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Term 4 Week 9

Principal's Message

It was a pleasure to listen to all 12 school leadership nominees give their speeches Monday.

Parents, you would have been very proud of the way they presented themselves and the confident manner in which they delivered their message.

All 12 students are great ambassadors of Milton Public School and would make a great school leader.

Votes will be counted, and announcements made over the next couple weeks.

Parents are reminded that primary school students in NSW schools are not permitted to have a mobile phone or any device that allows students to communicate, record or transmit data.

We've had a couple instances recently where some students have filmed fellow students without them knowing. You would understand why we are concerned about this and why this is not permitted. We request your support in ensuring your child understands that these devices must not be at school.

If a parent requires their child to carry a phone with them for after school purposes, please send a note to school explaining the situation. We will ask the student to hand in their phone on arrival, and it will be returned at the end of the day.

Your support with this request is appreciated. Mark Thomson

Recognising Our Great Students

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at yesterday's K-6 Assembly:

Bronze	Joel, Charlie
Silver:	Josie, Joe
Gold:	Khy, Lee, Pearl, Hermione, Eden, Alana,
	Tyson, Ty
Gold Bar 1:	Cohan, Callum, Alexis, Emily

Gold Bar 2: Oliver, Milly







Tuesday 30th November 2021.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY

• Kindergarten 2022 Aboriginal Students' Orientation

THURSDAY

Kindergarten 2022 Support Class Transition

FRIDAY

- Mini Fete
- K-6 Virtual Assembly

MONDAY

• Ulladulla High School Year 6 Virtual Information Session

TUESDAY

• Year 6 Farewell and Senior Social

COMING EVENTS

K-2 Christmas Concert Wednesday 8th December

P&C Raffle Draw Thursday 9th December

Years 3-6 Presentation Day Friday 10th December

> Year 6 Graduation Monday 13th December

K-2 Sports and Christmas Picnic Wednesday 15th December



Year 2 Environment Dioramas

Congratulations to the Year 2 students for creating beautiful dioramas representing different environments from across the globe. Students learned how plants and animals survive in unique and sometimes challenging environments. Brilliant work Year 2!



First Nations Year 6 Transition Day

On Friday the 26th of November, Chae Moloney and Mrs Naomi Rafidi travelled with Bayden M, Phoenix W, Jonah W. Bahlie S, Jamila M and Kiara B to Ulladulla High School to participate in an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Transition Day. Despite the rain, we had a fabulous time. Students had the opportunity to meet other First Nations students coming into Year Seven from Ulladulla Primary School as well as meeting most of the teachers responsible for First Nations education at Ulladulla High School. The excursion started with a welcome to Country from Aunty Nell and both the UHS didge group and dancers performing. We got to hear from passionate Aboriginal teachers about the importance of knowing where you come from and what it means to be a proud First Nations person at UHS. We then moved to the Gunya room where we split into groups to have a yarn, paint part of their latest mural with Shane Snelson and play some traditional games. We were well fed and would like to thank Erica, the Aboriginal Educational Officer from UHS, for organising such a great event.



2022 Captain and Prefect Speeches

Our wonderful leadership nominees all stood up and bravely staked their claim for a position as 2022 Captain or Vice Captain. They all represented themselves with true style and grace, making the voting a difficult one for the audience. Every one of these kids would make wonderful leaders of our school, however there can only be 6.

Successful candidates will be announced to the school this Friday during our virtual assembly, with the 2 captains to be announced at the Presentation Day assembly on Friday the 10th. Congratulations to Lachlan, Suvi, Taliesen, Ava, Sam, Kayley, Finn, Hannah, Ben, Jaya, Noah and Skye.

3-6 Presentation Assembly

Our annual 3-6 Presentation Day assembly will be held on Friday 10th December in our school hall. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, we are unable to have family and friends attend this assembly. We will be filming it and the video will be uploaded to our MPS Facebook page. A reminder to all students that full school uniform is required, including yellow t-shirts for Year 6.

Year 6 Mini Fete - Friday the 3rd of December

The cost is \$7 for a sheet of tokens that can be used across the school. Funds raised at Minifete go towards the purchase of a gift from Year 6 to the school.

Please send in a gold coin with your child on the day of the Mini Fete so they can buy a moustache for Movember to raise awareness for men's health.

K-2 Christmas Concert

The school is buzzing with the sounds of Christmas as our K-2 classrooms are busy practicing for the upcoming Christmas Concert. Filming will take place on Wednesday 8th December (week 10) with the video available to watch by the beginning of week 11. Your class teacher will contact you with costume information. If you have any questions about the concert, please contact Miss Howes via the front office

MPS Scholastic Book Fair

I would like to thank all the students, parents and school community for their support of the Scholastic Book Fair once again. The school library has raised a significant amount of money to buy resources for the students in the near future. With the changed conditions due to Covid 19 sales were greater than any previous year. Thank you for your understanding of the changed purchasing conditions. I hope we will be back to normal soon and look forward to connecting with the parents and carers again in 2022. Enjoy your books and keep reading!! Stephen grant

Teacher Librarian

Library Borrowing

All borrowed library books are due to be returned this week. This will allow time for the school library to stocktake resources. Please look high and low for any books that may have been lost over the last few years. All returns would be greatly appreciated.

Students have been sent an email reminding them of the books currently borrowed. They can also view their borrowing history online by logging into Oliver in their student portal. If a book cannot be found due to unforeseen circumstances please send a note to school explaining the loss to the library.

Sometimes students place books back on shelves and not into the returns box (Boris). I encourage students to let the library staff know if they think they returned a book so staff can look on the shelves. Notices will be sent out to students with overdue books early next week. Thank you for your cooperation.

Stephen Grant

Teacher Librarian.



Multilit Tutors 2022

Attention Parents, Carers and Interested Community Members

We are desperate to get our Multilit Tutoring Program up and running as early as possible in the new year. Multilit is a program where tutors work with one child at a time through a series of scripted activities that help improve their reading and word attack skills one morning a week for 30-35 minutes. The children attend four days each week, and usually have a different tutor each day. If you are a returning tutor, we will welcome you back with open arms and a refresher course if you feel you need it. If you are interested in volunteering for this valuable program for the first time, we will provide the training you need. To be involved in this program you will need a Working with Children Check and a fully Covid vaccinated green tick. We have really missed your help this year and would love to offer the program to the children who have missed out. If you think you can assist please call the school office and leave your name and number.

School dates for 2022

Please mark these dates in your diary:

Friday, 28th January - Teachers return. **Pupil free day**. Monday, 31st January - **Pupil free day**.

Tuesday, 1st February - Students Yrs 1-6 return for 2022. Best Start commences for Kindy students.

Friday, 4th February - Kindergarten start school.

Organisation for Returning to School 2022

As students arrive at school on Tuesday 1st February, students in years 1 and 2 (2022) will place their bags outside the hall in the canteen COLA and stay in the silver seat area until assembly. Students in years 3-6 (2022) will place their bags in the Upper COLA and stay in the COLA or quadrangle until assembly. We will start with a whole school assembly in the hall with all children years 1-6 sitting in their 2021 places. After assembly, students will collect their bags and break off in year groups listed below: Year 1 - to silver seats area Year 2 - to Canteen COLA Year 3 - to Bus Shelter Year 4 - to Grassy area at the top Quad (or Library if inclement weather) Year 5 - to Eastern end of COLA Year 6 - to Western end of COLA. Please note we do not form 2022 classes this first week of school to allow for enrolment numbers to settle.

P&C Raffle – 2021

As you are probably aware, Covid-19 restrictions and lockdowns have hugely impacted school operations this year. Our usual school fundraising events for 2021 have been affected too. Firstly, we were unable to hold our major annual fundraising event, The Milton Public School Fete. We then decided as an alternative to this, we'd run a special Father's Day Raffle, and had some amazing prizes donated. Unfortunately, lockdown prevented this and many other school activities from happening.

Don't worry because the P&C will not be beaten by these challenges!!! It is with great excitement that we announce the Milton Public School P& C Raffle -2021

First Prize is a Victor Lawn Mower valued at \$550 that was generously donated by Rhys Williams Gardening. Runner-up prizes include;

- A pair of Maui Jim sunglasses valued at \$250 donated
- by Tony Ireland Eye Q Optometrists Rip Curl Pack & \$100 Altar Wine Bar Vouchers donated by Peter & Sasha Howcroft from Astute
- Physiotherapy \$100 Altar Wine Bar voucher donated by Altar Wine Bar
- \$100 Bunnings Voucher donated by Pam Blondinau
- Woodstock Chocolate Hamper valued at \$100 donated by the Johnson family
- \$100 Ulladulla Chinese Restaurant Voucher donated by Leon Koellner Concrete
- \$80 Teds Butchery Voucher donated by the MacPherson family
- \$50 Voucher for ALL RV Spares and Repairs donated by Michael Pearse
- Sports Drink Glass/Metal Drink bottles donated by the Hollamby family

Tickets are \$2 each or \$10 a booklet.

If you have already purchased and returned payment and stubs from the Father's Day Raffle they will be included in this raffle.

If you wish to be included in this fundraising raffle, please return ticket stubs and money to the school office by Wednesday 8th December 2021.

Money raised from this raffle, will go towards supporting new and existing initiatives, programs and projects for our wonderful school.

Prizes will be drawn on Thursday 9th December on the school oval after recess. Unfortunately, parents will not be allowed to attend due to COVID restrictions.

Thank you to our kind supporters within the community who have donated gifts and to those who support us by purchasing tickets. If you would like to donate to the raffle, please contact the school office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

Junior Performance Poetry Competition

The Ruth Davis Memorial Poetry competition will be held at the Milton Show 4th—5th March 2022. Competition entry forms can be collected from the school office. Poems can be any author, including one of your own. Entries close Friday 11th February 2022.

Shoalhaven Football will be hosting January School Holiday Clinics for ages 5 – 13 years Lighthouse Oval 18th & 19th Jan

9am – 12 noon South Nowra 20th & 21st Jan 9am – 12 noon St Georges Basin 24th & 25th Jan 9am – 12 noon Cost of the clinic is \$75.00

To Register email coaching@shoalhavenfootball.com.au

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