Welcome Back
Welcome back to Term 3 and what a cold and wet start it has been! Despite the wet weather and cold temperatures, all classes settled back into their learning extremely well. Belinda is currently on leave and I am replacing her in the meantime.

Unexplained Absences
On the 11th of July, the report *When a child is missing: Remembering Tialeigh* – a report into Queensland’s children missing from out-of-home care was released and the Queensland Government has accepted a recommendation from the Queensland Family and Child Commission. The Department will implement same day notifications advising parents/carers when a child has an unexplained absence from school. We are currently researching automated text messaging services however at this stage, Janine will make phone calls at 9:30am every day. If a message is not able to be left when contacting parents/carers, Janine will go through the emergency contact list until notification can be made. This is a timely reminder, if your child is absent with a reasonable absence, can you please call the absence line on 47 54 6660. Thank you for your understanding.

Parade Time Change
As a result of the above recommendation, rolls will need to be marked at 9:00am and then children will assemble at parade. This means that parade will now start at around 9:05am. We look forward to seeing you there.

Road Safety
Concerned parents have contacted the school about the safety of children while travelling to and from school. Can you please have a discussion with your child about the importance of following road rules and the safe way to exit the school and be collected.

Upcoming Events
Please make sure you read the page provided in the newsletter about all the upcoming events this term. There are many wonderful things happening around the school and lots of ways that you can be involved. Thank you to all the staff and parents who get involved to support the school and children in the events being held. It is appreciated.

Kind regards,
Melissa Harris
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**Softball begins this week.**

All notes and money need to be returned by Friday.

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**Cricket begins next week.**

All notes and money need to be returned by Wednesday 27th July.
Hatha Yoga—5:30 Tuesdays
Laughing Yoga—5:30 Thursdays

Towers Players

Contact Carolyn—0418 793 260

‘Deadly Australians’

Thursday 11th August 2016

Deadly Australians is an entertaining and educational presentation with unique venomous animals that live in our backyards.

Entirely Safe: All venomous animals are under lock and key. There is no danger.

Cost is $3.00 a student. Money is due by 5th August.

Enrol now for Prep in 2017

Preparations are now underway for Prep classes in 2017.

Please ring Janine to enrol your child.

Gold coin donation

Milly Playgroup

Thursday 9-10:30

FUN
Prep L

This term Prep L has welcomed a prac student from James Cook University. Mr Phillott has been teaching our prep students for the past two weeks. It has been a delight to have him in the classroom teaching (and learning himself). He will be missed when he leaves to go back to university. Thanks Mr Phillott for being a great Prac Student!

This term Prep L is learning a NEW word each week to help build on our vocabulary. So far we have learnt ‘Magnificent’ and ‘Fierce’. If you see a prep student around, ask them what these words mean...I bet they can tell you!

Mrs Lowik
Term 3

Dates to Remember

- Premier’s Reading Challenge throughout July & August
- First Day Term 3—Monday 11th July
- ICAS—English—Monday 1st August
- Show Holiday—Tuesday 2nd August
- Interschool Athletics—5th Friday August
- ‘Cinderella Rockerfella’—Tuesday 9th—Thursday 11th August
- ‘Deadly Australians’ - Thursday 11th August
- ICAS—Maths—Tuesday 16th August
- Eisteddfod—Monday 22nd—Wednesday 31st August
- Year 4 Camp—Wednesday 24th—Friday 26th August
- Community Day in the Park—Sunday 28th August
- Police & Students “Running Together” Thursday 1st September
- ‘Teacher Aide Day’ - Friday 2nd September
- Brisbane Trip—Sunday 4th—Friday 9th September
- Prep Open Day—Saturday 10th September—2:00pm
- Last Day Term 3—Friday 16th September

Term 4 Reminder—Grandparent’s Day Friday 28th October

Milly Cent Sale Saturday 29th October

School Opinion Survey
The annual School Opinion Survey will be conducted 11 to 29 July 2016. All families, school staff and a random sample of students will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve.

Access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey will be sent home with students next week.

Parents/caregivers are welcome to complete their survey online at the school, and school computers will be available on request.

Survey queries or requests for translations can be directed to Janine on telephone 07 47546666 or email admin@millchesss.eq.edu.au.
5/6 News

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone. I hope you all had a lovely winter break and are refreshed and ready for the last semester. Our class Curriculum Catch Up went home Day 1 of the term and gives detailed information around our curriculum for the term. Please feel free to see me if you have any questions.

As per my previous 2 newsletter items, this term I would like to share our third class ‘P’ – PRODUCTIVE. Our class tries very hard to be as productive as possible. By getting students on board with this idea we are able to complete small tasks throughout the week when we have spare time. Getting students to be as independent and engaged in using their time well is a great step into High School and beyond when there will be less assistance and more independence required. Our WTW Spelling and Times Tables are a great example of where students independently work to achieve well. Those who are PRODUCTIVE ensure they study and learn their words and facts in preparation for their post test. I hope parents will see the results of this in coming years.

This term I would like to wrap our item up with some more work samples from our students first Demand writing for the term on a review of a viewed performance (movie, TV show etc). Enjoy!

The movie ‘The BFG’ was an amazing movie. My expectations around a movie about giants who eat kids was very low however from the very first, it hooked me in. It was filled with action and funny jokes. I can’t wait for the sequel… (by Darby B)

“The BFG” was about a Big Friendly Giant who steals a little girl names Sophie. The other giants are unfriendly and eat people but the BFG saves the people from the other giants. The BFG catches dreams and nightmares (the colour of the nightmares are red with legs). (by Lilly-Ann U)

“Finding Dory” was a very emotional family movie beginning one year after the events of “Finding Nemo”. In the first three minutes I was almost crying and near the end I was laughing a lot. I can’t believe no one is talking about this fabulous movie. (by Jesse I)

Regards,

Allan Georgee

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Book Club

Order forms went out this week and are due back Friday 29th July.

Sorry no late orders can be taken!
Millchester State School is proud to present

Cinderella and Rockerfella

A panto-style musical by Mark & Helen Johnson

6pm

Tues-Thurs, 9th—11th August, 2016

St Pauls Playhouse, Mosman Street

Tickets available at Millchester SS office or on the night

Adults: $10  School Children: $5