ANZAC Day March
Every year our school joins the ANZAC Day March here in Milton. This year, being the 100th anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli, we are hoping that many students will choose to march. I ask all families to consider supporting their child if they show a desire to march with Milton Public School. All students will need to assemble at 10:20am on the corner of Church Street and Princes Highway Milton. The march will commence at 10:30am concluding at the Milton Cenotaph.

ANZAC Day School Assembly
The annual Milton Public School ANZAC Day Assembly will be held on Friday 24th April (Week 1 Term 2) at 10:45am in our school hall. Due to unforeseen circumstances our 3-6 choir and the 2015 “Four Amigos” will not be performing this year. Parents and friends are welcome to join us. The ANZAC Assembly will conclude at approximately 11:15am.

Poppies
Our school and Budawang school, community groups and many individuals have all been frantically creating poppies. We have made and received a range of beautifully hand-crafted poppies that people have selflessly made and anonymously donated. We now have 1200 but still need more! Last week Mrs Watkins even received a parcel in the mail full of knitted poppies from a retired teacher in Queensland who had seen the article about Milton's poppy project in ‘That's Life’ magazine and felt inspired to contribute! What will be happening to the poppies after ANZAC day? Some will be made into wreaths and given to local groups and clubs for them to use in future ANZAC day ceremonies. The rest will be sold at the Milton markets with the proceeds going to Legacy. We are now at the stage of working out how to make stems for all these poppies - they will need to be made out of 2mm wire or similar. Anyone out there who has any wire to donate or would like to cut wire into stem lengths it would be greatly appreciated. If anyone is still making poppies could they please drop them into the poppy box in the front office at MPS before the end of the school term (April 2nd).

St Vincent de Paul Society
The St Vincent de Paul Society, Ulladulla, has very generously given funds to our school to support students whose family is having difficulty providing extra-curricular items. Parents are encouraged to complete a confidential application form, available through the school office, to access funds to help with:
- Excursions/camps
- School uniform
- School shoes
- Text books
- Stationary

We would like to thank the Ulladulla St Vincent de Paul for providing this assistance.
Best of the Best
This event will be held on Monday 30th March in our school hall, commencing at approximately 11:45am. The most outstanding orators from classes 6C, 6T, 5/6D and 6G will be chosen by their teachers to compete in this mini eisteddfod. All Year 5 and 6 students are invited to attend as well as interested parents and friends. Mr Thomson and Mrs Chittick will adjudicate and decide 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. Class speeches are commencing shortly. All the best with your performances.

Easter Hat Parade
Our annual Easter Hat Parade is on Thursday 2nd April. All students in K-2 will be involved and any interested students in Years 3-6 may also participate. Please make your magnificent Easter hat creation at home, using recycled materials if possible. Keep the date free. Parents and friends are most welcome to join us on the day.

Organisation for the day will be as follows:
Students take their hats to their classroom between 8.55am and 9:20am and place them on their desks. At 9:20am there will be a K-6 assembly in the HALL to hold the Easter raffle. At approximately 10:00am the Easter Hat Parade will commence in the COLA.

Girls Cricket
Good Luck to the Girls Cricket team who take on Ulladulla Public School in round 1 of the PSSA Cricket knockout (Lord Taverner’s Shield) at Milton Showground on Thursday.

School Cross Country Carnival
Training has begun in preparation for the annual Cross Country Carnival this term. Due to unforeseen circumstances the school cross country event has been transferred to Thursday 2nd April on the Milton School Oval. This is the last day of term 1 before the school holidays. 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 3km 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 in term 2.

Excursions for Year 5
This year, Year 5 will have the option of participating in two excursions, Old Mogo Town and Berry Camp. We will be sending home permission notes this week. Hopefully this gives you sufficient time to arrange payment for these excursions. If you require assistance please contact the Principal to discuss.

Year 4 Excursion- Dolphin Watch
A reminder that the Year 4 ‘Dolphin Watch’ excursion is next Tuesday 31st March and students will need to be at school by 8:10am, as the bus will be leaving no later than 8:15am. We will be returning to school at approximately 4:15pm. Please ensure your child knows their arrangements regarding drop off and pick up on this day.

Surfing Scientist

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

Colouring In competition
Harcourts Ulladulla are having a colouring in competition for the Nocturnal Surf Tag competition. Forms are available from the school office. Completed forms should be returned to Harcourts Ulladulla by 4th April. Winners will be announced on Harcourts Ulladulla Facebook on 7th April.

Junior AFL
Last week the children from most local primary schools attended an AFL year 3 & 4 Gala Day. In non scoring games concentrating on fun and participation these children, both boys and girls had a great day. Ulladulla Dockers start their intra 10’s (no travel, no weekends) this Thursday run at Ulladulla Sports Park every Thursday afternoon 4.30 – 5.30pm. All boys and girls between the ages of 8 & 10 are welcome to come & try or join, cheap registration of $40.00.
Harmony Day

Last Friday our school celebrated Harmony Day with every class becoming involved in one way or another. I would like to congratulate our fabulous staff and students for the work they did in recognising this important date in our school calendar. A special thanks to our wonderful canteen manager Monique, who, together with her hard working volunteers, made sure everyone was fed. This was an awesome effort considering the large amount of orders received. Well done everyone!
This week's special at the canteen

Frozen Fruit Cups—80c

Apple, Appleblackurrant, Orange

Available lunch only

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