Dear Students, Parents, Caregivers and Community members,

Happy holidays!

Our last week of term is here and today is our last “proper” school day of the term, as we will be in Monto tomorrow for the running of the Monto District Cross Country.

An additional note is being sent home today with some reminders for tomorrow.

Baby V

This has been very remiss of us and I do apologise to anyone who was not already aware that Kate and Simon were blessed with a little boy on the 10th of March. Luca George Vriesema weighed in at 3.5kgs and was 51cm long. Congratulations Kate and Simon!! Welcome to parenthood!

Awards

This week on parade we acknowledged our attendance award recipients for term 1 (Please see photos) 31 of our 35 students were in the running for our attendance prize this term and our lucky winner of a Cowboys pack for having excellent attendance was Cooper Keiler. Congratulations Cooper! A hug shout out to all our students for their great attendance this term!

North Burnett Sport

A fortnight ago the Monto District School cluster held their trials for netball, soccer and rugby league. Mulgildie State School had Chloe Dent and Melissa Birch attending the netball trials, with Miss Tara and I having an extremely difficult job of picking 10 girls from the 16 that attended from the district. Although Chloe performed very well on the day she did not make the Monto District team, with Melissa going through.

On Monday the 30th of March, 10 girls from Monto District, including Melissa, attended the North Burnett netball trials in Gayndah. Out of 35 girls 7 of our nominated students made the “Possibles and Probables” list, with 4 Monto District girls making the 8 person North Burnett netball team to attend the Wide bay trials in May. Congratulations to Lailah Mitchell, Lizzie Younger, Brittany Staines and Melissa Birch.

NAPLAN

Over this term Mrs Helen Hutton has been working with our year 3 and 5 students, preparing them for this year’s NAPLAN testing, to take place in May. Last week Mrs Hutton conducted some testing to gauge everyone’s performance over the 5 weeks.

When she presented me with the results from this testing I was absolutely amazed at the level of improvement in our students. I sent these results to Kay Kirkman (ARD) to let her know of our great work and she was also very impressed and congratulated Helen and our students on their hard work. A huge thankyou to Helen for her outstanding work over the last 5 weeks.

Helen will be doing the organisational work for our NAPLAN testing this year, as I will be away. I just want to wish our year 3 and 5 students all the best of luck for their NAPLAN and I know that they will do their best, which is all I ask of them.

Staffing

Please remember Mrs Dow will be our Principal for the first 5 weeks of next term. I really hope she enjoys her time in the “bosses” seat!! I also hope Mrs Smith has a great time with our class next term. Mrs Curtis will be returning to us next term and will be doing Mrs Dow’s admin days for her.

I think that is all I have for this newsletter. I would like to wish everybody a Happy Easter, and I look forward to seeing you all when I return to school.

Until next newsletter.

Regards,
Kelly Low
CLASSROOM NEWS
Prep - Year 2 by Mrs. Sam Dow

Last week of school! The term seems to have gone by very quickly. The students are ready for a holiday, some of us have been very tired, and a little teary this week.

We have been doing a variety of assessment tasks over the last fortnight with all students in our class. The students have worked very hard which has been excellent to see.

Home readers and homework will begin again after the holiday break. It has been wonderful to see the effort that many students have put into their reading and homework during the last term.

Many of the year ones and twos are achieving 100% for their weekly spelling tests on almost a weekly basis which is a wonderful effort. What a fabulous effort troops for Term 1! I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Easter break.

Year 3-6 by Mrs. Kelly Low

What a busy couple of weeks we have had, everyone has completed their English writing piece, their Geography assessment, along with our Beef Week posters, and to help Mrs Smith out next term, our Monto Show competitions.

Can I just say that the majority written pieces I marked this term were of a very high standard. Some students started well but did not end their stories with the same intensity that they began with. On the whole though, well done guys!

Our garden has progressed well and we were actually ready to plant this week. We have held off on this due to the holidays and our soon to be newly replanted plants requiring some TLC for the first little while. I will pick up these plants early next term and deliver them to Mrs Smith so that our garden can be completed.

Our Beef Week posters have been sent off to Rockhampton ready for judging and display during Beef 2015. Some of our posters were very good and I hope to see a few up in the winner’s circle while I am there.

The students have kept the notes they used to produce these posters as those notes will be the basis of their persuasive writing piece next term.

Congratulations to the following students for 100% results in spelling and number facts over the last two weeks.

Spelling, Week 8: Riley, Jack, Alyssa, Mitchell, Hans, Jayden, Clay, Ralph, Melissa, Matylda, Chloe, Rohan (All Yr. 6 Woohoo!)
Week 9: Riley, Jack, Mitchell, Hans, Clay, Ralph, Melissa, Matylda, Chloe, Rohan (All Yr. 6 again!! Great job guys!)

Number Facts, Week 8: Riley, Jack, Cooper, Prue, Liam, Jayden, Lachlan, Melissa, Chloe, Matylda.
Week 9: Riley, Jack, Cooper, Alyssa, Tayla, Prue, Liam, Mitchell, Hans, Jayden, Clay, Ralph, Nickalus, Melissa, Chloe, Matylda, Rohan.

THIS IS ALL OF OUR CLASS THAT WERE IN ATTENDANCE ON THIS DAY! WHAT A GREAT JOB EVERYONE!

Attendance Awards

Awarded for 95% Attendance in the first 5 weeks of Term 1, 2015.
Riley & Damin Miller

Awarded for 95% Attendance in the last 5 weeks of Term 1, 2015.
(Left to Right, Front to Back) Cooper, Jake, Ava, Dustin, Hayden, Eliza, Alex, Kobi-Jaye, Damin, Beau, Alyssa, Logan, Riley, Dana, Claire, Mackenzie, Tara, Ralph, Rohan, Prue, Mitchell, Jack, James, Tayla, Chloe, Clay, Matylda, Melissa, Liam & Nickalus
Week 9 Awards

Cooper Horder-Keiler
Awarded for following instructions and doing the right thing! Good Job!

Alex Kerle, Dana Grubb, Mitchell Moscrop, Cooper Horder-Keiler & Tara Kerle
Awarded for 25 nights of reading! Great Job!

Tara Kerle & Prue Dow
Students of the Week! For Great Book Work! Well Done!

Week 10 Awards

Clay Dendale & Eliza Blue
Students of the Week! For Great Book Work! Well Done!

Melissa Birch
Number Facts Star!

Riley Miller & Chloe Dent
Students of the Week! Using School Time Correctly. Great Job!

Jayden Cowen, Riley Blue, Ralph Doming, Eliza Blue, Melissa Birch, Dana Grubb, James Patola, Prue Dow & Tayla Carberry with Carol Thomsett

Ralph Domingo & Matylda Dow
Awarded for 50 nights of reading! Great Job!

Clay Dendale & Cooper Horder-Keiler
Number Facts Stars!

Alyssa Carberry, Prue Dow, Melissa Birch & Tayla Carberry
Awarded for moving up within their comprehension box. Well Done!

CWA International Day Awards
P&C NEWS
Just a reminder that our next P&C meeting is on tonight beginning at 7pm in the Staffroom at the school. We hope to see you all there.

Well our first fundraiser for the year is done and dusted and what a great one it was. We have managed to raise $252 through our recent Homestyle Pie Drive!! Thank you to everyone that participated in this fundraiser.

Bus Levy payments for 2015 are now OVERDUE, If you haven’t paid your child’s bus levy please do so ASAP. Just a reminder if you are paying by cheque please address it to Mulgildie State School P&C.

With the holidays fast approaching we would like to wish everyone a Happy & Safe Easter and we look forward to seeing you all in Term 2.