



Term 3 Week 8

2 September 2016

# It's Showtime



The show weekend is always a time for the whole community to celebrate what makes the Harden-Murrumburrah community unique. Once again our students will show their community spirit through their participation in a wide variety of events. We will have a school display with art and craft and bookwork, and we will contribute to the Aboriginal Cultural display put together by Mr Roy Levett.

Traditionally students also enter events like the Miss Showgirl and Master Stockman, which has categories for children aged 5 to 17 years. Let's just hope the weather is kind to us and we get a sunny day.

## Thank You Volunteers

Students at MPS are able to enjoy a rich variety of learning experiences generally seen in schools much bigger than ours. Teachers, support staff and community members work above and beyond because they love what they do. Whether it is volunteering in the canteen and uniform shop,

teaching scripture, helping in the classroom and running stalls, providing transport, or teachers going that extra mile with planning and preparation; it all adds up to make MPS great. Thank you from all of us.

## Health Report

I mentioned in last week's newsletter that we had a suspected case of whooping cough. Since then the case has been confirmed and effected students and staff notified. With the continual wet weather, head lice (nits) have also been a problem, so your earlier notification is much appreciated. If you have any questions about the school's procedures for managing contagious diseases please do not hesitate to contact me.

From my desk

Clare Crawford  
Principal



## Fight Cancer Foundation

Well done to our students for raising \$111.90 for the Fight Cancer Foundation on Footy Colours Day.



# What's Happening

Event	Classes	Activity date	Cost	Notes / Money due
Trent Barrett Shield	LeagueTag team	Tuesday 6 September	Free	
CAPA Evening at MHS	Drummers and dancers	Tuesday 6 September 6.00pm	Free	
P&C Meeting	All welcome	Tuesday 13 September 7.00pm		
SRC Walkathon	All students	Friday 23 September	Free	See information sent home today

## Katrina Nannestad Workshop

Wow! What an awesome day we had at Jugiong Public School for the Writers Workshop. The author, Katrina Nannestad showed us how to make a character by thinking of a name and how old they are and their personality. Next you had to do their new year's resolutions and five things they had in their pocket, backpack or handbag. Lastly we wrote what our character hated and loved. It was awesome!

With Mrs Lenehan, we planned a very scary, spooky story and the first sentence had to start with an adjective and it was so much fun.

When Katrina read some of her books, students acted it out and it was so funny because they had to do funny actions. At lunch we all got a sausage sandwich, it was so good.

Close to the end, Katrina signed books and she read a bit of Olive of Groves. It is amazing how she imagined the characters. We asked her some questions about her books and more. What a great day!

Hayley Hambrook



Have you read 'Red Dirt Diary' yet? Some Year 3, 4 and 5 students were so excited to go to the writer's workshop at Jugiong Public School. We heard lots about Katrina Nannestad's books. They are so fantastic. Some of the students dressed up as characters from her books. It was so funny to see them act out the story as she read.

She showed us how to make our sentences more interesting and humorous. We created our own characters after she showed us her ideas on how she built her characters in the books.

She had books for sale and we couldn't wait to read them. It made me so excited that she signed my book.

Thanks Mr Lenehan for driving the bus. We appreciate your time.

By Bella Paulissen



## Multicultural Perspectives Speaking Regional Final



This was a really valuable experience for me and I particularly enjoyed speaking on my chosen topic 'Refugees'. I found the impromptu topic 'Secrets' quite challenging. When the adjudicator gave his feedback he said that we all spoke very well and that it was a tough decision. He said the group of speakers were in the top 70 school age speakers in Australia.

When giving me my personal feedback he said that I should share more of my personal families history when speaking of refugees.

By Amelia Leitner-Ford

## P&C News

We hope all the Dad's had a wonderful Father's Day and enjoyed all their special handpicked gifts from their children. This was made possible by Clare Challen who did an amazing job buying and packaging up all the gifts. We really appreciate it Clare. Thank you! Also thank you to Carrie Giddings who helped Clare sell them on the day.

We are really looking forward to running the bar at the show this Saturday 10 September. Make sure you come in and say hello and enjoy a cold drink.

Treen Brooker  
President



## More from the writers workshop

On 23 August 24 students went to the writers workshop at Jugiong Public School. We went to see Katrina Nannestad. She brought some books and read them to us and she asked some people to act out parts that she read. Then we were split into groups, Years 3 and 4 went with Katrina and Years 5 and 6 went with Mrs Lenehan. With Katrina we had to make a name and a New Year's resolution and more. With Mrs Lenehan we had to write a spooky story and it was a bit hard. Thank you Mrs Dodd for taking us and thank you Mr Lenehan for driving the bus.

By Chelsea and Hayley



## 100 nights home reading

Well done Billy Fogg and David Djukic on completing 100 nights home reading. Keep up the great work!



## Peer Support continues

Learning to work cooperatively with others is an important skill for all children to learn and was the focus of our Peer Support session last week. During the session the students learnt the importance of speaking in a friendly manner and showing respect to others. Please take some time to discuss with your child how they can cooperate with others and speak to one another appropriately.

# Murrimboola Learning Community Creative and Performing Arts Night

When: Tuesday 6 September

Time: 6.00pm

Where: Murrumburrah High School Hall

Tickets available at the door:  
Family—\$10  
Adult—\$5  
Student—\$2



Left: KS did a fantastic job hosting our assembly last Friday. Great work students and Miss Stormon.

Below: Students enjoyed the great activities and presentations when we celebrated NAIDOC Week last Thursday

Please check the items of clothing your child brings home from school. If they are labelled with another students name please return them to school, so may be returned to their owner.



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## 'Learn to Live'



Year 6 taking part in Aboriginal art activities during NAIDOC Week