

Murrumburrah Public School NEWSLETTER



Term 1 Week 10

27 March 2017



Research tells us one of the most important social skills involved in bullying prevention is empathy—understanding and responding with caring to what others think and feel. Children are less likely to hurt and more likely to help someone if they can imagine themselves in that person's place and can share that person's thoughts and feelings.

A focus of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) lessons this week, to coincide with National Day of Action, is to help students refrain from bullying by helping them learn and practice empathy in hypothetical bullying situations. These lessons will focus on understanding how children who are bullied might feel and how they themselves would feel if they were bullied.

Students will practice the empathy skills they need to refrain from, stop, and prevent bullying.

Teachers will continue to acknowledge and reward students who adhere to our school values...respect, responsibility and empathy.

Parents and carers, you can help too by asking your children what they have learnt about being empathetic and preventing bullying.

Coincidentally, last Friday I witnessed a powerful display of empathy when one of our senior girls realised that another student was feeling left out. She took the step to become a helpful friend, rather than a passive bystander. Her little act of kindness made the world of difference.

From my desk...

Clare Crawford



Debating Last Tuesday 7 students went to Wagga for the debaters workshop at Sturt Public School. It was a great experience for the new debaters. There were heaps of schools as well as MPS. When we got there we looked up to the guy who was speaking and he really inspired us all. We learnt all the rules and to be loud and confident. In the afternoon all the schools had a small debate and he gave us some things to work on.

Thank you Mrs Dunstan & Mrs Hambrook for driving us.

By Hayley Hambrook & Jade Emms.



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

EVENT	CLASSES	ACTIVITY DATE	COST	Notes / Money due
Future Moves CSU	Year 6	Wednesday 29 March	Free	
Kinder Excursion to MHS Farm Club	Kinder	Thursday 30 March	Free	
Rugby League Gala Day	Years 3 - 6	Friday 31 March	Free	Wed 29th
Easter Hat Parade	All	Friday 7 April	Free	
ICAS Assessments	Years 3 - 6	May, June, August See school website for dates	See note	Tuesday 28 March



Wet weather put a dampener on our outside activities but we all came together to eat our lunch in the hall followed by some activities to promote and communicate the importance of cultural diversity.

A fun afternoon was had by all and the assembly finished the day off with each class presenting activities that encouraged values, promoted participation and provided different ways to learn.

The Friendship song played at the end of assembly promoted not only Harmony Day but the values that MPS celebrate everyday ***"We're caring, we're sharing, respecting, connecting"***

A big thank you to all the parents and friends who came down to the school to celebrate Harmony Day with us.



Anna Glover



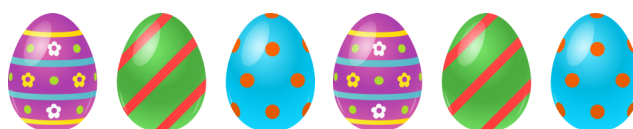
SRC ~ EASTER Guessing & Colouring Competitions

How many eggs? .20c a guess

Colouring comp .50c each

Students can find the SRC in the middle playground on Tuesday at first lunch selling guesses and colouring pages.

Winners will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Friday 7 April.



Year 4 Questacon Excursion

On Friday I was getting picked up by the bus at the cross roads at Galong at 8.15am. When they got to the cross roads they stopped and I got on the bus then later on we stopped at Murrumbateman to have a stretch and go to the toilet, then Mr L checked if we were all here. Then we got on the bus to go to Canberra.

When we got to Canberra we went to the Arboretum for lunch. After we had lunch we went to play on the acorn park. It was really fun. We played there for 45 minutes. Then afterwards we got back on the bus.

When we got to Questacon, Barry the bus driver parked the bus. Then we went inside and Mr L got the tickets to get in. There was a lot of amazing stuff like robots that could talk. Then we went to nearly all the rooms. They were all amazing but my favourite room was an air room with big pipes you put things in and they got to the top and fall out.

Then we watched the liquid nitrogen show. Then we went to the shop and got back on the bus and came home. It was a great day. By Tim Kain



What's Happening in Year 5

What a start to Year 5! We started Term 1 with setting up our personal goals in literacy, maths and a personal goal!

All children have demonstrated their commitment to their learning and realising that learning is our **No. 1 priority in Year 5!**

In maths we have been very busy with integrating our Prime Maths. Last week we started investigating angles using protractors. It was a lot more challenging than people first predicted. Students quickly realised the importance of angles and using protractors are for future careers like, electricians, builders, farmers, teachers, architects, mathematicians, artist... the list goes on!!!

Children have been examining and pulling apart the text "FOX" by Margaret Wild. The narrative engraves the reader's heart profound ideas of love, grief, loyalty, desire and redemption. Our final learning task for "Fox" was to write an epilogue (what happens next in the story).



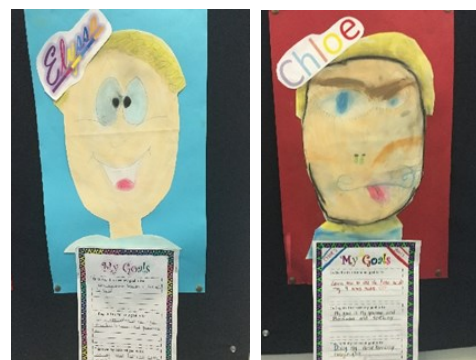
Hopping along the desert road was Magpie. She spent her days in the blistering heat hiding from snakes and other deadly creatures. She finally reaches the end of the desert and passes into the forest, her sun burnt body enjoyed the coolness of the forest.

She continued on her fight to get back to Dog. I wonder if Dog misses me, I wonder if he's looking for me? These thoughts kept Running and running through her brain. Magpie finds a river and Fox jumps out from behind a remaining charred bush and tried to kill Magpie.



Suddenly a large creature with a funny shaped beak launched itself out of the river and knocked over Fox and impaled him with something on it's back leg.....

Character: Fox and his haunting eyes!
By Connor Waters



Epilogue: By Tristan Steele

P&C News

Thank you to our canteen volunteers

Mon 27 March ~ Michelle Sargent & Tracey Stone

Wed 29 March ~ Brianna Bramman & Tamara Bell

Friday 31 March ~ Emily Parker & Kirsty Kemp

Canteen Roster Term 2

We are looking for canteen volunteers for Term 2. Please fill in the roster and return before the end of Term 1 if you are able to help. Your time is greatly appreciated.

Special Easter Lunch Day

The P&C are having a Special Easter Lunch on Friday 7th April (last day of Term 1)! Accompanying this newsletter is a note on how to place an order.

FOR SALE

The P&C are selling surplus Kinder table and 2 red chairs for \$20 (THE LOT)!!!



Send cash via envelope marked P&C kinder furniture! Available for pickup from outside uniform shop ~ Thursday 6th April 3pm-5pm. First in best dressed!|

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Murrumburrah Public School Community News

Harden Soccer Club



Information afternoons will be held at the club house at Roberts Park, Murrumburrah on **Tuesday and 28th March** between **4pm & 5pm** to assist with any online registrations.

Narnia Kids Club 2017

A fortnightly kids program for children aged 5-12years. Games, craft, songs, afternoon tea and learning about Jesus!

Location: Anglican Parish Hall (next to Op-Shop on Albury St— enter via back gate)

Time: 3.30—5.00pm

Cost: gold coin donation per child

Date: Mon 27 March

Please contact David on 6386 2679 for more info.

Harden Junior Netball



Preschool to Year 9 (Boys and Girls)

Term 2, 2017 Competition due to commence on Friday 28th April 2017

Every Friday 4.00-5.15pm (6 week competition)

Venue: Harden Country Club

\$20 to be paid on 1st day of competition.

Call or text Penny Lucas- 0413 603 747 or

Treen Brooker- 0411 045 630

email penny.k.lucas@gmail.com or message on Facebook page Harden Junior Netball.

Must have players names before the competition starts so we can put them in a team ready for the first game.

‘Learn to Live’



Year 4 students experimenting at Questacon!