TERM 3
WEEK 2
22nd July
2014

JULY

Wed 23rd
Scripture
Book Club Due
P&C Meeting 7.30pm

Thurs 24th
Mrs Moore & Mrs
Evans - Finance
Meeting
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Expression of
interest and deposit
Overdue

Please return Wood
Raffle tickets
This week I spent some time with Year 5 students and parents, planning for the Envirochamps program which they will be leading over the next two terms. I am looking forward to watching the Year 5 students' growth in confidence in their leadership abilities as they move towards Year 6 as leaders for Matong Public School in 2015.

This week we welcome interns, Tatum Kew and Arnika Buchanan from Charles Sturt University. Miss Kew will be working with Stage 1 and Miss Buchanan with Stage 2/3. They will be here until the end of term. We hope they enjoy their time with us and wish them both well in their internship.

Thank you to the parents who attended our information session last week. Everyone had the opportunity to experience the use of video conferencing and enjoyed a question and answer session with both Todd and Jeremy. We all agreed it is beneficial to have another two positive male role models for our students as they grow and develop and continually face life challenges.

Thanks to Chris Beard who came in to assess the work required to attend to the trees which require lopping and removing. Chris will work with David Booth to carry out the works over the coming months. We should have lots of wood for future wood raffles!

I look forward to seeing everyone at P&C tomorrow evening. P&C is a great opportunity to participate in your child's school, interact with other like-minded people and keep up to date with happening at the school. We encourage your attendance at these valuable meetings.

Anne-Maree Moore, Principal

**ENVIRO CHAMPS**

Our Enviro Champs, Connor, George, Jaedyn and Ella had a very productive meeting with Mrs Moore, Miss Buchanan and parent mentors - Mrs Smith and Mrs Hatty, to discuss their environmental project/s for this year.
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**SCHOOL PHOTOS** have been booked with Versatile Photographics for Thursday 31st July. If you wish your child to be photographed, please fill in the attached payment envelope. The school pack costs $25. There is a sample pack on display in the front office. To allow for laundering of student’s uniform we will be holding a Mufti Day on the Wednesday prior to School Photo day. Students can wear warm casual clothes for a donation of $1 to Stewart House.
AWARD WINNERS

Stage 1 Awards

Sam Booth - Encouraging others
Brodie Rudder - Applying Maths strategies

Stage 2/3 Awards

Ella Collins - Perseverance of her school work and learning
Edward Hatty - Showing initiative and dedication towards his home learning

RFF and Library Awards

Digby Currie - Cheerful attitude to learning
Jaylene McFarlane - Concentrating and finishing her work on time

Special Awards

Chontel Costello, Connor Smith, George Hatty, Tyler Smith, William Beard, David Beard, Noah Kitching, Florence Meier.

Principal’s Award

William Beard - Always being cheerful and cooperative.

STUDENT REPORT

As the students come through the school gate first thing in the morning they are ready to learn more.

In Stage 2/3 we entered the NRMA bike helmet competition, each student designs and colours in a paper bike helmet.
If you win, you get a real helmet with the same design as the paper helmet and a bike.
There will be 10 winners.
There will be a Mufti Day on Wednesday 30th July and school photos on the 31st of July.

By Jaylene and Grace
KINDER TASTER

The first of our Kinder Taster days will be held on Friday 1st August from 2pm until the end of school.

All pre-school aged children are invited to join Stage 1 for Recess, play time and an afternoon activity session.

Children will need to bring their recess snack, a bottle of water, their hat and dress appropriately for the weather.

We will require the permission note below to be completed prior to your child attending

HEALTHY LUNCH & EAT IT TO BEAT IT FRUIT AND VEG SENSE SESSION

Matong Public School will be hosting a Fruit and Veg Sense session for parents organised by the Cancer Council on Wednesday 6th August from 12 pm in the Library. This initiative is part the Eat it To Beat It program our school is currently running. We hope that you can join us for this informative workshop where you will learn how to save time and money, making healthy meals the whole family will love.

Prior to the session beginning, students, parents and presenters will enjoy a healthy lunch at 11.15 of chicken and vegie wraps at a cost of $2 per wrap.

We will also be celebrating National School Tree day during lunch when students new to our school in 2014 will plant a tree during the second half of lunch.

Please return the Response form and Healthy lunch order by Friday 25th July.

EDUCATION WEEK AND NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Our school will be celebrating Education Week during Week 5. The highlight of our celebrations will be a book fair and NAIDOC activities on Wednesday 13th August. Students, parents and community members will also be able to enjoy a wonderful BBQ lunch of traditional foods prepared by our Aboriginal visitors including Kangaroo. The cost will be $2 per person. Please complete the order form attached to the newsletter and return to school by Friday 1st August
SCHOOL WEBSITE

Don’t forget that all weekly newsletters are available for viewing on the school website as well as photos of some of the fun learning activities we have been involved in this year. www.matong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.

The Annual School Report is also available for viewing. You will find it located under the Curriculum link.

FOR SALE

Bark Chips for your garden. $20 per trailer load.

All money raised will go to our P&C.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE BOOK FAIR

Thank you to Cathy Booth and Michelle Rudder for their kind offer of assistance with the Book Fair on Wednesday 13th August. If you would also like to become involved in the school in this way, please contact the school office.

RIVERINA ATHLETICS

Change of date for Students competing at the Riverina Athletics carnival. This carnival will now be held Week 4 on Monday 4th August.
**CHILD PROTECTION LESSONS**

Term 3 studies in Child Protection will centre on the topic of 'Power in Relationships'.

The following provides an overview of the content. Please note you gave permission for your child to participate in child protection lessons at the start of the year. Should you wish to view the curriculum, please contact your child’s teacher.

**Content and Focus Areas across the stages:**

When discussing power in relationships, particular attention is given to building confidence in relationships which are positive and caring. Skills in establishing and maintaining positive relationships, including accepted cultural practices related to caring touch, are reinforced. Focus areas include teaching and learning in the areas of rights and responsibilities and power in relationships.

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**Stage 2**

- Different types of relationships
- Expectations of gender roles
- Personal rights
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Sources of Power
- Coercion
- Harassment

**Stage 3**

- Relationships
- Bullying
- Trust
- Rights and responsibilities
- Abuse of power
- Bribes and threats

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**2015 ENROLMENTS**

Matong Public is now taking enrolments for 2015. If you have a child to enrol please contact the school for an enrolment pack.

> "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."
P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our recent P&C Street Stall. The donation of goods and volunteering of your time to sit at the stall was very much appreciated.

Don’t forget all Wood Raffle tickets, sold and unsold need to be returned to school ASAP. The raffle will be drawn this Wednesday night at the P&C meeting.

P&C Meeting this Wednesday 23rd July at 7.30pm. All welcome!
The next "Heart and Soul" gathering is at the library on Tuesday, 29th July @ 10.30am. Our local police officer Constable Brad Hallam will be our guest speaker. He will be providing practical information on road rules and updates of any changes that have occurred.

It still not too late to come in and sign our petition to maintain our funding issue in NSW Public Libraries, we need your support. It will be debated in the Legislative Assembly on August 7th. We are approaching 40,000 signatures statewide which is an amazing result; however we still need some more signatures. Call into the library, your support will be very much appreciated.

Our next Storytime will be this Friday 25th July @ 10.30am. The theme is "Puppy Tales". Come and join in the fun of stories and songs; we welcome new families to come along.

The Coolamon Library is on Facebook! News, pictures, events and opportunities are regularly uploaded – join us now!

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FANNY LUMSDEN

I am writing as we have an opportunity for any budding songwriters or musicians who would like to take part in a songwriters workshop this Saturday the 26th of July with Fanny Lumsden from Fanny Lumsden & the Thrillseekers.

The workshop is being put on for free (thanks to Western Riverina Arts Council) and will be held at 4:30pm at the Grong Grong Hall. It is happening as a part of the bands third annual Country Halls Tour of the Riverina.

We are also doing a call out for any local musicians/performers who would like to come and perform on the night to get in touch via emailing fanny.lumsden@gmail.com as we have two special opening spots for local performers (please see the flyer attached). We will be bringing full production including PA and lights and are expecting a great crowd so it would be an excellent opportunity to play in front of their community. We are encouraging any performers to get in touch by the end of the week.
Weekly Quiz - Visual

1. In which country were these celebrations held?

2. What is the name of this large ship?

3. At what sporting event was this photo taken?

4. This flag has been in the news a lot in the last week. Which country does it belong to?

5. In which country would you see this annual event?
1. From where did Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 take off before being shot down with tragic results?
   a. Malaysia
   b. Amsterdam
   c. Ukraine

2. How many Australians were onboard?
   a. ten
   b. twenty eight
   c. thirty four

3. Who is being blamed for the bombing?
   a. the Taliban
   b. Russian-backed rebels
   c. the Ukrainian Army

4. True or false, the Carbon Tax has been scrapped?

5. In which disputed territory has Israel just launched a ground attack?
   a. The Golan Heights
   b. The West Bank
   c. The Gaza Strip

6. What did a great white shark that washed ashore in Western Australia die of?
   a. it choked on a fishing hook
   b. it choked on a sea lion
   c. it choked on an Esky

7. Why was Australian singer Sia in the news this week?
   a. her album debuted at No.1 on the US Billboard chart
   b. she has announced she will be collaborating with Lorde on a single
   c. she will be singing in the Commonwealth Games opening

8. A dangerous practice of “coupler riding” has been in the news recently. What is “coupler riding”?
   a. when people sit on the bonnets of cars while they are moving
   b. when people sit on the handle bars of bicycles while someone else pedals
   c. when people ride on the outside of trains

9. Which newspaper is celebrating its 50th year in print?
   a. Herald Sun
   b. the Australian
   c. the Sydney Morning Herald

10. Survivors of Victoria’s Black Saturday bushfires have recently secured a $500 million payout. What year were the Black Saturday bushfires?
    a. 2005
    b. 2008
    c. 2009

11. Which player won the FIFA World Cup best player award (the “Golden Ball”)?
    a. Lionel Messi (Argentina)
    b. Thomas Muller (Germany)
    c. Robin van Persie (Netherlands)

12. A town in south-west WA has set a Guinness World Record for the largest gathering of people dressed as what?
    a. horses
    b. kangaroos
    c. cows

13. Where did more than 2,000 dancers gather to participate in the world’s biggest dance event, Big Dance?
    a. Dreamworld
    b. the Sydney Opera House
    c. Parliament House in Canberra

14. At this time of year, many Muslims are following the rules of Ramadan. What is Ramadan?
    a. a month of praying
    b. a month of fasting
    c. a month of celebrating

15. In what sport do the Waratahs, Brumbies and Force compete?
Weekly Quiz - Answers

1. From where did Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 take off before being shot down with tragic results?
   b. Amsterdam - The passenger jet was shot down by a ground-to-air missile over eastern Ukraine on its way from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur, killing all 298 passengers and crew.

2. How many Australians were onboard?
   b. Twenty-eight - The majority of the passengers were from the Netherlands (189), Malaysia had 44 passengers on board and Australia had 28.

3. Who is being blamed for the bombing?
   b. Russian-backed rebels - During a press conference Tony Abbott said it was an accident. "It was shot down. It did not crash. It was downed, and it was downed over territory controlled by Russian-backed rebels. It was downed by a missile which seems to have been launched by Russian-backed rebels."

4. True or false, the Carbon Tax has been scrapped?
   True - The final vote to scrap the carbon tax was won by the Coalition 39 to 32, with the micro-party senators, including those from the Palmer United Party, voting with the Government. It was the Government's third attempt to repeal the tax since introducing the legislation last November.

5. In which disputed territory has Israel just launched a ground attack?
   c. Gaza Strip - Outside governments are pushing for a cease-fire between the Israelis and the Palestinians in the densely populated strip of land between Israel and Egypt.

6. What did a great white shark that washed ashore in Western Australia die of?
   b. It choked on a sea lion - A great white shark that washed ashore in Western Australia choked on a sea lion, an investigation into the animal's death has found. Earlier in the week the shark, which was about four metres long, was filmed thrashing in shallow waters at Coronation Beach, north of Geraldton.

7. Why was Australian singer Sia in the news this week?
   a. Her album debuted at No.1 on the US Billboard chart - Her most recent effort, 1000 Forms of Fear, is her first chart-topper on the Billboard 200, a weekly ranking of top-selling albums. The Australian performer's latest hit single Chandelier has been her first solo top 20 hit in the United States and achieved triple-platinum sales in Australia, peaking at No. 2 on the charts.

8. A dangerous practice of "coupler riding" has been in the news recently. What is "coupler riding"?
   c. When people ride on the outside of trains - There have already been 36 reported incidents this year. A Metro spokesperson said it is reckless and extremely dangerous behaviour. Trains travel up to 110 kilometres per hour and it is a one-and-a-half metre drop from the carriage onto the tracks. A fall from the back of a train will result in death, or serious injury.

9. Which newspaper is celebrating its 50th year in print?
   b. Australian - The Australian has celebrated 50 years in print with a glowing endorsement from Prime Minister Tony Abbott, who said John Howard had the newspaper to thank for his elevation to the nation's top job.

10. Survivors of Victoria's Black Saturday bushfires have recently secured a $500 million payout. What year were the Black Saturday bushfires?
   c. 2009 - The action against power distributor SP AusNet and asset managers Utility Services Group involved 10,000 people, including relatives of the 119 people killed in the fire, people injured and those who lost their homes and property. The blaze razed 125,000 hectares and destroyed more than 1,000 homes.

11. Which player won the FIFA World Cup best player award (the "Golden Ball")?
   a. Lionel Messi (Argentina) - Messi received the award after Argentina lost 1-0 to Germany in the final on Sunday but he looked far from happy as he went up to collect the trophy.

12. A town in south-west WA has set a Guinness World Record for the largest gathering of people dressed as what?
   c. Cows - A total of 1,352 people dressed in cow onesies to break the record at Cowaramup's Deja-Moo Country Fair. The fair was held on the second anniversary of 32 cow statues being installed in the town's main street.

13. Where did more than 2,000 dancers gather to participate in the world's biggest dance event, Big Dance?
   b. Sydney Opera House - Simply called Big Dance, it was the first time Sydney had joined the event, which also featured more than 2,000 dancers in both London and Glasgow who were joined together by live video link. All the dancers simultaneously performed a specially commissioned Big Dance routine, created by Australian Rafael Bonachela, who is the artistic director of the Sydney Dance Company.

14. At this time of year, many Muslims are following the rules of Ramadan. What is Ramadan?
   b. A month of fasting - Followers do not eat or drink between dawn and sunset for the duration of the 29 day Ramadan period.

15. In what sport do the Waratahs, Brumbies and Force compete?
   Rugby (Union) - The Brumbies knocked out defending Super Rugby champions the Chiefs and will now face the Waratahs in a Super15 semi-final this weekend.

Visual Answers

1. Germany - Hundreds of thousands of German fans converged on the city of Berlin to celebrate their team's victory in the World Cup.

2. Costa Concordia - The cruise ship has been raised from the sea floor after one of the biggest ever salvage operations.

3. The Tour de France - The annual event consists of 21 day-long stages over 23 days covering around 3,500km.

4. Israel

5. Spain - The Running of the Bulls in Pamplona

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KINDER TASTER DAY

I give permission for my child/children______________________________________
to participate in the Matong Public School 2014 Kinder Taster Days.

Allergies/medical conditions of which the supervising staff should be aware:

___________________________________________________________

Medicare number:

_________________________________________________________

In the event of illness or injury, I authorise the First Aid Officer to administer medical assistance
on behalf of my child YES/NO

Emergency Contact Details:

1. Name ___________________________ Phone No._________________

2. Name ____________________________Phone No.__________________

Signature of parent/caregiver _______________________________ Date_________

Name: ______________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________

Phone Number: _______________________________________

Email : ______________________________________________

NAIDOC TRADITIONAL BBQ ORDER

Our family would like to participate in the NAIDOC BBQ on Wednesday 13th August, 2014.

We would like to order _____________ BBQ lunches at $2 per person.

Family Name:                                          