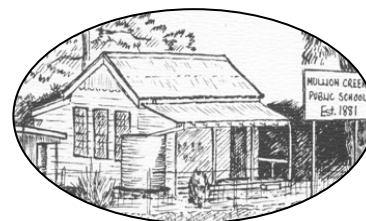


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Newsletter

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Coming events for Term 4

- 12th November: Regional Performing Ensemble
- 20th November: Dress Rehearsal Schools Spectacular
- 20th-21st November: School Spectacular 5:30 pm Orange
- 25th November-6th December: Swimming Lessons
- 4th December: Year 6 Presentation 2:00 pm
- 5th December: Presentation Night 6:00 pm
- 10th - 12th December: End of Year Excursions
- 17th December: Games & Activities
- 18th December: LAST DAY TERM – mufti day

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We are halfway through our final term for 2019. It was wonderful having all of the Grandparents visit and participate in the interviews about their lives when they were in primary school. The children enjoyed hearing about the different things their grandparents did when they were young. It is always lovely sharing what we do in our school. A big thank you to Emily, the P&C and community members who brought in the lovely afternoon tea to share.

Staff Training: Last week staff attended PL at Cumnock completing CPR and anaphylaxis training, along with staff from Spring Hill, Clergate and Cumnock Schools.

Staff Retirement: Mrs Judy Burns has advised that she will be retiring at the end of this year. An EOI has been sent out for the vacant position and when this process is finalised the community will be informed.

Student Assessments: Over the next few weeks the students will be participating in a variety of assessments tasks. The data collected will inform and provide further information on our students' progress and information as to where to go next in the children's learning.

Regional Performing Ensemble: Tomorrow we will have a performance by The Regional Performing Ensemble. The Ensemble is made up of about 50 highly talented students of High Schools from the South Coast, Highlands, Snowy Mountains and Queanbeyan areas and includes a full stage band, vocal ensemble and dance troupe. We are looking forward to hosting our visitors.

Bush Fire Season: As the fire season has already started with devastating consequences across much of our state, we have reviewed our fire plan to ensure that all we need is in place. ***If you have changed your contact details,***

please ensure you let us know so that we have correct contact numbers in case of emergencies.

OSSA SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR

Next week our students will be performing in the OSSA Schools Spectacular at the Orange Civic Theatre and tickets are now on sale for those who wish to attend.

Wednesday is a dress rehearsal 10:00am-2:00pm - a note about transportation was sent home last week. Students are asked to be back at the theatre car park stage door at 5:30pm ready for their performance.

The children who wish to be in the choir require a Hawaiian shirt, this will be the first item on the program. Students who want to sing in the choir will be practising each day this week and we will also be having a connected classroom lesson later this week with the other students who will be singing in the choir.

STATE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Last Wednesday Madison competed in the individual 100m 12 yrs running finishing with a personal best time. She also competed in the long jump girls 12-13 yrs.

On Thursday our relay team ran in the Nigel Bagley Small School's relay. The children ran so very well and ended up 7th in the final. Their commitment and determination was evident. Students at school watched all the races on TV and the team really appreciated the children cheering at school. I was so proud of the way they all supported one another.

A huge thank you to the parents for all of your support with training and the competition.



STEM ACADEMY

Last Friday Mrs Cloete and I attended the final presentation of Sydney University STEM Academy. We had the opportunity to showcase to them many wonderful activities our students are involved in.

As part of our presentation and the focus on 'Women in Science' 4 of our female students attended and spoke. Each student spoke with confidence and clarity. They answered questions from other teachers in the room with ease. We were proud of their poise and confidence in communicating at this level.

Huge thank you to Mrs Cloete for all of her work on the comprehensive presentation.

AROUND OUR ROOMS

K-1 Class: students are continuing with persuasive texts and are looking at the pros and cons of issues that are present in their lives – eg wearing school uniforms and should we wear a school hat.

Yrs 2-3 Class: congratulations to our students for working so well with a number of casual teachers whilst Mrs Burns has been laid up with a sore back (which is coming good, thank you). Students are continuing with end of year assessments and an English unit on narrative writing.

Yrs 4-6 Class is continuing to learn about electricity and circuits. They are learning about the different body parts and the function of each. In their literacy studies students are reading and responding to humour in stories.

LIBRARY

All books have to be returned by **7th December**. Over the next few weeks we ask that the students search around to find any library books that they might have borrowed over the year so that we can stocktake our resources at the end of the year.

END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Presentation Night: The end of year Presentation Night will be held on Tuesday, 5th December. All parents, family and community are invited to attend.

Thank you to Parents & Community: the school will host the BBQ on Presentation Night as a thank you to parents and the community for their assistance during the year.

Thank You P&C: Huge thank you to parents who manned the mini-train's barbecue last Saturday and to the parents who supplied cupcakes for sale on the day. It is because of your ongoing support of the fundraisers that we can offer students at Mullion Creek such a diverse range of resources beyond those provided for in our budget.

Government resourcing of schools is finite and based on the number of students in a school and the needs of the community and children. The funds provided cover the basic educational needs of our students.

It is the commitment and tireless work of the Mullion Creek P&C that supports and helps purchase many of the resources to ensure our students are afforded the best

learning opportunities possible. Without the commitment and support of our school to raise funds we would not be able to offer the many different opportunities we do.

The staff and students appreciate the efforts of those who help in fundraising activities.

Christmas Giving Tree: Thank you to those families that have generously given to our Christmas giving tree. There are still some tags left and we are hoping to finalise this by 2nd December.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

The Year 6 Graduation Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, 4th December, commencing at 2:00 pm and conclude with afternoon tea. All parents and community are invited to attend.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Mullion Creek Progress Association will be holding a Christmas Party on Sunday, 8th December and has invited our students to participate and enter the colouring in competition.

STUDENT AWARDS

Week 3: Lincoln, Brodie, Quinn, Aletha, Tiana, Caleb, Grace, Bridgette, Chloe, Hayden



Week 4: Eleanor, Jett, Bridgette, Josie, Matt, Lewis

