DATES TO REMEMBER
TERM 3

24 July – NAIDOC Day (students to wear Red / Yellow of Black)
28 July – Kids in the Kitchen (K/1 10-11am and 1/2/3 12-1pm)
30 July – Book Fair – Theme (Under the Sea) Please note change of date!
30 July – Dental Assessment (Kindergarten Only)
31 July – Tweed District PSSA Athletics Carnival (9.30am to 2.30pm) – Selected Students
04 August – Yr 6 KLA Day Wollumbin
07 August – Spelling Bee Final
11 August – Kids in the Kitchen (4/5/6 10-11am)
12 - 14 Aug – Class Speeches Due
14 August – Far North Coast Zone Athletics Carnival Byron Bay – Selected Students
18 August – Brain Break (Science)
19 August – Stewart House Concert (DAY / EVENING)
20 August – Year 5 Sports Day at Wollumbin High School (WHS) – (10.00 – 2.00pm) Own Transport
22 August – Year 6 Selective Class Test WHS
25 August – Kids in the Kitchen (K/1 10-11am and 1/2/3 12–1pm)
28 August – Our Public Speaking Finals

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN THIS FRIDAY 24TH JULY

STAR OF THE WEEK

CONGRATULATIONS to Thomas Year 6

Thomas is always kind and courteous to teachers and students alike and always does his best work in class.

Thomas is a very deserving recipient of our “Star of the Week” Award.

UNIFORM COMPETITION WINNER

This week Thomas in Year 6 also won this and received a voucher to use at the canteen.

A huge thank you to the School Canteen for sponsoring this competition.
PERMISSION NOTE and PAYMENT REMINDERS
If you have misplaced your notes or did not receive one please contact the office for another one.

Please make sure you hand your Notes and Money in together for:
ACCOUNTS – Please make sure if you have money owing to the school for your child that you are making regular fortnightly payments.
NOTES DUE IN – Kindergarten Dental Assessment Note.
 – Year 5 Sports Day

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2016
If you have another child starting in 2016, please make sure your child’s details are on file at the office.

Please if you know any other families who wish to send their children to Crystal Creek School in 2016, ask them to either call into our office or phone the school on Ph: 0266 791 223 to obtain an enrolment form.

P&C TREASURER POSITION VACANT
Fiona will be retiring from the position of Treasurer soon, the P&C is seeking a volunteer to fill the role of treasurer. Please contact Ellie Beck on 0413 515 015 or contact the office please.

P&C CANTEEN
Due to no volunteer assistance the canteen will not be able to open this Friday.
We need assistance to keep our canteen open and functioning. If you are available to volunteer your time either a full or half day please contact Ellie Beck on 0413 515 015 or Sam on 0407 375 878.

All volunteers are provided a free lunch and your children love to see you in their school.

NAIDOC

This year Crystal Creek PS will be celebrating NAIDOC on Friday 24th July. Students from K-6 will participate in a variety of activities, including: cooking (damper), traditional Aboriginal dot painting, Dreamtime stories and traditional Aboriginal sporting games. All students are encouraged to wear red/black/yellow to show their support for NAIDOC.

Regards Mrs Kane and Mr Southgate
P & C
MINUTES OF MEETING – CRYSTAL CREEK P & C

Time & Date 3.00 pm, 20 July 2015, Crystal Creek Primary School Library

In Attendance
Ellie, Sam, Bec, Brad, Monique & Elle

Apologies
Fiona, Bianca & Lynette

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting Held 15 June 2015

Matters Arising from Minutes
No matters arising from previous meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report
To be presented at the next meeting.

Principal's Report – Brad
- Toilet Block – Construction of the new toilet block is on schedule. The project includes girls’ toilets, and a disabled toilet with shower. The extra amenities will also assist on Fireworks night.
- Music Program – The music program is going well. Future planning for the program will be discussed and funding for the next term will be considered by the P&C.
- Staffing – Mr Southgate is the K/1 relief teacher while Miss McEwan is away on leave. The K/1 classroom is a happy classroom with students engaging, learning and having fun each day.
- New Graduate – Sharley, a new graduate will be commencing this Friday on a casual basis to assist in the School. This position will support existing teaching staff. There is a lot of preparation work required in teaching and staff welfare is a priority. We all need to help each other out where we can.

President’s Report – Ellie
- Fireworks Night – A big thank you to Bec, the Fireworks Coordinator and the team of volunteers for a fantastic fireworks night. The night was a huge success. The total funds raised - $8380.16. An incredible effort for such a small school.
- Kids in the Kitchen – Monique & Bec put forward a proposal to upgrade an area in the hall for the Kids in the Kitchen Program. This will include the purchase of new items, for example ovens, a fridge, etc. Costings will be sought and finalised for the next P&C meeting.
- New Treasurer – As Fiona will be retiring from the position of Treasurer soon, the P&C is seeking a volunteer to fill the role of treasurer. Request that Sue add the P&C Treasurer Vacancy to the Newsletter.

Next Meeting 7 September 2015, please join us.
Meeting Closed 3.30 pm.

UNIFORMS
Don’t forget winter uniforms have arrived at the school.
Beanies - $8.00, Jackets - $29.00, Tracksuit Pants - $20.00, Shirts - $17.00 and Hats $8.00.
Australian Early Development Census

Playing our part to build a national picture of child health

What is the AEDC?

In early 2015, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the third Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC measures five key areas of development in children during their first year of full-time school to build a national picture of health and wellbeing. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and target support for children and families.

Teachers are trained to assess each child and answer questions. Children don’t need to be present so no class time is missed, and parents/carers don’t need to supply schools with any new information for the census. Teachers’ individual assessments are then analysed by the AEDC and reported as anonymous groups of children in the final report.

In other communities across the country, census results have helped communities to plan new playgrounds and parental services; schools are seeing improved student performance through new literacy programmes; and governments are using the results as evidence to develop better policies for children.

Teachers have also noticed practical benefits in the classroom. Some said in previous years that completing the assessments made them more aware of the needs of individual children and the class as a whole. Others reported that the census results are useful in planning for transitions to school and for developing class programmes.

Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don’t need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.

To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN 2015

This year we will be again participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.