Principal’s Report

As we enter term 4 we reflect on the wonderful Fishing Comp weekend run by our P & C, the great experience two of our students will be part of when they go to Sydney next week to play in the Opera House and the exciting learning that has taken place when working with our other small schools. There is so much happening and it is important to stop, smell the roses and reflect on all we have achieved so far in 2015.

Next week we will be visiting Deepwater PS for a collaborative day, where our students get to rotate around different activities in groups for team building and sharing. This is a great opportunity for socialization, for our students to work in big groups to achieve a task.

The students have a number of important items coming up such as assessments which will be held over weeks 5-7. Reports will be completed and ready to go home in week 9 and our presentation night will be in early December.

One of our key focuses for term 4 is the forward planning for 2016. At the P & C meeting I handed out a proposed 4 year plan to help the school and the community to prepare for the coming years and inform ourselves of the content that will be covered so that our school is providing the most current and comprehensive curriculum possible.

The students will be asked to complete a feedback form towards the end of the year to inform the school of engaging learning experiences that the students would like to see happen again, a similar form will go out to the community for parental feedback on the education of their children.

If you would like to see a particular topic or subject covered, please feel free to contact the school to share your thoughts, also, if you have some expertise you would be happy to share with the students to broaden their knowledge we would like to hear about it.

Thank you

Mrs. Jackie Todd
Principal (Rt)
Grandparents and Parents Day
Mingoola Public school would like to open its classroom doors to our parents and grandparents on Monday 26th October from 2pm to 3pm NSW time. Come and have afternoon tea with us and walk around the school to see all the wonderful work the students are doing. Share some reading, have a look at school books and artworks and sit down for a chat about learning in our classroom, maybe even try to use an Ipad.

World War research
There are a number of items relating to research that Tenterfield Shire Council has been writing to community groups to host. Items such as movie screenings and touch screen research pods. If you have a desire to have one of these items in our community and would like the school to host as a secure sight, then please contact Belinda Hollitt at MPS 0267375224. If I have more than 5 interested parties then I will investigate what is required so that we can host these items.

Sydney Opera House
Next week Mrs Todd, Mr Taylor and two of our senior students fly out of Ballina Airport to Sydney where we will be busking in Oxford Mall, visiting the sights and performing as part of the Small School Merimba Ensemble during the Endeavor Concert in the Sydney Opera House. We will be gone from Tuesday midmorning till Saturday after lunch.

Kindergarten Orientation
Our Kinder orientation has begun for 2015 getting ready for 2016. We are hosting a session every second Thursday from 9:00am with a staggered ending time so that in week 10 our Kindergarten students will join us for a full school day. We are enjoying activities involving shapes, colours, letters, writing our name and fine motor skill development.