Term 3, Week 3  
28th July, 2015

Last week we had a wonderful time celebrating NAIDOC Week. A big thank you to Mr Slater who coordinated the activities and thanks also to the P&C, Jodie Nelson and Karen Holloway for their continued support of this event. It was terrific to see so many parents at the barbecue lunch on Thursday and the children enjoyed the story telling workshop delivered by Mrs Stella Lamb.

This Friday the Zone Athletics are being held in Quirindi. Mrs Roser-Whitney and Mr Slater will be in attendance. We wish the students the best of luck for the day and we know they will do their very best.

On Thursday we will be holding an emergency drill. These drills are held regularly so the children are well prepared if we are unfortunate enough to have an emergency. The teachers will talk to the children about the emergency drill and reassure them that it is only a practise.

We are taking enrolments for 2016. If you know of a child coming to school next year please ask their parents to phone the office so they can book a spot in our Prep Transition to School program. Details of the program have already been provided to the preschool and forwarded onto parents of children enrolled there.

It has been noticed that some boys and girls have been playing around the railway station area. Could parents please speak to their children about living in a railway town and the dangers of playing around near trains and railway lines. So please ask your child stay away from this area.

Leonie Byrne.
**Class Merit Certificates**

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**Library**

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives Schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn new educational resources. The school has registered for this program again this year. Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one sticker for every $10 spent. Please then place the completed Sticker Sheet or stickers in the Collection Box in the foyer at the school.
**Chocolate Fundraiser** – Could all monies please be returned to school by next Friday, 7th August, 2015 so that final reconciliation can be completed.

**Capers**
Wow! So many children have expressed their interest to participate at CAPERS in Tamworth. At this stage our students will not be attending workshops due to expense. We are organising bus travel with Quirindi Public School for rehearsals in Tamworth later this term. School rehearsals during lunch time start this week.
Miss Tomlinson

**Debating**
The Debating Team will be busy in preparation for their last debate in WEEK 6 on Tuesday 18th August against Mullaley Public School. We would love to welcome any parents who wish to come along! The debate will start at 12pm in the hall. Good luck Debating Team!
Miss Tomlinson

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:** We will continue to update & advertise these dates:

**Term 3**
- Friday, 31st July, 2015 – Zone Athletics – Quirindi
- Tuesday, 4th August, 2015 – Kindergarten Hospital visit
- Friday, 7th August, 2015 – P & C Street Stall
- Tuesday, 18th August, 2015 – Year 5/6 Hospital visit; Debate vs Mullaley Public School at Werris Creek
- Tuesday, 1st September, 2015 – Year 3/4 Hospital visit
- Wednesday, 2nd September, 2015 – CAPERS Rehearsals
- Thursday, 3rd September, 2015 – CAPERS Rehearsals
- Tuesday, 8th September, 2015 to Friday, 11th September, 2015 – Major School excursion to Sydney – Years 3 – 6
- Tuesday, 15th September, 2015 – Year 1 Hospital visit

**Kindergarten**
What a fantastic start to the term for Kindergarten. We have been learning the Magic 100 Words and these were sent home as part of the Kindergarten Homework for Term 3. We are currently working on the 12 Golden Words and Red Words. When practising these at home have your child **Read** the word to you, **Spell** the word to you and **Write** the word (make sure you put the card face down for the writing). All children have been working extremely hard during our Literacy and Numeracy sessions and are currently learning Sign Language with Mrs Rake. It is our week to perform in the assembly this week so we hope to see you on Friday at 2:30pm.
Canteen – Helpers are being called for to assist in the canteen. If you are able to assist please contact Tara Hughes on 0409 288 007.

Street Stall – Friday, 7th August, 2015. If you can help at the stall please contact Karen Holloway on 0422 725 721. Donations of cooking items would be greatly appreciated.

Tupperware Party – A Tupperware party will be held this Thursday, 30/07/15 commencing at 1:00 pm in the school hall. Everyone welcome.

CANTENE CLOSED ON MONDAY, 3rd AUGUST, 2015.

Raffle tickets (Prize: a trailer of wood) – All tickets and money are due back by Friday 7th, August so that the raffle can be drawn at the conclusion of the street stall.