End of Year
We come to the end of another wonderfully successful, eventful and rewarding year at Milton Public School. It is amazing to look at how far our students have come and to celebrate their achievements in a wide range of areas including the academic, cultural and sporting areas. These opportunities are made possible by the dedicated staff at Milton Public School whose time, energy, enthusiasm and commitment is to be recognised. This also includes the administrative staff, whose efficiency and highly effective organisational skills are invaluable. To the school learning support officers, cleaners, visiting teachers, canteen assistants and community helpers, your work this year is gratefully appreciated.

Presentation Assembly
Our annual Presentation Day Assembly was held last Friday, the 11th of December, in our school hall. The hall was filled with students, staff, parents and friends as we celebrated our achievements for 2015. Thank you to students for your outstanding behaviour during the ceremony. Many thanks to Miss Coleman for her amazing efforts in organising and coordinating this event. We can’t forget the talents of our amazing choir, “Lost and Found” and the “4 Amigos” who entertained us all so beautifully and professionally. Thank you to Mr Rutherford for your hard work and patience. What a wonderful way to round off a very rewarding and successful year at Milton Public School. Congratulations to Joel C who was announced Dux of 2015.

Captains and Prefects 2016
Congratulations to the newly elected prefects Poppy G, Ella T, Ethan B, and David H. It is a great pleasure to announce Julia A and Archie S as School Captains for 2016 at our Celebration Assembly on Friday. Well done to all students and congratulations to our new prefects and captains.

Farewell Year 6 Social
After what was summed up by Captain Maisie “as the best year of her life”, year 5 and 6 celebrated 2015 with the inaugural Social. As is tradition, year 5 hosted the evening preparing delicious food, decorating the hall and creating a portrait of each of the graduating students. The Dj’s playlist featured all the favourite songs of the year and kept everyone on their feet. As students reflected on the year it was the meeting of new friends, the basketball knockouts and dancing the night away that year 6 students will remember most. Milton Public School would like to thank Woolworths for their generous donation of a delicious chocolate mud cake, Dj Matt for great tunes, the P&C for the Photobooth, friends and parents of Year 5 students for the preparation of delicious food and the wonderful parent helpers who ensured the night ran smoothly. “It was a night to remember”.

COMING EVENTS
Staff Return
Wednesday 27th January
Year 1 - 6 Return to School
Thursday 28th January
Farewell to Sue Griffin
We wish Mrs Sue Griffin the best of luck as she takes up her new teaching position at Nowra Public School. She will be certainly missed by Milton Public School students and staff. She has been a wonderful part of our teaching staff sharing her extensive knowledge and guiding the students of our school with her calm, caring nature. A true quiet achiever!

Mrs Scheer
A huge THANK YOU to Milton Public School for helping to make my exchange so fantastic! The staff, students and school community have been so kind and welcoming. It has been a great experience and I thoroughly enjoyed my year. I am going back to Canada with the fondest memories of this fabulous school. I wish you all the happiest holiday.

Jeanette Scheer

Year 6 T-Shirt Signing
Students in Year 6 have permission to get one of their yellow t-shirts signed on the last day of school, Wednesday 16th December. They will require a note from a parent or guardian, their own texta or marker and their t-shirt in their bag. Red and White clothes are to be worn as per the note issued earlier this week.

Day One Next Year
Before school on Thursday 28th January students in years 1 and 2 (2016) will place their bags outside the hall in the canteen COLA and stay in the silver seat area until assembly. Students in years 3-6 (2016) will place their bags in the Upper COLA and stay in the COLA or quadrangle until assembly. We will start with a whole school assembly in the hall with all children years 1-6 sitting in their 2015 places. After assembly, students will collect their bags and break off in year groups listed below:
Year 1 - to silver seats area
Year 2 - to Canteen COLA
Year 3 - to Bus Shelter
Year 4 - to Grassy area at the top Quad (or Library if inclement weather)
Year 5 - to Eastern end of COLA
Year 6 - to Western end of COLA

At the end of the day students will go back to their morning allocated areas where they can be collected by their parents.

Thank You Book Coverers
I would like to thank Sharyn Wheatley, Karina Moore and Hannah Sommerville for their assistance with covering our home readers. It will be lovely to start 2016 with 450 new home readers. Thank you

Messages to Students
We understand things change at the last minute sometimes, however there has been an increase in the number of parents phoning the office with arrangements for student pick-ups. Arrangements for pick-up should be organized prior to school starting to reduce class disruption.

School Hats - Sun Safe hats
The school, together with our P&C Association, have strengthened our commitment to the Sun-Safe Schools program and as such will be enforcing a change to our hat policy commencing Term 1 next year. From the start of 2016, students will only be permitted to play in the open areas of the playground, such as the oval, courts and playground equipment, if they are wearing an approved school sun-safe hat. Local uniform suppliers (Reflection of Spirit Milton, Rapt Bratz Ulladulla and Milton Ulladulla Uniforms on line) have been informed of this change and are currently stocking appropriate hats. The bucket style hat will also be available for sale from the front office at a cost of $6.00.

Sport Shirt Reminder
A reminder to all parents if your child has represented Milton Public School in any sports eg, athletics, netball, tennis, touch, cricket etc and has not returned the school sport shirt, please ensure it is returned to the office as soon as possible.

COMMUNITY NEWS
The following articles have been submitted for inclusion in our parent newsletter and are not part of Milton Public School curriculum.

Shoalhaven Football
Shoalhaven Football will be conducting School Holiday Clinics (ages 5 - 13 years) in January at the following venues. Lighthouse Oval Ulladulla 12 & 13th 9:00am - 12noon cost $70.00 and South Nowra 19th, 20th & 21st 9:00am cost $100.00. All enquiries mjonno1@bigpond.com.au or ph:0488034500.

Basketball School Holiday Camp
School Holiday Camp Friday 15th January 2016 10:00am - 2:00pm at a cost of $30.00per child or $60.00 for 3 or more siblings. A fun day of basketball for all with accredited coaches who have years of experience. Learn the basics or improve your skills. Ages 7 - 16. Milton basketball stadium at the Showground Croobyer Road Milton. Pre register or check us out on Facebook. Milton Ulladulla Basket Ball Association. Ph: 0407083915 or 0458914455

Milton Show
Entry forms for the Milton Show 2016 are now available at the school office.
Pop-up Shop
Tuesday 12th January
We are opening in the Phillip Centre, Ulladulla, for 4 weeks in Shop 6b just behind Comfort Shoes. Come in, try on, and get all your school uniform needs. Of course, you can still order conveniently online at www.muschooluniforms.com.au and have your uniforms delivered to your door.
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