Dear Students, Parents, Caregivers and Community members,

Wasn't that little splash of rain we had a pleasant relief! Let's all keep our fingers crossed for more in the very near future.

**Surf Lifesavers**

Earlier this term we were visited by the Surf Life Saving Queensland on their Breaka Beach to Bush tour. The students were taught about water safety whilst at the beach, swimming between the flags, what to do if you get in trouble in the water, and general beach safety. I am sure that all of the students gained something from the visit and we greatly appreciate SLSQ coming to our little school.

**Music Count Us In**

Last Thursday students from Mulgildie SS, Monto SS and Abercorn SS took part in the Music Count Us In performance at the Monto town hall. What a great morning we had. Congratulations to all our great performers here at Mulgildie and to Miss Jane Hawkins for organising this wonderful event. Thank you to all the parents and families that came along and supported us on the day!

**Life Education**

On Monday our school travelled to Monto to participate in the life education program. This year the program was titled “Mind Your Medicine” it went into medication and its correct and incorrect use. This is a very worthwhile program and I know the students would have gained some vital information from it.

**6/7 Transition**

Last Friday saw our Year 6 and 7 students attend their first transition day at the high school. From all reports this day went very well, with our students behaving very well. Our next visit is tomorrow and I will be attending with our crew. These transition days play a vital part in preparing our students for next year, and give them an insight into High School life. At this point in time travel arrangements will remain the same with some students meeting us in town, and as many as possible of the rest travelling on the buses as per last week. Any students who are unable to fit on the bus will travel into town in my car.

**Swimming Carnival**

Next Monday all Mulgildie Students will be participating in the Monto district swimming carnival at the Monto pool. The day will commence at 9.30am with the Prep-Year 3 finishing at approximately 12.00pm and travelling back to school year 4 - 7 students will be finishing up at 2.00 pm and coming back to Mulgildie.

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### Dates to Remember:

**NOVEMBER**
- Thurs 6th: Year 6/7 Transition Day
- Sat 8th/Sun 9th: Cania Dam Fishing Competition
- Mon 10th: Swimming Carnival
- Thurs 13th: Prep Day
- Mon 24th: Prep Day
- Tues 25th: Year 6/7 Transition Day

**DECEMBER**
- Tues 2nd: P&C Meeting
- Sat 6th: Graduation
- Tues 9th: Christmas Raffle Tickets due back
- Thurs 11th: P&C Put Luck Dinner & Sleepover
- Fri 12th: Last Day of School for 2014

**JANUARY**
- Tues 27th: First Day of School for 2015

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**Indigenous Speaker**

Last Wednesday we were visited by Donna Currie, an Indigenous speaker from the Ambassador’s Programme. She spoke of her experiences and impressed on the students the need to aim for the stars and strive for their dreams. Donna was very impressed with the behaviour of our students and the level of questions they asked her at the end of the presentation.

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Miss Jane Hawkins for organising this wonderful event. Thank you to all the parents and families that came along and supported us on the day!
Any students that are in town can meet us at the pool and be picked up from there at the above mentioned times if parents wish. Please let us know if you intend to do this. As this is our staff visit day to Bajool State School, Mrs Smith, Mrs Dendle and Mrs Darcy will be accompanying the students to the carnival. Toni-Anne has asked that any parents who could possibly help with time keeping etc. please let her know on the day.

Students will need to bring their lunch and morning tea for the day and will need sun shirts, hats, sunscreen and a water bottle.

Until next newsletter.

Regards,

Kelly Low

CLASSROOM NEWS
Prep - Year 3 by Mrs. Katherine Vriesema
Hi everyone, Week 5 already, this term is certainly flying!

Everyone in P-3 has been busily working away at all of their units. Students have particularly enjoyed some of the humorous poetry that we have been listening to and analysing for English. We have also started learning some new bush dances for our Bush Dance unit this term as well.

Congratulations to the following students for excellent spelling and number facts results this fortnight; Number Facts – Riley M (Level 10), Ella (Level 15), Claire (Level 30) and Logan (Level 35). Spelling – Ella, Claire, Logan, Riley M, Riley B, Cooper, Keshon, Prue and Liam. Students of the Week this week were Riley M and Ella for a great improvement in spelling results and Emily-Rose for always asking great questions in show and tell.

There will be no more Japanese homework for the P-3 class this year.

If your family has a planned absence from school for more than a few days, please let me know in advance so I am able to do up some work for them to take away. This term has already been very busy with fantastic visitors both inside and outside the school, so every lesson that we are able to get counts and cannot afford to be missed.

If you ever have any queries regarding your child’s progress at school whether socially, academically or otherwise, please feel free to drop in before school or after school or to organise a time for a meeting with me. I am nearly always available and more than happy to help.

On a final note, if the parent/guardian of your child is not the person collecting them from school, could you please either write a note or let us know as it becomes very confusing when travel arrangements are changed.

Have a great fortnight!

Kate

CLASSROOM NEWS
Year 4-7 by Mrs. Kelly Low
Busy, busy, busy is what we are in the year 4-7 room, but that is no different from the rest of the school! Week 5 has arrived very quickly and we are all well into our assessment pieces for the relevant subjects as well as our normally core studies.

Maths has seen us looking at percentages and 24 hour time over the last fortnight. Our study of National Parks continues in Social Studies and toward the end of last week we began looking at Solar Oven/ Cooker designs for our Science assessment piece. Work has continued on our English lecturette which will be presented later in the term. We have a couple of students concerned about presenting in front of the class, (which has surprised me) and their concerns will be addressed as the time approaches.

Miss Hawkins and Mr Reid have also begun working on assessment pieces with the class. I was very surprised yesterday when Miss Hawkins was beginning the study of the theme from Star Wars with the students and she stated that she had never seen it!! I think I must be showing my age!!

Congratulations to the following students for great results in Spelling and Number Facts.
Spelling Week 3 100%: Hans, Jayden, Lachlan, Clay, Chloe, Matylda, Rohan, Ethan, Nickalus, Jessie, Amiel, Alex, Safi.
Week 4 100%: Hans, Jayden, Lachlan, Nickalus, Clay, Melissa, Chloe, Matylda, Rohan, Jessie, Amiel, Alex, Grace, Safi. (All of year 5C!! WooHoo!!)
Number facts Week 3 100%: Hans, Ralph, Melissa, Chloe, Matylda, Ethan, Nickalus.
Week 4 100%: Hans, Lachlan, Melissa, Matylda, Ethan, Jessie, Amiel, Taine.
Great job guys!!

SWIMMING
Don’t forget to bring your money & togs every Friday for swimming Lessons.

BOOKFAIR
What a week! Thank you to everyone that came in and had a look at our latest Bookfair. Our Buy One, Get One Free Bookfair was a great success selling almost $600 worth of books with an extra $300 worth of books going home for free.
BOOKLIST
My apologies as I still haven’t had the time to workout the costs and items for our booklist for 2015. The school will again organise booklists for parents who wish to purchase their child’s requirements through the school. As per last year parents will be asked to give a deposit of $20 per student to the school as a commitment to buying their booklist. More information will come out as soon as time allows! Thank you for your patience. Tara.

PHONE SYSTEM
As everyone is aware we are no longer answering our phones during our school hours of 9am to 3:10am. With the school trialling this throughout Term 3 we have decided to continue this strategy for the remainder of the school year.

Please remember if you are ringing the school during school hours please leave a message on our answering machine to be followed up by a staff member a later time whether it be Morning Tea, Lunch or after school hours. Please note that any days that Tara is present in the office the phone will be answered as per normal.

If any parents are ringing up in regards to student transport to or from school, please ensure you leave a message. These messages will then be passed on to the appropriate person.

Our duty of care is to the students at this school and their educational outcomes. As we are often disturbed in prime teaching time with non urgent phone calls we feel that these calls can be answered or followed up in other than class time.

ABSENCES
Please don’t forget to contact the school if your child is away due to an illness or another reason. There are three ways you can contact the school to advise us of an absence.

1. Ring the school on the day of your child’s absence.
2. Send a note into your child's teacher the next day your child attends school with the date and reason your child was absent along with a parent or caregiver signature.
3. Email Kelly & Tara on admin@mulgildiss.eq.edu.au again with the date and reason why your child was absent.

Thank you for your co-operation.

P&C NEWS
Thank you to Karla, Tracy, Martin, Colin & Kelly for attending our P&C meeting on Monday night. Topics discussed: New Mower, Current Mower Tender, Graduation & Advance Life Photography. Don’t forget our next and last P&C Meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday the 2nd of December at the Mulgildie Hotel beginning at 7pm. Everyone welcome. Nibbles provided.

Mower
With our new school mower on the way! Our current school mower will be available for tender. Tenders will be accepted from next Tuesday 11th November until close of school Monday 1st December. Please note a reserve price has been set on this mower and therefore the awarding of tender is not guaranteed.

Please ensure when submitting your tender that you include: Date, Purchaser Name, Tender Amount & Contact Number.

Christmas Raffle
Thank you to everyone that has already brought in their prize donation for our annual Christmas Raffle. Keep them coming! Don’t forget if you do not wish to purchase any tickets in this raffle please return your book to the school office ASAP. Tickets will be due back on Tuesday the 9th December. Raffle to be Drawn on Thursday night the 11th December at our annual P&C Pot Luck Dinner & Student Sleepover Mulgildie Rodeo
Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond our control the Mulgildie Rodeo that was to be held on Saturday the 15th of November 2014 has been cancelled. We would like to thank everyone for their involvement so far in organising this event and would like to apologise for any inconvenience this has caused! From the Mulgildie Campdraft & Rodeo Association.

Meal Deal
As our next Meal Deal was supposed to be held next Monday the 10th of November we are currently trying to make arrangements to change this as it is on the same day as our inter school swimming carnival held in Monto. More information about the change of date will be sent home soon. Menu: Hot Dogs and a Juice for Lunch and Fruit, Cake and Popcorn Chicken for afternoon tea. Workers: Jackii Collier & Sam Dow. Cooks: Amy Curtis & Wendy Knapman. Meal Deal’s cost $6 per student. Please bring the money in on the day and hand it in at the Tuckshop.

If anyone has any questions or would like more information about the items listed above please ring Tara at the school on 4167 2154.

Week 4 Awards

James Patola
Student of the Week!

Riley Blue, Keshon Anum, Logan Goody & Jack Dendle

Number Facts Stars
ST THERESE’S PARISH FAIR
Monto

Friday 14 November 2014
6.00pm

Kids Amusements
(Pre-Sold Ride Tickets available at St Therese’s School)
Jumping Castle
Bungee Run
BBQ
Hot Dogs
Ham Wheel
Entertainment
Bar
Novelty Stalls
Tea, Coffee, Cakes
Face Painting
Santa Visiting
International Food
Confectionery & Sweets

STALL HOLDERS WELCOME
CONTACT BRIAN FOR MORE INFORMATION - 0408 1285

St Therese P&F Presents

The Amazing Race

Saturday 22nd November 2014 @ 2.00pm

Meet at Monto Combined Sports grounds

Teams will consist of 1 car and 1-7 people (your choice)

Each car/team will need a phone (for photos) and lots of team spirit

$50 per car nomination
Bar & BBQ to follow & jumping castle for kids
Cash prizes, prizes for best dressed team/car

Team nominations by 14th November 2014 to Bec 0459226637 or gylvns1@bigpond.net.au

“All proceeds go towards a shadesail to cover our playground”

MISSING
Female Minnie fox about 6 years old. Went missing from near Eidsvold/Monto area Lungley Flats on the 6/10/14. Is friendly and will come to you, was wearing a gold sparkly collar with two bells on it. She has a half brown face and the rest of her body is all white, she also has a sore right back leg and walks with a bit of a limp sometimes. She is a really close family member and a big reward will be offered if found. Please contact the Monto Vets with any information on her and if found please return her to the Monto Vets as well.