



MUTARNEE STATE SCHOOL

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Term 3

August

11 - 12	Tuesday and Wednesday	Parent, Student and Teacher Interviews
12	Wednesday	P&C Meeting at 8am
13	Thursday	Fire Education for Preps – 2 presented by the QLD Fire and Emergency Service
17	Monday	Ingham Principals' Cluster Meeting (Keith away)
21	Friday	Barnes' Cup at Forrest Beach

September

19	Saturday	September/October holidays commence
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Term 4

October

5	Monday	Labour Day Public Holiday
6	Tuesday	Term 4 commences
16	Friday	Art in a suitcase
19	Monday	Pupil Free Day

December

12	Saturday	Summer holidays commence
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Dear Students, Parents/Carers & Staff,

Camp provided an enjoyable experience for those in attendance. Great food, fun activities, pleasant weather and good company resulted in a great time for all. Unfortunately, the week after camp saw the majority of our students experiencing some illness. Whilst most of us have recovered now, the interruptions to our learning mean it's time to really knuckle down. Thank you for ensuring that your children read every day. We continue to see great improvement in this area.

Great Results Guarantee

All students have already been assisted by this initiative. This additional funding for our school has meant that we have been able to employ an additional teacher to work with all students to improve their reading and comprehension skills. All students will be involved in one on one coaching sessions twice a week for the rest of the term.

After School Sporting Program

We have been successful in our application for a grant to enable our students to participate in after school sport. This term, students have the opportunity to learn the basics of tennis. Next term, we will participate in cricket. As a result of our successful grant applications, the school will be given a range of equipment including nets, tennis balls and racquets to ensure that all students can have a go. We should receive this equipment in the next two weeks. Afternoon sessions will commence when the equipment arrives.

2016 Enrolments

Despite 2016 appearing to be some time away, we are already making preparations for next year. Part of the planning process is finding out who is wanting to or interested in enrolling for next year. If you have a prep aged child, or know someone that does, please come and let me know so that I can start the enrolment process. Also, if you are aware of any new families moving to the area, please let them know about our great school.

P & C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held at 8am on Wednesday, 12 August. The agenda for this meeting includes possible camp locations for 2016, P&C finances, Father's Day Raffle and Asbestos Training.

Father's Day Raffle

In preparation for the P&C Father's Day Raffle, please donate any suitable raffle items to the P&C. This raffle will be drawn on September 4.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN student results were sent home this week. Like any other assessment completed by students, NAPLAN is a great instrument for me to determine what our students do well, and what we need to improve. Certainly, I will reflect upon our students' results to ensure that all potential areas for improvement are identified and acted on. All students from Mutarnee attained some pleasing results.

Reading Tip of the Week

Reading should sound like talking. It should flow and not be bumpy. A great way to assist your child in improving fluency is to record them reading with your phone or iPad and play it back to them. They'll be able to hear what they sound like.

Don't be afraid to say hello!

Keith Poulter
Acting Principal