I would like to congratulate each and every one of our students for a wonderful 2014. This year has been filled with lots of great learning opportunities and many highlights and memories. As we come to the end of the year, teachers always feel a tinge of sadness. We develop close bonds with our students and the end of the school brings with it the knowledge that our students are ready to move to the next stage of their lives. We really miss them especially when they leave us to go to high school. Please accept our best wishes and a safe and restful Christmas and we look forward to seeing everyone back ready for school in 2015.

School Reports
We trust that everyone received their child’s report this week. Teachers are available to discuss students’ progress. Families are able to make an appointment through the school office.

Year 6 Farewell
Next Monday is a very special day for our Year 6 students as they are officially farewelled with our formal assembly at 12:30 and our evening social. Thank you to all of our Year 6 students for a terrific 2014. We hope you are leaving with great memories which will last a lifetime. Your primary school years are probably the most care free times of your lives. The friends you have made and the fun times you have shared will never be quite the same at high school as in primary school. We wish you success in all of your future endeavours.

End of Term Celebrations
Next week will be such a delight with our many Christmas parties, farewells and excursions. I commend everyone for their teamwork and positive spirit throughout this time. Information about each grades’ activities has been sent home and can also be found on Skoolbag.

2015 Staffing
2015 is already looking like a very exciting year with lots of new initiatives to be implemented in our school. We will be welcoming some new staff members in the new year who include Mrs Jackie Todd who has been appointed from Boggabilla Central School, and Mr Jonathon Alliston who joins our leadership team as an Assistant Principal. Some of our wonderful staff are also taking some leave including Mrs Croft, who has made a significant contribution to our school as Relieving Deputy Principal and Ms Koch who has accepted a relieving Assistant Principal position at Warialda PS. We wish them the very best and thank them very much. A proposed staff plan has been included in the newsletter for your interest.

Merry Christmas
Everyone at Ross Hill sends their best wishes for the festive season. To students and families who may be leaving Ross Hill and Inverell over the holiday break we wish you all the best of luck in the future.

School resumes Wednesday 28th January 2015.
Yours truly,
Mrs Debbie Baker
YOU CAN DO IT! AWARDS
Silver: T Rose
Gold: I Roberts, B Carpenter, L Moore, T Boota, D Woodhouse, T Knight, S Ashenden, T Moore, D Hyatt

PROPOSED STAFFING FOR 2015
Kinder
Mrs Attwood, Mrs Oliver, Mrs Kinnear, Ms Schulte, Miss Miller
Stage One Years 1 and 2
Mr Alliston, Mrs Jane, Mrs Scott, Miss Hottes, Mrs Williams, Mrs Gibbs, Mrs Petrie, Mrs Doak
Stage Two Years 3 and 4
Mrs Barnett, Mr Butler, Mrs Baker, Miss Potbury, Mrs Todd, Mr Boyd, Mr Campbell
Stage Three Years 5 and 6
Mr Migheli, Ms Cutmore, Mrs Lyell, Mrs Evans, Mr Honnery, Mr Stockman, Mr Wrobel, Special Education
Mrs Johns, Mrs Payne, Mrs Grace

SCHOOL FOOTWEAR
It has been brought to our attention that some children are wearing incorrect footwear to school ie: ballet flats and other soft shoes that offer no support for active feet. Shoes for normal school days should meet the following requirements:
- Have laces or similar securing mechanism that is functional (no slip on shoes are permitted)
- Have a leather (or strong vinyl) upper
- Have a substantial sole (A substantial sole should be able to tread on a thumb tack and not cause injury to the wearer)
- Be completely black in colour—including side of sole and laces

CLOTHING POOL
Julie, our wonderful clothing pool volunteer will have our clothing pool open on the 27th January, 2015.
If you are in need of new uniforms please come in and see Julie.
If you have any spare uniforms that you no longer need, we would appreciate any donations for our office.

CANTEEN NEWS
Thurs 11th December: Kylie Wilks
Help Needed
Fri 12th December: Alison Sparke
Judith Murray
Mon 15th December: Leah Taylor
Vicki Holder
Help needed for Year 6 Farewell
Tue 16th December: Jodie Haidle
Sherrie Staader
Judith Murray
Wed 17th December: Judith Murray
Sherrie Staader
2015
Wed 28th January: Alison Sparke
Help Needed
Thurs 29th January: Sherrie Staader
Help Needed
Fri 30th January: Nancie Wilson
Judith Murray
Student Roster:
9am: Nic, Jennifer, Amber, Mikayla, Jeb, Alex, Natalie
1pm: Nic, Jennifer, Amber, Mikayla, Jeb, Alex, Natalie

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
Volunteer’s Special Salad Roll and a Popper
Lettuce/Tomato/Carrot/Cucumber/Beetroot/Pineapple/Mayo
Only $4
Thank you from Lisa and Heather to all the ladies who assisted with the catering for the Infants Presentation and to those people who will help with the Year 6 Farewell.