Dear Parents & Students,

Thank you to everyone who has supported the school in the 2013 Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion. The promotion is finished and we will now redeem our Woolworths Earn & Learn Points for educational resources including resources to support mathematics, English and science curriculum, as well as library books, sports gear, art & craft materials and more.

At 9:30am this Friday Andrew Cripps will be presenting the 2013 School Leaders with their badges.

Over the holidays the school website will temporarily shut down as I will be participating in Education Queensland’s Website for Schools program. When school returns in term 3, on Monday 8th of July, the school website should be up and running.

Monday the 21st October (term 4) is designated a Student Free Day. Each year Mutarnee State School hosts First Aid for those needing to complete, renew or upgrade their certificate. Anyone wishing to participate in the first ai program is asked to register by contacting the school and arrange payment prior to the 21st of October.

Mutarnee Rockers – Billy Cart Dash

Once again we are entering the Variety Club Billy Cart Dash being held on Sunday the 23rd of June at Queen’s Park in Townsville. The team consists of Corey Crabb, Jesse Barry, Rory Barry and Cody Barry. Thank you to Greg Crabb who organised the scrutineering of the cart so we can participate.
Cricket Queensland

Students have thoroughly enjoyed the cricket sessions each Friday. The skills program has focused on catching, throwing and batting which is then followed up with a variety of games. The benefits have included:

- Game skills and team building strategies
- Fine and gross motor body movement and technique
- Auditory, visual and sensory stimulus to complete games or set moves
- Build communicative skills and game knowledge base

Golf Afternoon (1:30pm to 2:30pm)

On Tuesday the 18th of June (next week) students will have the opportunity to participate in a free golf skills afternoon being held at Mutarnee SS. This program is a partnership with the Sports & Recreation Office Hinchinbrook Shire Council.

Mutarnee Has Talent & School Community BBQ

Next Friday, 21st of June at 12:30pm, parents/carers, family and friends of Mutarnee are invited to come along and watch students perform, to be then followed by a BBQ lunch at 1pm:

- There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly  Prep & Year 1
- There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Thong  Year 2
- There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Shell  Year 3 & 4
- There was an Old Bloke Who Swallowed a Chook  Year 5 to 7

Prices for BBQ Lunch Thursday 28th March

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Supporting your child’s wellbeing and learning

When children have a strong sense of wellbeing, they experience greater success in learning.

Our school is strongly committed to enhancing the wellbeing of our students which is why we have a range of activities and supports across our school that help students feel and function the best they can.

This is part of a Queensland-wide recognition of the importance of wellbeing and is supported by a series of webisodes delivered by respected psychologist Dr Michael Carr-Gregg. The short video presentations are available at: http://deta.qld.gov.au/initiatives/learningandwellbeing/resources.html

Home Reading

Reading is a very important part of a child’s home and school work. At present we are very fortunate to have Mrs Miko volunteer three days a week to listen to students read and follow up sight words and homework. From time to time, when home readers are not replaced, students can practise their fluency by reading the book from the night before. Fluency is when a student can read a book:

- without tracking the words with the fingers,
- pausing at full stops, commas and question marks, and
- show expression.

School Motto

In term 3 students, parents/carers and staff will have an opportunity to nominate a school motto that best represents what we value and aspire for all students at Mutarnee State School. In the next few weeks we are asking the school community to think about what motto they would like. Once a number of mottos are put forward everyone will get a chance to vote on the one they like best. This task will also be used to show how our democratic system is used when voting in the upcoming federal election.