Important School Dates - Term Two

- 22nd May - ‘Walk to School Safely’ Day
- 27th May - ‘Doing Things Better’ Day
- 28th May - Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea
- 3rd June - Life Education Van
- 5th June - Athletics Carnival, Eridge Park
- 8th June - Queen’s Birthday Holiday
- 16th June - NRL Gala Day (no cycling!)
- 26th June - End of Term Two

School Happenings

NAPLAN

A reminder that students in years three and five are sitting NAPLAN this week - today (Tuesday), Wednesday and Thursday.

NAPLAN is a nationwide test that tests skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas of reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea

We will be hosting morning tea on Thursday 28th May to raise money for the Cancer Council. We are hoping to get the children to prepare some food for morning tea. If you have any suggestions or can offer assistance, please contact the school office.

District Cross Country

Well done Daniel, Emma, Lacey and Zara, who represented the school at the District Cross Country last Thursday.
Headphones
We would appreciate if parents could send headphones with their child, for computer work. It would really help children's concentration in class. Headphones are available from electronics stores – such as Officeworks, Harvey Norman, Dick Smith etc... and can often be purchased for under $10.

K-2 News:

Autumn planting
K/1/2 planted our winter crop of vegetables this week. The children have written about what we did.

Homework
Yesterday we ran out of time to correct and glue homework in, due to the hectic vegetable planting session. Both weeks will be marked next week. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

3-6 News:

Science
WANTED: Spare nail polish
We are conducting investigations in science. This month it is to answer the question: “Which brand of nail polish lasts the longest when worn?” A fair test will be decided on, monitored and information gathered. The nail polish can be dropped into the office in the box marked “NAIL POLISH 3-6”.

SLUG BAIT:
WANTED: we need bottles of old beer for slug and snail traps, to protect our newly planted vegetables.
Drop off to Mrs Balk if you have any spare.

Thank you!

Sport:

Athletics Program
Our athletics program is continuing, on Fridays, with a coach, and, then, a follow up lesson on Tuesdays. We are focusing on fundamental skills in events such as discus, shot putt, sprinting, relays and long jump. You may like to practice some of these skills at home.

Cycling Program
The cycling program will commence in week 6, on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure your child has a bike and helmet for this program. If this will be an issue for you, or if you have excess bikes that could be borrowed, please speak to Mr Randall.
Term 2 Week 4

Monday 11th May 2015

Water Challenge
The children are currently monitoring their water intake, as we are concerned that many children are not drinking enough water. Sending your child with a drink bottle helps them drink more water.

Library
Please remember to bring back your library books – in a library bag - on a Wednesday.

Reminder:
We have a ‘no hat, no play’ policy. Children need to be wearing hats every day. School hats are available from the P&C for $9 and come in various sizes to fit all children.

From time to time children may contract nits at school. The easiest way of avoiding this is to ensure children’s hair is tied up every day.

From the office:
Thank you to everyone who has taken on extra tasks to help with the staff shortfall in the office – at the moment, we will have Mrs Robson and Mrs Seers helping out in the office.

School Contributions can still be made in term 2 - $40 per student or $50 for a family.

News-wallets should be returned to the office for re-use.

Roster -
Children’s Hand towels:
May 15th Robson Family
May 22nd Ryall Family

Friday Lunch Box
May 15th Bronwyn Beard
May 22nd Helene Robson

22nd May is Walk Safely to School Day. All children who walk to school will receive a sticker, and we would like to provide a healthy breakfast as a reward. If you are interested in helping with this please contact Mrs Irvine.
News from the P&C:

A special thank you to Jenny Green, of Blossom Rock Massage and Wellbeing (a previous parent of the school), who kindly donated the massage for us to raffle for Mothers’ Day. Miranda Smithers was the lucky winner – enjoy, Miranda!

Thank you also to Amie for organising our Mothers’ Day Stall, and to Bronwyn for wrapping all the gifts. I’m sure the mothers and grandmothers appreciated their beautifully wrapped gifts on Sunday morning.

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help with Friday Lunch Box. With your help, we can cover every week this term.

At the last P&C meeting we were joined by Margaret Turner, Director Wollondilly Principals Network. She informed us that the principal’s position will be open for merit selection, which means that a committee will advertise and interview for a new principal. The P&C nominated a representative, who has met with Margaret and the staff representative to produce a selection criteria, based on suggestions from parents and staff. They have advertised the position, and our nominated representatives will then short list and interview appropriate applicants.

Week Three Awards:

Merit Certificates:
Emma Turner, Lily Bramley, Sophie Smithers, Ava Covington, Isaac Giuliano, Connor Marr

Principal’s Awards: Lacey Hayes and Emma Turner

Student of the week: Emma Turner
Activities available for children:

**Meditation for Children Program**

This is a meditation program designed especially for primary school children. Meditation is a valuable life skill with many and varied benefits for individuals and society.

**When:** Tuesdays during school terms  
**Starts:** June 2nd, 2015  
**Time:** 4-5pm  
**Where:** Goulburn Mulwaree Library Meeting Room, Bourke Street Goulburn

**Facilitator:** Dianne Bourke (Certified Child Meditation Facilitator, previous primary school teacher)  
**Cost:** Introductory free session! $10 per session  
**Further information:** Phone: 0422 068 825  
**Email:** dianneb888@yahoo.com.au

Bookings essential by 29th May 2015

**LEGO @ MOSS VALE LIBRARY**

If you are aged between 5-12 years and would like to come along and make a LEGO creation, visit www.mossvalelibrarylego.eventbrite.com.au to book your spot.

Numbers are limited!  
4.00pm-4.30pm  
3rd Friday of each Month

May 15th  
June 19th  
July 17th  
August 21st  
September 18th  
October 16th  
November 20th  
December 18th

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