Dear Parents,

As always a great deal has been happening at Mt St Patrick Primary School. Most recently we have had our Annual Father Son Camp, Yr. 5 Leadership Day, School Review and Development and a Cyber Bulling Focus. Our upcoming events include the second Yr. 5 Leadership Day, Grandparents Day, Kinder Orientation Days and preparation has commenced for the Parish Tableau. We have much to celebrate being part of such a vibrant and energetic school community.

Our Kindergarten Buildings are not that far away from commencing. Council has requested some soil tests to be completed, once these are carried out, building can commence.

As outlined above, this Friday is Grandparents Day. I would encourage all Grandparents (Uncles, Aunts, Friends, Parents …) to come in and be part of our school for this day. It is a wonderful opportunity to be part of your child’s learning and to get a first hand experience of contemporary education. Grandparents are welcome to take their grandchildren across to the Show if they wish, please ensure teachers are notified before this happens. The school has entered many items which will be exhibited over the two days. As a treat all students will be taken across to the show on Friday afternoon (2.00-3.00p.m.).

I would like to congratulate the following teachers on their 2013 appointments: Mrs Jade Dixon (permanent employment), and temporary contracts have been accepted by: Ms Stacie Pritchard, Ms Whitney Nelson, Ms Liz Mackney and Mrs Sonya Pearson. In addition to this Mrs Maureen Lill has been appointed as our Additional Needs / Pastoral Support Teacher. Congratulations to the successful applicants and I am sure they will make a wonderful contribution to our fantastic school community.

Have a great week,

Brian Laybutt

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**GRANDPARENTS DAY**

**FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER**

One of our biggest days of the year is Grandparents Day.

- 9.00—11.00a.m. Class Visits
- 11.00a.m. Morning Tea
- 11.30—12.15 School Performances – Choir , Bands, Guitar Group, Violins
- 12.15 Class Visits
- 1.00 Visit Murwillumbah Show (optional)

**ALL MEMBERS OF OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY WELCOME !!!**

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**PRAYERS**

Last Wednesday, Mr. Stephen O’Callaghan lost his battle with cancer. Steve, was the Assistant Principal at Mt St Patrick Primary School from 1995—2006.

Mr. O’Callaghan provided a wonderful example of “Heart & Pride”, by the commitment and dedication he had for the school and by the genuine concern he had for all students.

Our prayers and sympathies are extended to the O’Callaghan family.
VIRTUE OF THE WEEK - CARING

Caring is giving love and attention to people and things that matter to you. You can show you care about someone by saying and doing things that help them. Caring about something you are doing means giving it your very best. When you care for someone, you pay a lot of attention to them and take an interest in what is happening to them. Caring shows that something or someone really matters to you. You can care for yourself, for others, for a pet or a special thing. When you care for an animal, you watch over it and take good care of its needs. When you are careful with something, you treat it gently and respectfully, making sure that you don’t hurt it. When you do a careful job, you give it your very best effort. Caring comes from within. It is a sign of love, respect, and concern. Caring people take the interests of others as their own. They do all that they can to show people that they are loved.
KINDERTGARTEN 2013 ORIENTATION DAYS

Our 2013 kindergarten orientation days will be held on 12th and 13th November. Both are 1/2 day’s commencing at 9:00am and concluding at 12 noon.

New parents to our school are required to attend a parent familiarisation meeting on Monday 12th Nov. from 9am – 11.45a.m..

All 2013 Kindergarten parents are required to attend an Information Evening to be held on Monday 12th Nov at 7.00p.m. in the school library.

MORNING SUPERVISION

A reminder to all parents that teacher supervision commences at 8.20a.m. (half an hour before the commencement of school). The School gates will be opened at this time. Students dropped off before this time cannot and will not be supervised.

CRAFT / ART ENTRIES FOR THE MURWILLUMBHA SHOW

The school has been running a lunchtime craft club once a week, many of the craft items made will now be entered into the Murwillumbah Show. In addition to this we are asking for any student who has taken art work home from school and think it is worthy of entering into the Show to bring it in and the school will be more than happy to help it enter. To obtain an entry form please see Mrs Trevithick when she is conducting her craft club—Thursday lunchtime. All entries will need to be given into then school by Friday 26th Oct—food / cooking items need to be brought in on Thursday 1st Nov. Remember you cannot enter an item unless you complete an ENTRY form and hand it to Mrs. Trevithick on or before Friday 26th OCT. In addition to this the Show Society has also many other exhibits available for students to enter. Please refer to the following web page for more details: www.murwillumbahshowground.com for more details. Again the school will enter these on your behalf.

Our many thanks is extended to Mrs. Trevithick and Mrs. Markham who have given up many, many lunch breaks to run this club and help the students.

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EXEMPTION FROM SCHOOL

If you are intending on taking your son / daughter out of school for more than 5 days, it is now a legal requirement that an “Exemption from School” form be completed. These forms are available from the Office on request.

BIRTHDAYS

Olivia Ryan, Camden Mackie, Amanita Hoffman-Barnaby, Logan McGilvery, Tylenah Mitchell, Emily Ward, Isobela Davis, Mark Jackson, Harrison Willis

MORNING DROP OFF

A number of parents are dropping students off in the morning on the western side of Mooball St. These children are then crossing the road having to contend with cars and buses. This is obviously very dangerous! Parents dropping children off are encouraged to use the “kiss and drop” zone. This “zone” is available from 8 a.m.—9.00a.m. daily.

CYBERBULLYING

Last Monday Night our Parent Assembly organised a parent information evening on “cyberbullying”. 18 parents attended this very informative workshop. To coincide with the parent evening a presentation was made to our Middle School students during the day and to the staff at a specially convened staff meeting. Our thanks is extended to Sarah Wilkinson and Emma Butler (Parent Assembly Representatives) who organised our guest speaker.

PARENT FORUM: Our Parent Forum meeting was also held on Monday night. Minutes from the meeting will be available on our school web page. Our thanks is extended to the Parent Forum for voting to purchase outdoor chess boards, new outdoor sound system and furniture for our new kinder rooms.

## WEEK 2 AWARDS

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WEEK 3 AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
KM—Luken Ennis
KP—Kaitlyn Antonelli
1D—James Nimmo
1T—Lara-Grace Ewing
2D—Grace Wolfe
2P—Angie Gatt
St2C—Olivia Ryan
St2H—Zac Ennis
St2M—Hayley Smith
MSF—Thaine Foreman-Keenan
MSM—Sarah Guinea
MSS—Daniela Ouwerling
MSW—Clara Withers

MOST IMPROVED
KM—Ava Price
KP—Ned Rogers
1D—Michael Lack
1T—Archie Lamb
2D—Darcy Toms
2P—Gabe Malcolm
St2C—Marie Ouwerling
St2H—Georgia Felton
St2M—Nicholas Buchanan
MSF—Taleigha Garbett
MSM—Luke Bagnall
MSS—Sophie Stoneman
MSW—Isabelle MacFarlane

GOOD SPORTS AWARD
INFANTS- Lachlan Van Amstel
STAGE 2 - Zoe Gatt
MIDDLE SCHOOL- Jack Prichard

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD
INFANTS –Olivia Adams
STAGE 2– Leila Parnaby
MIDDLE SCHOOL – Tom Snellgrove

TECHNOLOGY AWARD
Enya McCarthy, Connor Pearson, Annalise Mackie.

PRINCIPAL AWARD
KM—Ava Price, Sienna Reid, Finlay Purnell
KP—Tylenah Mitchell
1D—Jamie Cotelli, James Nimmo, Nathan Willis
1T—Kendall Wells, Jarrah Fitzpatrick
2D—Riley Bull
St2C—Chloe Brawley, Evie Falkner, Zac Macartney, Indiana Nuspan.
St2H—Amelie McInerney, Matilda Nimmo, Elise Lack, Darcy Hannah.
MSF—Skye Engler, Isabelle Woodford
MSW—Katie McCarthy, Aidan McDonald,
CURRICULUM NEWS

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) - MATHS ASSESSMENT

Recently selected students from Stage 2 & Middle School achieved excellent results when they participated in ICAS Maths Assessment. Those students whose achievements were outstanding were rewarded with Certificates of Credit and Distinction: Congratulations to the following students:

DISTINCTION (Top 10% of participants in NSW)
- Cecilia Ryan

CREDIT (Next 25% of participants in NSW)

MATHLETICS

Awards for week commencing 15th October
Silver Certificate
- Matteo McDermott, Montana Taylor

Bronze Certificates
- James Draman, Nicholas Ratcliff, Kiara McCarthy, Darcy Hannah, Neave Butler, Elise Lack, Codie Chung, Chloe Brawley, Anna Smith, Oscar Rogers, Zane Burke, Keeley-Louise Dickinson, Charlie Priest

Awards for week commencing 22nd October
Gold Certificate
- Anthea Warne, Zane Burke

Silver Certificates
- Patrick Grey, Bailey Engler, Sarah Guinea, Byron Browning

Bronze Certificates

WELL DONE STUDENTS!

MATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to (Wk 2) Matilda Jones, Oscar Rogers, Anthea Warne & Abigail Stratton
(Wk 3) Melia Loveridge, Isobela Davis, Chloe Donald & Mathew Colnan

YEAR 5 LEADERSHIP DAY

As part of our transition program Year 5 students enjoyed a leadership day at Crams Farm last week participating in activities relating to personal development, team building and leadership. This week they will participate in the second part of the program which will involve spiritual development as well as team building and leadership activities.
ZONE SUMMER SPORT TRIALS

Last week several students trialled for the Tweed Zone team in a variety of summer sports. Congratulations to Fletcher Condon (cricket), Brooke Saddler (touch) and Anthea and Joseph Warne (softball) who were successful and will now participate in the Diocesan trials in Coffs Harbour later this month. A reminder that the tennis trials will be on this Thursday at Byron Bay from 10am – 12.00.

MURWILUMBAH INTERSCHOOL RELAY

Once again Mt St Patrick Primary will field 2 relay teams in the Interschool Relay Challenge at the show on Friday. Come along at 9.30am to support our teams- Brooke Saddler, Clara Withers, Jesse Gatt and Tallis Deale, Isabelle Macfarlane, Chandelle Nassner, Lewis Hancock and Nick Bergamin.

PRIMARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL

There are still many permission notes outstanding for the Primary Swimming Carnival. As this is also the consent form for swimming in weeks 7 and 8 as well as for carnival, all forms need to be returned. It would be greatly appreciated if you were able to assist for the competitive part of the carnival.

Dear Agnes

I am able to assist at the primary swimming carnival on 30th November as:

[ ] starter  [ ] timekeeper  [ ] place judge
[ ] point score  [ ] recorder

Signed _______________________   Child ____________________  Class ______

MT ST PATRICK PRIMARY ANNUAL GOLF DAY

WEDNESDAY 28th November
MURWILUMBAH GOLF COURSE
9 HOLE AMBROSE  Tee Off  4.00p.m. - 5.00p.m.
Either - nominate as an individual and you will be placed in a team or nominate
a team of three or four

A GAME FOR THE SERIOUS AND NOT SO SERIOUS!!!
JOIN IN THE FUN!!!!!!!

COST:  $20  per player  - covers cost of game and prizes (members pay $5.00, Juniors pay $5.00)
Fees paid on the day!!
(hire of motorised buggies available $15 per cart – 2 people per cart)

NOMINATION FORM

return to school office by Friday 23rd November

Name of Players & Handicap ( If no handicap please write an estimate – maximum handicap 27 men 36 women)
1.  
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4.  
Preferred Tee Off time ……………………………………………………………………………………..

NOTE: Cart Hire made directly through Murwllimbah Golf Club  66721799

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