

# <u>Murrumburrah Public School</u>

## Term 1 Week 7

## 9 March 2015

# Children support community initiative and meet local member



When Katina Hodgkinson visited Harden to officially open the gates to the new fence at the Anglican Parish Hall she was greeted by Murrumburrah Public Schools SRC.

During the local member's address, she specifically mentioned her appreciation of the greeting, and the handshake she received from each of the students.

Our SRC students were also introduced to the Mayor Mr John Horton and again they represented our school with confidence and pride.

#### **Swimmers in Albury**

Murrumburrah Public School's swimming squad is today competing in the Riverina Regional Carnival being held in Albury. They enter the competition as the Cootamundra District Champions and we all wish them all the best. We will advise results next week.

#### **Principal Network Meeting**

The Principal Network Meeting was held in Wagga last Friday and was hosted by our new Director, Public Schools NSW, Cootamundra, Ms Toni McDonald. Ms McDonald has already visited our school, met some of our students and had a walk around our school. During the visit Ms McDonald commented on our vast gardens and how well they are maintained. I was also able to provide her with a copy of our 2014 Annual School Report.

#### Last Session for Twilight

This afternoon marks the conclusion of the Twiliaht Study Sessions for this term. I would like thank the to teachers, parents and school learning support



officers who have donated their time to support this program. Mrs Ford also deserves a huge thank you for coordinating the learning activities.

From my desk

Clare Crawford Principal



# What's Happening

Event	Classes	Activity date	Cost	Notes / Money due
Riverina Swimming Carnival	Qualifying students	Monday 9 March		
P&C Annual General Meeting	All invited	Tuesday 10 March 7.00pm		All welcome
1M Assembly	All students	Friday 13 March	Free	All welcome
Funky Hair Day	All students	Friday 13 March	Donation	Out of uniform day
School Photos	All students	Wednesday 18 March	Various	Friday 13 March
Young Leaders Conference	Year 6	Monday 23 March	\$115	Monday 9 March
Year 6 T-Shirts	Year 6		\$44	Friday 27 March

### Specialised Support Underway

Reading Recovery is a school program offering special help to Year 1 students to become better readers and writers. At MPS we are lucky to have four students participate in this highly successful literacy intervention this semester. Each student works one on one for 30 minutes to develop their own literacy skills that will accelerate their learning. Over the past few weeks we've been focusing on identifying letters, sounds, words and reading smoothly. All students have already made progress in leaps and bounds.

I'm very proud of their effort and willingness each day! Stay tuned for more exciting news from Reading Recovery.

Rebecca Askell





Left: Jacob practicing how to read The Lazy Pig smoothly Right: Jacqlyn organised and ready to do word work

# **School Photos**

Don't forget your school photo envelopes. They need to be returned to school, with payment, by this Friday 13 March. Family envelopes are available from the front office if required.

All envelopes need to be returned to school, even if you are not ordering photos.

# World's Greatest Shave Funky Hair Day!

This Friday 13 March students and the SRC will support the Leukaemia Foundation by taking part in Funky Hair Day. So, get creative and come to school with your craziest, funkiest, most fun hair style. Don't forget to



bring your gold coin donation to support the day. Students may come out of uniform.

School Administration Manager, Michelle Howe, will also be taking part in the World's Greatest Shave when she has her head shaved on Friday night at the Lighthorse Hotel in Murrumburrah. She is seeking sponsorship from the local community and your support would be greatly appreciated. All donations can be left at the school office or come along Friday night and contribute. Be brave and shave for the Leukaemia Foundation.

#### **Getting Ready for High School**

Year 6 students have today received 'Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2016'. This is an information guide and expression of interest form for parents and carers of students who will commence high school next year. The expression of interest needs to be completed and returned to school by Friday 20 March.

#### Year 2 Targeting Early Numeracy

Throughout Term 1 students in 2W have been participating in daily TEN (Targeted Early Numeracy) activities to increase our skills, knowledge and quick recall of addition and subtraction facts. We have been focussing on knowing numbers that add to 10 and doubling numbers to 10.

Each week we have a different activity that uses dice, playing cards or dominoes to practice quick calculations and using the number facts that we know really well to solve addition and subtraction problems.

We spend 10 minutes every day in pairs or groups enjoying the activities and getting



faster and more accurate with our number facts.

Mrs Whinam hopes that all students in Year 2 will be using their fast recall of addition and subtraction facts instead of counting on and back by the end of the year.

Mrs Noelene Whinam 2W Class Teacher



## From assembly



Student Leadership Award recipients



Students presented with Mathletics certificates



**Class Award recipients** 



Bonnie with a her 5 Star Bronze award



#### Harden Soccer Club Registrations

Harden Soccer Club on line registrations are now open. Players and their parent/carers need to go to www.myfootballclub.com.au to

register online. Follow the prompts for new player registration or returning player. Cost of registration is \$60 again this year, this can be paid on line when registering. For further information and assistance please contact Allison Manwaring on 0429 193 453, email hardensoccerclub@gmail.com or call FFA my footballclub Support Centre on 8020 4199 between 12.00noon and 9.00pm Monday to Friday or Saturday 10.00am to 2.00pm.

# Game On! At Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre

Spend a day (or five) at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre and try different sports and activities during the April school holidays.



Programs run from Monday 13 April to Friday 17 April. The program is available to boys and girls aged 7 to 12 years. Cost (includes activities lunch and transport) is \$65 per day or \$300 for all 5 days. For more information and bookings please visit dsr.nsw.gov.au.

#### **Sports Academy Netball Camp**



The Southern Sports Academy is holding a Netball Camp at the Equex Centre Wagga from 14 to 17 April 2015. Children of all skill levels will receive top quality coaching and be joined by former NSW Swifts player Jackie Murphy. More information and

application forms are available on the Academy's website: www.ssa-nsw.org.au

#### Reading, Writing, Spelling

Parents/carers have an opportunity to meet and network with local Health Professionals in Occupational Therapy, Optometry and Speech Pathology. They are able to assess students with learning difficulties and work families and schools with to deliver intervention that works. They can also provide take home strategies and techniques ready for you to implement.

The information session will be held on Thursday 12 March at the Young Golf Club from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Please RSVP to Young Eyes on 6382 4000. Refreshments, tea and coffee provided.

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# 'Learn to Live'



District swimmers were presented with place ribbons at assembly last Friday