P&C End of Year Function:
All families are reminded they are invited to the school this Friday evening to enjoy a barbeque and Carols by Candlelight to celebrate the end of the school year. The P&C has been busily organising the event and Mrs Jennifer Jackson and the school choir have been practising the carols. Thanks to all parents who have purchased tickets in the Christmas hamper and to Mrs Stacey Tynan for organising it. The raffle will be drawn at the conclusion of the evening. So come along and enjoy a get-together with your friends. Parents are reminded that all children must be accompanied by an adult and are the responsibility of their parents on the night.

End of School Day Procedures:
Recently there has been a change in procedure for children who are waiting to be collected after school. All children who are waiting are now required to sit quietly in the covered area outside of the school hall until they are collected. This is because there have been many behaviour incidents that have occurred immediately after school while the children have been waiting for their parents.

We also ask that when parents are collecting their children they keep their children with them at all times until they exit the school. This means the children are supervised at all times. Thank-you for your cooperation and assistance with this matter.

Parents are reminded that school finishes at 3:00pm. There is a teacher on duty at the front of the school until 3:30pm by which time all children should have been collected. Collection after this time should be the exception rather than the rule and the school should be notified of any delays. The children are tired and hungry at this time of the day and need to go home. Thank-you again for your cooperation.

Prep Enrolments:
Currently our school still has vacancies in Prep for the 2016 school year. We are now considering the applications from those families out of our catchment area. It is vital that we know how many children we are expecting from within catchment before we make any offers. To this end if any family has not yet enrolled their prep student for 2016, please do so by no later than Nov 30 so we can make contact with those out of catchment families.

Tuckshop:
I’m sure you will all agree our tuckshop does a wonderful job throughout the year providing nutritious lunches for our children. I thank Leesa, Charmaine and their team for their dedication to our school throughout the year. Please be advised TUCKSHOP WILL NOT BE OPEN ON THE LAST DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR. Leesa uses this time to clean the refrigerators and to make sure everything is in order for the summer vacation. All children will need to bring a packed lunch on this day.

Final Parade:
The school’s final parade for the year will be conducted at the usual time on Wednesday, December 9. During this parade the ‘A’ level behaviour awards, Levels of Excellence, and the attendance prizes will be awarded. As this will be a long parade it will commence as soon after 2:00pm as possible. The school leaders for 2016 will be announced on parade next week (Wednesday, December 2) and will be published in the final newsletter for the year.
School Reports:
Student reports will be sent out on Monday, December 7. Parents are asked to ensure the report arrived home and to take some time to read the report and discuss it with your child/ren. Should any parent wish to make an appointment to discuss the report with a class teacher, please do so as soon as possible. It is important to discuss the details of the report this year if necessary.

Year 6 Presentation Evening:
Details of the presentation evenings are listed below:

- **Date:** Thursday, December 3
- **Time:** 5:45 for a 6:00pm start
- **Dress:** Smart casual
- **Dinner Venue:** Brothers’ Leagues Club (Students and staff only)
- **Cost:** Cost equivalent to the child’s age + $1 (Children to pay on the night)

Mr Rowe’s Retirement:
Mr Peter Rowe, our school’s current PE teacher will be retiring at the end of this school year after a long and distinguished career. Peter commenced his teaching career in 1975 at Siltstone SS in Ipswich. After teaching in several other schools prior to coming here, he has been on staff at White Rock State School since 1993. Because of this long tenure Peter has been able to positively contribute to the school and be a part of the change process to influence and improve the outcomes of our children.

Whether in his current role or that of a classroom teacher or Deputy Principal, Peter has always acted fairly and with integrity. Always a willing worker, nothing has ever been too much trouble for him. Peter rarely makes snap judgements or decisions and likes to take his time to consider every angle. For these reasons, when asked for his opinion on a matter it is always worth listening to.

Those who know him well will agree that his passion for rugby league, Sudoku, golf, touch football and family will stand him in good stead throughout his retirement……and possibly keep him out of Marion’s hair too! On behalf of the whole school community I wish him a long, healthy and happy retirement and thank him, most sincerely for the enormous contribution he has made to our school throughout the past 23 years and to education in general. He will be a hard act to follow and greatly missed by us all. There is no one quite like ‘Rowie’.

I need to highlight the fantastic effort that one of our volunteers has done, in organising the Raffle and Concert this Year - Stacey Tynan has been SENSATIONAL in co-ordinating every facet of this years event. A big thank you to Stacey, for everything you have done! Great work.

Also, the ladies in the Tuckshop, Lesa and Sharmain have also been instrumental in helping out with everything, thank you too. See you all this Friday night, for your free icy pole!!

Keep rocking it at White Rock!
Cheers. Bill Schutz
President P&C 0417210835

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**Raffle Ticket money MUST be returned NOW - OR return the complete tickets**

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**THIS FRIDAY NIGHT**

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT**

**When -** Friday 27 November

**Where -** White Rock State School

**Time -** 5pm

**Food -** Barbeque to purchase

**Bring -** Chairs, rugs etc

**Raffle will be drawn at the end of the evening.**
The White Rock Cup

Ever since 1999 the two schools in White Rock have entered into the sporting challenge that is The White Rock Cup. Historically the cup has been shared more or less equally between White Rock State School and Trinity Anglican School.

This year the Grade 6 boys played Rugby Union and the girls played netball with the matches held last week at TAS.

The boys played a good game with William, Xander, Kevin and Brian in particular putting in a fantastic effort. The winners were TAS with a close score of 19 v 17. “The game was close and we were unlucky to lose,” said Mr Rowe, “there were three tries a piece but we were let down by a drop kick.”

The team were trained by Mr Prior during Friday afternoon sport. He said, “The boys learnt some new skills in the lead up to the game and played well on the day in a well matched game.”

The netball game was won by TAS however Miss Griffin commented, “TAS put forward their experienced Rep team while most of our girls had never played netball before taking up this challenge. We put up three teams who played in rotation against TAS’s one team.”

“Our girls trained really hard in the weeks leading up to the competition, giving up their lunch hour to learn the game.” she said. “Four of our girls, Laneekah, Tamea, Hayley and Jalanya, had played before and so were valuable in assisting to coach the newcomers to the game,” added Miss Griffin.

Although our teams did not win this time the teachers who attended and supported the team all commented on the enthusiasm and persistence shown by the girls. Mrs Jennifer Jackson commented, “The team spirit between the girls was amazing to witness. They really gave it their all. Even when they were behind, the White Rock spirit shone through. I am proud of each and everyone of

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<td>For a huge improvement in netball skills. Awarded for being a fantastic contributor in all activities.</td>
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<td>Nickolas</td>
<td>Awarded for easily fitting into ‘The White Rock Way’.</td>
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<td>Deacon</td>
<td>For creating an innovative and creative English Assessment.</td>
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<td>Riley</td>
<td>Riley has shown maturity in tackling difficult tasks head on.</td>
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<td>Alexandra</td>
<td>Well done on displaying outstanding maturity and leadership.</td>
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<td>Lavin Chev</td>
<td>For being a learner by paying attention in class and participating in discussions. Maximum effort. Always answering questions and being focused in class.</td>
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<td>Karalee</td>
<td>Working very hard at her number facts and doing her best. Well Done.</td>
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<td>Sierra</td>
<td>Awarded for being a great learner and presenting an outstanding poetry performance.</td>
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<td>Xavier-Ray</td>
<td>Xavier-Ray has constantly demonstrated his understanding in class.</td>
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<td>Chloe Dylan</td>
<td>Showing respect by always following the class rules and displaying excellent listening skills. Dylan has constantly worked hard and been kind to others.</td>
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<td>Jade Isobella</td>
<td>Jade has shown to be a kind and caring friend. Awarded for working hard in class and being committed to improving her writing.</td>
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<td>Lachlan Thomas</td>
<td>Working hard to complete his work more quickly. Thomas has shown enthusiasm for all learning.</td>
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<td>Abby Thomas</td>
<td>Awarded for trying her best in class to be a better writer.</td>
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<td>Bryce Andrew</td>
<td>For improved writing-writing independently and trying hard. Andrew has been trying to write neatly during handwriting time.</td>
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<td>Kayla Zhe</td>
<td>Putting in 100% effort in all areas. Zhe has built confidence in all areas.</td>
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Positive School Focus - Mr Dan Hollis

Yesterday we were delighted to host The Camp Quality Primary School Education Program who performed a puppet show to help our children and teachers create a supportive school community for children affected by cancer.
Next week, Week 9, will be the last banki of the year. We thank our volunteers Debbie Sullivan and Leanne Huxley.

Student Banking

Ticket MUST be returned immediately if you haven’t already. If you have not sold them then the unsold tickets MUST be returned to Tuckshop now.

Face Painters needed for this Friday night at the Carols by Candlelight event at the school.

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED AT ALL

Please let the office know - 4036 8888

FaFT has now finished for this year but will resume again in Term One next year.

Contact: Michelle Rollason on 4036 8888 for more information.

The Family Support Program is a voluntary service which has a number of experienced Family Support Workers that work with Indigenous families within the Cairns & District areas south to the Cassowary Coast, Northern Peninsula Areas and Cape York Communities.

If you feel that you or a relative would benefit from our Family Support Program please contact us!

Phone number and email address provided. (fsregionalintake@raatsicc.org.au)

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Ticket MUS

The return to school date for next year has been changed.

ALL pupils now return on Wednesday 27 Jan 2016

Important

Wednesday

The Young Company presents

Christmas Chaos: Operation Mrs Claus

Heart & Spades: Painting the Roses Red

When Mon 7 - Thurs 10 Dec

Where Tyc Adventure Theatre

Showtime Thurs 10 Dec, 215PM

Summer Drama School 1

Summer Drama School 2

For further info please visit www.theyoungcompany.com.au or call 4041 4066

Email info@theyoungcompany.com.au

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MT SHERIDAN PLAZA (opposite Woolworths)
PHONE: 0740-363699 FAX: 0740-363599
E: bevvalee@yahoo.com.au

Garage Sale
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