Dear Parents and Carers,

School Surveys
We have come to that point of time again, when our school is conducting our internal school evaluations. As part of the process we will be seeking feedback from students, staff and parents.
If you have not received a survey and would like to complete one, there are additional surveys held at our front office.

Light up Tahmoor
On Thursday 4th December our school will be holding our second “Light Up Tahmoor”. This year our performances are tied to CAPA groups which are held every Tuesday afternoon. CAPA groups will be extended soon to two afternoons a week. Each of these groups will be practising in preparation for the Light Up Tahmoor night, therefore it is imperative that all students attend.
It was a great night last year and I look forward to seeing you again at the concert.
Like last year we will be asking families to donate non-perishable food items so we can form hampers of food for families in need in the Tahmoor area.
Community Links will coordinate the distribution of hampers to families across the district.

Grandparents Day
I had great pleasure meeting many of our grandparents last week who visited our school to support their grandchildren. Thank you so much for not just supporting your grandchildren but also our school.
I include a quote I used on the day which I believe sums up the importance of grandparents:

“What children need most are the essentials
That grandparents provide in abundance.
They give unconditional love, kindness, patience, Humour, comfort, lessons in life.
And most importantly, treats.”
Rudolph Gutzom
Thank you to Mrs Marden for her outstanding coordination of this event.

Teacher Professional Learning
Last Tuesday our school embarked on the designing and writing of our school’s new three year management plan 2015-17.
This plan will be the blueprint for the next three years and will contain the teaching learning strategies which will be implemented.
Areas we have evaluated and examined include:
- Literacy and Numeracy
- Student Engagement and Welfare
- Aboriginal Education
- Staff Welfare
- Parent and community participation
Staff have brainstormed ideas and now will prioritise the key programs which will be implemented at our school for the period 2015-17.
Please note cutting edge programs such as TOWN, TEN and L3 will definitely continue over the next three years.
I will present initial ideas at our next P & C Meeting.

Halloween Disco
Thank you to the P & C for coordinating our Halloween Disco. Children from local preschools have also been invited. I look forward to catching up with you on the night.

Student Progress
I congratulate all students and teachers for the fantastic progress being shown in the areas of Reading and Numeracy. Our cyclic 5 week

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Food Items can be sent into the front office or to your child’s class teacher. Thank you for your support of this important initiative.
monitoring of student progress in Reading and Numeracy is reflecting wonderful achievement.

Have a great fortnight
Dave Schofield - Principal

The Meadow

In a green grassy meadow a small oval shaped tree stood silently in the soft breeze. While the smiling sun towered above. Meanwhile there is the start of lush forest on the horizon and millions of sun flowers take in the rays courtesy of the sun.
By John Bennett 5/6G

My Mum

My mum is a bunch of roses – she makes my family happy every day.
By Tobi-Kayt 2/3/4C

P&C NEWS

A massive Thank you to The Mac Credit Union for selecting us as The Mac Day recipients!! Together with the community they raised $316.70!!!!

A big thank you to anyone who popped down to donate. This money will be going to our Information Technology Fundraising!! Every bit of money brings us closer to our target!!

Veolia Mulwaree Trust

Another big thank you goes out to Veolia Mulwaree Trust where they donated $1000 to the P&C to help with our fundraising goal. This money will be going towards upgrading the home readers for our K-2 classes.

Don’t forget to keep an eye out for the raffles tickets to be drawn at the Light Up Tahmoor Christmas Event. The ticket will be coming home in the next couple of weeks. There are a few major prizes such as an Ipad 16GB Mini, BBQ, and much, much, more. We are also going to be running a guessing competition and silent auction. The silent auction will be posted on the Tahmoor Public School P&C Facebook page so get your bids in early and spread the word.

The guessing competition will be out for collecting guesses from the first week of November in front of the canteen for 50 cents per guess or 5 for $2. There will also be the opportunity to place bids for the silent auction items at the same table.
If you would like more raffle tickets these can be collected from the front office.
All money raised will be going towards the upgrading of the schools information technology resources. The P&C are also looking for people who are interested in baking some goodies for the cake stall which we will be putting on for Light Up Tahmoor. If you are interested please give your name and contact details to Liz in the canteen or Belinda in the office along with what you would plan on baking so we can make sure we get a good selection of goodies to be purchased at the event.
Halloween Disco will be held on Thursday 30th October with the following times:
K-2  -  4.00 – 5.00pm
3-6  -  5.30 – 6.30pm
$5 Includes chips, drink & glow stick.
Thank you everyone for helping to support the P&C in raising valuable funds which will go towards improving the educational resources and Information Technology resources for the school. Be on the lookout next term for raffle tickets for Lights Up Tahmoor as it is going to be HUGE! There will be an IPad Mini 16GB to be raffled off and much, much more. There will also be some prizes for people selling tickets. The more you sell the more chances you have of winning!
Have safe and wonderful holiday!
**Canteen News**

As of Term 4 we will be needing volunteers for Fridays. If you are able to help on Fridays please let Mrs Scott in the canteen know.

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**Mittagong Blue Light Disco**

Venue: Mittagong RSL  
Date: Saturday 25th October  
Times: 4pm to 6.30 pm  
Cost: $5.00 per child 4 – 14 years  
Parents and children under 4 free.

This month we thought LET’S dress to impress in our favorite Halloween Costume for the Blue Light  
……let’s see what comes to visit us on this night of dancing and fun..  
If you don’t want to that is fine as well, just come and dance along it’s a fun filled afternoon.  
Thank you again for your continual support,

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