

MPS 2016 SCHOOL CAPTAINS



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Week 7 Term 1

Principals Desk

by Bonita Broughton

WHAT IMPRESSED ME THIS WEEK

This week I was impressed by Kindergarten's use of scientific language, eg 'prior knowledge' 'predicting'. Wow!!

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Service - Service is giving to others and wanting to make a difference in their lives. Having an attitude of service means looking for ways to be of help rather than waiting to be asked... When you work with a spirit of service, you give any job your very best effort. You make a real contribution. People who want to be of service can change the world." -excerpts from The Virtues Project™

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Celebrating our successes

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded at our Assembly on Monday morning:

Literacy Awards - Claudia - Opals, Corie - Diamonds, Josh R - Pearl and Josh C - Sapphires.

Library Awards - Toby - Mitchell, Lauren - Oxley and Seth C - Flinders.

Virtue Awards (Determination) -

Koby- Budgies, Rory - Rosellas, Liam and Indi- Hawkes

Class Awards:

Budgies - Riley for always being a caring class member.

Jaiden for practicing his sight words extra hard this week.

Rosellas - Charlie for working hard in all KLA's.

Ethan for being involved in all class discussions.

Hawkes - Jack for being a focused learner.

Lachlan for applying himself during maths activities.

Golden Whistle -Jack C

Golden Spoon - Jayden S

Golden Trowel - Seth C



Congratulations to Kaydee who made it to the Regional Swimming Carnival on Monday. Kaydee qualified as 13th in the region. Well done!



Congratulations everyone, we were the winners of the school garden section of this year's Tamworth Show.

Thank you Miss Reilly for your hard work and commitment to our garden program.

Great result. Next stop – Sydney Royal!

Year 7 – 2017

Expressions of Interest forms are attached for year 6 students. These forms need to be completed and returned to school no later than Friday 18 March 2016. These forms should be returned to school even if the student will be attending a private secondary school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

LONE PINE MEMORIAL WALL

Last week, Mr Kevin Anderson visited our school and delivered 3 new flags. We were all very excited to see the flags flying proudly from our new flag poles. It is great to see our project coming together.



NAPLAN

Dates for this year's NAPLAN are as follows:
10 May - Language/Writing, 11 May - Reading
12 May - Numeracy

Any parent/carers wishing to apply for exemption, withdrawal and/or disability adjustments should collect a form from the school office and submit before 13 March 2016. We apologise that the incorrect date was listed in last week's newsletter.

Please see the attached letter that contains more information for parents of students in years 3 and 5.



BOOK CLUB

BROCHURE ATTACHED

ORDERS AND PAYMENT DUE BACK TO SCHOOL NEXT WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH.

Thank you for supporting book club, this is a great way for us to earn resources for our library and to encourage our young readers.

Students K – 2

Monday 14 March 2016



University of Newcastle
Department of Rural Health



What is a Teddy Bear Hospital?

The University of Newcastle - Department of Rural Health (UONDRH) and its medical students conduct Teddy Hospitals in rural communities. The Teddy Hospitals are considered to be a fun initiative helping to reduce the uncertainty and fear that a child may associate with a visit to the doctor.

The children will bring a Teddy or stuffed animal, they are then invited to present their 'Sick Teddy' to the Teddy Bear Hospital where they will relate their problem to a teddy doctor (medical student). The Teddy Doctors examine the "sick teddies" and perform diagnostic tests, then delivers appropriate medical treatment such as bandaging etc, with a recommendation for the child to administer lots of cuddles, tickles, to drink lots of water and eat more fruit and vegies.

The project aims to encourage a positive relationship between children and healthcare providers and remove the fears that children face when visiting the doctor or hospital. The children become the carers, and the bears the patients. There is generally lots of excitement as their bears are x-rayed by a radiographer in the special 'x ray' machine and treated with band aids and bandages where necessary. The children are encouraged to comfort their teddies with cuddles as needed.

At the end of the consultation the children, as carers, are issued with a medical certificate with a treatment plan as well as a teddy bear patient wrist band, similar to that given to a hospital patient.

Where have the Teddy Bear Hospitals operated?

The UONDRH have operated the hospitals at:

- Isolated remote public schools throughout the Manning, North West and New England region
- National Families Week, Anzac Park - Tamworth Family Support Services
- Walhollow Public School
- Bullimbal Special Purposes School, Tamworth
- Birrell MACS, Tamworth
- Girrawong Aboriginal Preschool, Taree

Teddy Bear Hospitals



Netball training started last Friday after school from 3-4pm for girls in years 3-6. If you are interested in playing please make sure you have the correct footwear and a drink bottle.

We are starting to get hockey up and going so please remember your mouth guards on Fridays.

We are also hoping to start Rugby league and Oztag training soon.

Miss Cornish

Munch and Crunch March

Healthy eating is not about just being a healthy weight. What children eat affects how the brain grows and works.



If you put dirty fuel in your car it won't work very well. The same applies to our body. Research has shown direct links between our ability to focus and how we behave. With 'dirty fuel' students are unable to focus, learn and are more irritable and more likely to make poor behaviour choices.

So throughout March, we will work to raise the awareness of students about the quality of fuels they are feeding their bodies. The SRC have organized Mufti Days & Competitions and teachers will be working with students to diarise, graph and analyse fuel consumption.

SCHOOL SURVEYS

As part of our school planning process we appreciate your feedback. Please complete and return the attached surveys to the office by next Wednesday 16 March 2016.



Our young budgies are excited to share with everyone what they think a healthy lunch box looks like.

Friday waterfun!

It has been a very hot week, with tomorrow promising to be even warmer!

As a reward option for students that have not received orange slips this week, we are offering some water fight fun at 1st lunch Friday 11 March. This will be a supervised activity.

Students can bring their swimmers (personal choice) or water play in their sports uniform. Water pistols are permitted but NO WATER BOMB BALLOONS. It is recommended that all participating students bring a towel and rashi or tshirt.

A second reward option will be playground chalk graffiti. Children permitted to participate may choose their reward.



School Mornings

Active playground supervision commences at 8.45am, students SHOULD NOT be at school prior to this.

Teachers and staff are in meetings or doing class preparation work before this time. Students should only be at school before this time under extraordinary circumstances (the office to be contacted to arrange) These students are asked to put away their bags and then sit quietly on the veranda until 8.45am. Parents are asked to be mindful of the time when dropping their children to school. Thank you.

Moonbi Explorers Points Score

FLINDERS

20



OXLEY

25



MITCHELL

27



P&C News

by Jen Hernando (President)

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will be held on **Wednesday, 16 March 2016, at 6:00 pm** in the old staff room (followed by our regular monthly meeting). We have moved the time so all members can attend.

The following positions will be declared vacant at the AGM:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Clothing Pool Supervisor
Clothing Pool Assistant
Canteen Supervisor
Canteen Committee
Student Banking Officer
Student Banking Assistant
Fundraising Committee

If you wish to nominate for any of the above positions, please attend the AGM in person or alternatively put your nomination and acceptance in writing and submit it to the Secretary, Kelly Constable, prior to the day of the meeting. A "word of mouth" nomination cannot be accepted. If you have any question or concerns about what a particular role entails, please ask one of your P&C Committee.

If you are not currently a member of our P&C and have not yet submitted and paid your membership you will be unable to vote at the AGM. If you are an existing P&C member you will be eligible to vote if your membership is current until the close of the AGM on Wednesday, 16 March 2016. Kootingal Moonbi Junior Rugby League Football Club held a junior sign up day Sat 27 Feb. The P&C were asked to help with the sausage sizzle. It was good to be able to help another association. Thank You Jackie Robertson, Lisa Madden and Jesse Freedman for spending the afternoon helping cook sausages and sell drinks and baked goods. We ended the night watching a movie under the stars provide by Centre Care. Thank You for proving services like this to the community.

We look forward to seeing you there. ☺
Jen Hernando

MEETINGS

3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 2PM.

LONE PINE COMMUNITY ROOM

JEN HERNANDO
President

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Student Banking by Lisa Madden

Hi bankers. I am still running a colouring in Competition open to all banking students over the next week. **Pictures are available at the office.** There will be prizes for the best one in each class. The pictures need to be returned to the office no later than 18 March. If you would like to open a new account for you child, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school Friday mornings. This term with your tokens you can claim a Flying Snake and a Wildlife Writer Set.

This year we're giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals. Find out more at www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking
Lisa Madden - School Banking Coordinator

Busy Bee Canteen

by Jackie Robertson

This week we are having a daily special.
Jelly Cups for -80 c.

If you have any question please feel free to give me a call or come and see me on Friday. I am happy to answer any question. We are also still looking for Volunteers so please let me know if you can help out.

This week's volunteers are: Jackie & Zoe

Our canteen menu is also available through the school website.

Jackie Robertson – Canteen Supervisor
0458201127



Volunteers needed

Clothing Pool

I am available at school Thursday morning or by appointment only Wednesday, Thursday, Friday afternoons. You can contact me on 67605218 or 0429445253.
Clothing Pool Supervisor - Penny Foster

Mother's Day Stall

We will be running a Mother's Day Stall again this year. We will be running it on the 5th May in Term 2. If anyone would like to donate any gifts or homemade gifts please come and see me or give me a call. Just remember, all money we raise goes back to improving our kids' education and resources.

Thank You Jackie Robertson (0458201127)

Library News

by Bonita Broughton



FIRE BY: JACKIE FRENCH, BRUCE WHATLEY

One small spark brought fire awake
Winding like a small black snake
Fire flickered, fire crept
Flames snickered, bushfire leapt...

Inspired by the bushfires that have affected many Australians, Fire is a moving and sensitive story of a natural disaster as seen through the eyes of a cockatoo. The fire mercilessly engulfs homes and land, leaving a devastating path of destruction. But from the ruins, courage, kindness and new life grows.

A BEAUTIFUL AND TIMELY EXPRESSION OF THE STRENGTH OF THE AUSTRALIAN SPIRIT DURING TIMES OF ADVERSITY.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CLASSROOM



Budgies

Miss Cornish is away this week. Our class has been working with Mrs White and Miss Drury. At the end of last week, we excitedly worked as a class to show what we think a healthy lunch box looks like. Look for the photograph in this newsletter. Yum!

Rosellas

This week students have been discussing natural and built environments and the different characteristics they have. It is great to see students asking lots of questions and getting involved in discussions in the classroom!

Hawkes

In Literacy we are working hard to write and edit our texts. We are nearly ready to publish them and share them with an audience.

ATSEC

Thank you to the members of our school community who came along to our ATSEC meeting last week. We were also fortunate enough to have a visit from Stella Lamb and Julie, who were a wealth of information for contacts and some ideas. Stella will be joining us again on Monday 21 March for our Harmony Day celebrations.

On Friday 1 April our school will be visiting Walhallow Public School for a 'Celebration of Respect'. This will be a great opportunity for our students to experience a different learning environment and enjoy some fun activities including storytelling, dance, art, music and language. A note and further details will be sent home soon.

Our committee is looking forward to bringing a cultural day/experience to students every term.

Our meeting with the student representatives was enthusiastic, with students coming up with great ideas and expressing their wish for more community involvement. With our new list of contacts, our committee is hoping to be able to facilitate more opportunities.

If you have any suggestions, we would love to hear from you, you can call in at the office, telephone or even drop us an email.

Our regular meetings will be held at 2pm on the first Wednesday of each month. Come along, you are welcome to bring your other children as well as friends, family and community members that may be interested.



Thank you to Robyn Ison for her ongoing assistance with reading. Students enjoy having someone to read to.

SRC Fundraising - Hot weather and icy poles, what a great combination! Once again our SRC will be raising funds by selling icy poles at lunch times Monday - Thursday. 50c per icy pole.



THIS WEEK IN THE KITCHEN GARDEN

What's Growing?

This week students have been very busy moving the big pile of wood chips across the school garden floor area. The students were unstoppable and were having a great time filling up the wheelbarrows and moving them where they needed to go.

Last week Moonbi submitted to the Tamworth Show fresh produce from the school garden and a presentation showing the activities students had been undertaking over the last couple of weeks. We were all very excited to hear that Moonbi came first place in the School Garden competition with a total of 95 points out of 100! We now qualify for the Sydney Royal School Garden Bed Competition and our score sheets and Powerpoint presentation have been sent off. Fingers crossed for another great result! Well done to all the students and the hard work they have been putting into the garden!
Miss Reilly

What's Cooking?

Cucumber group cooked Greek Vegetable Kebabs.

I learnt how to cut capsicum into cubes and tried cooked tomato for the first time (Hermarni).

I liked grating the lemon rind (Jayden).

A big thankyou to the Coulter family for another generous donation of equipment to the kitchen. ☺

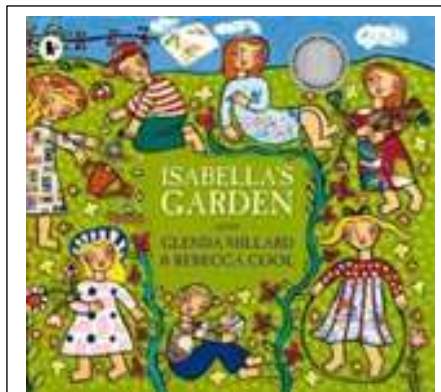
Mrs Harris – Kitchen Coordinator

Book of the Week

A lyrical picture book which explores the growth and continual change that goes on in Isabella's garden. Told with great warmth, this is a comforting story about the cycle of life in its many forms.

Isabella's Garden tells the tale of growth and seasonal change, beginning and ending with the seeds that slept in the soil all dark and deep and how they bloom, flourish and ultimately lead to new growth.

HONOUR BOOK: PICTURE BOOK OF THE YEAR, CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA AWARDS 2010



Upcoming Events

Kinder – Teddy Bear Hospital

Monday 14 March

Return school surveys and book club

Wednesday 16 March

Harmony Day

Monday 21 March

The theme for Harmony Day 2016 is **our diversity is our strength**

Assembly

Monday 21 March, 9am

Anti Bullying Performance

Tuesday 22 March
\$4 per student

Bunny Bazaar

Thursday 24 March
Morning hat parade and a day of Easter themed fun.
Further details to follow.

Good Friday

Friday 25 March

Easter Monday

Monday 28 March

Year 5-6 Canberra Excursion

Week 10, Term 2

Year 3-4 Tea Gardens Excursion

Week 8, Term 3

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

SERVICE

HONOUR BOARD

Nominate somebody this week that has demonstrated Service.



SCHOOL MISSION

Our motto is to
'STRIVE FOR PERFECTION'
and our students are expected to strive for the highest standards academically, socially, physically, emotionally and culturally.

CANBERRA EXCURSION

This year the senior excursion will be in week 10 term 2 (27 June – 1 July). Please find attached an expression of interest letter. Please fill this out and return to the office as soon as possible with the non refundable deposit.

Moonbi Sports House Points Score

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Moonbi Horse Sports Team Events

Moonbi Public School
September 2016
Entry forms will be available soon.

