

### Murrumburrah Public School NEWSLETTER: 22 June 2020 ~ Term 2 Week 9



# Ready to get back in the game

It is with great excitement we announce the arrival of the new jerseys and shorts for Murrumburrah Public School. We will be ready to get back in the game when restrictions are lifted. Our old jerseys were 15 years old and have served us well over those years but it was well and truly time for an update. A very big thanks to the Murrumburrah Public School P&C for not only purchasing our Jerseys but also shorts and socks. It makes representing our school all the more special to wear our logo with pride and play in complete uniform. The jerseys will be used for all sports occasions such as Rugby Union, football, soccer and other school sporting events.

Anna Glover

Student reports for Semester 1, 2020 are on track to be sent home with students on Monday 29 June. Our school compiles a written summary of your child's progress twice a year and provides ongoing detail through interviews or meetings. Assessment evidence has been collected by the class teacher using a wide range of assessment strategies including observation, tests and feedback from home during the COVID period.

This semester's student reports are adjusted to cater for students learning from school and at home, in line with advice from the NSW Department of Education due to COVID 19. This report will not grade student achievement using the A-E scale for outcomes. Assessment of achievement will be graded either: **Working Towards, Achieving or Working Beyond** stage appropriate outcomes. The teacher's comments will focus on English and mathematics as well as comment on progress made during the duel model of learning, referred to in the reports as the *COVID period*.

Teachers will be available to take **phone interviews** regarding your child/rens progress after school on Tuesday 30 June, Wednesday 1 July and Wednesday 2 July. Your child's teacher will arrange this with you via Class Dojo.

From my desk...

Clare Crawford



#### Responsibility

#### Respect

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We have been so immersed and engaged in fun learning experiences that we are actually forgetting that we are also learning so many new skills and acquiring new knowledge.

We have just finished our narrative unit and are now learning about information reports. Last week's topic was Someone Who Inspires Me. We had a variety of people, ranging from sport stars and family members to famous YouTube personalities.

We have been implementing fantastic warm up card games during mathematics that aim to improve our mathematical knowledge and rapid-recall skills. We played 'beat the teacher' which, as you can imagine was highly engaging from the beginning and we have also been revising our place value knowledge. Students then enjoyed taking on the teacher role; showing some great leadership skills.

Ozobot and Dash may be words you are hearing used more often around the school and these new robots have been a fantastic addition to our classroom; boosting engagement and encouraging students to access the curriculum in new and exciting ways. Students have been enjoying using their coding skills to make these clever little robots complete different challenges. The first week we made a story map for a text using the robots and students are currently working in pairs to make a roller coaster that our Dash and Ozobot can successfully ride.

PE with Mr Shean has been a big hit this term, with students enjoying learning a variety of new actions to improve their LaCrosse and T-Ball skills. Mr Shean has been leading these sessions, the drills are extremely engaging for all members of the class. A particularly fun activity was when students were challenged to hit Mr Shean with a lacrosse ball whilst he ran up the middle. I don't think he expected our aiming and throwing skills to be so precise and we are glad it was him and not us!

Creative Arts sessions have also been a hit this term with students enjoying the opportunity to carefully follow instructions during our Directed Drawing lessons. The online delivery of the lessons gives students of all artistic abilities the opportunity to create wonderful masterpieces each week!

Finally, have you been hearing a little bit of Clap! Clap! Bang! Bang! Tap! Tap! in your house? Have cups been bouncing on your kitchen bench? In 5BE we have been learning The Cup Song. It requires a lot of skill to get the

rhythm, cup and hand movements in sync. Ask your child to show you if you haven't been lucky enough to witness this already and maybe have a go at it yourself! It's not as easy as it looks!

Miss Edwards & Mrs Beal - 5BE







Empathy



**Responsibility** 















In case you missed it... be sure to check out our virtual Open Day on Facebook and share the link with families who may have students starting school next year.

They are welcome to book a school tour with our Principal 02 6386 2209.





virtual Open Day



#### **Responsibility**



2M have been very keen to be back at school and have engaged in a number of exciting learning tasks.

We have been busy looking at how to write a procedure and learning how explicit each step must be. We have also been focusing on verbs, adverbs and adverbial phrases when writing our different types of procedures.

In maths we have been busy learning addition and subtraction with and without regrouping using two and three digit numbers. We have enjoyed using concrete materials to support our answers as regrouping can sometimes be tricky.

We have been enjoying the sunshine on a Thursday afternoon during PE with Mr Shean. We have been engaging in a number of different soccer skills and activities. This then carries onto Friday sport where we join 2I and continue practicing these skills.

In history we have been looking at how technology has changed over time and how things have even changed from when Miss Menz was at school.

2M had to answer a question "what technology item could you live without?" and a lot of them answered **TELEVEISON**. I thought this was a great piece of information to share with parents.

Miss Menz—2M



#### Respect

#### **Responsibility**



Our tutors, Keith Doldissen and Mark Brooker are returning to teach a range of guitar & percussion lessons at MPS. Their aim is to bring a modern approach to teaching utilising modern day techniques and more realistic goal setting to get maximum enjoyment from playing music. Their strategy emphasises rhythm knowledge, melody playing and good ear techniques and a speedy progress to playing recognisable songs.

#### The School Sport Unit wishes to advise that the following Sports events have been cancelled for Term 3, 2020

- NSWPSSA Cross Country
- NSWPSSA Netball state championship
- NSWPSSA Boys Touch state championship
- NSWPSSA Rugby Union state championship
- NSWPSSA Girls Rugby 7s
- NSWPSSA Golf state championship
- NSWPSSA Boys Softball state championship
- NSWPSSA Girls Touch state championship
- NSWPSSA Girls Softball state championship
- Primary Girls Cricket trials
- Primary Boys Cricket trials

The following Sports events have been cancelled for Term 4, 2020.

• NSWPSSA Athletics

All term 3 & 4 2020 NSWPSSA activities are now cancelled and will not be rescheduled. Plus all NSWPSSA knockouts competitions have also been cancelled for 2020.

The health and wellbeing of everyone involved is paramount and at the heart of this decision. We recognise the pressures that schools are currently experiencing and supporting staff and students remains our highest priority.

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## WARNING

Please be aware of the bus zone times as pictured on the sign below, which is located at the bus pick-up zone on Derby Street. There is a \$265 fine for stopping in a bus zone.

