Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at today’s K-6 assembly.

Bronze:  Lachlan S, Rebecca T
         Tiger T

Silver:   Lachlan B, Holly F
         Chloe V

Gold:     Alex B
Gold Bar 2:  Thom S

Education Week

2014 marks the 60th anniversary of the first Education Week and is an ideal opportunity to take stock and measure progress. The tagline for the original, 1954 Education Week was: "Lighting the way to a better world" which is echoed this week, and we endeavour to do this on a daily basis at Milton Public School. Education Week showcases the achievements of our inspirational teachers, staff, students, and community members. It is an opportunity for us to document and share our proudest moments. MPS students and staff will be celebrating Education Week this week with some fantastic activities. It is a very busy week with many special events starting with a special assembly and tree planting ceremony yesterday. Celebrations continue on Thursday with Year 5 students travelling to Ulladulla High School for a community of schools expo with Ulladulla Public School and St Mary’s (year 5) and Ulladulla High School (year 8) students. Education week will culminate on Friday with our Grandparents’ Day celebrations, open day and a book fair in our school library. We have displays of posters around the school as well as digital portfolios (showing in the foyer, library and hall) of the many fantastic learning experiences that happen on a daily basis at our great school.

Grandparents’ Day

This Friday 1st August, we will celebrate our schooling journey with our Grandparents. We will commence Grandparents’ Day at 11:30 am with a whole school assembly in the hall showcasing our outstanding performing arts programs. Following the special assembly we invite our families to visit classrooms to view samples of student’s work. During the day we will be holding a Book Fair in the Library to give Grandparents (and parents) the opportunity to make a personal purchase or purchase a book and donate it in your child/grandchild’s name. Books donated by students will have their name on a plaque in the front and they will be able to be the first to borrow. Grandparents are invited to stay for a picnic lunch in our beautiful landscaped school grounds. The school canteen is offering a Sausage Sizzle, which will operate from 12:00pm onwards in the COLA. Special canteen items will also be available on the day.

WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY
- Australian Problem Solving Maths Olympiad

THURSDAY
- Year 5 - Yr 8 Expo Day at Ulladulla High School
- Book Club issue 5 orders due

FRIDAY
- Grandparents and Open Day
- Book Fair in the Library

MONDAY
- K-6 Assembly
- Tennis State Semi Finals

TUESDAY
- Touch Football Gala Day

COMING EVENTS

ICAS Mathematics Competition
Tuesday 12th August

Kindergarten - Mogo Zoo Excursion
Thursday 14th August
Congratulations Class Councillors

At yesterday’s K-6 assembly we welcomed the newly elected class councillors and vice councillors for Semester 2 and presented them with their badges. Students recited the councillors pledge, and were acknowledged as our semester 2 leaders. We know they will do an amazing job as student representatives over the coming terms. Well done to your all.

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Parent Volunteers

It is a Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) requirement that all parents and community members on the school site must sign in through the front office and collect a visitor pass. If you are on our school site at all please sign in at the office in the visitors book and collect a yellow visitor pass first. You should be familiar with the school evacuation procedures in case of an emergency.

Also, as a result of the Royal Commission into child abuse, it is now mandatory for all adults who are on the school premises to have a Working with Children Check. This includes all volunteers working in classrooms, canteen helpers, VTR program, scripture teachers etc. It will also include all community members who drive students on sporting excursions. The check will also be compulsory for all community users of the school facilities outside of school hours.

Staff Car Park

Parents and community members are reminded that the bottom car park off Wason Street is for STAFF and PERMIT HOLDERS ONLY. We have 4 students with disabilities whose parents have permission to use the car park. Please do not enter the car park for any reason as this is a major safety concern with the number of students and parents entering and leaving the school. It is your responsibility as a parent to demonstrate safe use of car parking facilities by refraining from socialising in the car park area and by walking on footpaths rather than the car park and road. Police and Traffic supervisors will be frequenting the school to ensure safe practices.

Fete 12th September – Helpers Needed!!

We need volunteers to help out on each stall at this year’s fete. Our fete cannot go ahead if we don’t have enough volunteers to man the stalls. Please note that parents of Kindergarten children may be required to escort their children around the school on the day, however, there may be Kindy Grandparents that may wish to help out.

The stalls we will be having this year are:
- Cake Stall
- Chocolate Wheel
- Craft Stall
- Fairy Floss
- Lucky Dips
- BBQ
- Devonshire Teas
- Plants & Produce
- Art Expo
- Face Painting
- Ice Cream Sodas
- Raffle
- Showbags

If you are able to spare an hour (or more) at a stall or if you can help with set up before the fete starts, please complete the slip at the end of the newsletter and return it to school, Alternatively you can email Mel Wills at the-wills@bigpond.com

If you are a crafty person, get out your knitting needles, crochet sticks, hot glue guns and your scrapbooking things, as you may wish to make some items for us to sell on the craft stall. As for those green thumbs out there, you may wish to start potting some plants to sell at the plant stall, and for our bakers, please start thinking of some goodies like cakes, slices etc you could bake for us too. Our Fete is always a happy, fun and very successful day for the school and we would love for this year to be better than ever!

Private Vehicle Conveyance Subsidy

If you are not close to public transport and need to drive a student to a bus stop or school, the Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy can provide twice-a-year payments to help cover the expenses. Transport NSW is launching an online service for families who wish to apply for the Private Vehicle Conveyance (PVC) subsidy. For further information about this subsidy please call the school office on 4455 1504 or 1800 010 123. You can also visit transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc
P&C Raffle Ticket Reminder

Please remember to keep your raffle tickets coming in for our fantastic P&C raffle this year. A holiday to Hamilton Island with airfares is an awesome prize to win - but you have to be in it to win it and the best part is that this prize will go to someone within our school community! Please return tickets to the office so you don't miss out!

Kindergarten News

This term Kindergarten will be learning about animals. KT were incredibly lucky to receive a visit from George's Mum Sophie and his gigantic St Bernard puppy Lenny. George was able to tell us all the things he does to look after his very large (and fluffy) puppy to supplement our unit on animals and pets. It was quite exciting and this is what we wrote:
Lenny is a fluffy puppy. Lenny is George's puppy. Lenny bites softly.
By Kaylah
Lenny is a snow puppy and Lenny is so fluffy. He has big feet. By Alysha
Lenny is a fluffy and a snuggly dog.
By Jack
Lenny is a fluffy and a soft puppy. Lenny is a snow puppy. He is white and brown.
By Charlotte
Lenny walks very slowly when we go to the oval. Lenny loves playing with the ball.
By George

Kinders 100 Day Party

In the morning Miss Oxley said let's get the party started! After lunch we had lots and lots and lots of food. We ate and ate! Then we went on a bush walk and we found a big spinning wooden chime with marbles in it. There was aboriginal patterns and carvings around it. We had a great time celebrating 100 days!
By Dan T

Lost Property

The lost property bins are filled and overflowing with school uniform items collected throughout terms 1&2. Many are only small but unfortunately have no names on them, making it difficult to find their rightful owners. If your child is missing any property from the first half of the year this will be spread out in the bus shelter throughout this week. Please encourage students to look through lost property and collect their belongings. Any items that are left at the end of this week will be washed and donated for spare clothing or re-sale in the clothing pool. Lost property from term 3 is in the usual lost property bins near the staffroom and the lower level of the lift. Students should be encouraged to find all of their belongings.

Bookclub

Bookclub order forms are available now at the front office. All orders must be returned by Thursday 31st July. No late orders accepted.

This week’s special at the canteen

Pasta Cup $3.00
pasta, pasta sauce & cheese
Available as lunch order only

Canteen Roster

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URGENT: The canteen needs helpers for Grandparents Day. Even if it is an hour it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Monique in the canteen if you are available.

Thank you.
Reading Rocks

Many children enrolled at Milton Public School are participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge in 2014. To receive a certificate from the Premier, children in K-2 need to have shared 30 books and Years 3-6 need to have read 20 books by 29th August. 15 of these books must be from the recommended reading list. You can view this list at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge. Be sure to record the books you have read by logging on to Premier’s Reading Challenge using your username and password either at school or at home. Then click on Student Reading Records and then add the title of the book you have read.

Tennis Report

On Wednesday, 23rd July, Milton PS tennis team travelled to Kiama to play in the State Quarter final of the NSWPSA Tennis Knockout against Camden Public School. We had never played against this school before and were unsure of what to expect so we were ready for some competitive tennis and we weren’t disappointed. Some outstanding tennis was played on the day with some long rallies and some very fast return volley shots.

Our results were as follows: Boys singles: Anton 6-0 Rohan 6-0 Girls singles: Chilee 6-0 Jordan 6-0 Boys doubles: 6-0. Girls doubles 6-0. It was then down to the mixed doubles which went 6-0 and 6-0. In the entire match Milton did not lose a game and won 48-0. A fantastic result! All sets were played in a competitive, but warm, friendly and good spirited manner.

As State quarter finalists, Milton PS now goes on to play the semi-finals and finals at Homebush Bay Olympic Tennis centre on Monday 4th August. We congratulate Milton PS tennis team and wish them all the best in the next round.

Eurobodalla District Athletics

A team of 45 students travelled to Batemans Bay on Friday 25th July to represent MPS at the Eurobodalla District carnival. All students participated with pride and enthusiasm with 18 students being placed either 1st, 2nd or 3rd in their event. At the time of printing we are still awaiting confirmation of the students that will progress to the regional level and represent Eurobodalla district at the Australian Institute of Sports Athletics field in Canberra.

Results from the day are as follows:
- Blake D: 2nd – Junior boys 800m
- Estella C: 3rd – 8 year girls 100m
- Luke M: 3rd – Junior boys discus
- Ruby F: 2nd – 11 year 800m
- Xanthe P: 3rd – Junior girls 800m
- Arun R: 1st – Junior boys relay
- Frankie P: 1st – Junior boys relay
- Maddy H: 2nd – Junior girls discus
- Sam S: 3rd – 11 year boys 800m
- Joe S: 3rd – Senior boys relay
- Harm S: 3rd – Senior boys relay
- Sophie M: 2nd – Senior high jump
- Jayden F: 2nd – Senior boys discus, 3rd – Senior boys shot put
- Chelsea P: 2nd – Junior girls 200m, 1st – Junior girls 800m, 1st – Junior girls high jump
- Lachlan B: 2nd – 10 years 100m, 1st – Junior boys 200m, 1st – Junior boys relay, 2nd – Junior boys long jump
- Kye F: 1st – 10 years 100m, 2nd – Junior boys 200m, 1st – Junior boys relay, 1st – Junior boys high jump, 1st – Junior boys long jump, 1st – Junior boys discus
- Ben S: 1st – 11 year boys long jump, 1st – 11 year boys high jump, 1st – 11 year boys shot put, 3rd – 11 year boys 200m, 3rd – senior boys relay
- Reef K: 1st – Senior boys long jump, 3rd – Senior boys high jump, 3rd – Senior boys relay

Community News

Host Families

Host Families are needed in January 2015. We will be receiving exchange students from Europe (Germany, Italy, Denmark, Finland and France), South America and Japan. If you are interested in hosting a student or have any enquiries please call 1300 135 331.

Book Week Activities for Shoalhaven City Library

Peter Mason Memorial Award

Any student wishing to participate will need to visit the office for more information. The goal is to move children into the year 2114. A new civilisation has emerged, including new fashion, food and technology. Students may present their work by diorama, PowerPoint posters etc. Please see the office for a flyer.

FETE HELPERS

Name .......................................................... Contact Phone numbers ................................................

I am available to help at the ....................... stall, or (tick box) any stall allocated to me.

I am available to help at this time ................. or (tick box) anytime I am required.

Please note: you will be contacted for confirmation closer to the day.
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