Hello again,

July and August seem to be very busy months on our school calendar, with sporting, artistic and cultural learning days. Thank you for your support with attendance and transport to the special events.

Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to the children who were DOERS NOT WATCHERS at our small schools athletics carnival, as everyone participated with enthusiasm and sportsmanship. There were some children who AIMED HIGH and achieved personal bests and set new records. Well done to the children who made District Athletics:- Joel, Athan, Brody, Maximus, Jack, Montana, Jollea, Abigail, Bree, Savannah and Lilly. BIG CONGRATULATIONS to Athan, Bree and Montana who will be competing at North Queensland Athletics next week representing Burdekin Primary Schools.

Adopt a Cop Ceremony

Next month we will have Snr Constable Shane Martin from Clare Police Station endorsed as our official Adopt-a-Cop followed by a morning tea. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Burdekin Festival of Arts

Well done to all the children who have been busy practising for the speech and drama sections and the music section. On Sunday I helped set up the trophies, art and writing displays and as you read this we would have competed already. Thank you for supporting the children with transport and being part of the audience.

BUSH DANCE

It is becoming a tradition that at the end of term 3 we have a fancy dress ball, this year the theme is BUSH DANCE. Mrs Wellington has commenced teaching the dances and it should be a good night. Further information will go home soon, so get your heel, ‘n’ toe polka dancing shoes ready.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING (PBL)

Recently Kerrie, Jane, Katherine and I attend a PBL training day at Maidavale SS. As you are aware, we MUST review our Responsible Behaviour Plan before the end of the year and this training has readied us for this process. PBL is an overall process of many of the things we are already doing, but it allows us to focus on teaching and rewarding positive behaviour and making sure EVERYONE knows what behaviours are expected at Millaroo School.

Play group—The rain and the shade sails poles construction on Friday did not dampen Grace and Ella’s spirits as they played under the watchful eyes of Mrs Gemma, Jane and Justine. We’re glad you had fun girls! Till next month, Erin.
Our History studies became a real life experience this week with our visit to Deep Creek Veterans Retreat for the 50th Anniversary of Long Tan in the Vietnam War.

The 50th Commemoration of the Battle of Long Tan consolidated our learning journey of semester one history. Remember the year 5 and 6 children explored the impact of Asian immigration on Australia, particularly focusing on Vietnamese immigrants from the war. Students heard first hand accounts of the children that lived in orphanages, that were to later be involved in the infamous “Baby Lift Operation”. This experience was more value than any lesson I could have taught in the classroom as students were captured in the emotion and experience of real war stories.

Music Viva’s “AMANASKA” also offered children the chance to consolidate this year’s music journey. Remember the younger students have been learning about composers, singing simple songs and creating simple rhythms? Well, the amazing rhythmic display on various percussion instruments and the call and repeat melodic line in the songs gave the kids a practical example of how all these elements come together. Also remember the composition the big kids have worked on in term one the we had used a computer program to compose our own piece? This opportunity builds on this knowledge and inspires our future direction for multimedia composition.
P-3 Class Happenings with Sue and Erin

P-3 at the Long Tan 50th Anniversary Ceremony and display. Deep Creek Retreat

Theatre Excursion

Little Red in the Hood
What a great success the CSSAC was with Millaroo winning the Overall and the Aggregate trophies for the second year running. All the children put in a great effort.

A big congratulations to our age champions: Bree Sexton, Lilly Harris, Montana Davis-Horn

Following children made districts: Joel, Athan, Brody, Maximus, Montana, Jollea, Abigail, Bree, Savannah and Lilly.

Winners ARE Grinners
Well done everyone!
Congratulations to all the students of Millaroo who have been working hard with their reading at home and in reading groups.
Your efforts are being rewarded as you continue to meet your reading goals!
Mowing Roster

August 27/28 - Tudehope
Sept 24/25 (mid holidays) - Harris
Oct 8/9 - volunteer please
Oct 22/23 - Petersen
Sept 10/11 - Macdonald

Please remember that mowing around the school is the essential mowing that is required every fortnight during the winter months. If you are unable to mow on weekends, you are more than welcome to mow after 3:30pm during the school week. Each family is responsible for the mowing to be done on their weekend. If you are unavailable to do it on your weekend, IT IS UP TO YOU to find a family to replace you or swap with.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Millaroo SS and Clare SS will join Snr Constable Shane Martin for a Sausage Sizzle at Clare on Friday 21st October for Day for Daniel

P & C Meeting

29th August
Library 3 pm

P & C Fathers’ Day Stall
Thursday 1st September
1st Lunch break

Queensland Road Safety Week
22–28 August 2016
Millaroo State School
2016 Improvement Agenda

Successful Learners – continue to embed whole school reading programme
Australian Curriculum – develop deep understanding
Student Performance – goal setting and feedback
Teaching Quality – build teacher capacity to use data sets to plan, assess and differentiate
Principal Leadership – drive improvement agenda using North Queensland Quality Teaching and Learning Framework
Local Decision Making – review and embed Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students

Millaroo SS Behaviour Expectations

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Important Dates in 2016

Aug 22    Burdekin Festival of Arts Speech & drama
Aug 23    Burdekin Festival of Arts—Choir Singing
Aug 29    ARD visiting School
Aug 29    P&C meeting
Sept 1 Annual P&C FATHERS DAY STALL @ school
Sept 8th Adopt-a-cop ceremony
Sept 9th    Fancy Dress Ball – Bush Dance
Sept 5th    Cluster day at Clare SS
Sept 16    Playgroup between 9:30 and 11:30
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 19th-30th
Tuesday Oct 4   Term 4 BEGINS
Oct 5     Book Fair
Oct 17 STUDENT FREE DAY
Oct 18 Year 5 Transition Day @ Ayr State High School

YOU CAN DO IT
5 Keys to Success

Getting along
Organisation
Confidence
Persistence
Resilience

GREEN CARD WINNERS ARE GRINNERS
Imogen, Abi, Tim, Bree

Hall of Fame

Green Card Winners & Jump Rope for Heart fundraisers

Archery Certificates, Magic Sight words Tayla & Jack,
Merit Awards—one for each of our school rules.
Brody—Make Responsible Choices
Savannah—Manage my Safety
Jolea—Match Respect
Jorja—Maintain Pride