

Murrumburrah Public School

NEWSLETTER: 25 November 2019 \sim Term 4 Week 7

EXPRESSING OUR GRATITUDE







As the drought tightens its grip on our community, it is wonderful that others are thinking of us and doing what they can to support us.

Last weekend, our local Rotary Club hosted a visit from a sister Rotary club in Sydney. The visiting club members arrived with empty fuel tanks, to fill here: empty pantry, to fill here and to do their Christmas shopping in our stores and dine-out locally. They returned home to encourage their friends to visit rural areas too.

Rotary Clubs of Gregory Hills and Hurstville combined to collect and deliver a large quantity of new and near-new books which they donated to our school. Mrs Prosser is setting about organising the books to go into classrooms or the library.

In addition, the Harden-Murrumburrah Rotary Club donated \$300 to each of the local schools, which I accepted on the school's behalf at a dinner last Tuesday night.

Mr Mark Brooker, from The Young Regional School of Music noticed that the organ in the hall had seen better days and he and Mr Matt Bolger (Director of YRSM), contacted The Gift of Music (see the link for additional information) and they gifted to the school a new electronic organ and a guitar.

We are so grateful to receive these gifts.

https://www.ruralaid.org.au/gift-of-music-2/

We are very excited to see the upgrades to our school taking shape. Every effort is being made to minimise disruptions to students learning. Students have shown their resilience, being very co-operative and adaptable, adhering to safety advice.

Another chapter opens for Mrs Dodd

When Mrs Mary Dodd announced that she intends to retire from her position as Instructional Leader at the conclusion of 2019, it was a bitter-sweet moment. We are so happy for Mary to be opening another



chapter of her life where she can take the time to enjoy her garden, book club, cooking and travelling in the sidecar with Chris.

During the last six years Mrs Dodd has made a huge contribution to student learning and staff development at MPS. At all times Mrs Dodd has been a team-player and always has students at the forefront of her thinking. Staff attended at dinner last Friday to celebrate Mrs Dodd's career which has spanned two states and four decades. She will be missed by staff and students alike and we wish her a long and happy retirement.

Changing of the Guard

Congratulations to Mrs Renee Ford on her appointment as Instructional Leader 2020, through the merit selection process. Mrs Ford has successfully carried out the Assistant Principal role at MPS in a



relieving and permanent capacity for many years. This is a well-earned promotion and we wish Mrs Ford every success. Mrs Dodd and Mrs Ford will work together to ensure a smooth transition of the role.

From my desk...

Clare Crawford

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

EVENT	CLASSES	ACTIVITY DATE	COST	Notes / Money due
Walk-a-thon Money	K-6	Please send monies raised from the Walk-a-thon to school		Overdue
P&C Treat Day	All students	Tuesday 26 November In the playground at lunchtime	50c each	
Year 4 Excursion	Year 4	Tuesday 26 November Questacon, Canberra 7.20am—4pm	\$30	Overdue
Recognition Assembly	All welcome	Friday 29 November Years 3-6 10am—11.20am Years K-2 12.30-1.30pm	Free	
Buy one, Get one FREE Book Fair	All welcome	Friday 29 November 9am—2pm in Meeting Room	Various	
Swimming for Sport	All students	6, 13, 18 December	\$10	Overdue
Year 6 Graduation	Year 6 & families	Wednesday 4 December 5—7pm in the hall	\$20 per family	
MPS Disco	All students	Wednesday 4 December 7pm—8pm in the hall	Gold coin donation	
Presentation Evening	All welcome	Monday 16 December Students to arrive in 3-6 quad at 6.45pm	Free	

PROUD & DEADLY AWARDS

Last Friday, our Indigenous students travelled to Young to participate in the Proud & Deadly Awards. Each student deserves to feel very proud of their achievements for 2019.

Congratulations to our year 5 student, Seayana Carroll who was awarded the MPS Deadly Award.







DRUMMER\$

Last Friday our drummers roused the residents at the Harden Nursing Home and St Lawrence Nursing Home with their recitals. Thank you drummers, Mrs Saunders and Keith from YRSM for making it happen!



Thank you to those families who supported and sponsored the SRC WALK-A-THON this year. To those students who have not yet returned your sponsorship money, can you please do so as soon as possible.

KINDER EXCURSION











SPORTS ASSEMBLY

Last Friday we held our annual Sports Assembly. Students who competed at Riverina and State level were recognised for their achievements.

The SRC and House Captains also read the annual reports. SRC & House Captains should be congratulated on their outstanding contribution to our school in 2019.







IT'S ON AGAIN!!



Friday 29 November from 9am – 2pm

Students will bring home a note outlining what time their class will visit the book fair. Alternatively, you are welcome to visit between 9am—2pm.

P&C NEWS



MONDAY 2 DEC LUNCH \$PECIALBeef burgers and Popper \$5



P&C Christmas Hamper Fundraiser

After much success and many generous donations over the last 3 years, the P&C is organising the Christmas Hamper Raffle again this year. This involves students from each class bringing in selected items to donate to the hampers.

It would be greatly appreciated to have donations in by Monday 9 December.

The hampers will then be put together by the P&C, raffle tickets sold and the lucky winners drawn during Presentation Night.

To ensure the hampers have an interesting range of goodies, we have come up with the following suggestions...

Kinder—sweet snacks;

Year 1— bubble bath, soap, hand cream;

Year 2—non-alcoholic drink, lemonade, cordial;

Year 3—garden items, seeds, gloves;

Year 4—Christmas wrap, decorations, bonbons;

Year 5—savoury snacks;

Year 6—non-perishable food, jams, relish, sauces

Each classroom will have a box for donations. Thanks for joining in the fun...



