Welcome to Week 5

School Photos
Photo forms are due back to school before photo day 21st March. There are family photo forms available from the office.

District Swimming
Good luck to all our swimmers for Friday’s District Swimming Carnival at Blayney Centrepoint. Let’s go Millthorpe, let’s go!

After School Activity
Deanne Milner is a local musician, clarinet player and teacher who is offering Opera House Recorder repertoire lessons on Wednesday afternoons, in between 3.15 and 4pm, in the craft room. Lessons will cost $5 per week. We have been offered 6 places in the Jacaranda Concert on 24th August, if you would like your child to join this small group lesson, please put their name down in the office ASAP.

There are a couple of places left for this activity.

In addition to the Wednesday afternoon session, there will be a lunch-time recorder session available in the library on Wednesdays with Ms Jackett. The Opera House repertoire has arrived, it looks great!

Leaders Excursion
Attention all leaders!
Remember your excursion is a very early start on Monday - be here at school at a quarter to 5 am!!

Family Information Sheets
We have re-sent home approx. 20 family information sheets. If you received a second FIS, it’s a gentle reminder we have not yet received your information. We’re getting desperate! Please return your sheets ASAP.

Who Let The Dogs Out?

Dear Parents,
I’m just going to be honest, I don’t like dog poo. I am also constantly concerned about dogs in the playground, either before or after school, or on weekends.

It’s not just the dog poo, and the 540 little feet who can tread in it, it’s the fear of children being bitten, by either a large, face-height dog, or a little, calf biting dog.

I know your family dogs are loved, gentle, respected pets, but the playground can be overwhelming, and children drawn to pat and crowd a dog can terrify the animal leading it to snap.

Please keep your dogs out of the playground, and busy traffic areas (the gates!) for everyone’s peace of mind (especially mine) Thanks. Jo Jackett
Scripture and Ethics

Ethics classes will start this week, on Thursday.

Scripture will resume the following week, when workbooks have arrived.

We have too many Stage 1 students (Years 1 and 2) for one Ethics class, so we are looking for another ethics teacher to take a session.

For this term, Year 2 students will have Ethics class, while year 1 Ethics students are supervised, we will swap to Year 1 having an Ethics class, and Year 2 students being supervised in term 2. Children not attending Ethics will be supervised in independent activities.

If you are interested in becoming an Ethics teacher, please contact Darrin Yates for more information, on yatesys@hotmail.com.

I was away from school last Wednesday, at our first Heritage Country Schools meeting for 2016.

At this meeting we finalise plans for student activities and opportunities for 2016.

A new venture for Heritage Country Schools students was decided upon.

We are going to develop a Heritage Country Schools combined band.

Students from Millthorpe Public School band, Blayney Public School band, Blayney High School Band, and Neville Public School band will combine together at Blayney High School for a workshop day on Wednesday 16th March.

Mr John Browett is the new Blayney High School Principal. Mr Browett is a talented musician and teacher, who will lead some of the activities, along with Mr Brent Dickson, (Millthorpe and Blayney Public band leader) and our own Miss Ryan - leader of the Millthorpe Little Big Band.

Some of our former band members, now attending Blayney High will also be available to assist.

We will also continue to hold the Heritage Country Schools Art Show - in Week 6 Term 4, and the KLA day, Week 2 also in Term 4.

Heritage Schools also organise the touch football gala day, combined NAIDOC day activities, District Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics events, and much more! All activities enrich and engage our students, encourage friendships and

More information will follow about Band workshop day for students in Millthorpe band.

PS If you haven’t paid your band fee for 2016, please do so ASAP. We are looking at the purchase of some new music for band, (expensive!) and can’t do so until fees are secured.
Senior Choir & Junior Choir

This week our senior choir met for the first time. It was great to see 35 keen year 3-6 students joining the choir.

There is a 3-week window of opportunity for students to decide to commit to choir. After this repertoire will be started, and a commitment will be required. So if you didn’t make it to choir this time, remember to come next week!

Mrs Ruth Thompson will be teaching choir to seniors between 9am and 9.40 on Tuesday mornings.

Already the choir is beginning to prepare to perform for some major community events, the first of which will be our community ANZAC Day service.

Senior choir students have been asked to think about a name for our fledgling choir - perhaps something including “vocal”, “ensemble”, “singing like a bird” or “songsters”. Have some ideas ready for next Tuesday!

Junior choir will meet next Tuesday during second half lunch for their first session, they will be learning some songs to sing at combined assembly.

Primary Assembly 19-2-16

3R Henry Corannally, Leila Esson, Lauren Hansen, Daphne Cotter, Sheridan McGoldrick, Ned Jamieson, Nathan Denzel, Miles Heller


4W Codie Collins, Joel Davis, Ella Fisher, Matilda Lochrin, Paddy McKiernan, Scarlett Poll, Megan Roweth, Skye Stone-Hayek

5/6T Amy Copelin, Max Fitzsimmons, Mitchell Foran, William Gaston, Fergus Connick, Jack Gordon, Tayla Hildenbeutel, Makayla Hudson, Liam O’Brien

5/6C Ky Hurst, Heidi McMahon, Jesse Thomas, Cambell Williams, Ethan Wilson, Gabbie Watterson, Noah Yates, Hannah Keukenmeester, Gloria Brun

Award of Merit

Eleanor Matheson-Clark, Kate Corannally, Heidi McMahon, Amy Copelin, Felicity Knox

Green Banner

Ryan Zelukovic

Red Banner

Harrison Coleman

See insert for Canteen News and Millthorpe Junior Soccer News!!!
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Inner Wheel Club of Blayney Inc  
Fashion Parade/Luncheon  
Tuesday 15th March  
Blayney Community Centre  
11.30am for 12noon  
$35 pp

Tickets available from Blayney tourist info Centre  
Or call Helen on: 63684610

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