button up shirt and jeans and I had noodle soup to eat.

When we got on the bus I was a bit bored. I didn’t sit next to anyone and I thought the bus had cool equipment.

When I arrived at Lake Tabourie I’m like, “Where’s the museum?” It was funny when we were going in because I’m like, “What !!!! The museum is tiny”. There were a lot of olden day things that I thought were amazing. The telephones were weird, but fun. Then I'm like, “I'm hungry, when's it morning tea?” Then I looked outside and it was morning tea.

After that we went to lunch at Lions Park. I ate seaweed and tuna for lunch. I didn’t see the bower bird nest.

When we got back from the excursion we had news. After that, 2A had free play. I read a book and went home. I told my Dad all about it.

By Adrian L 2A

CWA

Country of study

Year 6 students have been invited to participate in the annual CWA Country of Study project. This year the chosen country is Botswana and all year 6 students received an information sheet earlier this term with more information.

Students are reminded that the projects are due on Friday 18th July (Term 3 week 1). Work hard on them over the holidays, we will have our international day in Week 4 of Term 3 in the school hall.

ISER PERFORMING ENSEMBLE

The Illawarra South East Region (ISER) ensemble is a touring group comprising singers, dancers and a stage band. Each year 45 students are selected by audition from NSW State High Schools to form this touring ensemble. This year the ensemble includes 2 former MPS students, Rachel Tidbury (vocalist) and Jai-Leigh Hadland (dancer). They will visit Milton Public School on Monday 21st July (week 2) and perform 2 shows, one for infants and the other for primary. The first show will commence at 9:30am and the second at 10:40am. Therefore our K-6 Assembly will not be held at the usual time. The cost for the show is $4 per student or $6 per family to help cover travel expenses for the ensemble. There is a tear off slip at the end of this newsletter to be returned to class teachers by Friday 18th July.
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2014

ISER PERFORMING ENSEMBLE

I would like my child/children to attend the performing ensemble on Monday 21st July at Milton Public School.

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Class/es: .................................................................
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I have enclosed $ ............... in payment ($4.00 per child/$6.00 per family)

Signature Parent/ Guardian .................................................................
Community News
Pottery for Children
Does your child love being creative? Nulladolla Pottery has a monthly workshop making a snowflake wall hanging ($15) on Saturday June 21st from 1pm to 3pm. There’s also an Arctic themed school holiday course from Monday 30th June to Thursday 3rd July plus a catch up day if needed ($60). The pottery is next to Milton Library in the arts precinct. Please call 4455 5747 or 0413 001 287 for more information or to book.

School Holiday Netball Clinic
Looking for something to do during the school holidays? Register for the Netball NSW holiday clinic. It is being held at Thursday 10th July from 9.30am to 1.00pm at the Park Rd Netball Complex, 24 John Purcell Way, Nowra. It is for all children aged 5—12 years, and costs $40.00 per child. Registrations close Friday 27th June 2014. Please bring a hat, sunscreen, healthy snack and a drink bottle.

This week’s special at the canteen
“Nacho’s”
corn chips, salsa sauce and cheese $3.00
Available at Lunch only

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Tennis Camps
3rd June - 3rd July
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Camp 2
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Great prize.

Tennis camps & tournaments

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