Term 1 Week 9

Thursday 28 March 2019

Mittagong Public School

Newsletter

Playground works begin

Today saw earth moving equipment begin works in our playground to prepare the foundation for our new outdoor gym equipment. The digging will finish today and weather permitting, in a little over a week we should see the equipment installed. After this will come some minor landscaping and soft-fall works. We are looking forward to being able to use the equipment after the school holidays!

Term Two Begins on a Tuesday

Students will return to school on Tuesday 30 April . Although teachers will be at school on the Monday, they will be engaged in training activities.

Easter Egg Drive and Easter Egg Raffle

Thank you to all the families who have already donated Easter Eggs for the residents of The Abbey nursing home and to the elderly people who receive Meals on Wheels support. Friday 29 March is the last day for collection as Miss Stirton and the Anaconda class need time to wrap and label the eggs.

The SRC Easter Egg Raffle is still running each morning. Tickets are 20c each and are on sale each morning at the flagpole. The raffle will be drawn during Week 11 of this term.

Thanks again for your support.

School photos

When: Monday April 1

Where: Mittagong Public School

Who: All students will have their individual photo taken as well as a class group, even if you are not purchasing any photos

Cost: as per photo envelope - their preferred payment method is via online ordering. Log on to www.msp.com.au and click order online. Please remember to write your reference number on the order envelope.

Sibling photographs: Order envelopes are available at the school front office.

Please ensure all students are in full summer school uniform, including black shoes. All hair accessories are also to be in school colour.

School Cross Country

Our school Cross Country Carnival will be held next Friday 5 April down at Lake Alexandra. All students from Years 3-6 (and Year 2 students turning 8 this year) are encouraged to participate and must have their permission notes returned to their class teacher by Wednesday 3 April. Students will need to wear a hat and sunscreen and they will also need a drink bottle. Students with asthma need to carry their reliever on them on the day. All children should wear normal school sports uniform and may wear a T shirt in the

colour of their sport house to the event. **All students are required to wear suitable running shoes**. Parents are welcome to come and watch their children race, though they will be out of sight in the bush for most of the race. The **approximate** times for the races are: 8/9 years - 9:30am, 10 years - 10:00am, 11 years- 10:45am, 12-13years-11:15am. The first 5 runners in each race will be invited to go to the District Cross Country Carnival at Robertson on Thursday 2 May. Runners will be notified in writing if they have gained a place at District.

MPS Lion Pride

We are delighted to acknowledge the following students who have achieved awards for each of the school's values. They have demonstrated RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and COOPERATION. These outstanding students have earnt themselves a place in the MPS Lion Pride. Congratulations.
KL: Indigo, Grant , Joey , April , Nevaeh, Mack, Samuel,
1K: Adelaide, Laila, Tyson, Denny
3P**:** Jayden R , Jade

Year 6 Camp

On the 15, 16 and 17 of May (Week 3, Term 2), Year 6 will be going on an exciting 3-day excursion to Camp Wombaroo. All permission notes and money for this camp need to be returned to the school by Wednesday 10 April (Week 11, Term 1). Parents of students attending the camp also need to complete the online medical forms, that Camp Wombaroo emailed you via Caremonkey, by the end of this term. If you need a new permission note or did not receive an email from Caremonkey, please contact your child's teacher.

Crazy Hair Day!

March 29 is Crazy Hair Day. Bring in a **gold coin donation** and wear crazy hair to school to raise money for blood cancer.
Ethan's mother in 2 Meerkat is taking part in the World's Greatest Shave for the Leukaemia Foundation by shaving her hair on March 29. Mittagong Public School is proud to be sponsoring her, with all proceeds from this day going towards this great cause.
Your support will help give families facing blood cancer the emotional and practical support they need. You'll also fund vital research to help more people survive blood cancers, while improving their quality of life.
You can get as creative as you like with your hairdos,

think mohawks, rainbow braids, pigtails and bows… the options are endless!
Let your hair down (or up, or out!) and have some fun while supporting people who need it most.

How Harmonious!

Last Thursday 21 March 2019, Mittagong Public School celebrated Harmony Day with enthusiasm, joy, singing and fun activities. Our diversely and wonderfully dressed students and staff created an enormous chain by holding hands and passing the 'Harmony Ball' around to the sounds of the song 'Different People'. Our school then gathered at the school's basketball courts and shared what Harmony Day means to them. Our excited students then had a 'stage' competition with the 'Harmony Ball' and finished off the activities by running through the Harmony Day banner! A special thank you to all the staff at our school who joined in the festivities and laughed and played with all our students in the spirit of harmony and multiculturalism. It was touching and moving to see the whole school laughing and playing together in unity. I would also like to thank Mr Egan for using his technical skills and being our disk jockey on the day. If you would like to see the days' celebrations please click on the link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nvgKf58Wzd0 or type Mr C Mittagong in the YouTube search engine.

The SRC Acquire New Skills

On Monday 25 March 2019 our SRC members travelled to Wombaroo to join the SRC members from Bowral Public School for a Leadership Day. Our responsible and well-mannered students were immersed in challenging activities that focused on leadership and teamwork. Mackenzie, Allegra, Chloe, Olive, Austin, Josh S, Josh H, Will and Ben exercised their problem-solving skills in activities such as chariot construction and racing and various other team challenges. Our SRC proved to everyone on the day why they were voted in by the school by showcasing their innovative thinking. Our students excelled in creative thinking, planning, predicting, decision-making and team working. A special thank you to Mrs Boadle from Wombaroo and Mrs Leicester from Bowral Public. I would also like to thank Ms Wood (Cindy from our canteen) for driving our students to Wombaroo and back. If you would like to see highlights of the day please click on the link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4dWlN18irI or type Mr C Mittagong in the YouTube search engine.
Mr D Christodoulopoulos – SRC Coordinator

Soccer Gala Day

All students from Years 3-6 attended the PSSA Soccer Gala day. A great day was had by all. Students participated in round robin style soccer games playing against our other local schools. These games were all inclusive with a focus on having fun while playing sport. Students represented our school with enthusiasm and pride. Thank you to our parents who volunteered as team managers, without your support these days would not be possible. Thank you to Mrs Scott, Miss Mudford and our Year 3-6 teachers for organsing our students in preparation for attendance on the day. A special mention of thanks to Mr Mark Berry from Colo Vale PS for his coordination and organisation of this PSSA event.

LIVE LIFE WELL: Environmentally friendly snack foods

Choose an apple, mandarin, orange, pear, banana, plum, mangoes, pieces of melons, nectarines, peaches or other fresh seasonal fruit for a quick, easy, environmentally-friendly snack. No packaging, full of nutrients and antioxidants, plus it tastes delicious! Food is an important part of special occasions for everyone and should be enjoyed. Your child may be invited to a party with lots of foods high in fat and sugar or to a meal at a fast food restaurant. These meals will do no harm as long as they are only eaten occasionally. But remember, children's parties don't need to be filled with junk food to be fun. Try to include some healthy foods as well. Here are some suggestions: pretzels, mini pizzas, fruit platters, fresh berries, finger sandwiches, low-fat mini fruit muffins, homemade popcorn, slices of watermelon, frozen orange wedges, hummus and pita bread, cheese cubes and crackers, vegetable sticks and rice crackers with dips, toasted Lebanese bread in place of corn chips and crisps.

Need some help?

Struggling to make ends meet for your family? If you're in need of some help paying the bills and getting food on the table, two local charities in our area are available to talk with to give you a hand:
* Vinnies (St Vincent de Paul) Mittagong - visit their shop at 22 Bowral Rd, Mittagong or call 4871 1922
* Mobile Community Pantry- (Moss Vale Anglicare)- every second Friday, Ph 48681299
Sarah Bull- Pastoral Care

P&C News

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STATE ELECTION WRAP UP: A huge thankyou to all the volunteers who helped on the barbecue and cake/market stall on Saturday so that once again, buying a sausage sandwich to support the school could be part of the voting experience! Also thankyou to everyone who donated items for the barbecue, cake stall and market stall. Special thanks to **GUMNUT PATTISERIE** for their delicious danishes. Also, to the grandparent who came to vote early and noticed our cakes were a little thin on the ground and went home, did some baking, and brought back scones and cup cakes – you are a legend! Thankyou to everyone who supported us on the day by buying items. You have helped us raise about $2,400! Thanks also to **KENNARDS HIRE** for their donation of the gas for the barbecues.
FUNRUN – Only one week until the senior cross country and two weeks to finish your fundraising! Create your online fundraising page at www.myprofilepage.com.au to kick start your fundraising. All online and cash donations and prize requests need to be finalised by Friday 12th April.
CANTEEN STOCK THE SHELVES PYJAMA DAY: Thanks everyone for their wonderful generosity in supporting this initiative with donations of canteen pantry items – the response was amazing! We had lots of lunch orders and the students loved coming to school in their pyjamas! 1 Possums were the standout class for supplies and will enjoy a class party at the end of term.
CANTEEN Term 2 volunteers: We will have a volunteer shortfall on Tuesdays next term so if you think you could help, please contact Cindy on 0435842035. Thanks so much to all our wonderful volunteers.
Online ordering: A reminder that if you still have credit with MyKidsLunchbox.com.au, use this by end of term. You can set up with new online provider MySchoolConnect, which is fantastic.
SPRING BULBS: - These should be delivered within the next week.
Friday Morning BBQ & Shed Café – next week is the last one for the term! Thank you to everyone who has supported us by buying or volunteering! If you can help by cooking a sausage or making a hot chocolate, please contact Sarah Farnese on 0414 963 383 or email mittagongpublicpandc@gmail.com.

The Australian Air league is from ages 8-18 years for both girls and boys.
Meeting place: Every Friday during school terms 1900-2100 hrs.
Mittagong Airfield Old South Road Braemar.
If you or someone you know is interested contact:
Girls Squadron Officer Commanding: Caitlin Lindsay (M: 0487 718 774)
Boys Squadron Officer Commanding: Brendan Willard (M: 0428 071 284)

ALDI Miniroos Football Holiday Clinics
Moss Vale Soccer Fields, Church Rd Moss Vale
15 and 16 April
Cost $75
See flyer in foyer for more details

School Calendar 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 9 Mar	25 SRC-Wombaroo	26 Canteen food day/ Pyjama day	27	*28* ☆	29 Crazy Hair day Junior assembly	30	31
Week 10 Apr	1 School photos	2 P&C meeting	3	*4*	5 3-6 Cross Country/ Snr Assembly 2.20	6	7
Week 11 Apr	8	9	10 SRC Visit Abbey House	*11*	*12* End term 1 Jnr Assembly	13	14
	15	16 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	17	*18*	19 Good Friday	20	21 Easter