Proud of our caring students

We received a phone call this week from an elderly Cooranbong citizen who wanted to congratulate us on our kind and caring students. Unfortunately she had fallen over but two of our students came to her rescue. Not only did Josh and Maddie help her up but they also helped to get all of her things together for her and carried them to the ladies car for her.

Congratulations Josh and Maddie for being such kind and caring students.

Easter Hat Parade – 2nd April

It won’t be long before the Easter Hat Parade is here!

A reminder that all Easter hats for the parade this year will be made at home.

Easter Egg Raffle Tickets

Tickets for our P&C Easter Raffle will be sent home on Monday 16th March, 2015. Tickets are $1.00 each and all money raised goes toward the P&C’s 2015 fundraising for the school which will include covering the walkways and fixing the hall. Please sell or buy as many tickets as you can. Of course more tickets are available from the office. Please don’t hesitate to ask. There are lots of yummy prizes this year!

Cricket Stars

A huge congratulations to our boys and girls cricket team! Both teams won their games against Morisset Public School and more importantly both teams showed respect and outstanding sportsmanship throughout their matches.

A big thank you to John for all the time you have spent preparing our players and to Mr King for your great organisation.
Hello everyone, here’s a friendly reminder that our Trivia night is on this Friday night at Morisset Country Club at 6.30pm. It is an adults only event so find a baby sitter and come join in the fun!

There has been a lot of hard work and a lot of time gone into the preparation for this and as a result the P&C has been given some fantastic prizes! From a $200 voucher at Tyrepower Morisset to $100 worth of travel vouchers thanks to Helloworld Travel plus a whole stack of other stuff from toolkits to coldie holders! So come along, have a laugh and maybe go home with a great prize!

The P&C would also like to thank the many local business's that have generously donated items and vouchers to our trivia night, and remember people, these business’ have supported our school so lets return the favour and think about supporting these guys next time we are out shopping. A very special and big thank you to all on the P&C who have helped with this event and thanks to the office staff, especially Mrs Miller, couldn’t have done it without you.

As always the P&C could always use some more help in any capacity. So if you have some spare time and would like to be part of a group that wants to be a positive influence on the school, come along, get involved and who knows? You might have some fun. See you all Friday.

There are so many prizes to be won and a few seats left. If you would like to come along please contact Jodie or Tanya on 0488 101102 or 0408252000.

P&C Committee

Trivia Night Tomorrow Night!

**Where:** Morisset Country Club  
**Time:** 6:30pm  
**Price:** $20 per ticket

After school activities

A reminder to everyone that Art Attack finishes at 5pm on Monday afternoons and after school sport with Mr O’Dell finishes at 4:00pm on Wednesday afternoons.

Please ensure that you are not late in picking your children up. Understandably at times incidents may arise that make you slightly late however forgetting that your child is at after school activities is not a justifiable reason for being late. On 2 separate occasions teachers have waited over an hour for students to be collected.
Thank you for understanding and respecting the volunteer time that our teachers are giving to your children.

**Funds raised for children’s hospital**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our fundraiser for the Children’s Hospital at Westmead. We raised $220 – a great effort!

There were many animals that were admitted to our hospital ward and the care and special treatment that they got certainly impressed the students.

I voted for a very big purple bear. It had a sore eye and a sore tail. By Missi 1H

Today was bandage bear day. I took my Tasmanian Devil. We had to vote. I voted for a snake. By Tilli 1H

A huge thank you to Dr. Hamilton, who not only made sure the sick animals had their hearing and vision checked but also made sure the animals received their routine immunisation needles. Thank you for a very fun morning Dr. Hamilton!

Miss Hamilton dressed up as a doctor. She was funny. By Charlee 1H

Today is bear day. We visited the little bears and we dressed up the little bears and the doctor helped the bears. By Shekinah 1H
Awesome Readers!

Congratulations to Sybella, Elijah and Tara for working so hard on your reading skills. Mrs Tukua was very impressed with the effort that they are putting into practising their “tricky words”.

Students of the Week

Congratulations to Nikita, Sam, Joel, Eseta, Sybella, Hayden and Jesse for being students of the week! Keep up the good work.

Bronze Award

Well done Bradley for receiving your Bronze award, you should be very proud of yourself.

Principal’s Award

Well done to Tahlia, Tiarna, Josephine, Chris and Bailey for receiving the Principal’s Award. All of these students have volunteered their time to work with our young students in our support class. They have certainly made them feel more settled and happy at our amazing school.

Special Request

Donations of wool or crochet yarn are needed for activities being held on Harmony Day on 20th March. Please send in any old / new wool you can donate. Thank you!
K/1E classroom area nearly completed!

The fencing area around K/1E is nearly ready. This lovely area is certainly not the students only play area as all of the children are being transitioned into the school playground. This is an extra outdoor area that can be utilised for structured activities. Last week the freshly grown grass was used as a water play area.

Healthy Eating

It is wonderful seeing all the healthy packed lunches that our students are eating. Fresh fruit and vegetables are certainly making a comeback as the preferred snacks for the students.

All students have a “Cruch and Sip” break to snack on something healthy and have a drink of water. This ensures that their energy levels are kept up for optimal learning.

In the Library

Library time has certainly been a happy, social time where students can relax and catch up on some reading. It is wonderful to see children enjoying books and engaging in some in depth conversations about them.
In the classroom

Students in 1H and 2F who have been studying *The Senses* had a wonderful visitor this week. Angela from the Guide Dog Association brought along a friend and discussed the sense of sight with our students. They discussed the job of a guide dog and how they help people who are visually impaired.

Children learnt many things including that guide dogs should not be touched while they are working. At the end of the session, children were lucky to give Hamish a friendly pat and thank her for all the work she does to help Angela.

We have had an exciting first term so far at Playgroup. We have painted, glued, sang and splashed our way through some interesting activities. We take this opportunity to welcome all our families back to the group and say a big HI to our new ones.

A big thank you to Jo O-Sullivan who has stayed on as Co-ordinator even though her daughter is in Kindergarten now. We really appreciate it.

If you have a little one aged 0-5 years come along and join in the fun at 9.15 – 11.15am every Wednesday of the school term. Playgroup is held in the school hall and you are always welcome.

Uniform Shop News

There are currently no Size 6, 8 or 10 polo shirts available. They have been ordered for several weeks but unfortunately we have no expected delivery date. I will put a note in the newsletter when we receive them. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Any seconds in these sizes would be greatly appreciated, thanks for your understanding.

*Erin Ward*
Important dates for this term

13th March  P&C Trivia Night
25th March  Eat it to Beat it session
20th March  Harmony Day
27th March  School Cross Country
2nd April    Easter Hat Parade
2nd April    Last day of Term 1

Come to our FREE Healthy Lunch Box Session

Date: Wednesday, 25th March 2015
Time: 9:15 - 10:00am
Venue: Cooranbong Public School

Eating enough fruit and veg every day can help protect your kids against diseases including some forms of cancer. This popular session run by Cancer Council NSW as part of the Eat It To Beat It program will give you:

- New and exciting ideas for healthy lunch boxes your kids will love
- A Show Bag including a great healthy lunch box kit and planner
- Simple ways to get the whole family eating enough fruit & veg

Don’t miss out - registration is essential. To book your place please register no later than 23/03/15 by calling or visiting the school front office.

During 2015 we will be evaluating Healthy Lunch Box sessions with the help of researchers from the University of Sydney. Participation in the evaluation is completely voluntary.