Dear Parents and Carers,

We are on the downhill run towards the end of the year. Our school is a very busy place at the moment and we have lots of great things happening. Our classes are working striving to delight you with very special performances in our School Concert on November 26. We are also working together to create a school movie to share with you on Presentation Day. In addition to this, there is always great work happening in classrooms.

Our Kinder Orientation program has concluded, unless some the children wish to come back for another visit and then they will be very welcome. At this stage we have eight little darlings who are all delightful. Our Year 5 buddies have done a wonderful job making them feel comfortable in a new environment. Five of the new Kinders have siblings in the school and we are welcoming three new families to our community. In 2016 we will be running a play group in our school hall. Please spread the word. We are hoping this initiative will make more people aware of our great school and help boost our Kindergarten enrolments. When we finalise the day and time, we will let you know and advertise through the local preschools and the Wangi Library. If you have any ideas or would like to contribute to this initiative please come and talk to me.

The merit selection process to appoint an Assistant Principal is well underway. Applications close today, shortlisting and interviews will be conducted in the next 2 weeks.

Best wishes for a sunny, happy week.

Kim Witt

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**Captaincy and Prefecture for 2016**

**Captaincy:** Current year 5 students wishing to run for school captain in 2016 will have the opportunity to do their speech on Tuesday 24th November. Next year we will have one boy captain and one girl captain. We will also be talking in each class about what makes a good leader. There will be a particular focus on our school values of: Excellence, Respect and Community.

**Prefecture:** In 2016, all students who are currently in Year 5 will have the opportunity to achieve school prefecture. To become a school prefect, students will have to take on a variety of responsibilities and are awarded points for doing so. The recording of points will be monitored by teachers who engaged with the students completing the responsibility. When students achieve the set number of points they will become a prefect. After attaining this position, students will be required to continue to take on responsibilities to maintain their status. Students in Stage 3 have had input into what these responsibilities should be, some examples include: refereeing playtime games, completing class work with quality on a consistent basis, organising an event or completing a project to beautify or enrich the school. This process will begin this week as students endeavour to be the next leaders of our wonderful school.

Our aim is for students to be more self-directed in taking responsibility and be positive citizens within their school context. We are not placing restrictions on the number of prefects we have. We are hoping that all students will aim to be leaders and that this will empower them for a successful high school transition. If you have any questions please come and see me.

Mr Metcalfe
**Milo Cricket Cancellation**

It was very disappointing for our Yr 3 and 4 students to have their Cricket Gala Day cancelled due to insufficient interest from other schools. The term 4 calendar is a little crazy in all schools. We have requested that Cricket Australia provide a skills session for students and they are happy to do this. This will take place here at school on Thursday.

Rather than refunding all parents (quite a time consuming task for Mrs Pillidge) we are hoping parents will agree to have the money paid for Gala day to be credited towards the Myuna Bay Celebration Day at the end of the year. If this doesn’t work for you please just advise us in writing and we will process a refund for you.

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**2016 Travel Passes**

Bus passes will not be issued to students in 2016. Students will instead be issued with a ‘School Opal Card’.

Please read the School Opal Card factsheet included in this week’s newsletter.

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**P&C NEWS**

**Brokenwood Wine Fundraising**

The P&C will again be participating in the Brokenwood Wine fundraising. The P&C will receive $20 from each case of wine sold. Order forms are available from the office or you can order online with the following link:


Special prices per case for our school:

**White**
- Partner’s Blend Sauvignon Blanc Semillon $159.60
- Semillon, Hunter Valley $210.00
- Umpires Chardonnay $210.00

**Red**
- Three Sovereigns Shiraz $235.20
- Three Sovereigns Cabernet Sauv. Shiraz $235.20
- Three Sovereigns Cabernet Sauv. Merlot $235.20

Orders need to be finalised by **Friday 4th December** for delivery on Friday 11th December.

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**Canteen**

More volunteers needed. Please call Stacey for more information on 0458 029 583.

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**Congratulations** to Emily Fatches and her crew Luca who recently came second in the Sabot State Championships. Jed Fatches, a former student of AVPS, came first.

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**BAND**

Band is in full swing, getting ready for the concert on November 26.

- Fees are now due. This will be a 9-week term for lessons.
- Weekly lesson $12.50 + $1 if using a school instrument.
- Overdue fees for Term 3 also need to be paid.
- Please make sure student’s name is on envelope when money is put into the box.
- Online payment can be made. Do **not** use the school account. Please put request into money tin for band account details.

Thank you,
Diana
SCHOOL MURAL -
We are re-designing and adding to our murals within the school. If you know of a local artist who may be interested in submitting a tender, please have them contact the school as soon as possible.

FOCUS ON
This week we put 3/4 under the microscope.

ERICA – We are doing a play and I am Narrator 1. Kate is Narrator 2.

HUNTER – Our class is doing a play for the end of year. My character is Mr Hoppy. He’s an old man who is lonely.

MATTHEW – In the play I am a tortoise. I like the play.

MATILDA – I like the play, I’m playing a Tortoise.

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