Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back! We trust you enjoyed the holidays.
There was great excitement on Monday when students returned to school and saw the new carpet and also the new library furniture! It certainly looks great and will be a wonderful environment for student learning. Thank you to the staff for all their work in ensuring that everything was ready for students to commence learning on the first day of term! We look forward to a busy and fulfilling term.
Do call in and have a look at the upgrade!

This term we welcome Isabelle, Tiarna, Bonnie, Abbie-Roze, Mostyn, Jackson and Domenic to “BIG” school and Jack, Storhm and Tahlia to fulltime preschool. We also welcome Riley to the year 4 class, Lucy to year 5 and Isabelle to the year 6 group.

We hope you enjoy your learning at Mount Burr Primary.

Anne-Marie

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The correct uniform is as follows:

**BOYS SUMMER:** Grey or black shorts, bottle green polo shirt.

**GIRLS SUMMER:** Bottle green and white check dress, black shorts (appropriate length for school) bottle green polo shirt. Please note that the school polo shirts are available at the front office at a cost of $15.

A reminder that students are required to wear either a wide brimmed or bucket hat during terms 1 and 4.

SCHOOL HOURS

Teachers are on duty from 8:30 am, it is important that students, other than bus children do not arrive at school before 8:30 am. It is also important that children arrive at school before 8:55 am to be organised for the day’s learning.

THANKYOU

Thankyou to Lyn Henderson and Murray and Jann Walker for all their work in putting the library books back in place, following the upgrade. Your help is very much appreciated!
CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Lachlan Leake who came runner up in the Lions International Peace Poster competition. Lachie won the state award before going on to the national awards. Well done Lachie!

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Our parent information evening will take on a new format this year with families invited to attend “popup” workshops as a way of being informed about specific learning programs being offered across the school in 2016. Please refer to the attached page for further details including the tear off slip to be returned to the front office. If you have any questions in regard to the workshops please don’t hesitate to get in touch with the school.

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

As part of our Assessment and Reporting program in 2016 3way interviews will take on a new format, with interviews being offered in line with student goal setting and conducted when required e.g. when a student achieves their learning goal and is ready to set their next goal, this would form the basis of the interview. This way parents are kept up to date with their child’s learning as well as being able to support them at home. Homework contracts (years 3-7) will also link to the individual learning goals.

ABSENCES

The Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) requires a written note for all student absences. A phone call or verbal explanation is no longer accepted by the department. An official proforma is available for parents to fill in.

GARDEN PRODUCE

Garden produce will once again be available for families to buy. We will be picking each Monday morning with produce being available before and after school on Mondays. At the moment there are carrots, zucchinis, cucumbers, tomatoes and beans. Prices range from 50c - $2.00. Thankyou to Mrs. Henderson for looking after the vegetable garden during the holidays. There is also plum jam (made from the school’s plums) available at $2.00 a jar.

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup will be held in the preschool every second Wednesday (weeks 1, 3, 5, 7, 9) between 9:00am and 10:30 am.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Millicent United Soccer Club Presents

FAMILY FUN DAY 2016

20th March 2016, from 10am-3pm
At the soccer ground, Plunkett Terrace, Millicent

JUNIOR SOCCER SKILLS SHOWCASE

KIDS ENTERTAINMENT

JUMPING CASTLE, FACE PAINTING, GAMES

KIDS STALLS, BEAUTY STALLS, GOURMET FOOD, ARTS AND CRAFTS ETC

CAR BOOT SALES

LIVE BAND

50TH ANNIVERSARY MEMORABILIA ON DISPLAY

To reserve a stall or for further information contact us at the soccer ground or 9448 818. For more information visit our website www.muscl.com.au

Newn Denton on 9448 814 or Judy Linton on 9448 217.