From the Principal

School Assessments
On Wednesday 25 June students from Prep to Grade 6 will receive their mid-year reports outlining progress and future learning focus. The following week on Monday June 30 and Tuesday July 1, parent teacher/three way interviews will be held. Our Kinder reporting has a different time frame with the Kinder Development Check discussed with parents at interviews this week.

Today families have been sent an invitation to parent/teacher/three way interview. These interviews are a vital element of our mid-year reporting on student learning. Please ensure the forms are returned to school by Friday 20 June. We have a strong commitment to meet with every family to share samples of learning, discuss your child’s report and areas for future focus.

Kinder Enrolments for 2015
Next year seems a long way away but babies born in 2010 will be commencing Kinder in 2015. Enrolment forms are now available from the office for families who live in our area wishing to enrol their child. Please pass this information on to any friends who have children who will turn 4 during this year.

Facebook
Recently, I have been alerted to inappropriate conversations relating to our school on Facebook. I encourage you to raise directly with me any concerns you may have about activities, incidents or situations. If I am unavailable, please feel free to talk to another senior staff member. Parents are asked to be mindful of the consequences of posting comments and/ or pictures on social media platforms (such as Facebook) that have implications for the school and its staff. I look forward to your support in ensuring we maintain a respectful school culture.

Student Council Melanoma Fundraiser
Thank you to everybody who participated in our first fundraiser for the year with students wearing black casual clothes, the colour of the Melanoma ribbon. Students donated a gold coin totalling $420.00 which enabled is to make a significant contribution to a local family suffering from this cancer.

Uniforms
It is the policy of the Miandetta Primary School Association that students wear our uniform when attending school. To date students and parents have supported this, with the majority of students wearing appropriate uniform items. However, with the colder weather approaching some students are starting to wear items that are not part of the school uniform.

Students will be provided with uniform items from the second hand store if not in our designated uniform and a letter will be sent home advising this. If you need assistance to provide appropriate uniform items, please contact the school office as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.

Riverbend Stepping Stones Project
A reminder that RSVP’s are due this Friday. Any support you can provide Wednesday after school next week to assist with our stepping stone path, would be greatly appreciated. It will be fun!

School Starting Times - Reminder
With the changed school times, school now starts at 8:55am. We would appreciate students arriving on time as late arrivals are disruptive to classes. Students are required to sign in at the office if they arrive at school after 8:55am.

Thank you.

Mandy Beard

Speech and Language
Do you have a child or know a family with a child starting kinder at Miandetta in the next couple of years? If so, we would like to speak to you about any concerns that you may have regarding your child’s speech and language development. This may include your child’s pronunciation of sounds or the way your child is able to ask/respond to questions. Even if you are not sure and would like to arrange a chat please contact the school. We would love to help support your child ready for their school years.

Donna Myers
Launching Little Learners

Every Wednesday morning our Little Learners enjoy a morning of painting, creating, singing, playing and experimenting!

We have lots of fun with pretend play and love running around outside with our friends, riding the bikes, blowing bubbles and digging in the sandpit.

Our Little Learners like to celebrate special occasions such as Easter, Mother’s and Father’s Day and Christmas with crafts and keepsakes to take home and treasure.

Everyone loves to play in the big blue dish! We fill it with shredded paper, balls and special treasures to find!

Parents are such an integral part of a child’s learning process. Launching Little Learners provides a perfect opportunity for parents to actively participate in their child’s learning!

Little Learners runs every Wednesday morning (9:00-10:45) and every second Tuesday morning (9:00-9:50).
Swimming and Water Safety 2014 Program - Advance Information - Reminder

The Grade 3/4/5 program will be held at Ulverstone Swimming Pool starting Tuesday 22 July and concluding Friday 1 August. Swimming caps can be purchased from the office for $2. A Swimming and Water Safety Major Excursion, medical form, a parent permission form and a note with all the relevant information have been sent home with students today. With new changes to the Education Department’s excursion policies, it is important that the major excursion form and medical form be returned fully completed to class teachers. If these forms are NOT returned students will NOT be able to swim at Ulverstone in our Swimming and Water Safety Program. Parents are welcome to attend the Ulverstone Swimming Centre to view their child’s swimming skills. Below is a timetable for each class.

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Dates to Remember

June 20  123 Magic Parenting Program - 10am - 12noon
June 20  Parent/Teacher Interview Preference Slips Due
June 20  Riverbend RSVP’s Due
June 20  Assembly Featuring - P/1R, 2/3S & 4/5S - 2pm
June 25  Mid Year Reports Sent Home
June 27  123 Magic Parenting Program - 10am - 12noon
June 30/July 1 Parent Teacher Interviews
July 1   Launching Little Learners Moove and Groove
July 4   Term 2 Ends
July 21  Professional Learning for Staff - No School
July 22  Term 3 Starts
July 22 - Aug 1 3/4/5 Swimming and Water Safety
August 18 Premiers Reading Challenge Finishes