

Mittagong Public School

Newsletter



Keeping your children safe

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children and others safer during drop-off and pick-up times during the school week:

- Make sure your children are fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size and that it is fitted correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone and look out for children who may be about.
- Watch for flashing lights on buses. They let you know that there may be children crossing or about to cross the road. A 40km/h limit applies when school bus lights flash.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Always park and turn legally around schools.

Manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous during busy school drop-off and pick-up times.

- Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area. **Never call out to them from across the road – they may run to you without checking for traffic.**

- It's safest for children to get out of the car through the Safety Door, away from passing traffic. This is the rear

footpath side door of the car.

Please, let us all help to keep our children safe at all times.

MPS Pride

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

5/6A: Brendan, Saaya, Niamh, Brock

2D: Feng-Jun, Keirah, Phoebe, Sebastian

2M: Charlie, Scarlett, Thomas, Rhys

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

Great shave Hugo!

Many thanks to the wonderful school and local community for your support of Hugo and his fundraising campaign to help find a cure for cancer. A very special thank you must go to Liz from Gossip Hair and Beauty for giving her time to make sure both Hugo and Mr Konz were looking their best! Hugo has raised over \$5000 for this very worthy cause.



A Science Fair with a lot of Flair!

The students from 5 Turtle, 5/6 Anaconda, 5/6 Blue Tongues, 5/6 Chameleon, Gibraltar, Fitzroy, Pioneer and 5/6 Gecko really put on a show on Wednesday 5 September, showcasing their systematic study of structure and behaviour of the physical and natural world through observation and experiment, or in simple terms they showed off to everyone their scientific skills. Our Stage 3 students wowed us with their experiments and their organised body of information and knowledge. From 11:30 am to 1.10 pm our school hall was transformed into a mega laboratory where test tubes were popping, machines were vibrating and where gravitational laws were tested and proven. I would like to congratulate all the students for their effort and the enthusiasm that made this year's Science Fair a success. I would also like to thank Mr Murray who even though has officially retired could not resist visiting our school, and making this great day extra special. A special shout out to all the parents who helped set up the delicate displays and all the teachers in Stage 3 whose classrooms had become testing grounds for our students' experiments throughout the weeks leading to the fair. Lastly, I would like to thank all the parents, families and friends that visited the fair and made all the hard work worthwhile.

Mr D Christodouloupoulos Stage 3 Coordinator

Senior choir on tour

After much acclaim and by popular demand, Senior Choir will be again embarking on an epic tour of the Highlands' nursing homes on their "Come Alive" tour. To kick things off, we will be entertaining the masses at Highlands Marketplace from 11.45am - 1pm on Thursday 13 September. Prime viewing positions will no doubt be taken quickly so secure your place early. We will be singing our hearts out and hoping people will drop money into the donation buckets of our Roadies (SRC). The money we raise busking will go towards hiring a bus to continue our tour that will visit several nursing homes in the Highlands.

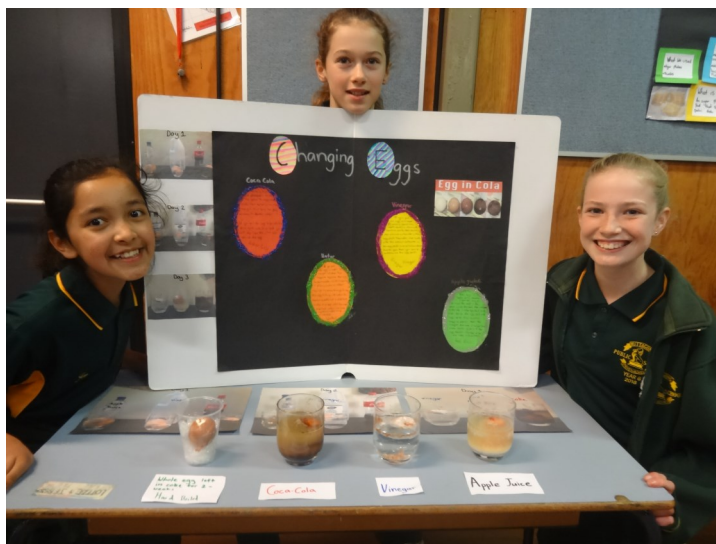
Permission notes were sent out last week (this week for Y4 campers).

Stage 2 students give your notes to Ms Buchanan by Friday, 7 September.

Stage 3 students give your notes to Mr Konz by Friday 7 September.

We do hope you can come to support our choir. A big crowd draws a bigger crowd. Autographs will be given at the discretion of the singers. Remember, you can say you knew them before they became famous...

The Tour Managers



Fitzroy Falls 2018

Please visit our webpage to see how much Year 4 enjoyed their camp.




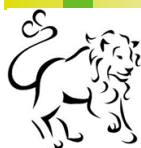
Knit Club Update (or Knitjas as in Knit Ninjas)

A big thank you to Aaron J's nan for knitting a remarkable 19 squares for our "Wrap with love" project. So generous of you to make them for us. As you can see, Aaron was reluctant to give them over!



School Calendar 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 7 Sept	3 SASS Recognition Week	4 P&C meeting	5 Stage 3 Science Fair	6 <i>Clothing Pool Open 8.30am</i> 	7 Tag Gala Junior assembly	8	9 Vintage Car Day
Week 8 Sept	10	11 Book Club Due	12 Return Stewart House bags	13 <i>Senior Choir busking</i>	14 Senior assembly	15	16
Week 9 Sept	17	18	19	20 <i>Clothing Pool Open 8.30am</i>	21 K-2 Tabloid day Junior Assembly	22	23
Week 10 Sept	24 Stage 1 Walking Excursion	25 Year 6 cake stall	26 House Captain Fun Day	27	28 Senior Assembly End term 3	29	30



P&C News

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VINTAGE CAR DAY: Sunday, 9 September 2018 - The P&C in conjunction with the Southern Highlands Branch of the British and European Automobile Club is hosting a **Classic Car Display** on the school oval between 10am and 2pm. The P&C will be catering the event with a BBQ and Devonshire Teas and we are **seeking donations for our Market Stall**. Donations can include:

- cakes, slices, biscuits and scones
- fresh produce or flowers from your garden
- home made jams, preserves and pickles
- potted plants
- quality second-hand goods (no clothes or electrical goods).

All **donations are appreciated** and can be left in the school office on Friday or brought to the Market Stall (near the School Hall) on Sunday morning.

Enquiries: Sarah Farnese 0414 963 383 or mittagongpublicpandc@gmail.com.

FROM THE CANTEEN:

Fruit & Veg Month has kicked off with sticker charts up in classrooms and fruit and veg specials in the canteen. Stickers will be given out for purchase of fruit and veggie items and the class earning the most stickers will win a bowling excursion. How good is that! The theme for this year's Fruit & Veg Month is "Happy Fruit & Veg'tember". Make sure you check out the Canteen Facebook page over the next few weeks to keep up to date with fruit and veggie month specials! Our hope is that Fruit & Veg month will result in improvements in students' knowledge and behaviour towards eating fruit and vegetables.

Correct Ordering: To avoid disappointment, please check the menu to ensure that what you are ordering is available on that day, as a substitute will be given if wrong day items are ordered. For example, pies and sausage rolls are **ONLY** available on Fridays. To abide by healthy food regulations these items cannot be sold every day. Thank you for helping canteen serve tasty nutritious food to your children and a huge thankyou to our regular volunteers!

Volunteers needed for Fridays. Contact Cindy on 0435 842 035 if you can help. Even an hour or half day is appreciated.

Electrician needed – call out to any parents or friends of the school who could help in this area. Installation of a commercial dishwasher in the canteen requires the power point (and circuit?) be changed to suit 15 amp plug. The dishwasher purchase is planned around beginning November, so electrical work is needed at some stage prior to then. If you can help or know anyone who could help with this, please contact the school or call Canteen Coordinator, Cindy, on 0435 842 035. If you can help, we will happily publicise your business in the newsletter!

Would you like to know more about building up your child's wellbeing? Parents and community members are welcome to hear author and parenting advisor **Dr JUSTIN COULSON** on "**Resilience**". This is a **free community forum**.

7pm, Tuesday 11 September, 7pm, Mittagong RSL
Or Wednesday 12 September, 7pm, at Moss Vale Services Club Auditorium
Presented by BDCU Childrens' Foundation. RSVP (*for catering*) this week at forum@bdcuchildrensfoundation.com.au

Summer Basketball Registrations Open now!
Competition runs during Term 4 2018 and Term 1 of 2019

Magic HoopStars – Wednesday afternoons 4pm
Games will be played on:

U/10, U/12 - Wednesday afternoons

U/14, U/16 & U/18 - Friday afternoons

Seniors - Mon, Tues & Thurs evenings (dependant on grade)

Where: Moss Vale Basketball Stadium, 15 Parkes Rd, Moss Vale, 2577 Form your own team or we will put you in a team. Registration details on flyer available from school office.

Registrations close 21 September 2018