



Murwillumbah Public School

Promoting Excellence in Education

Newsletter

17th December 2014 Term 4 Week 11



HAPPY & SAFE HOLIDAYS!

Principals Message

Dear All

We have come to the end of another busy, successful year at Murwillumbah Public School.

Firstly, I would like to thank the students, who have worked really hard in 2014 and can be well pleased with their achievements as individuals and as a school community.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our hardworking staff at Murwillumbah Public School for their commitment and contribution to the provision of quality education for all students.

Thank you for the dedication, professionalism and commitment, each teacher gives to their students and school community. Your continued effort to promote and support progressive teaching and learning is the basis for the excellence achieved by our school. Each day you demonstrate your passion and commitment to public education.

I also extend my sincere thanks to our wonderful office, canteen and support staff, for the enormous effort they all put in as a team, and their tireless work in ensuring a smooth and calm school operation.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank all the members of the parent community for their support and contribution in making Murwillumbah Public School ready to face the challenges of the future. Thank you also to our broader parent/carer community for your support throughout the year.

The staff wishes every family a very happy and safe summer holiday and look forward to seeing you in 2015.

Dear Year Six,

It is always with mixed emotions that a primary school says farewell to its most senior class.

There is much excitement and enthusiasm to cheer you on as you take that most appropriate and well-deserved step to high school. There is also melancholy because you will be missed.

Murwillumbah Public School is proud of all its students, but there is an extra-special fondness for its graduating class.

Girls and boys, feel proud that you leave Murwillumbah Public School having made your mark most splendid as senior students.

I wish you the brightest and most amazing futures.



School leaders

Today I announced the 2015 School Captains and Leaders. Congratulations to the following children.

Captains: Sid & Cedar

Vice Captains: Zachary & Charlie

Leaders: Samantha, Emma, Taylah, Jacob, Lucas and Zane.

Reports

Last Thursday students took home their Semester 2 reports. As I read through them, it was lovely to see so much positive feedback on student achievement in academic, social, sporting and cultural spheres. I encourage you to spend some time analysing the reports with your children, and perhaps identifying some goals for 2015.

Year 6 Farewell

Unfortunately, last Tuesday afternoon, we were hit with a major storm that left the school with no electricity and we had no choice but to postpone the Year 6 farewell to Wednesday between recess and lunch. Staff went about contacting every year 6 parent informing them of the decision.

The hall looked terrific, thanks to the decorations provided by Mrs King.

Students 'danced the middle session away' led by Mrs King and Mrs Power. Old favourites like 'Heel and Toe Polka, The Barn Dance, Nut Bush and The Chicken Dance" were just

a couple of songs that children enjoyed on the day.

Thank you to the many teachers and support staff that gave up their time to make this event the success that it was.

Thank you to the students for your wonderful behaviour and exceptional dance moves and for turning up the next day dressed for the occasion. Thank you also to parents for your understanding but most importantly, your support. It was greatly appreciated.

Presentation

Congratulations to all children and staff for a great presentation night last Friday. Both the K-2 and 3-6 presentations ran very smoothly. The hall was jam packed with parents and friends to watch both presentations. I have already received positive feedback from a number of parents who were very impressed with the night. The children looked terrific, performed well and looked to really enjoy themselves throughout the evening.

Thank you to the Murwillumbah staff who went out of their way to provide drinks and the BBQ for all our parents.

PLEASE NOTE - OUR SWIMMING CARNIVAL WILL BE ON FRIDAY 30TH JANUARY

Les Daley
Principal



P & C News

Thank you to everyone who helped support the P&C this year, no matter how small your contribution your effort was truly appreciated!

We are wanting a little feedback about how you feel about the P&C and are hoping you could please complete this 2 minute online survey over the holidays. Please type this link into your browser to go to the Survey Monkey site. <http://svy.mk/12PGbky>

Or simply scan the QR Code with your smartphone or tablet camera.

Please note: A paper copy of the survey will be sent home in the new year.

Merry Christmas everyone and may 2015 be all you desire – and more!

Warmest Regards

Sonya Taylor

P&C President, 2014



School Supplies for 2015

KINDERGARTEN / YEAR 1 / YEAR 2

The following stationery supplies are required for Kindergarten, Years 1 and 2 for 2015.

We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

Kindergarten

- 4 Glue Sticks
- Large box of tissues
- Library Bag (can use the one you were given in transition)
- 2 black whiteboard markers - these will be collected and used as a class set

Years 1 and 2

- Pencil case
- 5 Lead pencils - please stock up the whole year (preferably HB)
- Coloured pencils - 2 packets of 12
- Textas
- Wooden ruler - labelled in millimetres as well as centimetres
- Sharpener (not battery operated)
- Erasers (not battery operated)
- 4 x 128 page A4 sized exercise books
- 4 Glue sticks
- Large box of tissues
- Library bag
- Gel pens and highlighters (optional)

Please remember that these supplies run out and need to be restocked throughout the year.

Some books may be sent home to be covered. Contact and covering paper may also need to be purchased.

YEAR 3 / YEAR 4

The following stationery supplies are required for Years 3-4 for 2015.

We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

- Pencil case
- Lead pencils - please stock up the whole year (preferably HB)
- Scissors
- Coloured pencils
- Textas
- Wooden ruler - labelled in millimetres as well as centimetres
- Sharpener (not battery operated)
- Erasers (not battery operated)
- 4 x 128 page A4 sized exercise books
- 3 x 64 page A4 sized exercise books
- 4 Glue sticks
- Large box of tissues
- Art Shirt
- Library bag
- Gel pens and highlighters (optional)
- Dictionary (Oxford and Collins are best)
- Small Calculator
- Felt tip pen (black) - thin. eg Artline 210
- Black permanent marker

Please remember that these supplies run out and need to be restocked throughout the year.

Some books may be sent home to be covered. Contact and covering paper may also need to be purchased.

School Supplies for 2015

YEAR 5 / YEAR 6

The following stationery supplies are required for Years 5-6 for 2015.

We would appreciate if you could purchase these supplies and have them **labelled** and ready for use.

- Pencil case
- Lead pencils - please stock up the whole year (preferably HB)
- Coloured pencils
- Textas
- Blue and Red pens
- Wooden ruler - labelled in millimetres as well as centimetres
- Sharpener (not battery operated)
- Erasers (not battery operated)
- 3 x 128 page A4 sized exercise books
- 3 x 64 page A4 sized exercise books
- Glue sticks - please stock up for the year
- Large box of tissues
- Gel pens and highlighters (optional)
- Small Calculator with a fraction button
- Felt tip pen (black) - medium. eg Artline 210
- Black permanent marker

Please remember that these supplies run out and need to be restocked throughout the year.

Some books may be sent home to be covered. Contact and covering paper may also need to be purchased.

CALENDAR

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
11			17th December Last Day 2014 for Students	18th December Staff Development Day	19th December Staff Development Day
School Holidays: 22nd December 2014 - 27th January 2015 All students return to school Wednesday January 28th 2015 Years 1-6 start 8:55am Kindergarten start 10am					
Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1			28th January First Day 2015 for Students Yrs 1 to 6 - 8:55am Kindergarten - 10am	29th January	30th January Swimming Carnival