Hello again,

It’s holiday time again and after 10 solid weeks everyone has earned two weeks to rest and re-energize. The children and staff are looking forward to a break to take a breath and get ready for the final 10 weeks of the year.

BOOK FAIR

We will be starting next term with book fair. Thank you to Kate who has volunteered to run this for us again this year. Kate will set it all up during the first week or two and a note will go home when book fair is officially open and ready for business. Every parent is invited along to choose a book for the P&C to purchase as a gift to each student which is presented at our end of year function.

Sporting Achievements

Well done to Athan and Bree who represented the Burdekin Zone at NQ championships. Congratulations to Bree for making the NQ Athletics team for high jump! We wish her all the best in October at Brisbane.

Adopt a Cop Ceremony

Thank you to parents who turned up and supported this ceremony and morning tea. There are photos later in newsletter.

Burdekin Festival of Arts

The children did a fabulous job with lots of trophies and medals ending up in Millaroo students’ hands. Well done everyone!

BUSH DANCE

Friday Oct 14th is the new date for this event. We are proposing the Dalbeg Hall for the bush dance and end of year Graduation night at school. Thanks to Liz and Grant who have volunteered to mow around hall before the big night. Parent helpers will be needed to give the hall a clean up inside and set up any preparation too please. Hot pot bring a dish to share is always the popular catering option on the night. More information after the holidays.

Cluster day

Yesterday we participated in a full day learning in The Arts curriculum area at Clare SS. It was a fabulous and full on day with children experiencing visual arts, sewing, music, dance, drama, brass instruments, and a special Bravehearts foundation with a very important message of personal safety. There were over 170 children from Giru, Jarvisfield, Osborne, Brandon, Kalamia, Maidavale, Airville, Clare and ourselves. It was a fantastic day of learning and co-operating with a large number of students. Well done everyone!

Chooks—Thanks to Kate and Wayne for donating a bulk water and feed dispenser, it means the chooks can go a couple of days without us being around, but if anyone happens to drive past the school during the break, could you please check on our chooks. Holiday safety—Please stay safe on the holidays whilst you are out and about.

Till next month, Erin.
Congratulations Mums and Dads, three terms down and only one term to go!!

Curriculum update:

Hopefully, the kids have been coming home enthusiastically telling you all about what we have learnt in Geography, Technology and Science, but I am sure they probably have not. This semester, for these subjects, my goal for the class has been to achieve a higher understanding, present their information with more clarity and have a greater ownership in the progress of their assessments. Rather than rushing the children through these assessment tasks at the end of the semester we have been plodding along building on these tasks.

Behaviour update:

I have had a few comments recently about our children and their behaviour. Within our general classroom behaviour the class has notably increased their independent and self-motivated learning. At lunchtimes, I seldom receive problematic feedback from Mrs Harris and Miss Duffin regarding playtime behaviour, when there is I am generally pleased with the ownership the students take. As a result our class breezed through our class behaviour goals this term. So our end of year party we were aiming for has already been achieved!! We have decided to sneak in an extra celebration for this on Friday.

Teaching Focus:

Our term focus has been on maintaining pride, being proud of our school and what we can achieve. To do this our class not only had to operate cohesively but had to do so in a supportive environment. This is my favourite moment this term that shows our supportive classroom environment. It is a photo from our class party (that the kids didn’t achieve for term 2 and we had to have in term 3). We had a lot of fun, great food and a few smiles.

Have a great break, Gemma.

Curriculum focus:

Technology:
Year 4/5: designing a question-answer computer game.
Year 6: understanding the components that make-up technology and how it communicates with each other.

Geography:
Year 4/5: Learning about sustainability and how ghost nets affect the world marine life population
Year 6: Developing sub-questions relating to Asia and Australia’s trade relationship.

English:
Editing and re-writing for the hundredth time!!

Maths:
Year 4/5: measurement and timetables
Year 6: decimals, times and divide by 10, adding and taking fractions and measurement.

Science:
Finishing our science assessment writing in neat handwriting, with good sentence structure and correct spelling.
GEOGRAPHY
This term Mrs Salter has been teaching the children about special places. What makes a place special? The children from P-3 decided Millaroo and the Burdekin River were special places and lovingly over several Thursdays with the help of Mrs Harris put together this fabulous 3D mural depicting our local area.
This truly is wonderful to see and will proudly be on display in the library for the rest of the year. Perhaps the town library might like to display it as well? That would be exciting. Something for Mrs Salter and the class to think about.
Can you spot the areas of interest?
Battle of the long

Handball Skills in action
P&C Fundraiser with thanks to Mio College

Windmill Café & Millaroo State School presents

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON
Tuesday 1st November—10.30am start

Master Class Cooking demonstration by award winning Butcher Adam & Chef Raelene

Prizes for—Best Dressed—Best Hat
Sweeps—Fashion Display

MENU
Selection of our own Italian Salami’s & Cold Cuts; Carved Triple Smoked Claredale Ham; Crispy Skinned Pork Belly;
Selection of Olives, Sundried Tomatoes & Condiments;
Crumbed Fish & Calamari; Moroccan Chicken Caesar Salad;
King Prawn & Avocado Salad; Potato Salad; Garden Salad;
Buffet selection of Desserts; Tea & Coffee; Licensed Bar

Tickets available
$35.00 per head

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Millaroo P & C News

Mowing Roster

Sept 24/25 (mid holidays) - Harris
Oct 8/9 - volunteer please
Oct 22/23 - Petersen
LAST WEEK END OCTOBER P&C WORKING BEE @ SCHOOL
Nov 5/6 - Graham
Nov 19/20 - Sexton
Dec 3/4 Croatto
Dec 10/11 Ferguson

Jan 14/15 2017 EVERYONE working bee

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 Pool has reopened
For memberships
Contact Sharon on 0405 462 189

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
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

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 19th-30th
Tuesday Oct 4  Term 4 BEGINS
Oct 10   Book Fair  week
Oct 14th  Fancy Dress Ball – Bush Dance @ Dalbeg Hall
Oct 17   STUDENT FREE DAY
Oct 18   Year 5 Transition Day @ Ayr State High School
Oct 21   Daniel Morcombe Day BBQ with Clare SS and Constable Shane @ Clare SS
Oct 28   World Teachers Day
Nov 9    Pre Prep day - welcome Grace
Nov 15   Life Ed van visit
Nov 16   Qld Symphony Excursion to Townsville
Nov 17   Pre prep day

YOU CAN DO IT
5 Keys to Success

Getting along
Organisation
Confidence
Persistence
Resilience

GREEN CARD WINNERS ARE GRINNERS
Imogen & Tayla

HALL OF FAME

Max—
Athan—making responsible choices
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Montana—managing safety
Imogen—maintain pride
Tim—match respect