

# Mittagong Public School

## Newsletter



### Welcome Mrs Todd

I would like to congratulate Mrs Alicia Todd on her recent appointment to our school as Assistant Principal. Mrs Todd was selected by interview panel and we are looking forward to seeing her at our school next term. She brings with her a great deal of skill and experience and she will be a fine asset to our school. She will take over teaching the class of Mrs Nikki Small who goes on maternity leave at the end of this term, having done a sterling job of teaching the class. I would also like to thank Mr Christodouloupoulos for the fantastic work he has again done as relieving Assistant Principal this term.

### New Readers in Classrooms

Our school has recently purchased new books for our students to use in their classrooms. The need for the books has arisen through wear and tear on old stock and also the growth of the school population which has seen our resources spread more thinly. We are also aiming to bring more quality texts into our classrooms this year to give robust support to our literacy activities. Comprehension is a push for our school this year and we hope that the roughly \$40,000.00 we are investing will prove to be of great support. Thank you to all the families who have paid the voluntary school contributions this year. Your support allows us to take on initiatives like this with the resources we require. For those who have not yet paid those contributions, can I encourage you to consider doing so if you can afford it?

We would like to buy in more resources to support our mathematics programs if the funds allow us. Thank you again for your support, it is greatly appreciated!

### Term Two Begins on a Tuesday

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

### 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 earned themselves a place in the MPS Lion Pride. Congratulations.

K Fern - Bridget, Rosie, Hugo, Louie, Chelsea, Isabella, Jett, Emily, Aria

K Lilly Pilly - Taj, Jasneet, Ruby, Marly, Indianah, Alex W, Alex C, Arij

1 Possum - Lachlan, Charlotte, Laura, Eva, Elise, Shayla, Ryder, Deepal

2 Meerkat- Emma, Lucy, Holly

2 Dingo - Ashleigh, Ravi, Brax, Jonah

5/6 Chameleon - Cain, Olivia, Chloe, Ava, William, Gabriel, Jared.



## Year 6 Camp

On the 15, 16 and 17 of May (Week 3, Term 2), Year 6 will be going on an adventure-filled 3- day excursion to Camp Wombaroo. All permission notes and money for this camp need to be returned to the school by next Wednesday (10 April). 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.

## The Stage 3 Experience

On the 28 March 2019 years 5 and 6 were invited to Bowral High School's first taster day of the year. Our well-mannered students joined neighbouring schools in experiencing high school science and PE lessons. Year 5 and 6 students were also given a tour of the school and got to meet familiar faces from the past. The goal of these taster days is to familiarise our students with the high school way of life and to minimise and even eradicate any stress concerning the big leap to high school next and the upcoming year. Our students were very happy with their experience and cannot wait to 'taste' other high school KLAs in the future. I would like to thank BHS for organising a great day and for covering all travelling expenses.

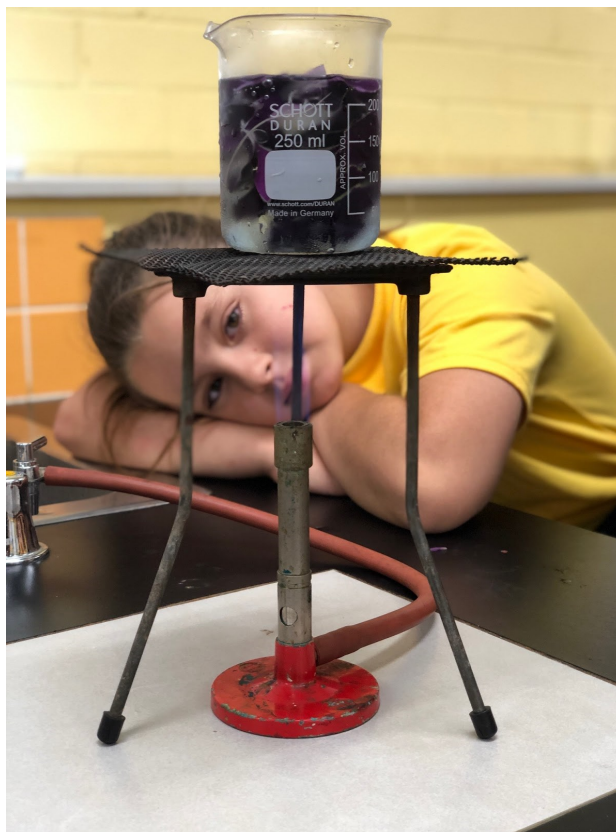
Next week on the 10 April 2019 our SRC will be travelling to the Abbey Nursing home to hand deliver Easter eggs. Over the past few weeks our school has been donating and collecting beautiful treats to brighten the smiles of the nursing home's residents. It is a beautiful tradition that connects our school with the wider community. A big thank you to Mrs Smiltnieks and Mrs Schymitzek for organising such a caring and kind initiative and for respecting and upholding our school's traditions.

Lastly, Senior Choir has been rehearsing every Thursday exercising their vocal chords and pushing their skills and talents out of their comfort zones. Our vocalists have been learning 4 songs for the upcoming Eisteddfod in Term 3. Our repertoire consists of 2 songs from the 80s, A-ha's, 'Take on Me' and Tina Turner's, 'We Don't Need Another Hero' for one section of the competition and For King and Country's, 'Joy' and Lauren Daigle's, 'Rescue' for the other section of the competition. Senior Choir will have their debut performance early in term two. We eagerly await to hear their explosive vocals.

Mr D Christodouloupoulos – Stage 3 Leader



*Bowral High school visit.*





## K-2 Fun Run 2019

This Friday 5 April, K-2 students will be participating in the Fun Run event during their sports time, 12-1pm, at school. Students should wear sports uniform with appropriate running shoes. As for every sports day, students are to bring their hats, water bottle and are encouraged to wear sunscreen for longer periods of time out in the sun. Parents, family, caregivers and friends are welcome to come along to support their children.

Thanking you,  
K-2 Teachers

## K-2 Recycled Hat Parade

Students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are hosting a 'Recycled Hat Parade'. It will be held on Friday 12 April (Week 11) at 12pm around the 'Big Tree'. Gates will not be opened until 11:50am, after all students have returned to their classrooms from recess. We would love for the parents and the community to join us for the parade to see all the fantastic designs and join in all the fun! Students will be seated in classes around the Big Tree. There will be limited seating available for parents so if you would like to bring a chair to sit on, you are more than welcome to do so. On the day if we have wet weather the parade will be held in the school hall. Following the Hat Parade will be the Junior Assembly, with an expected start of 12:30pm. It's time to get busy making your Recycled Hat. Be creative and remember, HAVE FUN!

Thank you for your support,  
K-2 Teachers

## ANZAC DAY 2019

**ANZAC Day** is a national day of remembrance in Australia and New Zealand that broadly commemorates all Australians and New Zealanders who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations and the contribution and suffering of all those who have served. It is observed on 25 April every year. This year it falls on the second week of the school holidays before the start of Term Two. To show our respect for the significance of the day students from Mittagong PS will join other community groups to march with the returned Servicemen and women.

We start from the Information Centre in Mittagong and march to the War Memorial in the centre of town to join in the service.

We would appreciate as many students as possible to

join our SRC in the march.

Please meet us at the Information Centre at 10:00am.

Please wear school uniform and a school hat.

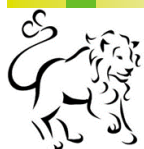
We will assemble all children in Railway Street after the Service at approx 11:30 am where they will be collected by their parents and carers. Thanking you in advance.

Mr D Christodouloupoulos  
SRC and Stage Three Coordinator



*Students showing us their great work!*





## P&amp;C News

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**FUNRUN** – Senior cross country is tomorrow, you only have one week to finish your fundraising! Create your online fundraising page at [www.myprofilepage.com.au](http://www.myprofilepage.com.au) or seek cash donations from family and friends. All online and cash donations and prize requests need to be finalised by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

**FRIDAY MORNING BBQ & SHED CAFÉ** – Last one for the term tomorrow! 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](mailto:mittagongpublicpandc@gmail.com). Thanks also go to **KENNARDS HIRE** for their donation of gas for the barbecue, please support this business in return.

**SPRING BULBS:** Have arrived back at school, please check your child's bag!

**CANTEEN Term 2 - volunteers needed for Tuesdays:** We will have a volunteer shortfall on Tuesdays next term so if you think you could help, please contact Cindy on 0435842035. If you are available on another day, please also let us know and we can add you to the roster. Thanks so much to all our wonderful volunteers.

**CANTEEN ONLINE ORDERING:** Just a reminder that if you still have credit with MyKidsLunchbox.com.au, you only have next week to use this up. **We will NOT be using mykidslunchbox.com.au next term.** You can set up with new online provider MySchoolConnect which has been phased in this term and well received by parents.

Highlands Strings Concert - Students from MPS performing!  
Thursday April 7, 7pm  
St Jude's Church Bowral  
Entry \$5 - tickets at the door  
Enquiries : Elise Ali 0411 596 301  
[highlandsstrings@gmail.com](mailto:highlandsstrings@gmail.com)

## School Calendar 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Week 10 Apr</b>	1 School photos	2 P&C meeting 6.30pm	3	4 ☆	5 X country yrs 3-6 K-2 Fun Run Snr Assembly 2.20	6	7
<b>Week 11 Apr</b>	8	9	10 SRC Visit Abbey House	11	12 Clothing pool 8:45am Jnr Assembly K-2 Recycled Hat Parade	13	14
	<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
<b>Week 1 Apr/May</b>	29 SDD	30 Students return	1	2	3	4	5