From the Principal's Desk

Welcome and Staffing

It is hard to believe it is now February and our students are well and truly into the swing of the new year. We have welcomed a number of new teachers, Mr Murphy, Ms Fuery and Ms Licence to staff. Congratulations to Mr Andrew Brandon who was promoted just prior to the Christmas holidays, to the position of Assistant Regional Director, Darling Downs South West Qld Region. We wish him all the best in this new role. The Principal position will be advertised during Term 1, with a permanent Principal appointed to begin in Term 2.

School Improvement Focus Areas

The Department of Education and Training outlines their vision as "Every Student Succeeding". At Millmerran State, we believe that every child is capable of improving. Our focus areas for 2016 are Reading and Numeracy. All students will have a learning goal related to these priority areas this year. Please take the time to find out the learning goal/s of your child/children.

Meet N Greet

Thank you to the parents who availed themselves to meet with teachers on Tuesday. It is always lovely to see our parents engaged in the lives of their children. Our teachers are only too happy to meet with you at any time to discuss your concerns or your child’s learning.

Mobile Phones

Thank you to all of our families and students who are supporting our Mobile Phone policy. To make things easier for everyone, if your child has a named zip bag/pouch to use to store their phone in each day that would be appreciated.

Our 4 B's

I wish to thank Mrs Lexie Antonio for our new designs for our 4 B's – Be Safe, Be a Learner, Be Responsible and Be Respectful. The “Name our Bee Competition” is now open. Students are able to enter by writing their idea for our Bee’s name on a piece of paper, with their name and class on the back and dropping that into the office. We will ask Lexie to assist in choosing the name of our Bee, with the winner announced at our first Primary Parade. We are delighted to have such original, colourful and meaningful designs to be able to use for all of our new signs and posters around the school.

Student Safety

As you may be aware there was an incident of a physical nature, outside the school last Friday. I wish to assure you that the safety of our students, parents and staff is our highest priority. As such the Qld Police Service were called immediately and a number of other actions have been instigated to minimise the risks associated with this type of incident. This is now the subject of an ongoing police investigation and further actions from the school. Should you or your child have witnessed this incident or need further support, please do not hesitate to contact myself at the office to arrange this.

Until next time,

Mrs Anita Gibbs
Principal

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Position Vacant
Casual School Bus Driver wanted (maybe full time if it suits) Light Rigid Licence and Drivers Authorisation required (or willing to obtain them), must be reliable and good with children, one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon.
Phone Paula on 0427 951 721 if interested.

Uniform Shop
All payment are to be CASH ONLY please
No cheques.

PREP News
The 2016 preppies are a very energetic bunch who are settling into school life well. We have been enjoying learning about numbers to ten and our sense of taste while differentiating between sweet, sour and bitter. We are also loving learning about living things. The preppies know the letters and sounds of, ‘s,’ ‘a’ and ‘t.’ You may like to practise identifying these letters in stories and writing them at home.

I would like to remind parents that as per our whole school rule, students who arrive at school before 8:30am are to remain seated at our designated area - the prep eating tables. For safety reasons, please do not allow students or younger siblings to play on the playground equipment. Parents are welcome to join the preps for quiet activities inside the classroom between 8:30am and 8:50am.

Please phone the school absence line on 0746953360 to let us know if your child is going to be away.
If you need to pick your child up early from school please go to the office to sign them out before coming to the prep class.

If there are any items that were on your school stationary list such as books or spare clothes that you still haven’t brought to the classroom, please do so as soon as possible.

Have a great week, Miss Elliott.

**1/2L News**
Welcome back to school and what a great start to 2016! Our class has been busy already with setting individual learning goals for the year, getting to know our class rules and expectations and making new friends.

**What’s On?**
- **Reading Groups** will be held Monday – Thursday in the last 15 minutes before morning tea (10:30-10:45am). If you would like to assist in the class, please let me know!
- **Homework** (spelling, sight words /sentences) will be given out Monday and due back Friday.
- **Home Reader books** will be due back Wednesday and Friday.
- **Library** borrowing is on a Tuesday.

Finally, we have swimming starting Week 3. If you can help out, our session is on Wednesday 12:00-12:35pm. Helpers are needed!!

As new events or notices come through, they will be added to the newsletter.

Mrs Long 🤗

IT News
Over the last two weeks it has been so enjoyable meeting and welcoming our 2016 Year 1 students and their families. Our enthusiastic little learners have all settled in so well.

Congratulations and thank you to all our parents for having your child/ children so well organised with their books and stationary to begin their learning journey for the school year.

Thank you to all parents for attending our Meet & Greet session on Tuesday. These sessions are so important as they help to build our ‘3 way partnership’ of parents, students and teachers all working together as a team in order to achieve individual goals. If you were unable to attend on Tuesday and would like to catch up, please don’t hesitate to contact me and we can make a suitable time.

Friendly Reminders:
- **Wednesday 10.10am** Swimming sessions - (commencing– Week 3) Volunteers welcome
- **Monday & Thursday:** Please Return Reading folders
- **Thursday:** Please Return Spelling book, Sight word book & Library book
- **Old shirt** for Art activities (Shirt to stay in school bag)
- **Reading groups**-Everyday at 10.30am except Wednesday 9.00-9.15am. Volunteers welcome.
- **1 Shoe box**-required for our History unit

Thank you
Pam Thornton
Welcome to 3/4D!! This term we will be learning about Persuasive Writing in English, Celebrations and Commemorations in History and in Science we will be learning about the weathering and erosion of the Earth’s surface. We will also be working on art and handwriting pieces for the Millmerran Show which is held on Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th February at the Millmerran Showgrounds.

Here are some dates for your calendar:
- Wednesday 10th February – World of Maths
- Friday 12th February – Swimming Carnival
- Monday 15th February – Leader Investiture Assembly
- Monday 13th March – School Photos
- Tuesday 19th April – Parent Interviews
- Wednesday 20th April – Arts Council
- Anzac Day Ceremony – Friday 22nd April
- Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May – Naplan Testing for Years 3/5/7/9!!

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Meet n Greet afternoon last Tuesday. A note was sent home on Wednesday (for those who didn’t attend), about 3/4D’s specialist lessons, opportunities to help out in the classroom and when homework is due. Please contact me if you didn’t receive one of these helpful reminders sheets.

Students born in 2006 and 2007 will be participating in the School Swimming Carnival on Friday 12th February, the School Cross Country held at the Golf Club and all the track and field events in the School Sports Day coming up in Term 2. Students born in 2008 will participate in the Little Legends Swimming Carnival which will be held in Term 4, the Junior Cross Country which will be held on the school oval and will be in the sprints, relays and ball games at the School Sports Day which will be coming up in Term 2.

Homework has already begun and home readers are changed each day except Fridays. Spelling folders are sent home on Mondays and are to be returned and will be tested on Thursdays. Homework is sent home on Mondays and is collected and marked on Fridays. Number Facts homework will start next week and will be tested on Fridays. Some students are expected to do sight words homework as well. Sight Words are tested and sent home on Mondays. If you have any queries about homework, please contact me on 46953333.

3/4D’s library day is Friday so please remind your child to return their library book each Friday!

Swimming lessons for 3/4D will be held on Fridays from 9.35 am – 10.10 am, starting Friday 19th February. Parent helpers are needed, so if you are available, please come along and please note – parents are not always required to get in the pool with the students. Also if your child has not returned their swimming note, they will not be permitted to go to the pool for the carnival or lessons. Please ensure your child has their swim bag on Fridays containing their togs, sun shirt, towel, goggles and sunscreen.

Some students still don’t have all their necessary school supplies for the year. Please check with your child to ensure they have all the equipment and books needed for this year’s learning.

3/4D’s Student Council Representative for 2016 is Abby Culleton! Abby will be receiving her badge at the Leaders Investiture Assembly on Monday 15th February at 10 am. Well done Abby, we are all very proud of you!!

Finally, don’t forget Parade is held on Friday afternoons from 2.25 pm onwards at the hall and all parents are most welcome to attend. Please note – parade will begin in Week 4. I wonder who the first Ripper student for 3/4D in 2016 will be???

GO GORE!!
Thanks for reading!
Jo Dines
Hello parents and welcome to the new school year!!

Thank you for being so welcoming to me in my first week as a new teacher at Millmerran. This term is going to be very busy and very short, therefore, attendance is critical from the get go. We are doing a fantastic job so far!

Next week (Week 3) we have our first session of swimming on Wednesday at 1.15pm. We really rely on parent support with swimming in order for us to get into the pool. If you are available on Wednesdays at this time and can help with swimming, please let me know as soon as possible. Your help will be most appreciated!!

We have already gotten underway with our learning and core subject areas this term. In English, we are learning about persuasive texts and ‘point of view’. The students have told me that they have already started practicing their persuasive techniques on mums and dads at home. In Maths we are focusing on all things number as the students learn to work with numbers into the 1,000’s and 10,000’s. Science this term will involve students investigating materials and how they can be combined to form a mixture. We will also be focusing on how heat can be used to change the ‘state’ of materials. Finally, in History this term we will be looking at local places and how they have changed over time.

Specialist lessons this term will be Religion and Library on Tuesdays and P.E and Music on Wednesdays.

Thanks again for your support. I am looking forward to a wonderful year!

Miranda Licence

Welcome back to school and what a busy start to 2016! Our class has been working hard to settle back into routine, getting to know their class rules and expectations.

In Maths, students are working on place value, fractions and number facts. In science, our unit focus is called ‘Survival in the Environment’. In History, we are exploring the development of the British colonies within Australia. As you can see we are very busy in 5N!!

Parents if you have any concerns regarding homework please do not hesitate to contact me.

| Math Mentals       | Monday’s column will be completed in class to make sure that all students are confident with the concepts being explored that week. Please complete all other nights at home and return to school as we mark these every day |
| Spelling          | Spelling words will be tested on Monday’s and new words will be given out on Monday |
| Home Reading      | Completed nightly (minimum of 10mins) |
|                   | Own choice |

Weekly Items to Remember

| Monday          | Spelling words due |
|                | Spelling test |
| Tuesday        | Religion |
|                | ICT |
| Wednesday      | Sport |
|                | Music |
|                | ICT |
|                | Library |
| Friday         | Homework Due |

Week 3 Reminders

– Tuckshop is available to order on Monday, Wednesday or Friday
– Swimming begins on Wednesday Feb 10th - swimming togs/shorts/t-shirts, goggles and towel in a separate bag (remember to return signed form and money)
– Friday 12th February – Upper Primary Swimming carnival

Important Upcoming Dates:

– Wednesday 10th February – World of Maths
– Wednesday Feb 10th – Swimming begins for 5N
– Friday 12th February – Upper Primary Swimming Carnival
– Monday 15th February – Leader Investiture Assembly
– Monday 13th March – School Photos
– Year 5 Naplan testing – Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th May

Thank you
Pearta Nolan ☺
Year 7 News

Welcome to high school Year 7! We have had a great first couple of weeks at school with students learning new routines and meeting new teachers. A special welcome to Bethany, Owen, Tom and Kile who are all new to our school this year.

I am pleased to say that we have had excellent attendance over the past week which makes establishing routines and procedures much easier. Congratulations to class 7B who achieved 100% attendance in Week 1. Every day counts at Millmerran State School and I look forward to seeing high attendance throughout the year.

In Week 1 students were issued with Semester Overviews for each subject. This outlines the concepts to be covered each week and the assessment tasks that they are expected to complete. An Assessment Planner with these details will be sent home in the near future for parents.

Students will have homework from a variety of subjects each night. This information as well as notes and important dates will be recorded in their school diary. Please encourage your child to show you their school diary on a regular basis so you can keep up with class events / activities.

Students in Year 7 have the opportunity to run for a Student Council leadership position for 2016. Those interested will need to nominate and write a speech to present to the class next Tuesday.

Reminders:

- Postcard Competition – due 12th Feb
- Swimming Notes due back ASAP
- Swimming Carnival – 12th Feb
- ‘Name the Bee’ Competition – 12th Feb

I am looking forward to a great year with the Year 7 students.

Thanks for reading.
Tracey Fox

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Year 8 - 10 English

A warm welcome back to all students and parents for a new year in the upper high school! By now parents should have received a letter via their student outlining some basic information about my expectations for students throughout the year, including homework and assessment. All classes are well and truly engrossed in their first units: Media in Year 8, Australian Identity in Year 9 and Poetry in Year 10.

It is important that students start the year with a studious approach to their learning, including keeping their bookwork neat and well organised and ensuring that they ask for help whenever they require it.

Parents can assist their students by ensuring that all homework is completed and that revision is undertaken daily. Homework includes a homework sheet from the text book and a spelling list, both due weekly. Students should also be rereading their notes and worksheets and practising their skills each night to make certain that all information is understood and absorbed. This will be particularly important for Year 9 students who are approaching the NAPLAN tests.

As always, all students can improve every aspect of their language learning by simply reading! Students should undertake some reading for pleasure every day. Magazines and newspapers are a good start, however, narratives (novels, short stories) are even better.

Both students and parents should feel free to see me with any questions or concerns as the year progresses.

Ms Tara Churchill
8 – 10 English Co-ordinator
Year 8 Level Co-ordinator

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School Fees

Thank you to families who have paid their fees for 2016. Statements have been emailed or sent home with students last week. Textbooks and lockers will be issued to secondary students upon receipt of all their school fees and the return of the Textbook and Resources Scheme Agreement Form. This form is an audit requirement and is required for all secondary students and students enrolled in the Instrumental Music Program. If your family is experiencing financial difficulty in paying all fees a meeting can be arranged with the Principal or BSM to discuss the option of completing a Payment Plan that suits both yourself and the school. All information given is strictly confidential. By signing and committing to this agreement your students will be issued with their textbooks and locker.

Payment Options – EFTPOS (minimum $20), BPOINT, cheque, cash or direct deposit.

For any enquiries regarding school fees please contact Karol Wilkes – Business Services Manager
Deputy News

After the holiday break it’s great to welcome back our staff and students. Our school uniform looks great and I hope to see students continue to wear it proudly as the year moves on. I have been so impressed by the students’ enthusiasm and positive start. We welcome our Year 7’s into High School and wish them all the best for a rewarding year.

Staff have praised the attitude of students in both academic and social aspects of their school life and it is pleasing to see the overwhelming majority take responsibility for their learning and actions, to be described as self-managers. It is intended throughout each term that students have ongoing conversations with staff to gain an awareness as to their placement along the self-managing scale. Presently, the behaviour reflects maturity and self-discipline, with the ability to have a good laugh and enjoy each other’s company whilst learning.

If throughout the year you have any concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s teacher or the office, either by phone or email. Most concerns are easily dealt with through open and honest discussion. We value your interactions.

In less than 2 weeks we celebrate our leaders with the Investiture in the hall, beginning at 10:00am. We welcome you to attend and celebrate with us, staying for a shared morning tea afterwards. Secondary Captains were voted in late 2015 and Primary Captains will present their speeches on Friday morning 5th February at 9:00am. You are welcome to attend these speech presentations in the hall.

Currently we are running 2 competitions that you might like to encourage your child to think about. The first is to design a Positive Postcard to be used throughout 2016 by staff to post home as a reward and the second is to name our bee, who has been designed by Lexie Antonio. Both of these offer an avenue to express individual creativity.

Have a wonderful week.
Tanya Van Bruinessen
Deputy Principal

P&C News

Firstly we would like to welcome everyone back to another school year. We hope you had a great break over the Christmas holidays.

As always the start of the year is very busy. The P&C have their annual meeting to select its executive members for 2016 and we start planning fundraising events for the year.

If you would like to be part of the committee this year our first meeting is next Tuesday 9 February, at 5:30pm in the school library. All are welcome to attend.

Also once again the Show Society has asked us to do the chip van at the local show on Saturday 27 to Sunday 28 February, which we have agreed to do. A roster will be coming out which you can put your name down at a certain time to help out. Like always volunteers are important, so if you can help out even if it’s for an hour it is always greatly appreciated.

Maria in the tuckshop is also looking for Tuckshop volunteers for this term. The tuckshop is open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday unless advised otherwise. This is a great service to the students and teachers so if you can help out, even one day a term, please contact the school office.

And finally the Uniform Shop is open every second Thursday from 8:30-9:00am. It is located between the school library and school hall. Order forms are also online and can be handed into the office if you cannot make Thursday mornings. Remember the school colours are gold and royal blue.

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Welcome back to the beginning of a brand new year. We have started the year off with a splash! Our Annual School Swimming Carnival is coming up ever so fast. It is on **Friday 12th February 2016**. This carnival is a participation carnival and is open to all students aged 9 and older. (Students must be turning 9yrs during 2016). To participate in this carnival students are required to have returned their swimming permission notes, with payment to the office. Some dedicated students have already started gaining points for their houses by competing in some long distance events. These points not only count for house points, but also towards their own points for age champion and all aged champion. Please see the list below of the remaining long distance events which will all occur before the Annual Swimming Carnival (Friday 12th February). Parents/Guardians are more than welcome to attend to cheer on their budding athletes.

- Friday 5th February: Primary Students- Primary Morning Tea (10.45-11.20) 100m Backstroke
- Friday 5th February: Secondary Students- Secondary Morning Tea (11.20-12.00) 100m Backstroke
- Monday 8th February: (11 & 12yrs only)- Primary Lunch (12.35-1.15) 400m Freestyle
- Monday 8th February: Secondary Lunch (1.15-1.50) 400m Freestyle
- Tuesday 9th February: (11 & 12 yrs only)- Primary Morning Tea (10.45-11.20) 200m Freestyle
- Tuesday 9th February: Secondary Morning Tea (11.20-12.00) 200m Freestyle.
- The 200m Individual Medley will occur on the morning off the swimming carnival students **MUST** nominate with Miss Jackman **PRIOR** to this event.

Beginning of the year is always a busy time. Students have currently elected and are prepared speeches for the roles of House Captain. By this time next week I will be able to announce the 2016 House Captains. Straight after the successful students have been announced they will be thrown into the deep end (no pun intended) to help organise their team for the Swimming Carnival. So please make sure you help these leaders out both on the day and leading up to the day.

The Swimming Carnival is a great time of year, but to make it a successful carnival we need to remember a couple of things. Firstly that we are a sun safe school and students will be required to apply sunscreen, have a hat and t-shirt on between races. This is also a notorious part of the year (carnivals) where items of clothing go missing or found but with no identification on them. So I ask you PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING- hats, towels, shirts. Lastly this is a participation carnival, regardless of your place, points are rewarded to all students who compete. If parents/guardians wish to take their child/ren home during the day, they may sign out at the announcer desk.

**TUCKSHOP ON SWIMMING CARNIVAL DAY** (Friday 12th February) is available by PRE-ORDER ONLY. Please either cut out order form and attach it to a paper bag with money enclosed or write order on a paper bag with money enclosed and return to THE TUCKSHOP by Wednesday 10th February 2016. No orders will be taken on the day.

Good luck to all students. And most of all: HAVE FUN!!

Week three our Primary swimming lessons start. This means that students need to have their swimming permission notes returned by this time. Students will be required to bring a swimming bag with their togs, sunshirt (or an old t-shirt), and towel (goggles and swimming caps are optional). As a part of swimming it is required that we have enough adult supervision to maintain a safe working environment. If any parents or guardians can volunteer that would be great. Please look at the times below and notify either Miss Jackman or class teachers if you can assist with any of these lessons.

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Thanks,
Amy Jackman
Hello, my name is Fiona Flegler, and I am your School Based Youth Health Nurse. I facilitate a variety of support and education initiatives to the High School to promote positive health and well-being at Millmerran.

As an employee of Old Health, I work at Pittsworth State High School TWO days per week and at Millmerran State School ONE day per week. I am a Registered General and Mental Health Trained Nurse, with my service available to students, parents and staff of the High School.

What do I do? How can I help you?
I provide confidential support, guidance and advice, and generally just someone to talk to…. to any HIGH SCHOOL (yrs 7 – 10) student, parent or staff member. You can make an appointment to see Fiona in private to discuss any issues which may be worrying you such as:

- Depression, mental health, self-harm;
- Bullying, friendship issues;
- general health concerns;
- eating & nutrition issues;
- relationships - personal and/or family problems;
- smoking, alcohol &/or drug use;
- feeling unhappy or stressed;
- puberty & growing up;
- or just simply to assist you to get in touch with the right external community service......... basically anything that affects a HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, STAFF OR PARENT’S general well-being.

Confidentiality is a major issue for young people seeking health information and advice. The SBYHN is a ‘neutral person’ within the school system, and as an employee of Queensland Health, adheres to a strict confidentiality policy which is discussed at the start of each appointment.

Do you need a referral?
No referral is required. Just simply contact Fiona at the school to make an appointment.

How do I make an appointment?
Fiona is available every THURSDAY. Students are able to make appointments themselves via Student Services Office. Alternatively, parents can make an appointment with Fiona by phoning the School on 4695 3333.

What other things does the School Youth Health Nurse do?
Delivers health promotion and education sessions and programs to students, staff & parents which may involve classroom education, health days and various other opportunities to promote positive health and well-being within the school.

Where am I in the School?
My office is located upstairs in Student Services in the High School and I am at the School every THURSDAY. I can be contacted directly on these days by phoning 4695 3333.

Fiona Flegler
School Based Youth Health Nurse
Old Health

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**TUCKSHOP MENU for SWIMMING CARNIVAL** Friday 12th Feb.

NAME: _____________________________  GRADE: ____________

Please circle your choices below.

- Pies $3.50
- Sausage Rolls $2.50
- Sandwiches $2.50
  - Ham & Cheese
  - Egg & Lettuce
  - Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo
- Sml Juice $1.50
- Sml Milk $2.00
- Coffee Rolls $2.50
- Cream Donuts $3.00
- Patty Cakes $1.50
- Choc Chip Muffin $2.00
- Choc Chip Cookie $1.50

NAME and ORDERS to be written/attached on paper bag with money enclosed.

REMEMBER: Orders need to be at tuckshop this Wednesday 10th February.
Accomplished singers in Year 4, 5 and 6 are invited to participate in the second annual Pittsworth Cluster Choir Camp. Workshops and rehearsals will be held at the Pittsworth Function Centre on Wednesday, 16 and Thursday, 17 March. Final rehearsals and concert performance will be held at the Pittsworth Town Hall on Friday, 18 March.

Workshops and rehearsals will be held from

9.00am to 3.00pm on all three days.

Registrations begin at 8.30am

Concert: 7.00pm, Friday, 18 March 2016

(Arrival 6.30pm for performers. Gold coin donation for audience)

Please note:

☑ Students are required to pay a $40.00 to their school office prior to attending the Choir Camp. This covers administrative costs, complimentary t-shirt, bag and CD. Students will be required to wear the complimentary t-shirt with black pants, black shoes and socks as their uniform for the concert. *Please note: students who have last year’s t-shirt in good condition will not need to purchase a new t-shirt. Registration fees in this case would be $20.00.

☑ Students attending the Choir Camp will be responsible for their own meals (* with the exception of a $5.00 ‘Meal Deal’ on Thursday) and daily transport to and from the camp. All participating students must submit an Application Form and a Medical/Consent Form.

☑ Please note that students will be under the supervision of the staff and volunteers at Choir Camp, and will be required to follow the rules set down by the staff.

☑ All forms and payment must be submitted to your school office no later than Friday, 19 February 2016.
Choir Camp - 16, 17 and 18 March 2016

The major purpose of the Choir Camp is to extend talented choir students and give them an opportunity to rehearse and perform at a high standard. The camp is aimed at students who have already demonstrated quality vocal performance, and who satisfy the eligibility criteria listed below.

Eligibility:

- boys and girls in year four, five or six
- in order to attend the camp, students must be able to demonstrate the following skills:
  1. sing in tune (pitch notes accurately)
  2. demonstrate appropriate stage presentation (smile, wear correct uniform, follow conductor)
  3. willing to learn songs from memory
  4. sing confidently as part of a choir (in front of a large group)
  5. demonstrate ability to learn choir choreography

Teachers from each school must select students strictly according to the above criteria. Please indicate whether teachers or parents are able to assist with registration, uniform distribution, first aid, transport of choir stands (truck required), setting up choir stands in hall, rehearsal assistance or accompaniment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Beth Wheeldon
Musical Director

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Millmerran Junior Rugby League

2016 Sign on Day – Saturday 20th February
Millmerran Football Grounds 9.00-10.30am
Free Sausage Sizzle and Drink for registering players.
All interested people from 6 years to 16 years welcome!!
Get Going vouchers ($150 towards costs) available for application now.

Girls under 14 and 16 competition starting this year.
All girls aged 13 to 16 welcome!!
Warwick and District Chargers (under 12)
Trials will be held on Saturday 28th February
At Collegians (Warwick)

COACHES and REFEREES needed!
Please call Anthony (0428 742 773) or Rebecca (0447 955 177) with enquiries.

Tuckshop Volunteer

Welcome to the Tuckshop. Without people like you volunteering your valuable time, we could not operate our tuckshop, so, THANK YOU! Tuckshop volunteering can be a lot of fun and a great way to meet other parents and members of the school community.

The students and staff who we serve are very important to us and we pride ourselves on providing them with good quality, nutritious and safe food.

A Tuckshop Roster is enclosed (below). If you are able to assist, please indicate your preference on the slip and return to the school office.

We look forward to seeing you and we hope you enjoy your time in the Tuckshop.

Maria Fraser
Tuckshop Convenor

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - Please indicate your preference below.
Name: ____________________             Phone:______________________

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