Dear Parents and Carers

Many thanks to the parents who were able to come to the school future planning session held last Thursday night. There were some great ideas discussed. If you missed this evening but have some ideas for future planning and programs for our school please don’t hesitate to contact me. I would love to hear from you.

Last Monday was the final assembly for the year. Students may still bring in pebbles and merit certificates to claim awards or these can be carried over to 2015. Year Six will of course need to bring in theirs before the term ends.

This Friday, 5th December, we have our annual Sports Presentation, Stage 1 Key Learning Area awards and Early Stage 1 certificates. This assembly commences at 9.45am with the Kindergarten certificates being presented at approx 10.55am. All parents are warmly invited to attend.

There is much excitement in classrooms as they prepare for our school concert extravaganza. The theme of the concert is “Looking Forward, Looking Back” and promises to be lots of fun. All students in the school are in the concert. The matinee is next Tuesday 9th Dec commencing at 1.30pm and the evening concert is Wednesday 10th Dec commencing at 6.30pm. Tickets went on sale today. These are limited in number so you will need to book fast!

Our Annual School Presentation Day will be held on Friday 12th December commencing at 10.00am. Four students from each class will receive special awards and all other major school awards will be presented. Our leaders for 2015 will also be announced. All parents and friends are invited to attend.

Yours in Education
Karen Rayner
(Relieving Principal)

Quote of the Week - If opportunity doesn’t knock build a door.
UNIFORM SHOP
Our school uniforms are authorized by our school and we sell them at the lowest price possible. Buying your children’s uniforms at the school uniform shop guarantees the money goes back into the school and not into retailer’s profit margin. For those who have purchased uniforms from us already, we appreciate the time you have taken and appreciate that you have supported your child’s school.
I would like to inform you that the uniform shop will be opening in the school holidays for you to purchase uniforms needed for your child to start school in 2015.
The uniform shop will be opening on Friday 23rd January 2015 from 9.30am until 2.00pm and Tuesday 27th January 2015 from 10.00am until 1.00pm.
In 2015 we will be open every Monday and Friday from 9am until 10am throughout the year. We are now located in the canteen. There will be a sign out the front of the building letting you know we are open.
We take cash, cheque or eftpos and we also do laybys.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Looking Forward, Looking Back

Over the past 100 years Australia has grown into the lucky country we know today. Or were we always the lucky country? Looking Forward, Looking Back is the name of Muswellbrook South Primary's variety night performance that will explore the changes that Australia has been through over the past century or so. The children of Muswellbrook South have woven together a tapestry of nostalgic performances that will stir memories and feelings of bye-gone eras. They will paint a picture of where we’ve come from and map a course for where we’re headed, and all to a jaunty soundtrack and some killer dance moves. Don’t miss out on your opportunity to watch the children of Muswellbrook South Primary perform for you Looking Forward, Looking Back.

Performance Times:
Tues 9/12 1:30pm
Wed 10/12 6:30pm

Tickets are now on sale at the office.
Adults $5 each
Children $2 each

SCHOOL BANKING
Reminder to all banking students –
Don’t forget to redeem your tokens for a reward.
Last student banking day will be Tuesday 15th December.

Christmas Pencils
For sale each day during 1st and 2nd breaks from the school canteen.
INVITATION

You are warmly invited to attend this year’s Muswellbrook South Public School Presentation Day

Friday 12th December 2014
Commencing at 10am

K-6 class awards will be presented as well as special awards and the induction of the new school leaders for 2015

Our choir and band will be performing for us.

Come and celebrate our success and share in this special end of year event

All students are expected to wear full summer school uniform with the correct shoes.
Girls with maroon hair accessories – no shorts or t-shirts please girls.
Boys to wear their grey shorts and maroon shirts.
1/2M Reflects

This year in 1/2M we have had a wonderful year and are sad that it is coming to an end. We have laughed and learned together, we have had a wonderful year. A big thankyou to all the parent helpers that we had this year. Some of the children have reflected below on their favourite parts of the year.

My favourite part of the year has been writing. Tora.
I have liked the spelling tests and handwriting. Tai.
I have enjoyed writing and reading groups. Josie.
I have enjoyed doing art. Jennifer.
Writing has been my favourite. Hayden.
I have enjoyed writing and doing craft. Marcus.
My favourite part of the year has been handwriting. Aiden.

In 1/2M we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe new year.
Visit from Muswellbrook Fire Brigade

Firefighters from Muswellbrook Fire station visited our school on Tuesday last week to teach our infant students about fire safety. The visit was part of the NSW Fire Brigades FIRE ED program. The firefighters covered basic lessons of fire safety including:

- Safe fires/unsafe fires
- Firefighters can help you
- Get down low and go go go
- Stop drop and roll

The NSW fire brigades have provided us with the following tips:

Install and maintain alarms

Plan and practice your home fire escape plan

Take care when cooking

Matches are tools not toys

Stop drop cover and roll

Crawl low under smoke

Be able to unlock doors and windows easily

IN AN EMERGENCY
CALL: 000
This week you would have received raffle tickets for our P&C raffle. Tickets are $2 each and the prizes will be drawn on Friday 12th December.
There are five prizes available to win!!
We would like to thank the following sponsors.

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Muswellbrook Golf Club
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LOCATED 14KMS SOUTH OF MUSWELLBROOK NSW, GJ’S BY THE LAKE OFFERS FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

LASER TAG
WE HAVE AN OUTDOOR LASER TAG ARENA AT LAKE LIDDELL AND ALSO OFFER MOBILE LASER TAG, TO YOUR PLACE OR A PRE ORGANISED VENUE.

INDOOR SKYDIVING
EXPERIENCE SKYDIVING WITHOUT THE PLANE OR HEIGHT. JUMP IN THE WIND TUNNEL AND WITH ASSISTANCE OF OUR STAFF, LEARN TO FLY AND PERFORM TRICKS.

KAYAK AND PADDLE BOARD HIRE
WE HAVE PADDLE BOARDS, SINGLE AND DOUBLE KAYAKS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE. PADDLE AROUND LAKE LIDDELL EXPERIENCING THE BEAUTIFUL LANDSCAPES AND WILD LIFE.

WATER SKI, BAREFOOT, KNEEBOARD, AND TUBING
LEARN TO WATER SKI, BAREFOOT, KNEE BOARD OR ENJOY A TUBING SESSION. WITH YEARS OF EXPERIENCE, OUR STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU IN LEARNING THE SKILLS NEEDED TO BECOME A MASTER ON THE WATER.

CONTACT US
THERE ARE NO AGE RESTRICTIONS ON ANY OF OUR ACTIVITIES, HOWEVER PARTICIPANTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, WILL REQUIRE A PARENT/GUARDIANS PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE.

GED: 0477551174 OR 65412010
EMAIL: elfo_extreme@hotmail.com
FACEBOOK: ‘GJ’S BY THE LAKE’
WEBSITE: WWW.GJSBYTHELAKE.COM
## CHRISTMAS 2014 VACATION CARE PROGRAM

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**Closures over the Christmas Holiday Period:**
- Closed from Thursday 24th December 2014 and re-open on Monday 5th January 2015.
- Monday 26th January 2015 – Australia Day Public Holiday.
- Most schools resume Tuesday 27th January 2015.

**Book Now!**

Programs cater for all individual needs & interests.
- Qualified experienced & dedicated staff.
- We are now a 60 place approved centre.
- Now there is more fun for everyone!!!

## WEEK 3: 5th – 9th January 2015

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**Friday 9th January Excursion:** We will be leaving MOOSH @ 9am to walk to the train to catch the 10am train... We will then make our way to the park a bite to eat and a play. We will then go to Maitland pool for a cool down. Cost is $15 per child. Children will need good walking shoes, sunscreen, hat, water bottle, healthy snacks, and towel. An itinerary and risk assessment will be available closer to the day. Children are to be picked up at train station at 5:45pm. Please pay for excursions on the day...it’s easier that way.

## WEEK 4: 12th – 16th January 2015

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**Excursion Friday 23rd January:** This is one not to be missed!! Kids have requested we return to the HVZ and we had a great time July, 2013. Cuddle a Koala, feed and pat the animals. Leaving MOOSH around 10:30am in a seat belted Cowan’s Bus. Children will need good walking shoes, sunscreen, hat, water bottle, healthy snacks; we will be providing a BBQ lunch (chicken & beef). An itinerary and risk assessment will be available closer to the day. Children are to be picked up at MOOSH after 4:30pm. Please pay for excursions on the day...it’s easier that way...must we say.

**Early Activities Include:**
- Cooking, dramatic play, arts, crafts, music, dance, free play, free time, group fun, sports, home corner, movies and much more!

**Book Now for 2015 Before and After School Care:**

- Bookings for 2015 FOR BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL ARE NOW BEING TAKEN!!
- ALL FAMILIES WILL NEED TO BE ENROLLED AS THERE HAS BEEN SOME CHANGES TO MADE TO REGULATIONS & IMMUNISATION LAWS.
TERM 4  WEEK 9       Wednesday 3rd December 2014

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2014

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Parents & Citizens’ Association
“Building Solid Foundations for Life”

Uniform Shop
Price list 2015

Girls summer dress size 4-8 $47.50
Girls summer dress size 10-14 $50.00
Polo shirt with emblem $25.00
Micro fibre shorts $15.50
Boys grey shorts $17.00
Micro fibre track pants $28.50
Micro fibre jacket with emblem $36.00*
Micro fibre tracksuit as set with emblem $60.00
V neck jumper with emblem $23.00
Fleecey zip jacket with emblem $25.00
Peter pan collar blouse $19.50
Girls winter tunic size 4-8 $48.00
Girls winter tunic size 10-16 $53.00
Winter tights $10.00
Boys grey long pants $20.00
Dry and Cosy Jackets- parka with emblem $45.00
School bucket hat with emblem $15.50
Waterproof Library Bags with logo $10.50
Scrunchies maroon pack of 2 $2.00

“Please remember to label all clothing”
Thank you for your support!

Muswellbrook Out Of School Hours – MOOSH
Needs a CATCHY SLOGAN/JINGLE
Something catchy, something fun
Just remember, prizes to be won!

Enrolment Package for Muswellbrook Out Of School Hours – MOOSH 2015 are available at our MSPS school front office

Upper Hunter Community Services Inc
Bowman Park Community Ctr
Skellater Street Muswellbrook
****Phone: 65413205****
Email: moosh@uhcs.org.au
www.uhcs.org.au

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Fun Care for School Kids

MONDAY – FRIDAY
*AM Session: 6:30 - 9:00
*PM Session: 3:00 - 6:00
*Pupil free days: 6:30 - 6:00
*Vacation Care: 7:00 - 6:00

Arts & Craft Group Games
Drama
Free Time
Music
Sport
Dance
Play Stations
Excursions
Water Play
Cooking
Homework Help
SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS
2014/2015

Thursday, 18th December 2014 &
Friday, 23rd January 2015
8.30am - 12noon

For more information and to grab a rego form
to lock in your spot...

Contact Brad on 0403 195 100 or
Email: bradwestgatetennisacademy@yahoo.com.au

Registration forms need to be in by 16th December, 2014 & 19th January 2015. Limited spots available.

Lessons for 2015 resume on Tuesday, 27th January

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