

Mittagong Public School

Newsletter



Premier's Debating Challenge

On Wednesday 1 August, the year 5 Mittagong Public School debating team, known as the Mittagong Lions, took part in their fourth round of debating, inside our school hall, where they debated against Bowral Whites. The topic for this debate was that "The Government should provide school students with a free pass to all sporting events and facilities." Our adjudicator was Norman Stanton and he enjoyed the high standard of delivery from both teams. Mr Stanton commented on how well organised both teams were and he praised the efforts of all students to explore a range of arguments and issues for rebuttal. As with all close competitions, Mr Stanton had difficulty in deciding a winner. He concluded that the Mittagong Lions should not have overused their language of hyperbole (exaggeration). Subsequently, congratulations, go to Bowral Whites. This was the last round of formal debating for our year 5 team. Their overall standard was outstanding and it was really pleasing to see such close debates playing out throughout all rounds. Congratulations to all students who took part in this round.

MPS Pride

MPS is pleased to announce that the following students have achieved a place in the MPS Pride:

6A - Hugo F

6A - Zoey G

These students have achieved awards for demonstrating all 3 of the school values: Respect, Responsibility and Cooperation. Well done!

Opera Australia

This year Opera Australia will be performing The Magic Flute. Each year students enjoy the fun and engaging stories presented by Opera Australia. All students are encouraged to attend. Please return note and payment by Wednesday 22nd August.

When: Tuesday 28 August

Where: Mittagong school hall

Cost: \$8 per student

Who: All students K - 6



Vroom Vroom!

'Can you make a fast cardboard car?' That is the question our year 5 and 6 students were asked on Tuesday the 14 of August as part of our STEM at school challenge. Our students collaborated in groups, brainstormed ideas, sketched original designs and created impressive cars that tore up the school's field. Our children worked with limited resources to produce racing cars that followed strict guidelines and reached specific goals. Students had to make sure their designs were technologically sound, aesthetically pleasing and very, very fast! Mr Egan judged the creations and the ultimate winners were Kristen, Olivia and Ava. Congratulations to all involved and a special thank you, to Mr Egan for providing such wonderful feedback to all the students.

Mr Christodouloupoulos – Stage Three Leader

The SRC attend the VP Day Service

VP (Victory in the Pacific) Day, also referred to as VJ (Victory over Japan) Day, is celebrated on 15 August. This date commemorates Japan's acceptance of the Allied demand for unconditional surrender 14 August 1945. For Australians, it meant that the Second World War was finally over.

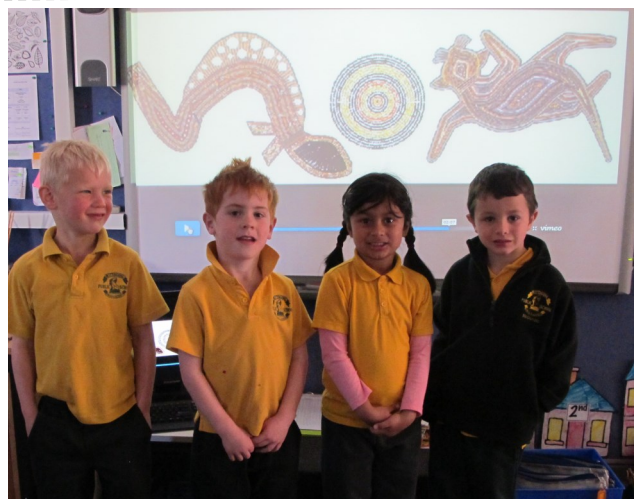
On Wednesday the 15 August our SRC represented our school with grace and honour at the RSL Club and joined our veterans and other neighbouring schools on this special day. Baden and William gave praiseworthy speeches in the service gaining the respect of the veterans and the admiration of all who attended. I personally would like to thank our SRC for their professionalism, stance and poise when attending such events. They always represent our school with grace and dignity and this validates them as worthy members of the Student Representative Council. Well done, SRC!

A message relating to War for VP Day

My grandad went to Cambodia in 1995 and was there for 7 months. He doesn't talk about his deployment there. His second deployment was in 2000 and he went to East Timor. He was there for 6 months. He went on a peacekeeping mission. Their mission was to set up base camp in a remote village on the border of two warring parties, and to keep them away from each other. There were a few incidents where grandad and his fellow army soldiers had to fire warning shots at the local villagers to keep them away from each other.

Although East Timor is relatively calm now, the Australian army is still deployed there to help train the East Timor villagers to run their own army.

Zoey 5/6A



NAIDOC Celebrations: Because of her, we can

Last week saw the celebration of NAIDOC to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Throughout the week teachers in each Stage hosted cultural based activities for students to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and culture. Students enjoyed playing traditional games, learning the traditional lullaby "Inanay" and traditional Torres Strait song "Taba Naba", boomerang painting, contemporary and traditional dance and Dreamtime stories including the local epic battle of the serpent and the tiger cat - "Gurangatch" and "Mirragang".

Thank you to all the teachers for celebrating the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, not only acknowledging culture during this week but throughout the year in your day to day teaching.

Morning Joke

It has been brought to Mrs Allen's attention that her morning jokes are quote 'lame dad jokes'. As of next Monday there will be a box (next to the canteen order box) for joke recommendations. If you think you have a more suited joke to tell at morning assembly please write this joke down, along with your name and class. Along with jokes at morning assembly Mrs Allen has been providing reminders of our school's values of; Respect, Responsibility and Cooperation, and how we can demonstrate these values at school through learning and play. If you have any examples to share and how best to display these values there will be a value box next to the Joke recommendations and canteen order box.





Southern Highlands Under 11's Rep Hockey

Congratulations to the seven MPS kids who last weekend played for the Southern Highlands Under 11 Representative Hockey teams, in the inaugural Glenn Turner Cup Tournament. They were fortunate enough to have a skills clinic with Glenn, who is a former Australian Kookaburra (our national men's hockey team) and then put these skills into practice against Goulburn Rep teams. Well done Chloe, Tilly, Jemma, Jack, Ben, Jovie and Cody.

Mittagong Blue Light Disco

Venue: Mittagong RSL

Date : Saturday 25th August 2018

Times : 4pm to 6.30 pm

Cost : \$5.00 per child 4 – 14 years

Parents and children under 3 free.

Mittagong Cricket Club Junior Team

Grades 3-6

Rego Heads Up

Mittagong Cricket Club junior team will hold registration day in August at Welby Oval (date TBA).

Friendly, supportive team – **new players most welcome!**

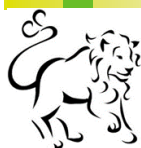
Training: Wednesdays 4-5pm (start date TBA)

Where: Welby Oval, Currockbilly Street, Welby

For further queries contact **Rob** 0415 989 825.

School Calendar 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 4	13	14 5/6 Bowral STEM	15 ICAS Maths	16	17 2 - 4 Wind ensemble Senior assembly	18	19
Week 5	20 5/6 Mogo	21	22	23	24 Junior assembly	25	26
Week 6	27	28 Fathers Day Stall Opera Australia	29 Yr 4 Fitzroy Falls	30	31 Senior assembly	1	2 Happy Fathers Day
Week 7	3	4	5	6	7 Tag league gala day 3-6 Junior assembly	8	9 Vintage Car day



P&C News

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School Dress Update:

Just a quick call out - anyone still having trouble with the retrofitted buttons or hems coming down on the school dresses? Trutex has offered to take them back and re-hem the dresses. However, we will need to collect them and send them off for repair. They will be gone for a few weeks and delivered back with the new stock order of dresses.

If anyone would like to take advantage of this free service, please attach a note to the dress, including your name and contact details, and leave it for collection at the front office.

Dresses need to be in to the front office or Jennifer White by next Wednesday 22nd August for the free service.

Fathers Day stall - to be held Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th August. Kids, you have eleven days left to save to buy a gift from the stall! Prices from \$2 - \$10. All profits to P&C. If you can volunteer on the stall, please contact Angelina directly on 0438 615 342 or hello@localluredesign.com to coordinate days and times with her. Ideally helpers are needed between 9am-2pm on Tuesday and 9-12 on the Wednesday.

Vintage Car Day Sunday 9th September (10am to approximately 2pm) to be held on the school grounds and catered by P&C. There will be a variety of cars on display and P&C will be running a barbecue, cake stall and market stall (produce and plants). If you have thought about potting some succulents or herbs, now is the time! We have 3 weeks to go! We will be looking for volunteers to help with the sausage sizzle, cake stall or market stall – please fill out the below with your time preference and drop to school or email P&C.

FROM THE CANTEEN:

Volunteers: We are still short on Fridays. Contact Cindy on 0435 842 035 if you can help.

Term 3 Menu: If you missed yours, spares are available at the front office or download it from the P&C tab on the school website. Please ensure you order from the current menu.

Gearing up for plastic free: Once our stock of plastic forks is used, canteen will introduce a small charge for bamboo forks, to reduce costs and become more sustainable. This decision has been made following discussion of options and a trial of supplying students with 'real' (steel) cutlery, which was unsuccessful as very few made their way back to the canteen. Even better, you could send a fork in for your child to use. Let's move to being more sustainable.

Fruit & Vegie Month is coming up in September!

Vintage Car Day 9 September 2018 – Volunteer Slip

Times	BBQ	Cake Stall	Market/Produce Stall
8.00am-10am Set up			
10am-12 noon			
12noon-2pm			
2pm-3.30pm Pack up			