Dear Parents and Friends of Morisset PS

Thank you students for your great start to a new term. The school uniform is looking fantastic! If you haven’t got a school jumper please come and see me as I have a few spare second hand jumpers.

It is the last week that Mr Kynwood is at our school as he starts on Monday as Principal of Cardiff PS. We will miss him but are very proud of his achievements. Mrs Tracie Brown will be taking the class for the remainder of the term while we work with staffing to fill the position.

This week is Education Week: The tagline for the original 1954 Education Week was: "Lighting the Way to a Better World". We have adopted that slogan for this anniversary celebration and the artwork from the 1954 poster has been adapted for use by schools in their 2014 promotions.

Our partner primary schools and high school have set up a Public Schools showcase at the Morisset Shopping Centre. Our students will be performing and showing the community their excellence this Friday. Included in the newsletter is a running sheet between 12.40pm and 2.30pm. Please come and have a look at the amazing things our schools are doing.

Don’t forget you are invited to a special Education Week Celebration at Morisset HS this Thursday. Awards will be given to students, community and staff in recognition of the work they do in schools.

NAIDOC celebrations are held around Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Today we are having our own celebrations with parents participating in many cultural activities. Watch the school website for the photos!

I would like to thank staff and executive team for continuing to provide quality education and support for all students while I was away. Hope to see you at the P&C meeting this Friday! Make the most of the awesome moments.

Kathryn Duncan
Principal
**NATIONAL TREE DAY**

A big thank you to Lake Macquarie Council and the Landcare Resource Centre at Teralba for the 40 trees they donated to our school for National Tree Day. Our gardening groups planted them last Friday.

Minister for Environment Taylor Scanlon

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**2014**

**Term 3**

**Week 3**

- EDUCATION WEEK - CREATING THE FUTURE
  - Wed 30 Newsletter

**Week 4**

- AUGUST
  - Fri 1 Aug Education Week Performance - Morisset Square
  - P & C Meeting 9.15am

**Week 5**

- Thurs 7
  - ASSEMBLY 2.30pm – 1K

**Week 6**

- Tues 12
  - ICAS - Maths
  - International Left Handers Day

- Wed 13
  - Newsletter

- Fri 15
  - Zone Athletics Field Events
  - FINAL Instalment Due - Great Aussie Bush Camp

**Week 7**

- Mon 18
  - Zone Athletics - Track Events

- Wed 20
  - Kindergarten Excursion—Oakvale Farm

- Thurs 21
  - ASSEMBLY 2.30pm - K/1CA

- Fri 22
  - Kindy Orientation - Bright Beginnings 1
    (Teddy Bears' Picnic)

**Week 8**

- Mon 25-Wed 27
  - Great Aussie Bush Camp

- Wed 27
  - Years 5 & 6 Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition

- Fri 29
  - Regional Athletics Carnival

**Week 9**

- Tues 2 Sept
  - 'World's Apart' Performance
  - Kindy Orientation - Bright Beginnings 2
    (Crunch & Sip with Literacy)

- Thurs 4
  - Fathers’ Day Stall
  - ASSEMBLY 2.30pm K/1G

- Fri 5
  - Zone Senior Football Gala Day
  - Fellas Fun Friday

**Week 10**

- Wed 10
  - Jump Rope—Jump Off

- Fri 12
  - P & C Meeting

**Week 11**

- Thurs 18
  - Kindy Orientation - Bright Beginnings 3
    (Make a Break with Maths)

- Fri 19
  - Westlakes PSSA Zone Junior Netball Gala Day

**LAST DAY OF TERM 3**

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**KINDER ORIENTATION**

The first Bright Beginnings - Teddy Bears' Picnic day has been changed from Wednesday 20 August to

**FRIDAY 22 AUGUST**

Any questions please contact Diana Gundert

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**ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL**

If your child is away from school please phone the office or send in an absence note when they return to school.

Alternatively you can send notification through the school app.

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**CANTEEN**

**PLEASE** have all lunch orders in by 9.15am, the ladies in the canteen need them in no later than that to ensure all food, especially HOT food is ready for the children to take down to class at 11am. This does not leave much time for orders to be prepared if they are still coming in at 9.40am or later. If your child forgets to put their lunch order in and comes to the canteen at 11am, the ladies may be able to make them a basic sandwich but they will not be able to fill a hot food order.

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**NATIONAL LITERACY & NUMERACY WEEK SEPTEMBER**

- Tues 2 Sept
  - 'World's Apart' Performance
  - Kindy Orientation - Bright Beginnings 2
    (Crunch & Sip with Literacy)

- Thurs 4
  - Fathers’ Day Stall
  - ASSEMBLY 2.30pm K/1G

- Fri 5
  - Zone Senior Football Gala Day
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**LAST DAY OF TERM 3**
GETTING ALONG

K/1CA -  Grady Vitnell - Helps others and is a student who always shares
K/1G -  Ava Wenning - Always trying hard to get along with her peers and adults
1K -  Maddi Serone - Being kind to her friends
1/2O -  Billy Nicholson - Always friendly
2B -  Lily Casey - Always being a good friend
3N -  Nash McGrath - Always caring and sharing
3/4KW -  Shayla Ridley - Always being a good friend, in class and in the playground
4/5D -  Noah Cuskelly - Always thinking of others
5/6G -  Taylor Scanlon - Always willing to help others in class and the playground
5/6W -  Ethan Mundy - Always playing fairly and including others (especially in hand ball)

Bronze Reading Awards
Samiha Hossain, Payton Russell, Shataya Whitmore

Silver Reading Awards
Sabrina Melman, Harry Bailey, Cody McGrath, Tahlia Porch, Bella Visocchi, Callum Churchill, Samuel Anton, Ashlyn Hunt, Tahlia Wilson, Jaxon Oxenbridge, Alanna Collin

Gold Reading Awards
Maddi Serone, Ben Melman, Braiden Parker-Hall, Zoe Cuskelly, Lili Serone, Isla Mundy, Shataya Whitmore, Jackson Scanlon

Double Bronze Reading Awards
Matilda Scott, Ryan Nicholls-Hughes, Merkesha Whitmore

Double Silver Reading Awards
Nina Dean, Alexander Beirne, Megan Waters

Double Gold Reading Awards
Hayley Ostergaard, Nina Dean

Term 3

K/1CA Merit Award
- Maddison Smith
- Jacob Watts

K/1G Merit Award
- Kurtis Dicandilo
- Ryder Jack

1K Merit Award
- Alexander Beirne
- Otis Brace

1/2O Merit Award
- Tahlia Hunter
- Tyler Stace

2B Merit Award
- Isaac Bailey
- Zoe Cuskelly

Week 2

3N Merit Award
- Darcy Deaves
- Emily Scott

3/4KW Merit Award
- Holden Watson
- Liam Knight

4/5D Merit Award
- Gabrielle
- Kye Brinkworth

5/6G Merit Award
- Jayden Visocchi
- Ben Ransom

5/6W Merit Award
- Nashua Knight
- Loren Shortland
Cooranbong Valley Community Preschool currently offers educational care at a reduced rate for children who turn four by the 31/7/14. This program runs for six hours a day from Monday to Thursday with very few places left in our school readiness group. In an effort to accommodate those families who have younger children (2 and 3 year olds) and who would like their child to begin the first stage of their school readiness journey we are offering from Monday 14/7/14 (Term 3) an hourly care rate of $8 per hour for a minimum of 3 hours. Families of younger children must nominate three, four, five or six hours per day for their child to attend.

Families must provide a copy of an up to date immunisation certificate and birth certificate as well as pay an enrolment fee of $85 before their child can commence at our educational preschool. If you would like to take advantage of this offer please call the preschool (Louise Pike - Director) on 4977 1055.

GARDENING NEWS

The first group prepared the garden beds for planting by weeding, watering and turning the soil. Then they planted the snow peas. Next week the parsley, carrots and baby spinach seedlings will be ready to plant out.

They live in the snow. They eat fish. They make nests out of rocks.

Kurtis
K/1G
**MORISSET SHOPPING CENTRE**  
**FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST**  
**SHOWCASE RUNNING SHEET ORDER**

**STARTING TIME 12.50PM**

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**FINISH APPROX 2.40PM**

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**STRANGER DANGER**

**Invitation**
Education Week Celebrations
**Thursday July 31, 2014**
4pm - Afternoon Tea
4.30 - 5.30pm - Presentation of Awards, Musical Items and a very special announcement
**Morisset High School Hall**

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Please take a few minutes to remind your child/ren about stranger danger.
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