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MUDGEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter - Term 2, Week 1

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- ★ All visitors to the school MUST sign in the visitors book in the front office. Where students arrive late or need to depart early, again this is done through the front office.
- ★ Have you contacted the school with your updated/changed details? It is important that the school is able to contact you in case of an emergency.
- ★ If your child has a change of routine please send a note to the classroom teacher.
Emergency calls to the office before 2.00pm please.

UNIFORM SHOP - "Online Orders Only" - <https://mudgee-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to Term 2 at Mudgee Public. I hope you have all managed to have a relaxing and safe holiday. With all the social distancing rules, staying at home with family has become the norm.

Thank you all for the work that was done last term with our home learning. This has been a monumental change to our students learning, but they need to be congratulated on their ability to adapt to these changes by working from home.

Our teachers have shared many of the great works that have been sent through to them. At the end of last term awards were sent out to the following students.:



Principal Awards

Rodney Stanford
Jaxxon Wake
Chloe Logronio
Addisyn Caligari

Deputy Principal Awards

Ebony Crowe
Levi Miles
Kiarrah Tanner
Owen Cameron

ANZAC DAY ceremony

It was with pride I watched our School Captains and Vice Captains take part in the ANZAC Day service that we performed on Thursday last week. Tilly, Jess, Billy and William did an excellent job. Congratulations to Patrick Holleman on his wonderful trumpet playing of The Last Post and the Reveille.

The video was uploaded onto MPS Facebook site on Saturday. We presented a wreath at the Cenotaph on ANZAC day on behalf of our school.



School Work Packs

If you have not picked up your child's work pack from the school, please ring the office and arrange a time for collection. It is important that home learning has commenced this week and we ask that all packs be collected by Friday 1 May 2020. Following our instructions on Physical Distancing, we ask that only one parent/carer comes onto school grounds to collect work packs from the office.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 29 April

DoE Phase 0 commenced

Monday 11 May

DoE Phase 1 commences

HONEY HAVEN Bee Boxes

As in a previous newsletter we showed our colourful entry into the Honey Haven Bee Box competition. This included 'bee pictures' drawn by many of our students. Click the link to Honey Haven on our Facebook page and make a comment. Honey Haven is asking us to vote for our favourite box. Mudgee Public is **Entry 2**.



Week 3 Organisation

The Department of Education has directed that schools manage a phased plan to return students to the classroom. (see attached document)

Like us on our Facebook page '**Mudgee Public School P&C**' and follow us for all the latest updates, events and excursion arrival times.

Our school is organising the best and most practical way for this to happen. Twenty five percent of our students will come on either Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Parents will receive an email from their child/children's teacher this week which lets them know the day that their child/children will come to school. If there are any issues with the day planned, please let me know by ringing the school.

School is open every day to children of essential workers. Some parents have rung the school this week informing us of days their children need to attend. This allows for us to do some forward planning.

While we are in Phase 0 and Phase 1, our classes will be supervised by various teachers from the Stage over the day. It is hoped that each teacher will be able to catch up with each of their students to continue with the positive student-teacher relationship. The movement from one phase to another is determined by the Department of Education, based on clear medical advice from the Department of Health.

To promote physical distancing and help reduce the risk of COVID-19, parents are asked not to come onto school grounds wherever possible. Please contact the school by phone or email as required.

Parents are asked to drop off and collect their children at the school gates. There will be supervision to support students at the following gates: Perry St - Infants and Office gates, and Denison St - Back gate.

From Week 3, children who are picked up/walk home will be leaving at 3pm. Bus children will go to bus lines as normal.

Canteen and Uniform Shop

From May 11th the school canteen will be open with a limited menu. We will send out the menu in next week's newsletter.

The Uniform Shop will reopen on Wednesday 13th May. Orders can be made online.

Mrs Ros Rogers
Relieving Principal

YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION

Unfortunately, due to the restrictions in place because of Covid-19, we have needed to cancel our Year 6 Excursion to Canberra.

This is a very big excursion and something that the students look forward to throughout their time at Mudgee Public School and we are very sad and disappointed that we are unable to run this excursion for our students. We held onto our bookings as long as we could in the hope that we would be able to travel on excursions with the students by June. Unfortunately the NSW Department of Education has indicated that schools will not be allowed to take students away on any excursions for the rest of this Semester.

We are very hopeful that we will be able to take the Year 6 students to Raging Waters in Term 4. We may even be able to organise another local trip!

Stage 3 Supervisor
Mrs Liesel Meers

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2!

PRC - The Premiers Reading Challenge is continuing on and it is hoped that students are still reading and recording books. Congratulations to the 11 students who have completed their Premiers Reading Challenge! Your names are now on the PRC Tree. There is still plenty of time left to complete your PRC.

Book Club - This term Book Club will be a little different. We are only accepting online orders for Issue 3. Follow this link <https://scholastic.com.au/book-club/virtual-catalogue-1/> to browse the

brochure online. Click on the brochure to begin the order process. You will need to login to LOOP or create a LOOP account with your child's name and class details. Click on the Order tab and then click on the Issue 3 order button and enter the books you would like to order. Click next and navigate your way through the site to pay for your order. **Note:** ONLINE ORDERS must be finalised by **18 MAY 2020**.

All orders will still be delivered to school, and sent home with students on whichever day they attend school.

Borrowing - borrowing will commence in Week 3 when students will be allocated a time to visit the library on the day they attend school. This will be done in a fortnightly rotation. Please remember to bring a library bag on the day.

Google Classroom - Library lessons will be conducted in Google Classroom (Yrs. 1-6) for the next few weeks. Please email me if your child is not in the Library Google Classroom and they would like to be. You will be told when to enter the Library Google Classroom in the Learning Packs that are being sent home. Happy Reading!

Mrs Siobhan Vitnell
Teacher Librarian

STILL HAVING TROUBLE WITH GOOGLE CLASSROOM?

1. Make sure you are using Google CHROME as your browser
2. Student log into Dept Ed NSW portal and add their password
3. Over on right hand side of portal page see the heading 'Learning'
4. Click on G Suite
5. Click on Classroom
6. You will see the Library classroom
7. Click + symbol up the top right corner
8. Put in your class code, given to you by your teacher (XXX) You should then see your class!

Mudgee Public School would like to thank the following businesses who kindly support our Breakfast Club. A big thank you also to our wonderful staff & volunteers!

Woolworths
Australia's fresh food people



coles
Save everyday



PHASE 0

PHASE 1

PHASE 2

PHASE 3

PHASE 4

At all times

- Schools are safe places for students, teachers and staff.
- All students engage with a single unit of work.
- Keep up-to-date with your school's communications to make sure you receive important messages about timetable changes.
- Any identified cases of COVID-19 will continue to be managed in line with health advice, including temporary school closures where necessary.

Learning from home

Practical resources and guides to support students are available at the department's [Learning from home hub](#).

Schools are open for families who need it.

- Families are encouraged to keep their children at home wherever possible, with no student to be turned away.
- Students who attend school are supervised only, not in their regular classes.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

You must continue to

- Keep your child/children at home if possible.
- Support your child/children to continue learning at home.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell.

Students at school at least one day per week.

- Schools have discretion for establishing which group attends on which day, with a preference to group siblings/families together.
- Families who need to send their child to school every day may continue to do so and no child will be turned away.
- Classes are split across different spaces and break times can be staggered.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

You can now

- Send your child/children to school one day a week.
- You are encouraged to keep your child at home for the rest of the week wherever possible.
- Check with your school to see which day of the week your child/children should attend.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.

You must continue to

- Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your child/children if safe to do so.
- Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Make sure your child/children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage.
- Support your child/children to continue learning at home on remote learning days.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell.

Students at school at least two days per week.

- Schools have discretion for establishing which group attends on which days, with a preference to group siblings/families together.
- Families who need to send their child to school every day may continue to do so and no child will be turned away.
- Classes are split across different spaces and break times can be staggered.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

You can now

- Send your child/children to school two days a week.
- You are encouraged to keep your child at home for the rest of the week wherever possible.
- Check with your school to see which two days of the week your child/children should attend.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.

You must continue to

- Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your child/children if safe to do so.
- Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Make sure your child/children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage.
- Support your child/children to continue learning at home on remote learning days.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell.

Students at school five days per week, with social distancing measures.

- Students with increased health risks may continue to learn at home to suit their individual needs.
- Students remain in the same classroom for the day, break times can be staggered to reduce mixing between class groups.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

You can now

- Send your child/children to school every day.
- Access community services run on school sites, where they are not restricted by Public Health Orders.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.
- Walk your child/children into and out of school while maintaining social distancing.

You must continue to

- Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your child/children if safe to do so.
- Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Make sure your child/children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage.
- Support your child/children to continue to learn at home if they are required to learn remotely.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell.

Students at school five days per week, with full school activities.

- Normal school breaks and entry/exit processes will resume.
- Infection control procedures will continue on a school by school basis.
- Communication to staff, students and families regarding NSW Health advice will continue.
- Continued communication to the Early Childhood Education sector regarding NSW Health Advice.

You can now

- Send your child/children to school every day.
- Participate in school excursions and inter-school activities.
- Use playground equipment at schools.
- Drop your child/children off at school as you would normally do.
- Participate in school based activities such as volunteering in classes and assemblies.
- Use services that usually operate at your school like canteens and other community run activities.

A managed return to school

Guidelines for families