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2014 Calendar

Term 4, Week 8
Tuesday 25 Nov  After School Sport
Wednesday 26 Nov  Kinder Orientation
Thursday 27 Nov  Backyard League 10-11:00am

Term 4, Week 9
Monday 1 Dec  Financial Rollover begins
Tuesday 2 December  After School Sport and P&C Meeting 5:30pm
Wednesday 3 Dec  Kinder Orientation
Thursday 4 Dec  Year 6 Farewell – 5:30-7:30pm

Term 4, Week 10
Wednesday 10 Dec  Presentation/Speech Night, 7:00pm

Term 4, Week 11
Wednesday 17 Dec  Party Day and last day of term 4 for students
Thursday 18 Dec  Ngumba-Dal Meeting 9:00am – 1:00pm and Staff Development Day (SDD)
Friday 19 December  SDD – last day term 4 for staff

Term 1, Week 1 - 2015
Tuesday 27 January  SDD
Wednesday 28 Jan  Years 1-6 return for term 1
Thursday 29 Jan  Kindergarten commence term 1

Term 1, Week 2
Monday 2 Feb  Intensive Swimming begins 12:00-1:00pm
Wednesday 4 Feb  Swimming 12:00-1:00pm
Friday 6 February  Black Billy Cup Swimming Carnival

Term 1, Week 3
Monday 9 Feb  Swimming 12:00-1:00pm

Feature Photo
Henry, Harry and Ollie gearing up for lunchtime tennis

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A message from Meredith

It is hard to believe it is one month to Christmas! Our students are busy completing assessment tasks, gearing up for the Year 6 Farewell, preparing to entertain family and friends at Presentation Night as well as the Junee Carols Service and anticipating the fun of Party Day on the last day!

Year 6 Farewell

Next Thursday night 4 December, is our Year 6 Farewell at Illabo PS. We welcome the Eurongilly school community to join us as we celebrate Mim, Hayden, Joshua, Angus and Jarrod’s schooling over the past 7 years. We look forward to a great night together. Thank you to our well organised P&C for catering for the barbecue tea. Donations of party food to share for supper would be greatly appreciated for the evening.

Lunchtime tennis

Thank you to our P&C who organised the working bees for the tennis courts! They are being put to good use with Years 3-6 utilising the courts for PE today and K-2 for lunchtime. Thank you to Mrs Natalie Wilkinson for supervising this activity.

Remembrance Day

On Tuesday 11 November, our Years 5 and 6 students attended the Junee Remembrance Day Service. It was a great opportunity for our leaders to represent our school and pay their respects to the people who served our country at war.

2015 Intensive Swimming Program

Our 10 day swimming program for next year will commence on Monday 2 February from 12:00-1:00pm and continue on the following dates:

1. Wednesday 4 February
2. Monday 9 February
3. Monday 16 February
4. Tuesday 17 February
5. Monday 23 February
6. Wednesday 25 February
7. Monday 2 March
8. Wednesday 4 March
9. Monday 9 March

As you can appreciate the above dates are booked in around the Junee Recreation and Aquatic Centre’s available dates.

Transport is still being discussed on the how this can be achieved. Our program as always, works on the skills your child already brings to the lessons. We are very fortunate that excellent holiday swimming lessons operate locally at the Junee Recreation and Aquatic Centre – please contact the pool for further information about lessons.

Black Billy Cup

The 2015 Black Billy Cup Small Schools’ Swimming Carnival is to be held on Friday 6 February at the Junee Junction Recreation & Aquatic Centre.

The carnival will be run by Eurongilly PS in 2015 and will once again combine Illabo, Marrar, Nangus and Eurongilly Public Schools.

Financial Rollover

Next week is our annual Financial Rollover; Mrs Ryan will be in ‘lock down’ to complete the process. On Tuesday 2 December please contact the classroom if you have any office enquiries. Any outstanding student accounts need to be paid as soon as possible – thanks for your help with this.

Presentation Night

We thank our generous sponsors for our Presentation Night Awards. I have enjoyed ensuring suitable class book prizes for each child to enjoy and cherish. I thank the staff for contributing all factors, including special awards, stage learning outcomes, class work and individual attitude to learning, when calculating the criteria for major awards in 2014.

The night will be held on Wednesday 10 December at the Illabo Showground Pavilion starting at 7:00pm.
Dear Parents,

Could all parents please bring a **plate or two**! of food to share for supper - it can be anything from sandwiches, cut up fruit, cakes, slices.

A practice run for students for the night will be held first thing Wednesday morning. Transport will be by bus, teacher cars and parent volunteers. A permission note is attached. Please return as soon as possible. Also attached an invitation to pass on to interested community members.

The Showground Hall will need a sweep and toilets a clean in preparation for Speech Night on the Wednesday. If anyone is able to help with this, the hall will be open Wednesday morning when the students are practising.

**Party Day**

**Wednesday 17 December** is party day, please advise the school if pre-schoolers are attending. A great opportunity is available for photo’s at recess with the *man in the red suit* before Christmas!

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**How the Grinch Stole Christmas! The Musical**

Attached to the newsletter is a list of costume requirements for our K-6 students needed for this year’s spectacular *How the Grinch Stole Christmas! The Musical*, compliments of Mrs Wilkinson.

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**Junee Combined Churches Carols and lighting of the Junee Christmas Tree**

On **Saturday 6 December** from 2:00pm at Broadway in Junee, there will be stalls and entertainment, with Christmas Carols commencing at 7:30pm. Please fill out the form sent home previously, if you haven’t already done so, and **return as soon as possible**, to let Mrs Carter know if your child/ren will be participating in an item with our school at the carols.

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**Parenting Tips**

**Different types of writing**

You child may be asked to present an assignment in a particular text type. Text types mean writing according to a purpose or an audience. For example, factual texts inform and literary texts entertain. This fact sheet gives several examples and the purpose of different types of writing.


**Choosing a book for your child**

What makes a good book for young kids? Usually anything that they want to read. Resist the desire to choose only books that you read as a child. Good books teach kids things subtly while still telling a great story.


**Does cartoon violence make kids more aggressive?**

Lots of parents question the violence in many of today’s cartoons and video games, but many of us grew up watching cartoons where violence was also a key ingredient. What does the research indicate about exposure of our kids to violence?


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[2014 School Photo]
Return: Junee Combined Churches Carols and lighting of the Junee Christmas Tree

On Saturday 6 December from 2:00pm at Broadway in Junee there will be stalls and entertainment with Christmas Carols commencing at 7:30pm. Please fill out below indicating if your child/ren are participating in our school item and return as soon as possible.

My child/ren _______________________ ______________________ will / will not be participating in the Junee Combined Churches Carols on Saturday 6 December 2014.

Signed: _____________________________________________
Date: _______________________________