



Dedication to Dorothy Powell



Today we celebrated the contribution of Mrs Dorothy Powell to MPS over many decades, by naming the former Drop-In centre in her honour. Members of the wider community, class representatives and SRC joined Dorothy to hear about her contribution and to cut the ribbon. The representatives of the school community then joined Dorothy for a morning tea, with all students sharing a beautiful cake with her.

Learning Support

No two students learn in exactly the same way...not even identical twins! However some students may experience difficulties with learning. The cause of these difficulties vary in nature, intensity and duration. Learning difficulties may arise at any time throughout a student's school life, however research tells us, the earlier we put additional support in place the better.

The prime responsibility for meeting the specific needs of students with learning difficulties lies with the classroom teacher and if you have concerns, the classroom teacher is your first port-of-call. The school learning and support team (LST) plays a vital role in ensuring the classroom teacher has the resources, expertise and support needed to meet the learning needs for students.

Our LST consists of Jacinta Ives (school counsellor), Danielle Sayers (school counsellor- in training), Marg Taylor (Boost Program teacher) Lucy Saunders (Learning and Support teacher) Alison Guy (Learning and Support teacher). At our school we also have four full time school learning support officers who assist teachers to implement personalised teaching programs.

P&C Annual General Meeting

During a swift Annual General Meeting last Tuesday night, a new P&C committee was elected. Alison Guy was voted in as the new president, Beth Allen & Lexie White are the new vice presidents and Kelly Martin-Dye and Carrie Giddings remain as treasurer and secretary.

Prior to all positions being declared vacant I acknowledged the excellent work of the previous committee during 2019. Congratulations to all new office bearers. On the agenda for our next meeting is the Water Stations, which will provide students with chilled, filtered water to refill their water bottles. Please come along and bring your ideas to raise funds.



Swimming Success

Thanks to the volunteers and staff for another successful day in the pool. It was wonderful to see so many supporters attend and enjoy our annual swimming carnival.

From my desk...

Clare Crawford

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

EVENT	CLASSES	ACTIVITY DATE	COST	Notes / Money due
Swimming for Sport	All students	Friday 21 February	As per note	Overdue
Review Meetings	Selected students as per notes sent home	Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 February	Free	
District Swimming Carnival	Selected students	Friday 21 February @ Cootamundra	\$4 levy	Notes will be sent home in the coming days

Last Wednesday we were fortunate enough to have players from the Canberra Raiders and Parramatta Eels visit MPS. The focus of their visit was to inspire sportsmanship and build respect within our schools and communities.



PBL SHOP

Positive Behaviour for Learning has been a staple at MPS for several years, regulating and explicitly educating students on appropriate and desirable behaviour. Students are rewarded for exhibiting behaviour in line with our three core values; Respect, Responsibility and Empathy. A new dawn is upon us in rewarding students with our PBL shop to open soon. Students will be able to exchange their hard earned star cards for prizes. These prizes will range from 5 to 30 star cards in price. While the shop will not be officially opening just yet, students will have the opportunity with their classroom teachers to explore the shop and exchange star cards for prizes in the upcoming weeks. We look forward to this new endeavour and are sure the students are as well. *Mr Jarrod Loiterton—PBL Co-ordinator*

Steph Cooke Visit

Engineering and design were the hot topics when Stephanie Cooke, Nationals member of the NSW Legislative Assembly representing Cootamundra paid a visit to our school last Wednesday. Ms Cooke was delighted to inspect the fairy garden created by year 2 students and dropped into the Year 5 classroom to participate in the Smiling Minds program. Ms Cooke also inspected the completed capital improvements to the K-2 area.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Friday 14 February 2020... A day that will go down in the history books as the day that Bareki stole the crown from the ever-powerful Mokera! Our annual swimming carnival came with its usual rivalry after a fierce week of marching practise, chanting and all round friendly banter between all three teams. We were blessed with a picture-perfect day without a cloud in the sky and everyone was in a good mood. The day kicked off with the march past with Bareki taking the lead from the get-go and coming out with a win. We hit the pool after that and saw a huge amount of participation from Kindergarten through to Year 6.

The sportsmanship displayed among everyone was to be commended, with many people deciding to 'have a go' in extra races. The P&C also did a great job of keeping our bellies full with plenty of delicious food available. A huge thank you to teachers and parents who lent a hand on the day, whether it was putting up or pulling down tents, time keeping, cooking on the barbecue, or just showing up to support our students. It was a wonderful day had by all! For the students who have made it away to the district carnival, a note will be coming home soon with more information. Please be aware that qualifying for the district carnival is based on times not places.

Miss Georgie Campbell—Swimming Co-ordinator

CONGRATULATIONS SWIMMING CARNIVAL CHAMPIONS

Senior Boy - Thomas Woodhead
 Senior Boy Runner Up - Isaac Brown
 Senior Girl - Lilly Dare
 Senior Girl Runner Up - Charlene Caboral
 Intermediate Boy - Lewis Shea
 Intermediate Boy Runner Up - Landen Vasquez
 Intermediate Girl - Sybella Lenahan
 Intermediate Girl Runner Up - Evie Giddings
 Junior Boy - Justin Woodhead
 Junior Boy Runner Up - Lachlan Martin-Dye
 Junior Girl - Mackenzie Hambrook
 Junior Girl Runner Up - Corinne Howe
 Encouragement Awards
 Darby Abnett & Blair Porter
 Winning House - **Bareki**

**Congratulations to Lachie Martin-Dye
 on breaking Aiden Hill's 2013 - 8 year
 50m freestyle record (1.04:84).
 Lachie swam a time of 0.48:27**



P&C NEWS & INFO



Murrumburrah Public School Community News



MONDAY 24 FEB LUNCH SPECIAL

Pizza & Popper \$5



MPS UNIFORM SHOP

Open Mondays 8.30am to 9am or
order forms are available at the Front Office

We Sell

Hats & Beanies
Polo Shirts
Jumpers and Jackets
Girls Skorts & Shorts
Boys Shorts
Girls & Boys Long Pants
School Bags

Please support the Uniform Shop. all proceeds go
directly back into the school.

School Banking Program 2020

If you would like your child to take part in school banking, they'll need a youth saver account.

No monthly or withdrawal fees.

There are 3 ways to open a Youthsaver account

1. Apply online at
commbank.com/schoolbanking
2. Logon to your commbank app
(if you bank with commbank)
3. Visit any CommBank branch.



CommonwealthBank

HARDEN SOCCER CLUB! Welcome to season 2020!!

Our club registrations are now open & ready to go!! Simply follow the links below & it will take you directly to our club's PlayFootball portal. Once there click on the tab "Get Started" & follow prompts.

If you would like to use & redeem an Active Kids Voucher please obtain your voucher prior to starting your PlayFootball online registration. PlayFootball:

<https://registration.playfootball.com.au/.../WelcomeRegPlus>

Office of Sport Active Kids Voucher Apply Online

<https://bit.ly/2DKbAMs>

If you need more information or assistance please contact the
Club Registrar or visit playfootball.com.au,
email playfootball.support@ffa.com.au or call
PlayFootball Helpline on 8880 7983.

--- PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ---

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

I would like to receive a hard copy of the weekly newsletter

Child's Name _____ Class _____

I would like to be added to the email list: _____

Alternatively, you can view our newsletter via the Skoolbag app or MPS Facebook page & website.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions can be paid via the following options— EFTPOS at MPS front office / cash in money bag to front office / online via the school website – click on 'Make a payment' tab at the top.

School contributions are: **\$30.00 (1 child) or \$50.00 (2 or more children).**

Child/Children's Name: _____

Online reference (if applicable) _____