



Term 2 Week 2

2 May 2016

Exciting term planned at MPS

Term 2 is shaping up to be a very exciting term for students at MPS with many additional sporting and academic programs on offer.

Through the Sporting Schools Australia program, students K-6 will be offered tennis coaching from a specialist coach. The Cross Country and Athletics carnivals will be held this term.

Genius Hour will be bigger and better than ever with interested students Years 3-6 offered the opportunity to go to MHS after school to conduct awesome experiments with Mrs Young and her team of scientists. NAPLAN assessments will take place this term too. (More details about these programs will be available in future newsletters).

We welcome Ms Caroline Pembroke who is completing her final year of her teaching degree and who will be mentored by Miss Emma Edwards. Mrs Lucy Saunders will also return to MPS to assist K-2 with extra support. Mrs Julia Wyatt continues to gain valuable hands-on experience to complete her School Learning Support Officer training.

The icing on the cake is the launch of Murrumburrah Before and After School and Vacation Care this week. We are very proud to be able to offer this invaluable service to working families in the Harden/ Murrumburrah area.

From my desk

Clare Crawford
Principal



Students support local ANZAC Day Ceremony



On Monday, over 50 students from Murrumburrah Public School attended the 11.00am ANZAC Day March and Service. The school leadership team looked fantastic as they led the school

up Neill Street and into Newson Park where a large community crowd had formed to participate in the service.

All MPS students looked great in their full school uniform and demonstrated a great amount of respect throughout. Our school leaders, Beau Abnett and Chloe Wade had the privilege of laying a wreath on the war monument on behalf of the school and were commended by many community members for their efforts.

On behalf of all the staff at MPS we would like to thank all of the students, families and community members that made the effort to attend.



What's Happening

Event	Classes	Activity date	Cost	Notes / Money due
P&C Meeting		Tuesday 3 May 7.00pm	Free	All welcome
Students walk cross country course	All students	Wednesday 4 May 2.00pm	Free	
Netball NSW Schools Cup	Selected players	Thursday 5 May	\$10	
School Cross Country	All students	Friday 6 May 11.00am	Free	

MPS ANZAC Day Ceremony

Last Friday, the Murrumburrah Public School and Community commemorated ANZAC Day. Wal Bradford, Kevin Maher and Peter Beal, members of the Murrumburrah Lighthorse attended alongside returned serviceman and parent of Harper Luke who attends the school, Ben Luke. Local police officer, Senior Constable Adrian Hughes was also present. The school received apologies from Brad Giddings who is also a returned serviceman and parent of Year 1 student, Evie Giddings and Mrs Linda Hearne who was unable to attend due to illness.

The school would like to recognise and thank the many school and local community members

who frequently give up their time to assist our schools and community alike, ensuring our students acknowledge, learn about and appreciate the past, present and future contributions of our nation's people.

A special thank you to Wal, Kevin and Peter for the preparation and commitment and to Ben for visiting students and talking about his role within the RAF. Student Taleah Manwaring stated, "Harper's Dad (Ben) was just so interesting and we got to ask him lots of questions about how he fixes cracks in helicopters and his experiences."



PLEASE NOTE:

- * DUE TO THE CROSS COUNTRY, CANTEEN WILL NOT BE OPEN THIS FRIDAY 6 MAY. PLEASE ENSURE ALL STUDENTS BRING THEIR LUNCH (NO LUNCH ORDERS)
- * DUE TO LACK OF VOUNTEERS THERE WILL BE NO MOTHER'S DAY STALL THIS YEAR

Positive Start to Term 2 at Murrumburrah Public School

Students were celebrating last week as the school's new Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Prize Box was unveiled by program coordinator, Brett Humphreys. The aim of the program is to promote, teach and encourage students to demonstrate the school values; *Respect, Responsibility and Empathy*. Students demonstrating the values are given tokens which they then place in a raffle box for that specific value before names are drawn on a fortnightly basis and individual prizes awarded. All tokens are then poured into the whole school PBL prize box.

Students have been involved in a voting process, achieved through the SRC and have selected a number of milestone prizes which are to be awarded as the tokens reach each particular milestone. These whole school prizes include *swapping classrooms for the day, Tabloid Sports Afternoon, Arts and Crafts Day, Movie Day* and the pinnacle and most desired milestone; the *MPS Colour Run*. Students are looking forward to achieving each of these exciting goals.

Students will be able to monitor their progress through the clear perspex front of the box and are

already well on their way to spending a day in a different classroom with their own teacher.

Staff members are part of the PBL team and take on various roles within this area to ensure the most positive outcome for all involved.

If you would like to know more about this program, please contact the school office.



Term 2 SRC Class Representatives

Pictured are our Term 2 SRC Class representatives who received their badges at the Friday assembly. Congratulations Harper, David, Kobi, Natalie, Sybella, Evie, Timothy, Katie, Jack, Ryan, Bonnie, Tristan, Beau, April and Ruby. (Ashleigh absent from photo).



Cross Country

This **Friday 6 May** all students K-6 will be participating in the School Cross Country to be held at the Harden-Murrumburrah Showgrounds. If you are able to assist on the day please contact the school, we would greatly appreciate any support. **Please note that lunch and Crunch times will alter slightly on the day.**

Netball NSW Schools Cup

The Netball NSW School Cup Competition will be held in Young this week on **Thursday 5 May**. We are still looking for three volunteers to assist in umpiring duties and will not be able to participate without willing volunteers. Please contact Letitia Beal via the school office if you are able to assist on the day. We wish each of our teams a fun and rewarding day and look forward to hearing the results.

SRC Term 1 Disco

Thank you to everyone who attended our fun disco at the end of Term 1. We are excited to announce that we made a profit of over \$400. These funds go towards directly supporting all of the students here at MPS so we would like to say a BIG thank you to everyone for showing your support!

SRC and Class Representatives Guess the Jelly Bean Competition

CONGRATULATIONS to Tristan Steele who won our *Guess the Jelly Beans* competition with a SPOT ON guess of 454 jelly beans! Mrs Beal

is wondering if Tristan went home and checked her counting skills! Thank you to everyone who had a go and assisted our SRC and Class Reps in raising over \$50 to support our school.

SRC Monday Funday Activities

We are excited to again be running a range of activities across the K-6 play areas **each Monday of Term 2**. SRC members will set up the activities and students will have the opportunity to utilise fantastic resources such as the school parachute, trampolines, obstacle courses and a wide range of other games and activities. We thank our SRC for their creativity and commitment towards our endeavour to create a fun and enjoyable learning environment at MPS.



Harden Junior Netball

Please remember that there is **NO** Harden Junior Netball this week. It will begin on Friday 13 May.

Obstacool

Obstacool is an obstacle course for kids aged 3 to 15 years, and is coming to Young on Sunday 22 May at Burrangong Oval. Times are 9am to 4pm. All money raised will go directly to Motor Neurone Disease Institute of Australia Research. Contact Katrin on 0406 144 021 or Tarnia 0413 149 190 for more information.

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'Learn to Live'



Year 3 have been studying forests and presented this amazing representation at their recent assembly