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MUDGEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter - Term 3, Week 9

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- ★ All visitors to the school MUST sign the visitors book & complete the External Visitors to School Site form.
 - ★ Where students arrive late or need to depart early, again this is done through the front office.
 - ★ Have you contacted the school with your changed details? It is necessary that your contact details are correct.
 - ★ Emergency messages regarding a change of routine for students must be received before 2.30pm
- IMPORTANT:** If your child needs to leave school during school hours please send a note to the classroom teacher so they can arrange for the student/s to be at the Office for collection.

DIARY DATES

Tues 15 Sept - Fri 18 Sept

Enviro Education

Tues 22 Sept

Cross Country Yrs 3-6, Walkers Oval

Friday 25 Sept

Last day of Term 3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Partners in Learning Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement. Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

This survey is conducted entirely online on smart phones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers and typically takes 15mins or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted from **Tuesday 8 Sept - Friday 23 Oct**. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary,

your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at:

<https://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>

To access the survey go to:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/q5xnb>

Jump Rope for Heart

I know Mrs McRae has included a piece on Jump Rope for Heart later in the newsletter, but I just wanted to start off by saying how proud I am of the whole Mudgee PS community. Raising over \$23000 and number 4 in the country is a massive achievement. Congratulations and thanks to all who supported. Not only was it a great fundraising effort, it was also wonderful to see students engaging in such a fun day of skipping. Big big big thanks to Mrs McRae for her leadership of this initiative.

Environmental Education

This week Impact Environmental Education are visiting Mudgee Public School. Students from Kindergarten, Stage 2 and some stage 3 classes will be engaging in programs on sustainability that have been linked to the NSW curriculum. These lessons will be class based with a trained



Principal Awards

*Larni Taylor,
Lathan Scoular
Oakenfull, Lexi
Salter, Isaac Illy,*

*Oindrila Ghosh, Leevi Brook, Alannah
Watson, Hayley Hill, Jacob Clay, Riley
Turnbull, Kaylee Robertson, Darcey
Kost, Henry Fowler, Tahanna Meah-
Reynolds, Ellie Langford, Sophia
Vassallo, Ettric Toombs, Nathaniel
Starr, Ciannan Crew, Harrison
Galloway-Smith, Jayden Faucett,
Harry Crouch, Zeke Langton, Sophie
Brentnall, Quade Singer, Summer
Singer, Henry Thomson, Bonnie
Thomson, Grace McDermott*

Deputy Principal Awards

*Isaac Newton, Lachlan Masling,
Chase Horton, Bowen Robertson,
Ayla Coupe, Alicia Larsen*

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environmental educator delivering engaging, hands-on learning experiences for the children.

Kindergarten (Early Stage 1) will learn about 'Everything Organic' - What happens to the organic waste that we generate?



Stage 2 will learn about recycling - A workshop focused on recyclable materials, the process involved in recycling, and our role in 'closing the recycling loop'.

Stage 3 will be looking beyond the bin - What happens to waste after it goes in the bin?

Cyber Safety

Today, Senior Constable Marty Paice came to speak with students from Years 4, 5 and 6. The use of Social Media Platforms has become more prevalent in the Primary School setting even though there is an age limit where users need to be 13 years of age to legally access these Platforms. The students discussed the various ways they use the internet, including Social Media, such as SnapChat and Facebook, and group games, such as Fortnite. Many of the students indicated that they have played online games where they have communicated with strangers. Snr Constable Paice made sure the students understood the importance of not communicating with strangers and to ensure students do not share

any of their personal information. We discussed the fact that anything posted online would always be accessible to someone even once the user has deleted posts. Online Social Media Platforms save all information and photos uploaded in large data collection facilities.

If you would like some further information in supporting your child with online behaviour and safety access <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>



Thank you Mr Paice for visiting our school! - Cyber Safety Talk



Cross Country Years 3-6

The Cross Country Carnival will take place in Week 10 at Walkers Oval. Mr Harris has been busy planning this event. One thing, however, we won't be able to have parents at our event. I just wanted to flag this now as if parents do attend this could put future events in jeopardy. Thanks for your understanding and we will do our best to make sure there are plenty of photos and videos from the day to keep you all connected and up to date. Students remember to wear your house colours!

Road Safety Reminder

Included in the newsletter is a message regarding "Walking together

Safely to and from School". Students walking home please ensure you head straight home or to your designated meeting point. Lets all try to keep each other safe. Have a great week!

Mr John Carters
Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KN	Noah Harrison
KC	Lilliarna Marlin
KL	Riley Deville
KW	Wesley Curtis
1R	Tahana Meah-Reynolds
1T	Claudia Williams
1S	April Powell
1C	Jimmy Anderson
2H	Jimmy Norris
2S	Ryder Sharpe
2C	Lachlan Brydon
2W	Kylie Titcomb
JC	Brodie Speechley
3W	Hannah De Vos
3T	Shontay Lamont
3B	Audrey Boyce
3L	Hope Gilmour
4E	Summer Singer
4J	Mac Reynolds
4D	Baylee Thornell
5/6J	Cooper Clayton
5/6B	Eli Turner
5/6M	Decoda Kelle
5/6K	Mitchel Jones
5/6C	Chloe Shaw
5/6L	Lyarna Boland
SM	Savhanna Kemp
TT	Tyler Hinton
GY	Brendan Hogansen-Peterson
LA	Lilly Hill



UNIFORM SHOP - Wednesday 2.30pm - 3.30pm (Residence via Perry St)

BREAKFAST CLUB - Monday - Friday 8.45am - 9.10am



Mudgee Public School would like to thank the following businesses who kindly support our Breakfast Club.





Student messages - Jump Rope Day

Cathy Mottershead - 5/6 L

The reason I like Jump Rope for Heart is because it's really fun to skip at school and at home. Jump Rope for Heart is for people with Heart disease and to help them get through it. Without skipping we couldn't have raised enough money to help save people with heart conditions.

Eva Illy - 5/6 M

Thank you Jump Rope for Heart for making these past few weeks extra fun! We've had a lot of great times, skipping and learning new skipping tricks. Thank you for raising awareness about taking care of the heart and how to keep it healthy. Hope our fundraising helps our society.

Hamish Manners - 5/6 C

The Jump rope for Heart exercise and donation was a very enjoyable experience. It was very fun doing skipping and learning new tricks with our class. It really got me and the rest of the class into skipping. The jump off day was really enjoyable to jump with your friends. I am still amazed that our school raised 23,000 dollars, that's 4th in the whole country! I just want to thank Mrs McRae for putting this whole donation together.



Photos of two of our recycled models from 1R, Henry's Dragoncrocopig, and Darcey's crocodile.



Thank you to ALL the students who got involved with Jump Rope for Heart!

A huge thank you for the effort skipping and fundraising for the Jump Rope for Heart program this

term. Together we raised an incredible \$23,281.64 and this money will all go towards vital heart research and education programs.

We've loved seeing so many smiling faces skipping on the playground and in sports lessons. Our Jump Off Day was a huge success. Cash donations can still be brought into school and put in the box in the back office. Online donations are still accepted until next Monday 21 Sept.

Here's our school leader board,

1. Harrison Galloway-Smith
2. Jayden Faucett
3. Harry Crouch
4. Zeke Langton
5. Sophie Brentnall
6. Quade Singer
7. Summer Singer
8. Henry Thomson
9. Bonnie Thomson
10. Grace McDermott

Congratulations to our top fundraisers!

Keep up the skipping and thanks again for the hard work. There are some Jump Rope messages from students attached.

Mrs McRae
JRFH Coordinator

Bigger Bookworms!



Bigger Bookworms is a 50-minute fortnightly program for children from kindergarten to year 2 (age 6-8 yrs). The program will focus on a literacy text both fiction and non-fiction and follow with a Creative art and Craft activity.

This program endeavours to support and promote children's love for literacy in a safe and fun environment.

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Mondays Starting Term 4 Wk 2

4pm —Mudgee

Registration forms available at

Mudgee Library



Walking together safely to and from school

Walking to school and back home again is a great way to spend time with your children and encourage safe and healthy behaviours.

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children safer as a pedestrian:

- Talk with your children about being alert in the road environment.
- Plan and practice your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.
- Always hold your child's hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.
- Meet your child near the school gate and don't call them from across the road.
- Explain why the place you have chosen is the safest place to cross.
- Remind your child to **STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! THINK!** every time they cross the road and keep checking until safely across.
- Talk to them about why they should stop, look, listen, think before crossing a driveway, road or carpark.

Young children can learn and practice these safe pedestrian behaviours with you. This will help them to be safer pedestrians when they are old enough to travel alone.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au



Messages to share with your children in Kindergarten to Year 2

- Hold a grown up's hand when:
 - you cross the road
 - you're on the footpath
 - you're in a car park

Messages to share with children in Years 3 to 6

- Use a safe place to cross the road
- **Stop! Look! Listen! Think!** every time you cross the road and keep checking until safely across

STOP!

one step back from the kerb

LOOK!

continuously both ways

LISTEN!

for the sounds of approaching traffic

THINK!

whether it is safe to cross and keep checking until safely across

P&C Update - September

Many thanks to Mrs Lisa Smith who came along (virtually) to the last P&C meeting on 7th September to tell us more about the fantastic initiative, Smiling Mind, which has recently been introduced at the school. We heard how Smiling Mind helps kids calm down and manage their emotions which improves their ability to learn and helps with getting on with other children at school. Mrs Smith told us the children are loving the program with many now asking their teachers if they can do a Smiling Mind session. And it's not just for kids! We heard one of the best ways we can support our kids is to learn about mindfulness and practise it ourselves. Let's face it, adults sometimes have some pretty difficult emotions as well! Smiling Mind offers a free Family Toolkit as well as programs just for adults. You can find more information at <https://www.smilingmind.com.au/at-home>.



The next P&C meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, 19th October at 7pm.

Lamington Drive – Term 4



This year has been such a mixed-up year! We have been dreaming of simpler times when no-one had heard of "social distancing", "coronavirus", "home quarantine" and "Zoom". So when it came to thinking of a fun yet pandemic-friendly fundraiser, a lamington drive seemed the perfect solution. You just can't beat the perfect lamington! More details will follow in early term 4.

Canteen

We're Hiring - Casual Canteen Assistant Required

Thank you to the MPS community for supporting the school canteen. The canteen has become such a busy place that we need a canteen assistant. Please see the job advertisement attached to this newsletter for details and how to apply.

Canteen Volunteers

Although we are looking for a canteen assistant, we still need volunteers to help. All profit from the canteen is reinvested in the school so when you volunteer in the canteen, you are helping raise money for our school. We understand there are many reasons why you may want to help but can't. Sometimes work, kids and life just get in the way! If you can help though, we'd love to hear from you. Each week, we also ask families from a class to make a special effort to find a few hours to help. **This week, it's 1T's turn and next week, 2S. If you can help, please send canteen manager, Tracey, a message on 0418452278.**

Volunteer Profile

All sorts of people volunteer in the canteen. This month, Holly Manwaring, tells us a little about herself and why she volunteers. Holly often comes in for just one hour around midday to help pack the lunch orders in the baskets. This is an enormous help!

Name: Holly Manwaring

Children at MPS: Myles in year 3.

Day Job: TAFE Teacher of English as an additional language. Study Skills Tutor to school children, young people and adults in literacy, numeracy and HSC.

Other Work: WIRES volunteer.

Favourite species; flying fox bats 🦇 I am the only vaccinated and licensed bat rescuer and carer in Mudgee! I can also treat mange in wombats so please contact me if mange is a problem on your property.

Best thing about volunteering in the canteen? Serving my son pikelets and learning quick and easy recipes from Tracey.

One thing most people don't know about the canteen? Tracey has less than 10 regular parents or carers volunteering their time at the canteen. Even just one hour a week makes a difference to helping Tracey run a very busy and popular canteen.



Uniform Shop – School Residence

Open Wednesdays 2.30pm-3.30pm

Order online at www.quickcliq.com.au



Summer is approaching! Our friendly Uniform Shop manager, Michelle can help with all your summer school uniform needs.

Online orders are delivered to your child's classroom on Wednesdays or you can pick up in store. All profit from the uniform shop is reinvested into the school so when you buy your uniforms from the MPS Uniform Shop you are helping our school. Thank you!

Robyn Chase – P&C President





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WE'RE HIRING! CASUAL CANTEEN ASSISTANT REQUIRED

The Mudgee Public School canteen is operated by the MPS P&C. We are committed to providing a fresh, affordable, nutritious and delicious food service to the school community.

We are looking for a friendly and reliable casual Canteen Assistant to help our Canteen Manager. The Canteen Assistant will report to the Canteen Manager.

Duties will include:

- food preparation
- packing lunch orders
- serving children over the counter at recess and lunch
- general kitchen duties such as washing and cleaning
- restocking shelves, fridges and freezers
- supporting the Canteen Manager with welcoming and training volunteers in food preparation and service

Hours of work: This is a casual position. Hours may vary so flexibility is desirable. Work will be during school hours. Hours will include most Fridays during school term between 9am -2pm and may include hours on other days, if required.

Skills and Qualities:

- Friendly attitude
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills with children and adults
- Ability to work in a team environment
- Ability to work with minimal supervision
- Sound organisation and time management skills
- Good food handling skills

Required:

- Valid Working with Children Check
- Valid Police Check
- Knowledge of the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy
- Entry Level Food Safety Certificate (or willing to obtain)

Preferred:

- Experience in school canteen, cafe or food services

To apply, please email your resume, cover letter and the names of two referees to:
mudgeepublicschool-pres@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Applications close Friday 25th September 2020.