Dates to Remember

- **Wednesday 20th March**
  - Life Education Van

- **Thursday 21st March**
  - Hot Cross Bun order forms and money due back.

- **Monday 25th March**
  - Life Education Van

- **Thursday 28th March**
  - Easter Hat Parade

- **Thursday 28th March**
  - Hot Cross Bun collection from school.

- **Friday 29th March**
  - Good Friday – Holiday

- **Monday 1st April**
  - Easter Monday – Holiday

- **Friday 12th April**
  - Last Day of Term 1.

- **Thursday 27th June**
  - Years K/1/2/3 – Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary – cost $30.

Dear Parents,

**Healthy Eating**

It is comforting to walk around at recess and lunch and see children with a nutritious meal in their lunch box. All kids love a treat and in moderation it is perfectly healthy. It is important that children don’t feel guilty when eating treats because yummy food isn’t bad and the fact is that fat, salt and sugar can make foods yummy. We try to avoid calling fatty, salty or sugary treats ‘junk food’. This implies that the food is bad and may give the kids some diet related guilt feelings later in life. Rather, we call these treats ‘sometimes food’, meaning that it is ok to eat these treats so long as it is not every day. Healthy foods can then be described as ‘everyday foods’. Examples of ‘everyday’ lunch box foods are fruit, sandwiches, raw vegetables, cheese, nuts, and dried fruit. An easy rule of thumb is that if it doesn’t come individually packaged and there are very few ingredients it’s usually a good choice.

The other benefit of choosing natural foods is that fruit, sandwiches etc. create very little rubbish and this of course is good for our environment.

**Friendships to boost your child’s learning**

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.


**P and C Fundraiser - Hot Cross Buns!!**

Please find attached to this newsletter your Hot Cross Bun order forms. Your order needs to be returned to school by Thursday 21st March. Please support your school. Thank you!

**Kids in the Kitchen**

In order for this wonderful program to continue this year, we need volunteers. Please contact me if you can help out. I am looking for regular / dedicated roster shifts. Thanks, Ellie.  
[ellieabeck@hotmail.com](mailto:ellieabeck@hotmail.com) / 0413515015

**Murwillumbah District Swimming Carnival**

The District Swimming Carnival went ahead on Tuesday despite the inclement weather. Unfortunately Priya and Monty were unable to attend. Congratulations to Shiloh and Ryan who both qualified to compete at the Far North Coast Zone Swimming Carnival to be held next Tuesday at Alstonville.
Please check out our website, it is presently being updated. Your weekly newsletter will be posted on the website each week for your convenience.

**Parent Helpers Needed**

If you can spare some time, whether it be 15 minutes or 2hrs, to help the children in our school with their reading, it would be greatly appreciated. No experience necessary. You will be shown what to do on arrival. It is a rewarding experience for the children and parents alike. Please help us learn and grow together! Miss. McEwan and Vicki Lasker.

**Scripture Lessons**

Please return slip below if you would like your child/ren to have scripture lessons at School.

**Years 4/5/6 Camp**

Our Year 4/5/6 Camp this year is to ‘Camp Good Enough’. This will be on September 16th to September 18th. The total cost will be $240 per child. You may start paying this off now if you wish.

**Uniform Competition winner**

Charlotte Hyde received a voucher to use at the canteen. A huge thank you to the School Canteen for sponsoring this competition

Brad Davis,
 Principal.

“So often times it happens that we live our lives in chains
And we never even know we have the key.”

Lyrics from *Already Gone*, performed by the Eagles for their 1974 *On the Border* album

**Mr Davis’s Funnies of the Week**

Q. What kind of cats like to go bowling? A. Alley cats!
Q. Why do cats make terrible story tellers? A. They only have one tail.
Q. Why did the cat run away from the tree? A. Because it was afraid of the bark!
Q. Why is it so hard for a leopard to hide? A. Because he's always spotted.

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**123 Magic is a FREE Parenting Course**

123 Magic is a popular, simple and easy to learn discipline technique for parents of children aged 2-12. Learn how to manage difficult behaviors such as tantrums, winging, sibling rivalry and fighting! Learn how to encourage positive behaviors and create a stress-free relationship with your child!

10am - 12pm Thursday 7th, 14th & 21st March 2013
Tweed Valley Women’s Service- Cnr Prince & Nullum St Murwillumbah

Places are limited - Bookings essential

To find out more please call Lara at Tweed Valley Women’s Service on 6672 4188 or 0411 547 551 or email lara@tswomen.org.au

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**Scripture Lessons**

☐ I would like my child/ren to attend non-denominational Scripture classes.

☐ I would like my child/ren to attend no scripture classes. (Please tick one)
General Permission for School Activities

This note covers any activities during school time in 2013 that the school undertakes in and around Crystal Creek and Murwillumbah. It covers car and bus travel (local only). Activities referred to are:
- rehearsals for performances
- attendance at athletics/swimming carnivals
- attendance at visiting performances
- sporting activities (gym, indoor centre, swimming pool)
- debating and public speaking

I give my permission for my child/children......................................... to travel by car or (child’s/children’s name) school bus to any activity related to the school curriculum approved by the Principal. Note if students travel by car – seat belts and insurance coverage will be checked.

If you DO NOT WISH YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND, please send a note before the day.

Signed:.............................................. Date:................................
(Parent/ Guardian)

Permission Note: Child Protection Lessons

I give permission for my child/ren..................................................of class/es....................... to participate in Child Protection lessons.

Signed:..................................................Date:................................
(Parent/ Guardian)

General Permission for students to appear in the Media / and Internet

I give permission for my child/children................................................ to be photographed/video taped by the media or schoolwork to be published in the Internet.

Signed:.............................................. Dated:..............................
(Parent/ Guardian)

OR

Please ensure my child/children................................................ ARE NOT photographed/video taped by the media or schoolwork published on the Internet.

Signed:.............................................. Dated:..............................
(Parent/ Guardian)
Crystal Creek Primary School P&C AGM and General Meeting
13 February 2013
Meeting open: 1905
Scribe: Vanessa McDarmont

Attendees: Rebecca Hyde, Donna Weston, Danielle Holland, Fiona Fitzgerald, Ellie Beck, Vanessa McDarmont, Abigail Birkett, Michelle Murray, Ron Murray, Brad Davis
Apologies: Sharelle Jacobson, Monique, Peter Weston

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:
Financial Membership: includes all attendees + Peter Weston as at 13/2/2013

Positions voted in:
- President: Ellie Beck
- Vice President: Donna Weston
- Treasurer: Abigail Birkett
- Secretary: Vanessa McDarmont
- Canteen Coordinator: Danielle Holland
- Fireworks Coordinator: TBA


GENERAL MEETING:

Principals report:
1. Outdoor classroom:
   - Stuart Raymond commissioned 2012, on advise plans submitted for approval and ensure adherence to DET requirements, cost $1,800 approx.
   - Rustic style too costly, plan to achieve rustic design concept through the furnishings rather than with the structure.
2. Tennis court:
   - available to hire for families affiliated with the school only at cost of $5. Net can be collected from the school on Fridays and returned to the school on Mondays.
3. Final student numbers:
   - total student numbers of 68 submitted to DET for 2013
   - Mr Wilkinson likely to be placed at another school, but until such time is useful resource for school management.
   - classes are Kindergarten/1st, 1st/2nd/3rd, 4th/5th/6th.
4. National curriculum:
   - Stepwise introduction of National Curriculum, subject by subject
   - inclusion of new curricular areas EG history
   - plan to incorporate any NSW Curriculum features that have not been included in the National Curriculum
   - Will require support for teachers and families with education and communication.
5. 3-year business management plan:
   - Aim of these plans is to promote continued growth and development of the school
   - 4 Key Result Areas in this triennium period with objective Key Performance Indicators
     1. Growth of learning in literacy to be higher than centile curve averages
     2. Growth of learning in mathematics to be higher than centile curve averages
     3. Development of respectful relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons to promote a sense of inclusion in the school community (EG artwork in the outside classroom)
     4. Implementation of new school curriculum
   - maintain prior achievements by the school in areas of culture, environment and sustainability from Management Plan for the previous triennium

Treasurer's report: see AGM
Correspondence: nil noted

Business outstanding:
- Fireworks night: tentative booking with Carnival Operators, needs to be followed up and confirmed
- Cyber-safety; plenty of good online resources identified, Teneille has implemented
- Motor Vehicle Restorers Club: Peter Ling (club President) advises trip on 4th May 2013 with lunch at CCPS, Brad to show Peter around for facilities and other practical requirements of the club.
  - Need to check regarding special food requirements
  - Speak with Dog Trainer regarding potential conflict with 2 organisations using school site
  - Peter happy for P&C to run other stalls for fundraising

Business arising:
- Hot cross bun drive: ask Sharelle to assist ? Ongoing affiliation with Wollumbin Bakery vs other options
- Bunnings BBQ: Rebecca Hyde (Bec) advises that this opportunity exists for fundraising, has been advised that takings can be quite good and all agree that Bec should submit a bid for CCPS to staff this stall

Next Meeting: 13 March 2013 7pm Library

Meeting Close 2020
Healthy Snack Shack Roster Term 1 2013

If you are interested in volunteering in the canteen please fill in the form below and return it to the office as soon as possible or call Dannielle on 6672 3715 or 0410 552 435.

Friday 22nd Feb- Ron Murray & Amber Murray
Friday 1st March- Tiffany McGovern & _________________________
Friday 8th March- _________________________ & _________________________
Friday 15th March- Tiffany McGovern & _________________________
Friday 22nd March- Ron Murray & Amber Murray
Friday 5th April- Tiffany McGovern & _________________________
Friday 12th April- _________________________ & _________________________

Canteen Lunch – Friday 1st March.
Lunch orders to be handed in to the office by the MORNING OF THURSDAY 28th please!

NAME: _______________________________ CLASS: _____________________

RECESS

_______ POPCORN @ $1.00EA $__________________
_______ CHOC/STRAWBERRY MILK @ $1.30  $ _________________
_______ WATER/POPPER @ $1.30  $ __________________

LUNCH

_______ CREAMY VEGGIE PASTA @ $3.00  $___________________
_______ WATER/POPPER @ $1.30  $___________________
_______ LOL @ $1.50  $___________________

TEACHER’S SALAD

STUFFED ROASTED CAPSICUM @ $5.00  $___________________

TOTAL  $___________________

AMOUNT ENCLOSED  $___________________

THIS IS NEXT WEEK’S LUNCH ORDER! LUNCH ORDERS FOR THIS WEEK NEED TO BE IN BY THURSDAY MORNING OR YOU MAY MISS OUT! STOCK IS PURCHASED THURSDAY MORNING, ORDERS SUBMITTED FRIDAY WILL RESULT IN A PHONECALL HOME REQUESTING LUNCH BE BOUGHT IN FOR YOU!