

# Mittagong Public School

## Newsletter



### Annual Presentation

Mittagong Public School will be holding its annual Presentation Day on Friday 7 December 2018. To accommodate our growing school, this year's Presentation Day will consist of two separate ceremonies. The Senior Presentation - years 3 to 6 will be held at the Mittagong RSL commencing at 9.30am sharp. Students in 2/3 Echidna and years 3 to 6 will travel to and from the Mittagong RSL courtesy of Berrima Buslines. A note requesting permission for the senior students to attend the presentation at the RSL has gone home with students this week.

The Junior Presentation - Kinder to Year 2, will be held in the Mittagong Public School Hall commencing at 11.30am.

### Classes for 2019

At this point in the year we begin to consider class structures for the following year. I would like to ask parents who may be moving or taking an extended vacation to please let us know in writing as soon as possible. This will allow us to either take your child's placement off the class lists for next year or keep them on while they are still on vacation.

Also, if you have a particular request relating to next year, could you please put this in writing and forward it to Mr Mansfield for consideration. We will do what we

can to accommodate reasonable requests where they do not run at odds with broader educational factors. Given that we will have at least five new permanent teachers in 2019 and many resulting changes, specific teacher requests will be difficult to support.

### New classrooms

We are expecting three new classrooms to be installed by the end of 2018. Works commenced this week in the area adjacent to the staff car park where the old cricket nets had been.

### School Swimming and Water Safety Program Weeks 8 & 9

Our School Swimming and Water Safety Program begins next Monday. If your child is attending please take the time to ensure that they have all the necessary equipment for a successful program. All students should wear their swimmers under their school uniform to allow all lessons to begin promptly. Students must also bring a change of underwear, a towel, a hat and warm clothing on a cool day. Sunscreen can be applied at home to save time. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled. Students will be assessed during the School Swimming and Water Safety Program for all water safety skills without wearing goggles.



## MPS Pride

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

2Q: Marcus

5/6BT : Bradley, Allegra, William, Ella, Samantha, William, April

5/6A: Mia, Jada, Saaya, Brock, Ivy-Grace

3P: Amelia, Emily, Tori , Evie, Maggie , Brianna , Paige, Hunter ,Vincent , Bailey, Seth , Elloise, Lochlan

3/4G: Jamie, Olivia

4E: Aleesha , Phoebe

5/6G: Gracy , Liana, William , Ushas, Joshua ,Amelia , Hanna

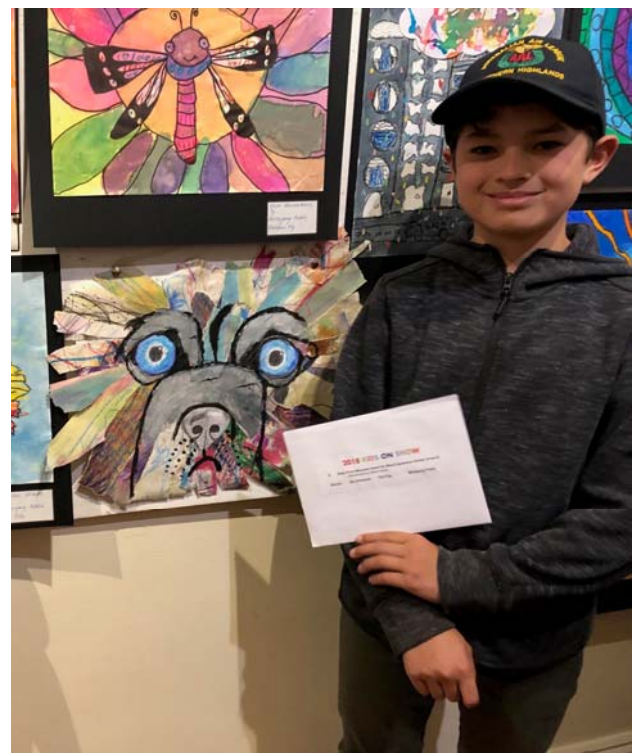
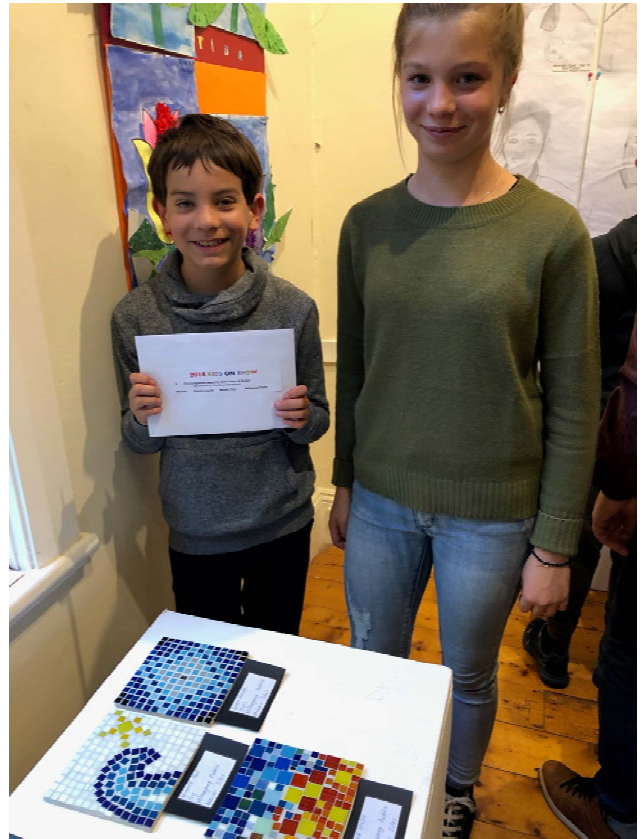
These students have achieved awards for demonstrating all three of the school values: Respect, Responsibility and Cooperation. Well done!

## Christmas Hampers

Thank you to all the families who have already donated items for our hampers. Community Links (previously Wingecarribee Family Support Service) are a not for profit service committed to supporting local families in times of hardship. Every year our school collects food for Christmas hampers which will be delivered to local families who need extra support during the festive season. We will continue to collect items during Week 8 at morning assembly. Items can include non-perishable food items and even small gifts for children 0-12 years of age. Thank you in advance for caring for our community in this way!

## Summer Book Parade

Its finally arrived, tomorrow is parade day! Remember, if the weather is hot, wear sunscreen and a hat. If the weather is cold, bring a jacket. The parade will commence under the Big Tree in the morning, straight after the rolls have been marked. If parents could please be aware that all students will surround the Big tree with chairs from their classrooms. If you stand near the blue climbing wall, you may be invaded by small people and chair legs. Also, the metal chairs surrounding the Big Tree are reserved for Kindergarten to sit on. So, if parents wouldn't mind just waiting until all students are settled before finding a permanent view, this would be much appreciated. The theme for the dress up parade is 'Find Your Treasure'.





## Final Senior Assembly - A Festival of Talent

The senior school were treated to a variety of performances for the last Senior assembly for 2018. First Mrs Anderson thrilled the audience with a spectacle of dance and acrobatics. The work of her Semester 2 CAPA group culminated in dance inspired gymnastics which featured tumbling and scooter trick riding. The audience were mesmerised by the action. This was followed by another of Mr Christodouloupoulos' Greek Tragedies, expertly portrayed by the students of 5/ 6C and completely enthralling the audience called Aphrodite, Hercules, the Muses and the Missing School Girls. This time the main characters, girls from an ancient Greek class, went missing and it was up to their classmates to find them. The classmates go on an epic journey of discovery, meeting Aphrodite, Hercules and some Muses to solve the mystery - all spoken in GREEK! Once again, Mr Christodouloupoulos excelled in showcasing the talents in his class.

Finally, Ms Trifonov treated the audience to a sampling of the work she has been doing with the Junior Choir. Every Tuesday morning, Ms Trifonov has volunteered her time to coach a small but dedicated group of Year 1 and 2 students in the art of singing. She has incorporated her own class, creating a lovely buddy relationship between 4 Magpies and the Junior Choir members. The song, called We are Home is a beautiful song about being inclusive and being part of the land and our culture. The audience were moved by this lovely performance. Thank you Ms Trifonov for the time you have dedicated to building the skills of the Junior Choir during 2018, they are a great credit to you.

## Kids on Show art exhibition

Kids on Show is an art exhibition run by the Bowral District Art Society each year. The exhibition showcases the fantastic art being produced by local primary schools and art classes. This year our school entered 26 artworks from across the school, including paintings, drawings, digital art, sculptures and mosaics. These artworks will be on display at Bowral Art Gallery (1 Short St, Bowral) daily from 10am-4pm until Sunday 2 December.

Congratulations to all the students who have art displayed in Kids on Show. The following students received prizes for their artworks:

Patrick 5/6A – Winner - 'Encouragement Award for Best Colour and Design'

Zen 5/6G – Winner - 'Betty Price Memorial Award for Most Expressive Animal Artwork'

Charlie 5T – Commended – 'Encouragement Award for

Artwork of Most Dynamic Design'

Lily K Lilly Pilly – Commended – 'R G and M E Head Encouragement Award for Best Sculpture'

3/4 Rosellas – Commended – 'Encouragement Award for 3D Artwork for Most Creative Work'

## Live Life Well @ School

Over the past 6 years our school has been involved in an initiative organised in conjunction with NSW Health and Department of Education to promote healthy lifestyles and learning at school. Live Life Well @School focuses on classroom and whole school programs including Crunch and Sip, Fruit and Vege month, Healthy Schools Canteen, Thinking While Moving, daily fitness, and mindful wellbeing. Our school has been selected as 1 of 8 schools in NSW to feature in a new video promoting Live Life Well@School. This week a selection of classes participated in 2 days of filming demonstrating a range of activities in the classroom and outdoors. Final editing is scheduled for February 2019. Thank you to our staff and students for their enthusiastic participation. This was a fantastic opportunity to showcase great lessons and programs we teach in our classrooms that educate and support all students' learning and wellbeing in an engaging and holistic way. Watch this space as we continue to develop our teaching programs that incorporate healthy schools initiatives and support student learning.





## P&C News

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### FROM THE CANTEEN – HELP!

Oh dear. We're a bit thin on the ground for volunteers at the moment and we really need your help to keep things running. The canteen has lost some of its regular volunteers recently and Cindy in the canteen is looking for helpers on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please message us on Facebook or drop a line to the Mittagong Primary Canteen if you're able to spare a few hours at this busy time of year. We really appreciate any help we can get. Cindy can answer any of your questions and can be contacted on 0435 842 035. It's thanks to the amazing help of volunteers that we can keep the canteen running to serve your children.

**LAST P&C MEETING** for the year next Tuesday 4 December, 6.30pm in the library, all welcome!

**School Dresses NOT on sale this Friday** - Any questions contact Jennifer White 0450 925 165.

**THE FESTIVE FUNDRAISER IS ON:** It's our last fundraiser for the year and we have two special offers: a Summer Fruit Box (\$40) to be delivered in the last week of school, and a Gingerbread House Kit (\$35) which is a fun activity to do with your family. All orders are due by 3pm Monday 10 December but Gingerbread House Kit numbers are limited so get your orders for those in early to avoid disappointment. Forms have gone out to every family but you can also download the form from <https://drive.google.com/open?id=16PmcFDCVCYjDxH83HjgGehyWg2vIhQXE>. Feel free to share with friends and family.

**P&C VOLUNTEER THANK YOU** is on Thursday 6 December at Firedrum Restaurant in Mittagong from 5.30pm until 7.30pm. Invitations will be emailed to P&C members and volunteers and posted on Facebook soon. In the meantime, please put it in your diary.

**FRIDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND SHED CAFÉ:** Sarah is unable to do Shed Café on Friday and if we can't find any volunteers we might have to cancel so there might not be any hot chocolates (again) this week. Sorry folks! Check our Facebook page for updates <https://www.facebook.com/pg/mittagongpandc/>

### FOR THE CALENDAR:

Tuesday 4 December, 6.30pm: Last P&C Meeting

Thursday 6 December 8.30am: Last clothing pool open for 2018

Thursday 6 December from 5.30pm at Firedrum: P&C Volunteer thankyou

Monday 10 December, 3pm: deadline for Fruit Box and Gingerbread house orders

Friday 14 December: Last Friday morning BBQ & Shed Cafe

Tuesday 18 December, 2.30pm-4pm: Fruit box and gingerbread collection required

Tuesday 18 December: It's a Wrap canteen special food day

Wednesday 19 December: Last day of school - Canteen CLOSED for cleaning

Tues 4, 11, 18 Dec; Wed 5, 12 Dec; Fri 7, 14 Dec – Canteen volunteers needed.

## School Calendar 2018

|                           | Monday                          | Tuesday  | Wednesday                                 | Thursday                                | Friday  | Saturday | Sunday |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---|---|---|----------|--------|
| <b>Week 7<br/>Nov/Dec</b> | 26                              | 27   | 28<br>1/2 Drug Education<br>Book Club Due | 29<br>Last SRE<br>Volunteer Morning Tea | 30<br>Yr 6 Cake Stall<br>Book Parade<br>Junior Assembly | 1        | 2      |
| <b>Week 8<br/>Dec</b>     | 3<br>Swim School Begins         | 4<br>P&C meeting 6.30pm<br>Bowral HS Orientation | 5   | 6<br>Clothing pool open                 | 7<br>Presentation Day<br>9.30am yrs 3-6<br>11.30am K-2  | 8        | 9      |
| <b>Week 9<br/>Dec</b>     | 10<br>Yr 6 Drama<br>Swim School | 11   | 12  | 13                                      | 14<br>3/4 Disco<br>Reports home                         | 15       | 16     |
| <b>Week 10<br/>Dec</b>    | 17                              | 18<br>Year 6 farewell                            | 19<br>End term 4                          | 20                                      | 21  | 22       | 23     |