



Muswellbrook Public School

What's On

Humanity and Excellence

Term 4 Week 2

Tuesday 22nd October 2019

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"Muswellbrook Public Skoolbag"

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We are
SAFE

We are
RESPECTFUL

We do our
PERSONAL BEST

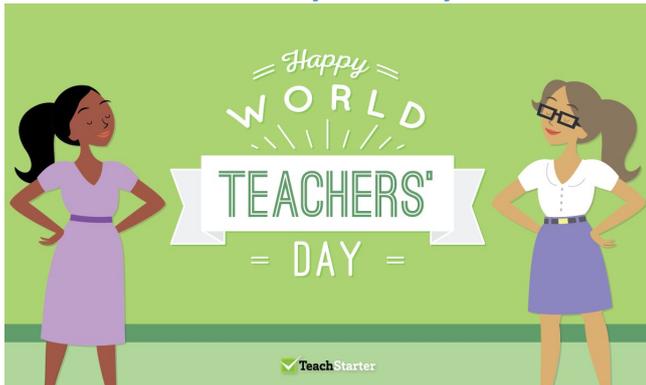
Everyone, Everywhere & Every Time

From the Principal:



We have had a really settled start to Term 4 and it's so rewarding to see all of our students highly engaged in their learning. We are also enjoying our Kindergarten Orientation sessions. They give us the opportunity to meet new families and the Kindergarten teachers are slowly getting to know our pre-schoolers, who will be starting 'big school' next year.

World Teachers' Day – Friday 25th October



This day is a great opportunity for everyone to recognise and appreciate teachers and the important role they play in shaping the next generation. Teachers make a difference through the work they do each day. At MPS we are very fortunate to have a team of excellent teachers who support one another and work as a team. They are positive role models, who inspire, encourage and motivate

our students to do their personal best. As Principal of MPS, I am very proud of my team and I thank them for their hard work, as well as their dedication and commitment to the students of MPS, as well as Public Education.

Musica Viva

Thank you to the parents who supported this event. Many of our students benefitted from this musical experience and I thank Mrs Troon for her organisation.

Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2021

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2021, you need to apply online. Further information is attached to this newsletter or can be found on the following link:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

The application website opens on **8th October 2019** and closes at **10pm on 11th November 2019**.

Plans for 2020

If you know that you will be leaving MPS at the end of the year, can you please advise the office.

Joan Stephens – Principal

MUSICA VIVA

A graphic of a musical staff with a treble clef and several notes, rendered in a vibrant, multi-colored style with a rainbow-like gradient. The text 'MUSICA VIVA' is written in a bold, orange, sans-serif font across the middle of the staff.

| Muswellbrook Public School Term 4 2019 Parents Copy | | | | | | |
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| Term Four | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SAT SUN |
| 2 | 21 October Musica Viva 12 noon & 1pm | 22 October | 23 October Kindergarten Orientation #3 | 24 October | 25 October | 26 27 Oct |
| 3 | 28 October Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 29 October Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 30 October Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm AECG/AGM members only 4.30pm | 31 October Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 1 November | 2 Nov 3 Nov |
| 4 | 4 November PBL Celebration day/Treat Day (WTAW Fundraiser) Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm HS Transitions/ATSI students | 5 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 6 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 7 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm Music Count Us In/MHS | 8 November | 9 10 Nov |
| 5 | 11 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 12 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm 6pm P&C | 13 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 14 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm AECG 4.30pm Aberdeen | 15 November | 16 17 Nov |
| Wellbeing Week 6 | 18 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 19 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 20 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm | 21 November Kindy Transitions 12:10pm-1:10pm SARS visit to MPS @ 10am | 22 November School Spectacular SARS visit to MPS @ 10am QUIZ Worx 10.15/11.15 K-6 scripture children | 23 24 Nov |
| 7 | 25 November | 26 November | 27 November | 28 November SARS visit to MPS @ 10am | 29 November SARS visit to MPS @ 10am | 30 1 Dec |
| 8 | 2 December | 3 December MHS Year 6 – Orientation Day/Evening | 4 December Talent Quest | 5 December | 6 December | 7 8 Dec |
| 9 | 9 December Presentation Day Assembly ES1/S1 9.30am | 10 December Presentation Day Assembly S3 9.30am S2 12 noon 6pm P&C social night | 11 December | 12 December Emerald Lunch K-2 concert 2.30pm | 13 December Year 6 Graduation 9.30am Reports home | 14 Dec Xmas Spec 4pm |
| 10 | 16 December Moving Day | 17 December Party Day | 18 December Last day for students | 19 December SDD | 20 December SDD | 21 22 Dec |
| 11 | 23 December | 24 December | 25 December | 26 December | 27 December | 28 29 Dec |
| Hols | 30 December | 31 December | 1 January 2019 | 2 January 2019 | 3 January 2019 | 4/5 Jan 2019 |
| 50 DAYS FOR TEACHERS | | | 48 DAYS FOR STUDENTS | | | |

UPCOMING EVENTS

ASSEMBLY NEWS

K-2 assembly will be held on Wednesday at 2:30pm.

3-6 assembly will be held on Friday at 2:30pm.

Class Captain Badges will be handed out at this week's assembly.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

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| Tuesday | 8:30am – 9:30am |
| Wednesday | 8:30am – 10:30am 2:30pm- 3:30pm |
| Friday | 8:30am – 10:30am |

Opening hours are subject to availability of volunteers.

Canteen news

JUICE BOMBS ARE NEW!

The kids are loving them, there are currently 7 different flavours including; Watermelon, Apple Blackcurrant, Apple Raspberry, Apple Cola, Lemonade, Grape, and Orange Passio. They hold a 5 Star health rating and are made from 100% sparkling fruit juice.

They are available at both breaks 1 & 2 for \$2.50 each.

We still stock Oak Vanilla Malt 300ml bottles available all day for \$2.50 each.

Thank you to Jenny, Kellie and Sandra, who volunteered last week. If you would like to lend a hand, please see our canteen staff to make arrangements. If you are unable to volunteer but would still like to help us, we are always looking for donations of brown paper lunch bags, zip lock bags, plastic teaspoons, forks and foil.

KINDERGARTEN 2020

Muswellbrook Public School will start their Kindergarten Transition Program on Monday 28th October 2019.

Transition sessions are being held from weeks 3-6 inclusive. There are still many spots available for parents, who would like their child to attend an additional session. All parents are encouraged to book their child in for 2 transition sessions. The sessions will run from 12:10pm-1:10pm. When you sign in at the front office, the office staff will let you know what Kindergarten classroom to take your child too. The classroom doors will be clearly labelled for parents to find them easily.

If you have not scheduled your child in for transition sessions, please call the office on 6543 2500.



Workers of the Week

Term 4 Week 1

3D – Shaleese D – Excellent work converting hundredths to decimals.

3M – Harley B – for participating in all activities and giving awesome answers.

4C – Lillian H – Amazing maths work.

4H – Gesina B – Outstanding “Holiday Report Card”

4M – Jack A – Awesome name alien.

5/6A – Nicholas M – Summary, plus understanding of characterisation.

5/6B – Jocelyn D – Great work on her holiday report card.

5/6H – Molly H – Excellent results in spelling test.

5/6J (Mr B Maths Group) – Tyler M – Great effort in multiplication.

5/6K – Mia B – Fantastic Art Project.

Principal's Awards

3S – Pippa C – Fantastic effort to improve her writing.

5/6S – Melody G – A fantastic effort during writing lessons.

Congratulations

KINDER ORIENTATION DATES

Do you have a child starting kindergarten in 2020!

Our 3rd and final Kindergarten orientation will take place tomorrow, Wednesday 23rd October 2019 at 9:30am.

Students will need to bring their hat and clearly labelled drink bottle as they will be playing outside with their buddies (weather permitting).

**** NEW IN STOCK ****

The School canteen is now selling Juice Bombs!

Juice Bomb
100% SPARKLING FRUIT JUICE

\$2.50 each
The kids are loving it!

HEALTH STAR RATING: 5

FOCiS
Empowering School Canteens Nationally

Star Choice
registered products

SCHOOL CANTEN
ASSOCIATION (S.A.)

* Apple Cola registered with Focis, WA Star Choice, VSCA

Muswellbrook Public School

Kindergarten!

Countdown Calendar



YEAR 6 END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Year 6 will soon be celebrating their graduation and farewell. The cost of these events will be \$40 and this includes costs for food, a Year 6 gift and a Year 6 journal. This money needs to be paid to the classroom teachers by Friday 6th December 2019.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION ASSEMBLY

On Friday 13th December 2019, a special Year 6 assembly will be held in the hall from 9:30am. The Year 6, 2019 cake will be cut and the graduation certificates given out. Parents are welcome to attend this assembly and join their children. Children are to wear full school uniform.

FAREWELL PARTY

The Year 6 Farewell Party will be held on Friday 13th December 2019, between 12:30pm and 3:15pm in our school hall. This will include lunch, desserts and drinks followed by a disco and games. Dress for this occasion is smart casual.

A note regarding the Stage 3 class parties on Tuesday 17th December 2019, will be given out at a later date.

Please note a permission note regarding the note has been sent home. If you have not received the note, please phone the office on 6543 2500.

LET THE CELEBRATIONS BEGIN!

new SIGNAGE



Have you seen the new signage as you enter school? Roger is now sitting out the front ready to welcome you to Muswellbrook Public School.

Thank you Miss Mullholland for organising the new sign, look out for more to come!

LOCK THESE DATES INTO YOUR CALENDAR!

PRESENTATION DAYS

Monday 9th December 2019 -ES1/S1 – 9:30am

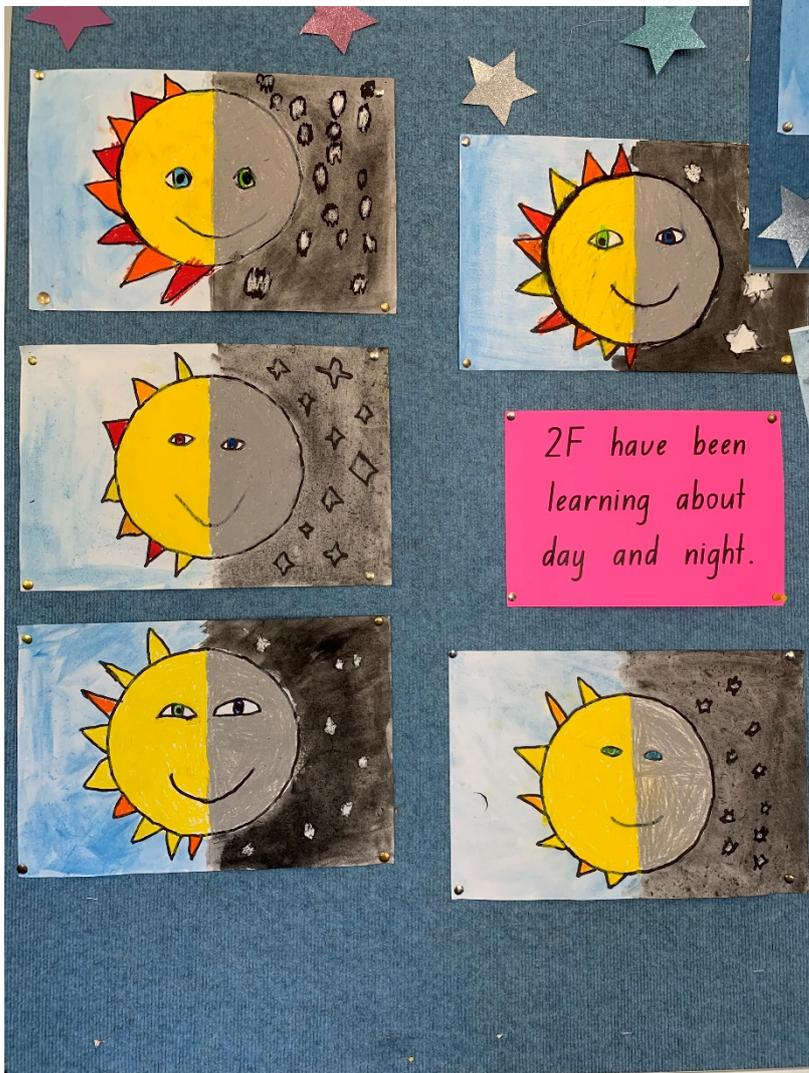
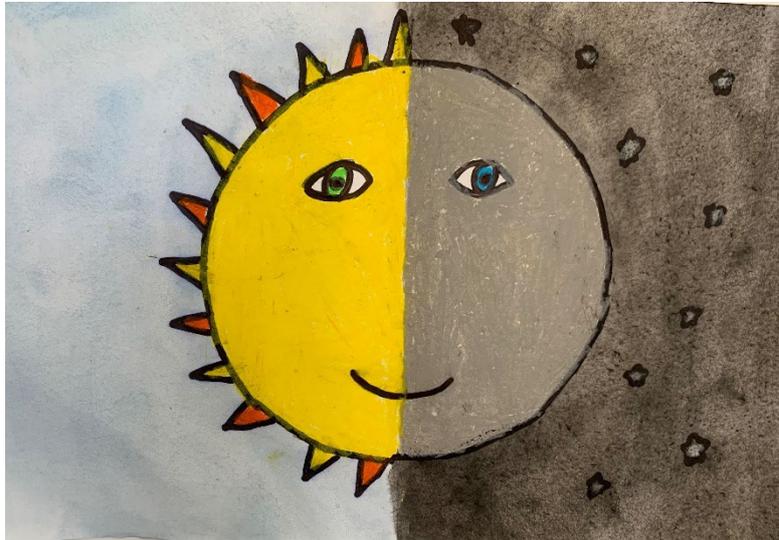
Tuesday 10th December 2019 - Stage 3 – 9:30am & Stage 2 – 12 noon

Invitations will be sent home to the parents of students receiving an award.



2F HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT DAY AND NIGHT!

POP INTO THE OFFICE TO SEE THEIR DISPLAY OF ARTWORKS IN THE FRONT FOYER!



Our School needs a new crossing supervisor!



Part-Time Work

1X Permanent Part-Time Position – Muswellbrook Public School – 00007DC4

Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
 - Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

School crossings require 20 hours of supervising per fortnight. Shifts fall between 8.20am – 9.20am and 2.45pm – 3.45pm, Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
 - ✓ Community spirit
 - ✓ Positive energy

If it does, visit iworkfor.nsw.gov.au to apply today!

Applications close Sunday, 3rd November 2019



Transport
Roads & Maritime
Services

The funeral of Uncle Charlie will be held on Thursday, 24th October 2019.

Our thoughts are with his family and friends!

A poster for a funeral service. The background is a vibrant Aboriginal dot painting with circular patterns in red, yellow, blue, and white. In the foreground, a photograph of Barry Charles French, an older man with grey hair and glasses, is shown. He is wearing a dark blue polo shirt with red and yellow accents on the shoulders. The text is overlaid on the image in white, bold, sans-serif font. A stylized flower graphic is positioned behind the time and date text.

Funeral Service of
Barry Charles French

11:00am

Thursday October
24th 2019

St. Alban's Anglican
Church Muswellbrook

WARARUAH
UNITED
RLFC

5/6B ACADEMIC CORNER

2019 has been an exciting year for 5/6B! In Term 3, Year 5 headed off to Morisset Active Camp for 4 days. The students were eager to try new activities including archery, rock climbing, fencing, high ropes and the list goes on. They enjoyed being grouped with other students from MPS and worked together in many activities. One of the highlights was the commando night, where MPS teachers and students battled to see who would be victorious.

Another highlight for 5/6B was our annual school Book Week Parade. The students participated in a STEM challenge, where they worked in groups to design and build a catapult. It was great to see so many parents and grandparents visiting our classroom.

In Term 3, we started to read the novel "Bridge to Terabithia". The students loved reading about Jesse and Leslie. We have nearly finished our book so we will be comparing it to the movie. In writing, we have been working on VCOP. The students have enjoyed learning about up-leveiling their writing. We are currently researching facts about recycling. The students are using IT resources to write a persuasive text on recycling. These texts will be displayed in our google classroom and can be viewed at home.

GEOGRAPHY - SCIENCE - CAPA

This term in Geography, 5/6B and 5/6H are learning about how people are connected to the environment. We will be investigating how town planning is affected by the environment and we will be building our own towns. Last term, Stage 3 studied the solar system and we are now designing and building a Mars rover model. This term in CAPA, the students will be performing acts from fairy tales using puppets.

THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

Year 6 will be heading to the High School shortly for transition days, open nights and uniform fittings. Year 5 will also attend some transition sessions. In regard to end of year special days, Year 6 are really excited about their graduation and farewell party, held in the last weeks of school. There is so much to look forward to and we are all keen as jelly beans 😊



*From Mrs Wiseman and 5/6B.
We hope you enjoy the rest of your
week!*

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Selective high schools cater for academically high potential and gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates of their own academic standard. Selective schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, using specialised teaching methods and materials.

Selective high schools are unzoned so parents can apply regardless of where they live. Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 12 March 2020**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2021, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from late-September 2019 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at that link on **8 October 2019** and closes at **10pm on 11 November 2019**. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 8 October 2019.

You must submit only **ONE** application for each student.

Remember: the tear-off slip below is NOT an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Joan Stephens
Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you **intend** to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS WEBSITE.
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2021

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2021 through the High Performing Students Team website between 8 October 2019 and 11 November 2019. Yes No

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____

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