11 December 2014

Principal’s Report

Dear Parent / Caregiver

With this Newsmundi being the last for 2014 I thought it might be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate some of the successes we have had at the school this year. So here are some of our incredible achievements for 2014 in no particular order.

Our new Environment and Sustainability building and garden area have really made a difference to the standard of educational facilities and quality of the educational experience for our children at Eumundi. Our ‘Enviro Days’ with Mr Gemmell have really engaged the children and it has been great to see the kids down in the garden each Monday learning a range of skills and concepts.

Once again our school performed very well in the National tests. Our Naplan results for 2014 were substantially above the national Mean in Year 5 and 7 in reading, writing and numeracy. The school also had other successes with their performance in the Regional Mathematics tournament, our King of the Mountain teams competing strongly and encouraging performances at District Athletics carnivals and other sporting events with the school having many district, regional and even state representatives.

Our Arts in Action fundraiser was again another highlight of the school year with some wonderful visual art, sensational dancing and outstanding performing arts from many of the children. Thanks to the P&C for organising another memorable event.

The school also celebrated the ‘End of an Era’ this year with our Year 6 and 7 students graduating as part of the Flying Start initiative. Whilst we farewell the Year 7 students for the final time we look forward to working with the Year 6 students in their new role as school leaders.

For me the biggest achievement for our school this year has been the progress and attitude of the children to strive to do their best in a whole range of activities. Our school community has grown significantly this year and it is wonderful to see new families and students bringing other ideas and interests into the school. Diversity and difference are a wonderful thing and if embraced lead to a richness of culture.

Well done to everyone on a very successful 2014 and I look forward to another exciting and rewarding year at Eumundi in 2015!

Christmas Concert

Congratulations to all of our Prep to Year 3 classes on their wonderful performances as part of the Christmas Concert despite the heat. It was wonderful to see so many parents and friends attend, and I would like to thank the class teachers for their efforts in making this concert another memorable one.

Top of the list for planning next year will be how we can make the hall cooler during summer!

2015 Classes

Teachers have been allocated to classes for next year in the following grades. At this stage we are finalising enrolments so the final allocation is still very much in draft form. I am
Staff Farewells

Finally this week I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our permanent and temporary staff who will be finishing at Eumundi at the end of the year.

Many thanks and all the very best wishes to Keelee, Allison, Blair, Maree, Jessica Molloy, Rachael and Cody for the time, effort and consideration that they have shown to the children in their care over the past year. We wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

I hope that you all have a great Christmas break and look forward to seeing you all back at the school for another exciting year in 2015.

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Awards

Catch a ‘C’ – Sophia 1N, Tyler 1W, Mia 3J and Rory 3J

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards on parade for special effort, achievement and co-operation in class.

Jay 1N, Georgia 2C, Eden & Will 2FS, Will, Jock 2/3CP, Margot 3J, Arlo 3M, and Rosie 3O

Year 4 Camp

Congratulations to Tom who won a 5'11" Spider surfboard donated by Noosa Malibu Club. Tom is one of several Eumundi students who have recently become U12 members of the club.

P & C News

Hello Eumundi

The Eumundi State School P&C would like to say a big thank you and Merry Christmas to our community. We thank you for

School Captain Elections

Congratulations to the following students who were elected by the student body last week to represent the school in 2015.

School Captains - Douglas Gemmell and Eva Popovic
School Vice Captains - Mitchell Morrissey and Ella Honeysett

I must say that the quality of the candidates this year was outstanding and the voting was very close in both the boys and the girls areas. I am really looking forward to working with the children next year, I know that they will do a wonderful job of representing our school. Elections for Sports House Captains will be conducted early in the new year.

Back to School Key Dates – 2015

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Reports

Reports were sent home on Monday. Please take the time to read through your child’s report and discuss the results with them. As I mentioned earlier the children have really improved in terms of commitment to their own learning in the past two years and it is nice to be acknowledged by their parents. Please contact your child’s class teacher to make an appointment should you require an interview.
your support in 2014 and look forward to working hard again in 2015 to keep our school the best on the coast.

Many thanks to all who supported our Christmas stall. The kids really enjoyed their independent shopping experience and we hope you enjoy your gifts. We say a big thanks to Michelle Hurst for baking cookies for this stall and every stall this year. We have so many busy working parents who still find the time to make something for us every stall and we so very much appreciate your efforts. We would love to have more homemade gifts on all our stalls so if you feel creative and would like to donate some home-made gifts to our stalls each year we would love you to be part of our team.

Thanks so much to our hard working staff this year, we look forward to providing a happy, safe and productive work place in 2015. We appreciate the extra effort you all put into helping our businesses operate efficiently.

To our teaching staff and management, you are so important to our school and we think you are all amazing.

Look out for the ‘Return to School Key Dates’ in this Newsmundi. If you have any enquiries about bookpacks, uniforms or anything P&C please contact Karen our Operations Manager over the break. We all go on holidays between 19 December and 05 January so leave a message.

Calendars should have been returned to all families who ordered. If there are any concerns let us know as soon as possible.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year Eumundi and we will see you in 2015.

Your P&C

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**Crazy Hair Day**

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**Community Notices**

**Cooroy Girl Guides**

Looking for after school activities for your daughter in 2015?
Beat the rush at the start of next year! Enrol now for Cooroy Girl Guides in 2015

Fun, friendship, outdoors, adventure, builds self-esteem and self-confidence, teaches responsibility and leadership, service, community involvement, canoeing, abseiling, archery & more.

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