Attendance Report.

So far this term 82%. This low figure is due to flooding.

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Upcoming Dates
- 7th Feb—Small Schools Swim Carnival
- 11th Feb, 5.pm—P & C meeting
WELCOME BACK TO 2013.

There are some big changes this year. First is the sad news that Mrs. Appleton has left us. We will miss her decorations, enthusiasm, inspiration and scientific studies. We wish her well in her new life.

Ruth Shepherd will be taking her place, already well known through her music teaching. She will be working Tuesday, Wednesday and alternate Thursday’s. Ruth is looking forward to this year.

Mr Duncan will be working Fridays and alternate Thursdays. Still a great team.

COMMUNICATION

Notes and newsletters will be sent home on Mondays, “Millbank Mag” on the first Monday of the month and a “News Flash” each week.

The website, http://www.millbank-p.schools.nsw.edu.au is constantly being upgraded and is a great source of information regarding school programs and events.

Please feel free to contact the school if you have any ideas or concerns and remember that the P & C is your representative body.

Please make sure that the school has your current contact details and inform us of any student absences by email, written note or by phone.

If a student is late for school, or needs to leave early, the school requires the parent/carer to complete a partial attendance sign.

SMALL SCHOOLS SWIMMING CARNIVAL.

This Thursday, 7th February, Rennie and Zali will be representing Millbank School at the Small schools swimming carnival. Good luck girls!
SCHOOL FEES FOR 2013

$20 per family

Millbank School will continue participating in the “Books in Homes Program”. All students will receive 9 free books over the year, 3 books in Term 1, 2 and 3.

The school receives 144 books in a Preview pack, which are then donated to the library. Students can preview the books then order from a catalogue, orders are processed and students receive their first 3 books at the end of Term 1.

The school is asking for a school contributions fee of $20 per family to support this program. Please note that school fees are a voluntary contribution and are tax deductible.

P & C

The P & C is an important part of the school Community. Please support the P & C and attend the first meeting of 2013 on Monday 11th February at 5pm. Bring along your enthusiasm and new ideas.

HOMEWORK.

Homework will be sent home on Monday and returned on Friday.

Each day students need to write something interesting about their day in their journal.

They will also be doing Timetables drill.

The Juniors will have a levelled reader and the seniors will read from a novel of their choice.
**NO HAT NO PLAY**

**Fresh for Kids**

**Celery & ricotta subs**

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Preparation: about 10 minutes

Serves: 2 as a snack

- 2 sticks celery, trimmed
- 1/3 cup low fat ricotta cheese
- 2 tsp honey
- 2 tbsp sultanas

1. Cut celery sticks into 10cm pieces. Set aside.

Other great fillings for celery sticks:
- A spread of hummus
- Sliced reduced fat tasty cheese
- Vegemite with reduced fat cream cheese
- Peanut butter
- Reduced fat dips like hummus

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