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MUDGEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter - Term 4, Week 8

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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

WEDNESDAY 2 December

Yr 7 Orientation Day MHS - for Yr 6
Kinder Exc. Putta Bucca - KC & KL

THURSDAY 3 December

PBL Assembly via Zoom 9.45am

FRIDAY 4 December

2W & 2H Zoo Excursion
PSSA Stage 3 Gala Day

MONDAY 7 December

2C & 2S Zoo Excursion

WEDNESDAY 9 December

Annual Presentation Day

THURSDAY 10 December

Year 6 Graduation Evening

FRIDAY 11 December

Day of the Notables 5/6B



dance and a range of indoor activities. It was a fantastic day of celebration! A big thanks to Mrs Smith and our Kindergarten teachers who organised this exciting learning experience.



CANTEEN ROSTER

* THIS Week - Wk 8 5/6M

NEXT Week - Wk 9 5/6C

14 December - Wk 10 **Anyone!**

Kindergarten Pirate Day



ARRRRRRRRRGH!!



Last Friday, Kindergarten celebrated the end of their Pirate unit by dressing in costume and participating in a range of activities. First up was Pirate Bootcamp, which included dig for treasure, walk the plank, scrub the decks, rubber chicken sword fights, raise the flag (parachute), bean bag flip, shoot the cannonball (basketball) and climb the rigging. Following this, students engaged in pirate craft,

Public Speaking Success

We are all very proud of Jake Wolfson, who qualified in the top 10 students across the State and last Thursday competed in the State Finals of the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition via Zoom.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Swimming Finished Up

Congratulations to all students who have completed the school swimming program over the last 2 weeks. You have all been fantastic! The biggest thanks must go to Mr Smith and all the staff who have provided this opportunity for our students.

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

Jake had to present his prepared speech 'Words Can Hurt'. Additional to that, he was required to write an impromptu speech. He was given 5 minutes to independently write a speech on 'Breaking the rules'.

Congratulations Jake on this wonderful achievement.



Assistant Principal Appointment

Recently, we ran a Merit Selection process to recruit a new substantive (permanent) Assistant Principal. I am pleased to announce that Alyssa Blamire was the successful candidate. Alyssa is currently employed at Cudgegong Valley Public School and will join us in 2021. Please join me in welcoming Alyssa to our school community. I look forward to sharing more information about Alyssa at the beginning of the school year.

Feedback from Parent Survey for P&C discussion

In last week's newsletter, I shared a survey that would drive questioning for our P&C group which was used for discussion as we prepare our new Strategic Improvement Plan from 2021-2024.

The key findings are as follows:

i. More parent teacher communication. Whilst the suggestions varied, this is definitely something to evaluate and improve to be consistent.

ii. There is a clear parent willingness to connect with the learning happening

in the classroom to support at home. We can look to do this more through providing opportunities similar to the toolkit talks, with a focus on what is happening in the classrooms.

iii. In relation to what parents value about schooling at Mudgee Public, the responses showed a real balance and split of opinion between highly valuing academic achievement and also the overall wellbeing of the child to be the number one priority

iv. The parents surveyed seem proud of the opportunities the school provides for their children.

v. Parents were asked the question what things should Mudgee PS keep doing: This is summarised best by focusing on quality academic provision, being inclusive of everyone and keep on providing quality teachers

vi. We also asked the question, what should we start doing? This was a real mix of a wish list, with no real themes emerging, however, there were definitely some fantastic ideas presented.

vii. Main form of communication seems to be social media – as well as a recognition of the need for varied communication.

PBL Assembly

Our final PBL Assembly for Term 4 will take place this **Thursday 3 December at 9:45am**. We are inviting the parents of students receiving a Principal's Medallion to this assembly, however, due to capped numbers we are unable to invite anyone else. We encourage you to join us on Zoom

[HTTPS://NSWEDUCATION.ZOOM.US/61136752424](https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/61136752424)

WEBINAR ID: 611 3675 2424
PASSCODE: 474828

2020 and 2021 School Dates

Just a reminder about our end of year and start of year school dates, as it all isn't too far away.

2020 – Term 4: Wednesday 16 December last day for students. All staff onsite Thursday 17 December (am); Office staff all day 17 December and 18 December

2021 – Term 1: There are 2 School Development Days at the beginning of the year, which means students will return Friday 29 January

Kindergarten 2021: Best Start Assessments Friday 29 January, Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 February. First full day - Wednesday 3 February.

Please contact the front office should you have any further questions.



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

BREAKFAST CLUB - Monday - Friday 8.45am - 9.10am



Presentation Day Assemblies



PRESENTATION DAY 2020

Wednesday 9 December

Stage 3 9:30am <https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/67501020381>
Webinar ID: 675 0102 0381; Passcode: 762846

Stage 2 11:30am <https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/67547714721>
Webinar ID: 675 4771 4721; Passcode: 204893

K-2 12:40PM <https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/63812176488>
Webinar ID: 638 1217 6488; Passcode: 916471

Once our PBL assembly is over, we then turn our attention to Presentation Day. We look forward to you joining us for our Presentation Day next **Wednesday 9 December**. Direct Links are below. We will be contacting award parents of award recipients via a note to remind them to try and log on to watch. Whilst we wish we could have our whole parent community in to watch, we are excited to celebrate with our students.

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Social Anxiety Parent Toolkit Talk

A big thanks to Liz for getting this up and running, as well as Alison Nipperess for sharing her knowledge. A great initiative driven by Liz which she should be commended for! Liz has included a small re-cap of the evening: "Last Wednesday night, the Parent Liaison Network hosted our final

Parent Toolkit Talk for 2020. We were fortunate to hear Alison Nipperess, Principal Psychologist from Mudgee Psychology to discuss Social Anxiety. Alison spoke in an approachable and compassionate way about an issue that touches all of us as parents and community members. It was particularly helpful to hear her talk about the difference between Social Anxiety and normal shyness, and to hear her tips on ways we can help our kids and when to seek help. We are very fortunate to have a great system in place at MPS. You can always contact your Classroom Teacher for help and advice and they have the backup of the schools Wellbeing Team. If you would like more information you can contact me and I'll point you in the right direction.

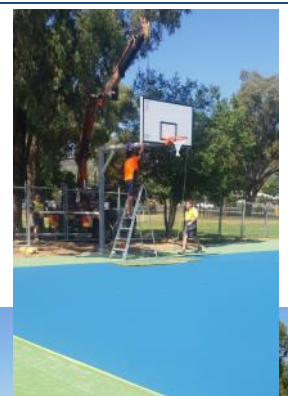
Liz Halbisch - Parent Community Liaison Officer
elizabeth.halbisch@det.nsw.edu.au "

Basketball Courts Update

Hooray! It is looking like the Basketball courts will be open next week. This is of course, all going well with the final installation stages this week. Stay tuned for more photos next week!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KN	Zane Singer
KC	Brody McMahon
KL	Holly Freestone
KW	Olive Smith
1T	Declan Godfrey
1S	Charlie McKenzie
1C	Liam McGrath
2H	Tyler Kapeen
2S	Ben Murray
2C	Adler Graham
2W	Shannon Devenish
JC	Brodie Speechley
3W	Mollie Wallace
3T	Ruby O'Brien
3B	Henry Pickard
3L	Larni Taylor
4E	Chloe Lane
4J	Samuel Halbisch
4D	Aiden Grant-King
5/6J	Byron Scoular
5/6B	Ella Forgione
5/6M	Holly Faulkner
5/6K	Jake Lees
5/6C	Angus Dunn
5/6L	Lihena Tavita
TT	Jaxon Ross
GY	Dominick Jackson-Carpenter



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



Uniform Shop

Just a reminder, our uniform shop is open each Wednesday afternoon from 2:30-3:30. We are also currently running an online promotion.>>>>>

Make a purchase on-line or instore during December and January and receive 10% off at the uniform shop.

www.quickcliq.com.au

Uniform Shop Over the Holidays

Speaking of the uniform shop, we have confirmation that the Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesday 20 January and Wednesday 27 January from 8:30am – 10:30am. Thanks to our P&C for providing this extra opportunity to purchase uniforms onsite. The P&C is also looking at a special opening time for new Kindergarten students too – stay tuned!

2W Plays

I will leave you this week with some absolutely FABULOUS plays performed by students in 2W. Highlight of the week watching these.

May I Help You: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DtgIXFl1hUw>

Secret Word: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEy6IO31F-Q>

As always, have a great week

Mr John Carters
Principal



Principal Awards

*Flynn Purdon,
Baylee Thornell,
Charlie Robertson,
Ayla Vitnell, Noah Cox, Pippa Orth,
William Marshall, Amelia Stimson,
Ruby Lumsden, Classje Curtis,
Grace Bungate, Chloe Shaw, Angus
Dunn, Peter Eliis, Maggie Stott,
Pixie Kenny, Isabella Turnbull*

Deputy Principal Awards

*Oliver Scales, Zac Newsome, Justin
Sciocluna, Kodie Farrow, Jack Street,
Sal Tavita, Lacey Grocott, Oscar
Pryor, Riley Turnbull, Felix Smith,
Lucy Storey*



LIBRARY NEWS

Book Club - Issue 8 Book Club orders were put in last Friday. They should be at school by early next week. Unless otherwise instructed, they will be sent home with students as soon as they arrive. Thank you for supporting Book Club this year.

PRC - Congratulations to everyone who completed the PRC this year. Awards are being handed out to students this week.

This is the last week for borrowing! This will enable students to return all books, and locate any overdue books. No books are allowed to be borrowed over the Summer holidays. Overdue notices were sent home last week with replacement costs. Year 6 students and those leaving MPS need to return books ASAP.
Happy Reading!

Mrs Siobhan Vitnell
Teacher Librarian



Holiday CARE

ChildCare Benefit & ChildCare
****Rebate Available (CCB & CCR)****

Fun, safe, relaxed and inclusive



Mudgee PCYC KidzCare offers Holiday Care, 8am - 6pm Monday to Friday
To children in years K-6

Fun
Exciting
Lots to do
Check us out today!

PCYC Mudgee KidzCare offers a range of structured and free play, social, sports, arts and craft activities that vary daily.
Afternoon tea provided daily.

PCYC Mudgee, Market St Mudgee

Contact Belinda: 0408 352 449



Casual Work

1 X Casual position - Mudgee Area - 6813

Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm, with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
 - ✓ Good communication skills
 - ✓ Community spirit
 - ✓ Positive energy
- ✓ If it does, visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au to apply today!

Applications close Sunday 13th December 2020



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Year 6 Orientation Day

Mudgee High School is looking forward to the 2021 Year 7 cohort visiting us for Orientation Day.

When: Wednesday 2nd December

Time: 9am-3.25pm

What to wear: Primary school uniform (may wear school sport uniform)

What to bring: Morning tea and lunch (or money for the canteen)

A pen and paper or a notebook

Students catching the school bus- don't worry we will have people to meet you and show you where to go!