Playgroup 0-5 Years Monday 7th April
Local families are welcome to attend our next playgroup morning with Mrs Happy. Playgroup operates from 9.30am - 11.30am. It provides a great opportunity for parents to not only socialise with other parents but to also spend quality time with their child in early learning educational games and activities. We hope to see lots of you there!

Cross Country Wednesday 9th April
Weather permitting, our school cross country will begin at 9.00am. The course sees our students run around the school “block”. A special course for Kindergarten occurs inside the school grounds. Parents and family members are welcome to come along and cheer our students on.

ANZAC School Ceremony - Friday 11th April
Our school ceremony will begin at 9.00am next to our Remembrance Garden (weather permitting). Our special guest is Greg Adams from the RSL.

Murwillumbah ANZAC Day March - 25th April
Students who wish to march on ANZAC Day with the school as part of the Murwillumbah celebrations are asked to meet Mrs Rowsell outside the Post Office at 10.15am for the march off at 10.30am. Students should wear full school uniform.

Easter Raffles
Our Easter raffles last year were very popular so we are again asking students to donate some Easter eggs for our raffles. These will then be made into Easter Egg baskets. Our senior students will begin selling raffles tickets on Monday 7th April at the school gate each morning. Raffles will be drawn on the last day at our Easter celebration. Tickets will be 50c each.

Easter Celebration - 11th April at 2:00pm
Our celebration will begin at 2:00pm with a special guest determining our Stage winners of the Easter Egg….Dioramas. We will then draw our Easter Egg raffles and have some Easter Egg and Spoon races. We hope lots of parents and family members can join us.

Winter Trials
Congratulations to Riley and Summer for representing our school at the soccer Winter Trials. We wish Summer all the best in her next game with the district team tomorrow.

Touch Trials
If your child is interested in competing for a place in the District Touch Team on Monday 5th April, please contact the school office. Please note: students must know the rules and be able to play.
P&C News

At last week's AGM the following people were elected to form the new committee:

President - Alicia Morgan
Vice President - Heidi Plater
Secretary - Jenny Longhurst and Bec May
Treasurer - Kelly Yates

A vacancy exists for a second Vice-president, which hopefully will be filled during the year.

Copies of Financial and other reports are available in the office.

Resolutions of the meeting were:

- That the P&C join the District Council of P&C at an annual membership of $25 and our delegates will be Alicia Morgan, Kelly Yates and Heidi Plater.
- That the P&C pay for student injury insurance on behalf of all students at a cost of $4.85 each.

The P&C will be holding a Mother's Day gift stall on Wednesday 7th May during recess. The children will be able to choose from a selection of wrapped gifts available for $5. No pre ordering is necessary and money will need to be brought on the day.

Advance notice: A major Fundraising activity will be held on Sunday 1st June 2014. This is a Bunnings sausage sizzle and operates from 8am til 4pm. Many helpers are needed to ensure the success of this event. It has the potential to raise approximately $1000.

The next P&C meeting will be the 27th May at 7pm. All welcome.

Values Awards

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Lily Y</td>
<td>Being involved</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lachlan</td>
<td>Being prepared</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Isla</td>
<td>Being prompt</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clint</td>
<td>Being respectful</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Matthew</td>
<td>Being responsible</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Class Awards

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Award</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Jaxom</td>
<td>Great effort in sport activities</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lilly M</td>
<td>Always giving her best effort</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shayla</td>
<td>Showing initiative during class time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zhane</td>
<td>Great effort during numeracy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Alexander</td>
<td>Improvement in reading</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The Long Summer Days: A Chance to Do Fun Things

I know the housework still waits but the longer days are a great opportunity for children to be active, have fun and explore their natural world!

- Plan a BBQ chicken and salad or other easy meal so you can relax about playing with your children.
- See if you can organise something like a roster with your children's friend's parents or neighbours to supervise play in the local park or beach.
- Don't undervalue the simple things, such as having balls available for the kids to play with. Often they'll have so much fun they won't even realise they're being active.
- Walk or cycle to school with the kids. It's a great time to catch up and a good opportunity to get the dog out for a walk. You can even take turns with the neighbours.
- Straight after school is a danger time for children to come home and sit on the couch. To avoid this, pack up some sandwiches and stop by a park on the way home. It's a good way for both you and the kids to unwind and have fun.
- Have your family friends come around for a barbeque and bring their children too. When kids get together they always find ways to have active fun.

And even though they might resist at first if you persuade your child to come and help with that housework, maybe bring the washing in with you, you will have that lovely time to talk about their day and their friends and interests and they'll learn a valuable skill!

Thank you to all the students who participated in the mufti day for Story Dogs. We raised $40.00.