Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome to Murwillumbah South Infants School for 2013. I trust everyone had a very enjoyable break. Once again, this year will no doubt be an extremely busy year with numerous events and activities on. It is vital that the newsletter is read each fortnight.

Welcome to our 12 new Kindergarten students and their families. We are thrilled that you have chosen MSIS to begin your child’s educational journey. Our K/1/2 class consists of 24 students this year.

Thank you to Miss T and her children, Mrs Morton, Nicky, Jacq, Mick and Vicki Myler from Duranbah Public School who provided much needed assistance last Tuesday to clean the school up after the horrendous weather we experienced. Thank you also to Brendon Morton who kindly came and chopped up the large trees branches that fell during the storm and to Mr Power who is in the process of taking all this green waste to the tip.

Don’t forget that tomorrow is our fun swimming carnival at Kingscliff Pool. If you are going to come along to the carnival, you are most welcome to take your child home from the pool, but please advise the staff accordingly.

Have a fantastic fortnight.
Brendan Quinn.

Staff in 2013

MSIS is extremely lucky to have such a dedicated and wonderful team. At this stage, our staff currently for this year is as follow:
Mr. Brendan Quinn – Teacher / Principal
Mrs Francesca Yasukawa – Teacher (Friday)
Mrs Desley Watterson – School Administration Manager (SAM)
Miss T – Student Learning Support Officer (Tonia works M/T/W/T)
Mrs Jenny Morton - Teacher
Mr Power – General Assistant (Tuesday)

Voluntary School Contributions

Rather than having a set annual school fee to educate a child in a NSW Public School, there is a voluntary contributions program instead. Our voluntary school contributions for the year once again remain at $25 per child or $40 for two students. Your support of this contribution assists the school in providing resources such as pencils, scissors, glue, writing books and tissues for your child to use on a daily basis. This is a much easier alternative than sending an equipment list home requesting parents to supply these. Voluntary school contributions can be sent into Mrs W at the office in an envelope with your child’s name on the front or you might like to pay by electronic funds transfer. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Paying by Electronic Funds Transfer

You can now pay for any excursions and school contributions by direct debit.
BSB: 032-001
Account Number: 148732
Account Name: Murwillumbah South Infants School
Please put child’s name for payment.
School A to Z

Have you checked out School A to Z?

It's a fantastic resource that has been developed by the NSW Department of Education and Communities to assist parents.

The website contains information on practical tips for parents pertaining to healthy lunchbox tips, homework, student wellbeing and so much more.

The link to this site can be found at http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/ and you can also subscribe free on Facebook or by downloading the phone application. It's a resource that the staff highly recommends.

Monday Munchies

Every Monday morning at recess (11a.m) the P & C offer Monday Munchies. We are in need of parents and carers to volunteer their time in order for this to operate. It is a very quick and easy process and your child will enjoy having you help out. It requires you to be at school at 10.50 a.m. until 11.20 a.m. If you can assist, please see Mrs W.

Students can bring money along to purchase canteen approved items such as packets of chips, ice blocks, Ovalteenies, Nutella, liquorice twists, popcorn and pikelets to name a few. One or two dollars in a small wallet would be sufficient. Students can also purchase a canteen lunch each Monday and Thursday and this is operated by Mrs W and Miss T. Please order using a brown paper bag with your child's name on the front and what they would like to order with the money placed in the bag. A revised canteen menu is attached with the newsletter.

Parking

Our school drop of and collection zone is in River Street. It is imperative that this area is used. The Staff Car Park can only be used by parents and carers when collecting a sick child and/or anyone with a diagnosed disability. Please ensure that when dropping off or collecting your child in River Street that this is a 40 K p/h zone and this rule must be adhered to. Driving slowly is paramount to ensuring the safety of not only the residents of the street, but to all members of our school community.

School Newsletter

Our school newsletter is provided each fortnight on a Tuesday. These are weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. If you would rather receive your copy of the newsletter by email, please provide your contact details to Mrs W in the office.

Library Borrowing

Library borrowing will begin on Tuesday, 12 February. All students must have a library bag to borrow and two books can be borrowed each week.

School Assembly

Once again our school assembly will be held on a Friday at 2:20 p.m. Unless advised otherwise, the assembly will be held in weeks 3, 5, 7 and 9. The first assembly will be on Friday, 15 February. The assembly is always advertised in the calendar on the front page of the newsletter.

Our Library Mural—Thank you 2012 K/1/2