Term Three English results

Our results from Term 3 were very impressive! We now have **93% of students achieving a C or higher in English** for Term 3. This is the result of the focus our Teachers have had on using a Learning Wall to support their teaching. The Learning Wall and prior planning requirements have given Teachers absolute clarity on what they need to teach and then putting this information on the Learning Wall is giving students absolute clarity (NO SECRETS) on what they are learning.

Teachers also meet every 5 weeks with our Head of Curriculum, Guidance Officer, Support Teacher and myself to discuss students who are achieving less than a ‘C’ and how we can best support these students to improve their English results. Congratulations all including students for these wonderful results.

2017 Prep Teacher

Unfortunately Mrs Lowik will be moving back to Brisbane at the end of this year due to personal reasons. We are very sad about this news and consider ourselves very lucky to have Mrs Lowik as our Prep Teacher and on staff for 2016. We wish Mrs Lowik the best for her teaching career and know the school she transfers to will be very fortunate to have a high quality teacher joining them. Our new Prep Teacher for 2017 will be Mrs Brumby. Mrs Brumby has had many years experience teaching this age group and was an Advisory Visiting Teacher - Early Years Special Education where she collaborated with community agencies and medical professionals to support young students learning. We are very lucky to have Mrs Brumby back in the Prep setting to utilise her expertise and give our students the best start in formal schooling. I am informing our community of this change early due to our first Prep Transition Day being held on Thursday 20th October.

Kind Regards

Belinda

Wearing uniforms after school

Please be aware that when students are wearing their school uniform outside of school hours they are still representing the school and are therefore expected to follow our code of behaviour. This specifically relates to ‘I am safe’ and ‘I am respectful’. When students make poor behaviour choices in public, members of the community can contact the office and this will be followed up by Admin. At the discretion of the Principal, consequences can be put into place at school even if the incident happened well outside of school hours.

Please remind all students to be safe and sensible when wearing their school uniform on the way home from school, down the street later in the afternoon or attending sports activities. It is always great when we hear of Millchester students who are doing the right thing when they wear their uniforms after school. Someone is always watching.

Thank you for your help :)
Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 18th October

P-2’s will be bussed to and from pool

3-6’s are to be dropped at pool by parent/guardian by 9:00am and picked up from pool by parent/guardian by 3:00pm

Milly Playgroup

Thursday 9-10:30

Gold coin donation

Milly’s Got Talent
Do you?

Sign up at the Music Rm in Week 1, Term 4 and keep your eye out for more information.

Milly Adopt-a-Cop
Ms Donna King

Milly Playgroup
Prep L
This term our Prep students are learning to write letters. We are learning about the set structure of a letter and the particular words you use to write one. As a class we have joined a ‘Christmas of Exchange’ – this term each child in our class will write one letter to 25 different schools across Australia. In return we will receive 25 different letters from the same schools we sent ones to. From this we are able to practice our letter writing skills, spread the joy Christmas and learn about schools all around our Nation. How exciting!
What follows is a letter our class wanted to write to you all.
Enjoy :)
Year 3 News

This term in 3W is extremely busy. In English we are learning to listen to, read and adapt poems set in Australia. We will write and present a poem using language features and poetic devices. We will be learning all about alliteration, onomatopoeia, adjectives and rhyming words. We will be analysing poetry according to what imagery the author creates by thinking about what we see, hear and feel when we read the stanzas. Handwriting is a big focus this term, with the students also being assessed on how they join their letter and how uniform their letters are.

Maths is focused on learning to calculate time to the nearest 5 minutes, identifying and continuing number patterns, angles, and fractions. We have a lot of work to cover in the next 7 weeks, so the Year 3’s will need to be very focused for the rest of the term.

Geography is focused on Special Places and why they need to be preserved. We will be learning all about a special place in Charters Towers, the significance of the place and why it should be protected as well as how it can be protected.

There will be no homework sheets sent home this term. Students are still expected to complete their home reading each night. Tuesday is swimming day. We swim at 10am so if all students could come dressed ready to swim that would be very helpful.

Mrs Watt
ywatt3@eq.edu.au

Year 6 News

Hello everyone. I hope everyone had a wonderful, relaxing break. Term 4 has seen a hectic start with Mrs Larsen working the class hard. There is plenty of work to get through this term with many end of year festivities ahead. You all will have received the curriculum overview letter on the first day of term which outlines the units being covered this term. Please don’t forget to let me know re any issues or queries.

Our class will be participating in some different learning experiences later in the term including art and cooking. We all look forward to this.

As part of this year’s newsletter items I have been covering our 4 Ps. This last item covers our fourth focus - PERSISTENT. As our lives grow steadily more and more busy, having the ability to persist is vital. Throughout this year each student has faced their own struggles with school work and or other situations. As a teacher I have modelled and discussed many times the skills and thoughts necessary to overcome difficult things. The power of believing you CAN do something is very strong. I am very happy to say that all of our students have come some way with the persistence and wish them all the best as they continue to grow and learn.

I look forward to seeing parents over the coming weeks as the year wraps up and thank you all for your support.

All the best.

Mr Georgee
ageor29@eq.edu.au
'Pick a Peck of Pickled Peppers'
**P&C News**

**Cent Sale**
Saturday 29th October
Doors open 12:00
1:00PM Start
CWA Hall

**Raffles**

**Heaps of great prizes and Jackpots!!!!**

**Important information**

The Millchester P&C Association wish to advise families that the school tuck shop will operate 3 Days per week as of week 3 in term 4. *(Monday, Wednesday and Friday)* This decision has not been made lightly. We appreciate this may cause some inconvenience however it is necessary to ensure the longevity of our Tuck-shop. We thank Miss Tash for all her continued hard work and we hope our families will continue to support our tuck shop service.

Kind regards,

Millchester P&C Association

**Bandanna Day**
Friday 28th October

Bandannas on sale from Monday 24th October from the office
What’s On in Term 4

- **Monday 3rd October**—Public Holiday
- **Tuesday 4th October**—Start of Term 4
- **Friday 7th October**—Free Dress Day for P&C Cent Sale Prizes
- **Monday 10th October**—Swimming lessons begin
- **Monday 10th October**—P&C Meeting—5:30
- **Tuesday 11th October**—Performance—‘Pick a peck of pickled poems’
- **Monday 17th October**—Pupil Free Day
- **Tuesday 18th October**—Interhouse Swimming Carnival
- **Thursday 20th October**—Prep Transition Day
- **Friday 28th October**—Grandparents Day
- **Friday 28th October**—Bandanna Day
- **Friday 28th October**—World Teacher’s Day
- **Saturday 29th October**—P&C Cent Sale
- **Thursday 3rd November**—Prep Transition Day
- **Friday 4th November**—Tuckshop Day—Thank you Tash
- **Monday 7th November**—Book Week
- **Friday 4th November**—Interschool swimming Carnival
- **Monday 14th November**—P&C Meeting
- **Thursday 17th November**—Prep Transition Day
- **Monday 28th November**—Year 6 Transition Day
- **Tuesday 29th November**—Year 6 Transition Day
- **Wednesday 30th November**—End of Year Concert
- **Wednesday 30th November**—P&C Xmas Raffle Drawn
- **Friday 2nd December**—Whole School Transition Day
- **Monday 5th December**—Year 6 Dinner at Golf Club
- **Thursday 8th December**—Gold Movie Day
- **Friday 9th December**—Term 4 Ends