



Murrumburrah Public School

Term 2 Week 5

18 May 2015



School plan 2015 – 2017

Murrumburrah Public School 2685



Thank you to the parents who braved the cold last Tuesday to attend Q&A and our P&C meeting. As always, we had some great discussions including fundraising ideas and student reports as well as organisation for the athletics carnival. We also discussed our school plan for 2015-2017 and it can now be found on the school webpage along with the annual school report for 2014.

Above is a screen shot of the cover of our school plan which is a water colour painting of marimbas which was created by Ms Amanda Levett.

I am very pleased to say NAPLAN testing ran very smoothly last week. Year 3 and 5 students did their very best to complete the assessments and staff were very flexible and supportive of students. The results of the assessments will be available to the school and parents in September.

Staff Professional Learning

Mrs Howe and Mrs Sharman are attending the SASS Conference in

Albury today and Tuesday. This conference offers support staff the professional learning required to keep pace with changes in their role and also allows them to meet with other office managers and office assistants. The front office will be run by Mrs Ros Bradford while they are away.

Our teachers continue to engage in extensive professional development around various curriculum areas. I thank them for their strong focus on their own learning. This will translate into further quality teaching and, of course, effective learning for our students.

Ms Askeil is continuing with Reading Recovery training, Mrs Humphries will soon begin L3 training, Mr Lindsell will travel to Melbourne next week to visit 4 schools in Victoria who are using cutting-edge educational practices. Ms Morris and Ms Winham attended a course last week with Dr Justin Coulson in Wagga Wagga "Creating an emotionally intelligent classroom".

From my desk...

Clare Crawford
Principal



What's Happening

Event	Classes	Activity date	Cost	Notes / Money due
ICAS Digital Technologies Test	Participating students	Tuesday 19 May		
Wallendbeen Orchestra Performance	3E	Friday 22 May	\$5	20 May
Zone Cross Country	Qualifying students	Monday 25 May	PSSA levy	
Athletics Assembly	K-6	Friday 22 May	Nil	12.15pm

Orchestral Performance

Picton Strings is a not for profit organisation who have recently finished a four year program with the Australian Chamber Orchestra. Our Year 3 students are fortunate to have received an invitation to Wallendbeen this Friday to watch the 27 piece string orchestra. They will travel to Wallendbeen by bus, have lunch in the park and then watch the performance along with students from Cootamundra and Wallendbeen schools.

LOST PROPERTY

There is a huge collection of discarded clothing, mainly jumpers, in the school lost property. These items do not have names on them which makes it impossible for us to return them to their rightful owners. Please feel free to ask at the front office, have a look through the pile and reclaim items. When parents write their child's name on their clothing, it makes the task of finding the owner so much easier.



CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen now has a new menu and we have enclosed a copy of the new menu and the canteen roster with this edition of the newsletter. Please note the specials at the bottom of the menu which will be offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday.



Friday will also be Ms Saunders last day with us, so we hope they have a memorable day.

Today Year 5 students will participate in a *Free, Fresh Fit* session to further develop their understanding of choosing fresh foods and getting daily exercise.

The School Clothing Shop will be closed this Thursday. It will be open the following Thursday from 3-5 as usual.

ATHLETICS ASSEMBLY

This Friday we will have a special assembly starting at 12.15pm to present the ribbons and certificates from our athletics carnival last week. Please feel welcome to come along and enjoy this special assembly.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2015

Last Friday MPS held their annual school Athletics Carnival. Despite a cold start to the day, the weather warmed up as did the students on the track. It was excellent to see students from Kindergarten to Year 6 competing across all track and field events. A huge congratulations to all students who attended the event, you all competed with great spirit, enthusiasm and displayed a high level of behaviour. There were many winners on the day and any students who placed first or second (pending on qualifying requirements) will be invited to the District Athletics Carnival to be held in Temora, on the 14th of August. All Houses displayed great encouragement for their team mates, with Allunga House narrowly winning the carnival, well done! A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the volunteers on the day, the supporting families, the P & C, the field markers (Adam, Brendon & Craig), teachers and students for your contributions in making it a very successful day. Ribbons for the individual events will be handed out at a special upcoming assembly.

Phil Lindsell
Sports Co-ordinator



P&C News

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The P&C would like to acknowledge the hardwork and dedication of the teachers who were at the oval at 7.30am on Friday morning (in their beanies) setting up. The organisation was flawless, making the day really enjoyable for our children. Jules Lenehan, our canteen manager did a great job organising the canteen for the day. We would also like to thank Nicole Woodhead, Sandra Weston, Sandra Ballard, Rachael and Barry Coulton, Sam Flannery, Carrie Giddings, Bell Hufton, Ged Davis, Philip Woodhead, Sarah Bunt, Dorothy Powell, Peggy Hocking and Judy Nelder for helping to provide such a great service to children, parents and staff. I would also like to thank the parents who volunteered to run track and field events.

Treen Brooker
P&C President

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



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'Learn to Live'



Allunga - the winning house at the Athletics
Carnival on Friday