A note from the Principal...

Hello and welcome to the 2014 school year!! Mayrung School has started the year in excellent fashion! The students have all settled in harmoniously and have returned with an enthusiastic and studious attitude, (I realise that might not be the message at home, but they do appear to be that way when they enter the school gate).

A big welcome to our new kinders, Eliza, Braith and Lara. We hope that their years at Mayrung are productive and fun filled. I have been very impressed with the manner in which our older students have been taking care of the younger ones, ensuring that they are aware of the routines and school values. Our year six leaders, Anthony Mullens, Dana Moore, Ethan Peterson and Kayla Smith, have all settled into their roles as leaders of the school.

Our last welcome is to our new staff member, Miss Melissa Williams, who actually has taught at Mayrung in the past. Melissa has already impressed the students with her implementation of the novel study on Roald Dahl’s “The Witches”. Melissa and I will be working together to provide each student with a learning program tailored to their precise needs.

Our year ahead is certainly going to be a busy one, with departmental changes, sporting events, excursions, visiting performances and many more. On Wednesday, Feb, 12th we will be holding our annual information night at school. During this meeting we will be discussing an outline of our teaching & learning program for the year, along with other information pertinent to your child’s education at Mayrung School. I do hope that you can attend, further information is mentioned in this newsletter.

Along with Jenny Adamson (K/1/2 class teacher), Birgit Schultz (School secretary), Melissa Williams (class teacher) and Ben Howitt (Student Learning Support Officer), I look forward to working alongside all Mayrung parents and caregivers in providing the best education for your child/children.

Julie Eason

NEW FACES AROUND THE SCHOOL

Kayla Smith (Year 6) Thomas Holschier (Year 5)

And of course our three beautiful Kinder Students

Alicia Smith Ms Williams
Year 3 New Classroom teacher

BOOK CLUB
Please find attached bookclub pamphlets, which are due back Friday week. Could you please pay via credit card or cheque (written out to Scholastic). Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>10th</td>
<td>Swimming in town</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>12th</td>
<td>Meet and Greet BBQ and AGM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>20th</td>
<td>Canteen</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>21st</td>
<td>Swimming Carnival</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
NEWS FROM MRS ADAMSON
Welcome back everyone,
I hope you all had a great Christmas and a relaxing break, I know I did.
Even though it has been extremely hot, the children have all settled back into school really well.
Thank you to everyone that has sent their children in with their home reader bags. They are very enthusiastic about their home reading which is great to see and it is fantastic to have that consistent reading support from home; it makes a big difference in their learning.

On Monday the Kinders took home their first Sight Word folders with their level 1 sight words. The Year 1 & 2’s will be bringing home some maths soon.
Remember that it is important for the children to start developing good habits. They bring their Home Reader bags, (with their homework folders in them) to school every day for me to check. I will be sending a note home with homework expectations in the next few days.
There has been quite a few home reading books not returned last year, could you please have a look around at home and if you find any send them in. I will put a note in your child’s home reader bags to let you know what books need to be returned. We have had a great start to 2014. Please contact me if you have any queries or concerns about anything.
Thanks
Jenny Adamson K-2

NEWS FROM MS WILLIAMS
Dear Parents,
I would just like to say a big hello to introduce myself for those that don’t know me. My name is Melissa Williams and I am very excited to be teaching back at Mayrung. Quite a few years have passed since I was there, could you please have a look around at home and if you find any send them in. I will put a note in your child’s home reader bags to let you know what books need to be returned. We have had a great start to 2014. Please contact me if you have any queries or concerns about anything.
Thanks
Jenny Adamson K-2

SWIMMING:
In readiness for your Swimming Carnival (Friday 21st Feb) we are participating in a swimming refresher on Monday, 10th February from 1.20 pm – 2.20 pm. The students will come to school as per usual and we will take the bus into town at around 12.30 pm. Parents are welcome to pick their students up from the pool at 2.20 pm. Out-of-town students can get a lift out with the High school bus. Please let us know so we can arrange this with Purtils and teachers will drop your students at the bus stops accordingly.
Children from families who haven’t purchased a season ticket have to bring $2 for pool entry. Please remember to send sunscreen as well.

GREET & MEET BBQ AND P&C MEETING:
A greet and meet BBQ will be held on Wednesday, 12 February starting at 6.00 pm. Everyone is welcome to come along. Following the BBQ there will be the AGM followed by the P&C Meeting.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL:
Swimming Carnival will be held in Deniliquin at the town pool in Poictiers Street on Friday 21st February starting at 10 am. This is a whole school activity and it is parents’ responsibility to take their students to the pool and pick them up again. If you have any problems in regards of this please ring the school. Thank you.

FAMILY RECORD UPDATE:
Could you please fill in the family record update and send it back to school. Thank you

CANTEEN:
Canteen will run every first and third Friday of the months this year, starting in week 3, which would be the 21st February. So we will have canteen that week on Thursday (good start to the rule!!!) We would love to see as many families as possible to help out. We also welcome fathers, grand parents or aunties or uncles; it doesn’t have to be the mother. Could you please fill in if you are available this year? If I don’t hear back from you I presume that you are happy to be rostered on.

COMMUNITY NEWS

DENILIQUIN NETBALL ASSOCIATION
REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS 2014
If you are aged between 10-17 years of age before the 31/12/2014, you will be eligible to try out for the DNA Representative teams for 2014 which will include:

11years/under 13years/under 15 years/under 17 years/under

Tryouts will be held Wednesday 19th February and 26th February
11/under: 5.30-6.30pm, 13, 15, 17/under: 6.30-8.00pm

Please note that you must be registered with DNA Winter competition and attend both selection trials to be eligible for the squad.

RSVP 12th February 2014
Contact: Meagan Rodda 0459919901
e-mail: Meagan.Rodda@det.nsw.edu.au

ATTACHMENTS:
- Family Record Update – Newsletter requirement
- Canteen survey
- Book Club pamphlet
- Swimming Permission Note