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# Mur-bah Magpie



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## P&C Meeting 28th November - 6.30pm

School P&C meets at 6.30pm on 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month

**Quote of the week: Teachers open the doors, but you must enter by yourself. Chinese Proverb**

*A message from the Principal*

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

What an outstanding effort by our school leaders Emilee, Ben, Jasmine and Sam when conducting the Commemorative Service at the Cenotaph on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> November. We were certainly very proud of not only our leaders but all Murwillumbah children who were able to support this service. Our school choir performed at both the Cenotaph and Bray Park cemetery singing In Flanders Fields, The Recessional and the National Anthem. Seth spoke about the contribution of his uncle currently serving in Afghanistan and Emma and Jacob placed a wreath in memory of those soldiers who lost their lives in numerous wars. I received many positive comments from members within the community congratulating our students on their support throughout the day including Federal member Justine Elliott, Murwillumbah RSL President Derek Simms, Ex Servicemen and women, visitors and parents.

I would also like to thank the fifteen staff members who attended this service along with Mrs Armour for their wonderful support and organisation. Thank you to all our parents for your support by encouraging participation at such important community events ensuring true school spirit.

Murwillumbah is a very busy place. I am constantly impressed by the wonderful efforts of our staff in providing extra learning opportunities for our students. In addition to classroom learning programs, within the school this month we have the school musical, Art Smart Program, fitness and Friday Sport, Gifted and Talented activities, new lunchtime technology, Year 5 and 6 dancing program, maypole dancing, social skills, the gardening club, high school transition programs, pre-school transition programs, student leaders elections and much more – and all this when we are writing reports and supposedly winding down towards the end of the year. Murwillumbah is a great school. Thank you staff!

It is a wonderful sight seeing so many happy faces each Friday as the new pre-schoolers continue their orientation to 'Big School'. This year the school is anticipating sufficient numbers to make two Kindergarten classes in 2013 and are only two children short of a third class! The children are really enjoying their time and have settled into routines extremely well. I want to make special mention of the fantastic job Mrs Lack has done every week by providing such a warm, caring learning environment. Mrs Bowden and Mrs Schlunke have also assisted Mrs Lack each week and their terrific support has ensured the success of this program.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, at present we are in the process of planning class organisation for 2013. To do this we need to establish accurate numbers for each grade next year. If you are leaving the area or your child is to attend another school next year, could you please return the slip attached to the last newsletter or contact the school office on 6672 1467 as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

I have received excellent reports about the twenty children from our school who attended the Creative and Practical Arts camp at Lennox Head last week. A number of staff from the camp have spoken to me and informed me what great children we have at Murwillumbah School. They were happy, well-mannered and co-operative students during the five day camp that left a great impression on staff. They received individual tuition and were part of a number of performances on the Friday afternoon. Parents have also informed me that our children were brilliant during this performance. Well done to all our students, we are very proud of you!

This week, Year 5 and 6 along with staff members held nominations to select five boys and five girls to run for 2013 school captains. Congratulations to the many children who were nominated and to the following children who were successful in the final selection process. These children will present speeches to the whole school on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December in the new hall at 9.00am.

*Girls:* Kelsey, Tara, Alysha, Lauren and Georgia.

*Boys:* Ryley, Daniel, Jon, Jason and Jed.

All ten children will be outlining what they think make a good school captain and highlighting the qualities they would bring to the position as school captain. Parents are most welcome to join us on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> to listen to all presentation speeches.

At the next P&C meeting on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November, I will be outlining the two new programs the school has received money for in 2013 and how this money can be used. I certainly hope you can join us at 6.30pm. Your attendance is always appreciated and greatly welcomed.

### **Help your kids enjoy reading**

How do you make reading a joy and not a chore for your child? One way is to find information and interesting facts about things that intrigue or interest your child in books, magazines or on the internet. Read and talk about what you find out. Here are some other tips:

<http://www.schooltoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/ten-ideas-to-help-your-child-with-reading>

Regards  
*Les Daley*  
Principal

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS FOR WEEK 6 TERM 4:**

<b>KL:</b>	Archie, Lachlan	<b>4/5H:</b>	Kiara, Monique
<b>1K:</b>	Noah, Nick	<b>5/6GS:</b>	Jake, Ben
<b>1/2T:</b>	Bree-Ann, Claire	<b>5/6L:</b>	Emilee, Anna
<b>2/3A:</b>	Breanna, Keira, Cade	<b>5/6P:</b>	Morgan, Josh
<b>3/4J</b>	Tallulah, Zachary	<b>Computer:</b>	Alex, Xavier, Tate
<b>3/4K:</b>	Taylah, Krystal		

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS FOR WEEK 7 TERM 4:**

<b>KL:</b>	Joshua, Lilly	<b>4/5H:</b>	Madison, Tyson, Ethan
<b>1K:</b>	Brodee, Vanessa, Taylor	<b>5/6GS:</b>	Chloe, Brendan
<b>1/2T:</b>	Mikayla, Lachlann, Ayla	<b>5/6L:</b>	Ronin, Ayla
<b>2/3A:</b>	Ben, Kyle	<b>5/6P:</b>	Jordan, Shaquel
<b>3/4J</b>	Daniel, Jesse, Alexander	<b>Mrs Ryder:</b>	Kyle, Blake, Maddi,
<b>3/4K:</b>	Charlie, Zane		

## SHOW WINNERS

Congratulations to Ebony who won first place for the entry of her chicken (an Old English Bantam) in the Murwillumbah Show. She was pleased to share the winning spirit with fellow student Daniel, who received the runner up prize with his entry of an Orpington hen. Both students and chickens were proud to show off their winning sashes at school the following Monday.



## LIBRARY NEWS

This week, Week 7, is the last week that children can borrow books from the Library. **All** books must be returned to the Library by the end of Week 8, that is, Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> November. The Library will then be closed for the remainder of the year for Stocktake. Lost or damaged books will need to be paid for so that they can be replaced. If your child brings a note home regarding overdue, lost or damaged books, please attend to the matter immediately.

## Book Club

Issue 8 brochures were distributed last week. All orders must be back at school by 12 noon on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. No late orders, please. This is the last Book Club for 2012. Thank you to all those families who purchased items from Book Club during the year. Your support helps to purchase books for the Library, for classrooms, and for Assembly prizes.

## Book Sale

There are many books for sale that have been removed from the Library shelves. 10c each, or 12 for \$1. Children can buy them before school or at playtime.

Jo Vining

## REMINDER – CURRUMBIN WILDLIFE SANCTUARY EXCURSION FOR K / 1 / 2

Payment is now due for the Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary excursion for years K – 2. Please bring your note and payment of \$25 to the office before Monday 3 December. Thank you

## WIN AN IPAD MINI

Make a deposit into your Youthsaver account **at school** any time between November 19 and December 14 2012 and you will go into the draw to win one of twelve ipad minis (16GB with wifi valued at \$369). For terms and conditions see the Commonwealth Bank website – [www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

## MURWILLUMBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 4 - 2012

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7			21 November	22 November	23 November
8	26 November	27 November <b>MPS Musical.</b> <b>All day rehearsal.</b> <b>Evening show</b>	28 November Yr 5/6 Science Transition Day M'Bah HS	29 November Dance performance at Civic Centre. 40 Children to attend.	30 November
9	3 December <b>WHS Orientation</b> (Parents 6.30pm) 11.00 Oxley Club Music performance- Bray Park SDA Church Library Stocktake	4 December <b>Wollumbin HS</b> <b>Orientation</b>	5 December <b>M'Bah HS</b> <b>Orientation</b>	6 December <b>M'Bah HS</b> <b>Orientation</b> <b>WHS Band</b> <b>Performance at</b> <b>school 2pm.</b>	7 December  Yr K/1/2 Currumbin Excursion.
10	10 December Yr 6 Farewell 5- 7.30pm Captain Speeches 9.00am Library Stocktake	11 December	12 December <b>Presentation Day</b>	13 December	14 December <b>Bell Ringing</b> <b>Reports Home</b>
11	17 December	18 December 9.30-12.30. Rehab Music performance	19 December <b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>	20 December <b>SDD</b>	21 December <b>SDD</b>
	21 December <b>School Holidays</b>				

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **Jack Newton Junior Golf** Junior golf development day, Thursday 10 January 2013 from 9am – 2:30pm at Mullumbimby golf course. Call Gerard Wilkinson 0419 708 676.
- **Air Conditioning** – For all your air conditioning and refrigeration needs please contact Nick De Lyon at Jade A&R on 0414 862 762

#### Murwillumbah Taekwondo



Health and fitness, confidence and well-being, self defence skills and a positive attitude.

Just a few benefits you will gain from doing Taekwondo.

Monday & Thursday in the Catholic Hall.

**Monday** 4:15 – 5:15pm & 5:30 – 6:30pm

**Thursday** 5:30 – 6:30pm

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#### MURWILLUMBAH OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Before and after school care is available here at school.

Please contact Tanya John on 0413 483 802 to make the necessary arrangements.

Application forms and prices are available from the school office.