Principals Message

Yesterday we held our 2016 Parent Information Sessions. I trust you found these sessions beneficial in hearing about class & stage expectations, practices and other organisational matters.

While not every parent could attend, there will be another opportunity in week six for parents to meet individual class teachers along with your child during a 15 minute interview where you will be able to set out three individual goals for your child to work towards throughout 2016.

As a school our focus is on personalising learning and delivering a differentiated curriculum. We have sent home an interview slip with a time preference that you will need to nominate and return to school by next Wednesday 24th. This will allow us to confirm your 15 minute appointment and notify you of your confirmed timeslot. We hope that you will be able to make this appointment as it is a terrific opportunity for the school, parents and children to work together to establish future learning direction for your son or daughter.

This week I have been lucky enough to visit classrooms whilst students have been in a number of lessons. I have been so impressed with the quality of the work that our students are producing not only in the older years but in our lower grades as well. Great work from our students and our fabulous teachers as well. Our Kindergarten children are powering along!

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone at Murwillumbah for such a great start to 2016. The dedication, cooperation and support from the staff at Murwillumbah has truly been demonstrated over the past couple of weeks ensuring programs are up and running with students engaged from day one. I am looking forward to seeing our students’ successes throughout the year.

Last week we were joined by a number of parents during our Leaders Induction Assembly. It was our first official function for 2016 and I know that the students enjoyed the opportunity to be presented with their leader’s badge. Thank you to those parents who were able to join us and take part in this special occasion.

Last week our new blue shade sails were installed outside the music room and 3/4K. It has quite a huge span and will provide lots
of shade shelter for children during eating time. Students in 3 and 4 have already been enjoying this new facility. Can I thank the P&C who donated $5500 towards this project. We are now awaiting quotes for further shade sails for our 5/6 children from the same company.

Please note the safety procedures for picking students up early/dropping students off after an appointment, helping out in classrooms, working in the canteen, working in the library etc; it is a requirement that you sign in and out at the office. Please do not go directly to your destination. It is a Work Health and Safety requirement that at all time we are aware of who is on site. Signing in at the office is our official record and vital in the event of an emergency procedure. To avoid any misunderstanding, please note that parents and carers MUST come to the office first before picking their children up from classrooms. You will be given a permission slip – a school record for audit and attendance records. Teachers are not to release students unless they are handed this slip of paper. As you can appreciate with so many students at our school we are accountable for where they are at all times.

We have regular evacuation and lockdown practises so that everyone knows what to do in case we have an emergency. All students and staff are involved in these practises. If we have to ever leave the school site for an evacuation, all staff and students are trained in these procedures that will ensure the safety of all students and staff at Murwillumbah Public.

The school is requesting that parents contact the

school immediately if at any time throughout the year their child is diagnosed with any contagious medical condition/illness. This information is important to all families but especially where the diagnosis could affect the health of another child/ren who may be undergoing medical treatment for a serious medical issue. We would appreciate your support in this matter.

Every year our Kindergarten children take part in a starting school photo shoot that features in the local newspaper-The Daily News. This photo will take place on Monday 7th March for all our Kindergarten children. At this stage we have not been notified of any child who cannot appear in this photo.

All class photos for all families will take part on Wednesday 2nd March. We are just waiting for final information and envelopes to arrive from the photographer so that we may send this home to all parents.

Next Wednesday 24th February our P&C will be holding the Annual General meeting commencing at 6.30pm in the Library. We would like to invite as many parents as possible to attend this meeting and be part of the decision making process on behalf of all parents. If you can spare an hour to an hour and a half of your time next Wednesday from 6.30pm, come along and join us.

Enjoy the week
Regards
Les Daley
Principal

P&C News

The P&C AGM will be held on Wednesday 24th February at 6.30pm in the school library. All parents, carers and children are welcome to attend.

All current positions held with our committee will be declared vacant.
We will be looking for nominations for the position of Treasurer.
All roles in the P&C are needed to continue the valuable input we have within the school.
Included in the agenda will be the adoption of new bylaws for Murwillumbah Public School P&C Association.
If you are interested in joining our P&C or would like some more information about P&C please contact me on 0488105389 or at nat.hall@hotmail.com. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have about what is involved.
### Merit Awards

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Mrs Taylor: Brooke, Oliver
Mr Johnston: Thomas O'B-F, Hudson E

### Canteen Roster

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**Year 7 2017 Information Evening**

*All parents and students are welcome.*

Michael McNamara
Relieving Principal

**Parents and carers of students commencing Year 7 in 2017 are invited to an Information Evening at Murwillumbah High School on Tuesday 23rd February at 6 pm in the school library.**

Riverview Street Ph: 6672 1566
School News

DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Last Wednesday, 20 swimmers represented our school at the District swimming carnival. All of our students competed well, with many recording their fastest times. We have 5 boys heading off to the far North Coast Carnival next Friday 26th February, to also be held at Murwillumbah Pool. Good luck to Koa, Cooper and the boys Senior Relay team - Cooper, Daniel, Ben and Noah.

DANCE NEWS
The Far North Coast Dance Festival will be held at the Gold Coast Arts Centre this year on Monday the 16th and Tuesday the 17th of May. This is in Term 2, Week 4. Auditions have been completed and successful students will be offered a place in this year's group on Thursday this week. Being a member of the Dance Group is a big commitment with many lunch times spent rehearsing leading up to the concert. I was very impressed with the quality of the auditions and I look forward to sharing the joy of performance with the successful students from Year 2 to 6. A big thank you to Mrs Hill who assisted me during the audition process.
Simone King - Dance Coordinator

WOLLUMBIN HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSION
Teachers and students from Wollumbin High School will be coming to school on Monday 22nd February 2016 at 11:30 am to talk to Year 6 students about their transition to high school program. Any parents are also welcome to attend and receive additional information about further transition activities.

Stage One
Stage One has had a fantastic start to the year. All our new students have settled well into their perspective classrooms and have made many new friends. Class routines are established and it is great to see all students in full school uniform.
On Wednesday mornings Stage One do fitness together and are practising their ball skills this term. These skills will be applied during Sport.
Last Friday 1K had a chemistry lesson with Ms Turnbull from Murwillumbah High School. The students had lots of fun deciding what things were solids, gases or liquids. They made 'magic mud' which could be both a solid and liquid.
Community Noticeboard

Looking for healthy lunchbox inspiration, tips, recipes and ideas? Subscribe to Let’s Look at Lunches, a fortnightly e-newsletter developed by Northern NSW LHD with the aim to take the challenge out of packing a healthy lunchbox.

Send your first name, email address and post code by:
- Text to 0429 033 517
- Email lookatlunches@gmail.com

Also follow us on Instagram @lookatlunches

HYPER KIDS -
A Sunday afternoon kid’s club for primary age run by St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church Murwillumbah. Each month we have games, activities and a time to learn about Jesus. Anyone from K-6 is welcome. Cost is $3/child. Begins at 3:30pm at 16 Wollumbin street behind the church.

Contact
Julia Johansen: 0407 755 226
On facebook: ……..100yr Reunion Fornvales Primary School NSW
Email: ……..fernvale1898@outlook.com

Tweed Creative Studios presents
Youth Night

Friday 19th February 2016 7-9.30pm

Community Open Mic…All Welcome

Live Life Well @ School

A joint initiative between the NSW Department of Education and Training and Primary Health

Schools.

100 yr. Reunion Celebration
Fernvale Primary School 18th September 2016
The Bell will ring at 9am and 1pm
WE NEED YOUR HELP
* if interested in being part of or assisting the planning committee for the special day
* to assist the committee to contact past students and teachers
* with any information about the Drama Society and Murwillumbah Pottery use of the school building since the mid 1970’s
* with any information about past and present Fernvale Community Hall members and users
* any past and present local community members who would like to share stories/photos about Fernvale

Memorabilia related to Fernvale School

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MURWILLUMBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU 2016

RECESS MENU

Please use a separate bag when ordering for recess

BAKERY ITEMS
- Fresh baked biscuits, mini cupcakes or slices
- Choice of cheese top roll
- Cheesy toast
- Chips
- Cup of fruit
- Mini hot dog
- Medium pie
- Large beef pie
- Large chicken curry pie

RECESSED TURKISH
- Vegetable tempura, californian salmon, chicken & avocado, tuna, blackened avocado

SUSHI – Ordered Fresh Daily
All $3.00

TOASTED KEBABS
- Chicken & tomato, cheese & tomato, spinach & tomato, vegetable & tomato, beef & tomato, cheese

MEAL DEALS
- Toasted ham & cheese + popper
- Toasted cheese + popper

MIXED COURSES
- Sandwiches – Made to order

ICE BLOCKS
- Banana smoothie (Friday only)
- Wild potion
- Pop top – Apple, orange, bluecurrent
- Lol – Tropkl, razzbri, bluecurrent
- Water

DRINKS
- School milk – chocolate, strawberry, banana
- Nipps – Chocolate, strawberry
- Popper
- Wild potion
- TNT’s – All flavours
- Mony’s – All flavours
- Frozen juice cup
- Frozen jelly pot
- Frozen iced cup
- Mony’s – All flavours
- TNT’s – All flavours

MEAL DEALS
- Toasted ham & cheese + popper
- Toasted cheese + popper

( ) MONDAY ONLY
- Mac n cheese
- Spaghetti bolognese

( ) FRIDAY ONLY
- Spaghetti bolognese

WRAPS
- Chicken & salad
- Ham & salad
- Ham & cheese & tomato

HOT FOOD
- Large chicken mornay roll
- Large meat roll
- Medium pie
- Mini hot beef
- Mini chicken curry

FRESH GARDEN SALAD
- On request

EXTRAS
- Add ham or chicken or cheese or egg or avocado

TOASTED TURKISH
- Chicken, avocado, tomato, chutney, lettuce, onion

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**School Holidays**
Monday 11th April 2016 - Friday 22nd April 2016
Students return to school - Wednesday 27th April 2016