

Murrumburrah Public School

NEWSLETTER: 20 May 2019 ~ Term 2 Week 4

Learning at its best





STEM UPDATE

Many families may be aware that MPS has been fortunate enough to borrow several STEM kits this term. STEM is an acronym which stands for Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics and the STEM process aims to bring each of these industries together to create engaging learning opportunities and experiences for our students. The kits contain a range of robotic devices and motorised Lego sets which can all be connected to and controlled by a set of iPads which were also included in the kit.

Students have been learning skills in coding, design, problem solving and teamwork. These skills will help prepare our students for future learning and employment opportunities.

Next term, we have secured kits which include Virtual Reality goggles which we have no doubt will be a big hit across K-6.

This Friday, members from our STEM team will be hosting a pop-up workshop after our Public Speaking assembly (approximately 1.20 pm) and we invite all parents to come along and 'have a go' of these creative and new-age devices. Please see flyer on back page for workshop details. *The STEM Team*

It is hard to believe it is week 4! As I walk through the playground and visit classrooms, it is a delight to see happy, engaged learners making the best of every day. I must congratulate all our staff for ensuring new and continuing students at MPS, have had the very best start to Term 2.

Unfortunately I missed the Athletics Carnival on Friday, as I have been unwell, however by all accounts it was a wonderful day for students, their families and for the staff too. Thank you staff and volunteers for ensuring students were able to compete in an inclusive way and achieve their personal bests. The weather God certainly provided ideal conditions too.

From my desk...

Clare Crawford

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

EVENT	CLASSES	ACTIVITY DATE	COST	Notes / Money due
Genius Hour at MHS	Participating students	Tuesday 21 May 3.30—4.45pm	Free	
NAPLAN	Years 3&5	Monday 20—Friday 24 May		
Public Speaking Assembly	All welcome	Friday 24 May 12.30pm in the hall	Free	
Mortimer Shield	Years 5&6	Wednesday 29 May at Young	Free	
Athletics Assembly	All welcome	Friday 31 May 2.30pm in the hall		

Want to know more about enrolling your child for 2020?

There are lots of things to consider when making this important decision

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Information Session

Wednesday 5 June at 6pm in the Kinder Room

(enter via Derby St)



View Kindergarten learning spaces and resources. Hear from early educators about the best start for school.

Meet other parents.

Chat with the Principal.

~ REMINDER PUBLIC SPEAKING ASSEMBLY~

Please join us for the Public Speaking Assembly

Each class will be represented by two speakers. Two students from Stage 2&3 will be selected to represent the school and will be announced at the assembly by the adjudicators. Selected students will present the same speech and an impromptu speech at the Regional Public Speaking competition.

This Friday 24 May at 12.30pm in the hall

All welcome!

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Wow! What a day! Finally after a few years of wet weather we got the perfect day! The sun was shining and all MPS students were ready to give their best.

There was plenty of cheering and some very inventive chants lead by the house captains. It was great to see so many parents, grandparents and friends come out and support their children!

Overall the day saw some great results achieved. From Kindergarten to Year 6 everyone gave it their all, encouraged their fellow competitors and displayed our school values throughout the day.

Thank you to all the helpers who assisted with the track and field events. A big thankyou to all the workers in the canteen. A huge effort to prepare the lunches and yummy treats for students, staff, parents and friends throughout the day!

We will be having our special assembly to present certificates for place winners on Friday 31 May at 2.30pm.

Mrs Renee Ford — Athletics Co-ordinator





CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ATHLETICS AGE CHAMPS

Junior Girl—Olivia-Grace Challen Junior Girl Runner-Up—Sybella Lenehan

Junior Boy—Sid Weston
Junior Boy Runner-Up—Tomas Mariani & Jayden Steele

Intermediate Girl—Charlene Caboral
Intermediate Girl Runner-Up—Erin Abnett
Intermediate Boy—Isaac Brown
Intermediate Runner-Up—Blair Porter
Senior Girl—Brooke Emms
Senior Girl Runner-Up—Jeanie Drew
Senior Boy—Tim Kain
Senior Boy Runner-Up—Jack Brooker

Winning House—Mokera





STOP PRESS

We have been lobbying to have the parking arrangements on Derby Street (K-2 zone) made safer. The good news is that Hilltops Council will start work tomorrow with the new parking arrangements completed in 3 weeks.

Please note, while this improvement is underway, there will be no parking on the oval side of Derby Street.

P&C News

THANK YOU

The P&C would like to extend a big thank you to the wonderful volunteers who donated food and their time at the Athletics Carnival last Friday.

Uniform Shop

Open every Monday morning from 8.30—9am.

Cash & card available.



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Our school photos have arrived and will be sent home today with your child/ren if you placed an order.

Genius Hour at MHS

Tuesday 21, 28 May & 4, 11 June at Murrumburrah High School for Participating students, from

3.30pm-4.45pm



POP-UP WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS



This workshop will be hosted by members of our STEM team and will provide parents with hands-on understanding of how students are acquiring skills for 21st century learning.

Please join us in the hall, immediately after the Public Speaking assembly on Friday 24 May. Everyone welcome!