

POSITIVE EDUCATION SCHOOL

Tuesday 12th June, 2018 Newsletter No. 17

(There are 2 inserts in this week's Newsletter)

DIARY DATES

Term 2

Tues Jun 19	Gr 5/6 Football & Hockey Lightning Prens
Mon Jun 25	NAIDOC Week
Mon Jun 25	Sausage Sizzle – Gr 6 Camp Fundraisier
Thu Jun 28	Reports Go Home
Fri Jun 29	Ice Bucket Challenge
Fri Jun 29	LAST DAY OF TERM – 2.30PM FINISH



PRINCIPALS NEWS

“We choose to bring our best selves to school and love the work that we do”

Eisteddfod News

On Friday June 1, Theatre Sports Group A: Milla Tierney, Lana Brown, Mia Dean and Emily Tyres achieved first place for ‘Welcome to my Party’ and second place for ‘Make a Scene’. Group B: Grace Erskine, Lilah White, Rory Peterson and Lana

Lana Brown achieved an Honourable Mention for their performance ‘Make a Scene’. Thank you to Miss Harris for attending the Theatre Sports on Friday evening with our students.

In the Theatre Sports section, students are required to improvise and think in the moment, acting together without a script. I would like to congratulate all the students who represented Mildura South in this way. We are very proud of you.

On Wednesday June 6 Mildura South came first in the Primary School Instrumental Group. They also receive a first place in the Preliminary or First Grade Woodwind or Brass section. Claudia Caminiti received an Honourable Mention in this section. A second place was achieved by Sonay Karakas in the 11 and 12 years Only String Solo section.

On Thursday June 7, Emily Tyers and Mason Purdue received an Honourable Mention in the Primary School Duet section. Amy Yeung, Mason Purdue, Emily Tyers and Jack Allen also received an Honourable Mention in the Primary School Instrumental Ensemble. Grace Erskine achieved a second place and Claudia Caminiti an Honourable Mention in the 10 Years and under Woodwind Solo section. Jack Allen achieved first place in the 11 and 13 years Brass Instrument Solo section.

On Friday Josh Stephens achieved second place in the Woodwind and Brass Instrument section and the 11 and 12 years Woodwind Instrument Solo section.

Thank you to Miss Bicker and Miss McGann for the hard work, tuition and support you give our students who perform at the Eisteddfod.

The school choirs will be performing on Monday June 18. I have had the opportunity of listening to the students practise and I particularly love hearing their harmonies and watching some of their actions. The

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students have been working hard with lots of practice to ensure they are ready. I know they will represent us well and we will be very proud of their accomplishments.

Congratulations

We have a number of students who are achieving personal success in their chosen sport.

Jack Ough

Well done to Jack who has been selected in the U/12 Victorian Football Team. Jack has been travelling to Melbourne to attend training sessions and gain selection. He will continue to attend training sessions in Melbourne until he competes in Canberra on August 11 when he plays in the National Championships. Congratulations Jack, we are all very proud of you!

Tanika Russell

Tanika represented Mildura South at the Regional Cross Country Championships last Tuesday and finished 24th in a 3km 12 year old girls' race. Congratulations Tanika your 'grit and determination' are an inspiration for all of us!

Sam Cumming

Sam did a fantastic job representing our school at the State Schools Victorian Primary Tennis finals on Friday June 1. He gave each game his best, winning 2. Sam finished 2nd in his pool. Congratulations Sam on your outstanding effort!

Book Fair

Our Book Fair was again a wonderful success last week! Thank you to all the Families and Students who supported this initiative. Through your generosity and the hard work of Mrs Clifford and other supportive staff members the school library receives a significant supply of quality resources. Special thanks to Mrs Clifford and her helpful staff who have worked long hours to ensure the success of our Book Fair.

Tomorrow's Leaders Today

Our Grade 6 students have been working with Mr Milani to carry out lunch time activities for our younger students this term. We are very proud of the leadership and commitment our Grade 6 students are demonstrating. The younger students are gaining a

great deal from the mentoring and the enjoyment of the activities. Well done Grade 6s for sharing the PERMA with others!

Book Club

Book Club will not be taking place for the rest of the term. I will present the opportunity later on in the year when the weather is warmer and hopefully people will be available.

Positive Education Message

"The Secret to getting ahead is getting started" – Mark Twain

Motivation

Motivation is our willingness to do something, along with the feelings that compel us to take action. Sometimes motivation comes to us when the feelings of staying the same become worse than the feelings we will get when we change our behaviour. For example the feeling of disappointment in a test result can motivate us to work harder and spend more time studying next time. It is unlikely that we will be motivated after looking at a cute kitten poster saying "you can do it". The latest research according to Daniel Pink suggests that we are either extrinsically motivated (hearing an external reward or punishment for motivation) or intrinsically motivated (being self-motivated). We are most motivated in working towards the intrinsic goals of mastery, autonomy and purpose. I.e. Mastery – the want to becoming a master at something; autonomy – self-direction; and purpose – doing something meaningful beyond ourselves. The hardest part of motivation is getting started. Once we have made even a small step towards a goal, this produces momentum that can lead to having small wins, and more motivation.

Description of Positive Education Practice:

Let's identify some instances in our lives where we have used intrinsic motivator, fuelled by purpose, autonomy and mastery.

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(Purpose) – When was a time you felt motivated to do something that was meaningful and purposeful or something that would benefit others (raising money for a good cause, helping someone who dropped an item at the shops)?

(Autonomy) – When you have felt ownership of your work or a task and were able to choose to self direct? (chosen a topic for an assignment, chosen a sport to play at school).

(Mastery) – When have you been really motivated to get better at something that mattered to you? (riding a skateboard, playing an instrument).

In future, when working on tasks at school or home, it may be helpful to consider if we can connect the task to autonomy, mastery or purpose.

**Marie-Therese Milani
Principal**



ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS NEWS

Problem Solving in Maths

In order to encourage further problem solving at home, I will include a weekly problem in the newsletter. Each week a correct entry will win a fantastic prize.

Just write the answer on a piece of paper with your name and grade and drop it into Mr Kent's office each Wednesday.

Answer:- Mr K's Problem No 14

If the volume of a prism is 80cm^3 , what could be the measurements?-

Answer

Length 5cm, Width 2cm, and Height 8cm

Winner: Blake L

Grade: 4W

Today's problem:- **Mr K's Problem No 15**

How many footballs would fit inside Mr Kent's office?
Have a guess!

Name:

Grade:

Maths Awards

MathsOnline Awards are presented at Assembly each week.

This week's winner is **Jack Ough 6R**.

MathsOnline provides over 1400 tutorials that last around 4-9 minutes. The tutorials present maths concepts, step-by-step, with synchronised audio and animation. This **harnesses both audio and visual learning styles**. MathsOnline lessons can be studied at home or at school, on all devices.

Students from Grade 1 to Grade 6 have their own unique password for access at home. Please see your child's teacher. Go to-

<https://mathsonline.com.au/>

Roger Kent

Assistant Principal

LATE ARRIVALS AND EARLY DEPARTURES

A reminder to parents/guardians that students arriving late or leaving early from school **MUST** be signed in/out at the office using our portal system COMPASS. This is to ensure our duty of care is adhered to and also maintain student attendance records and without this these occurrences are marked as an unapproved absence.

ATTENDANCE EMAIL

The School's attendance email of

attendance@msps.vic.edu.au is no longer in use.

For any absences please telephone the office on 50232148 or alternatively use the School's new parent portal COMPASS. You will find further details of COMPASS in a separate article.



Compass at Mildura South PS

We are very excited to introduce Compass to our school community in 2018.

Using Compass allows you to access up-to-date and meaningful information about our school and your child's progress. Compass includes many different features, including the ability to:

Monitor your child's attendance, and enter an explanation for absence or lateness

Communicate with your child's teachers, and update your family contact details

View your child's timetable and the school calendar

Monitor your child's homework and assessment tasks

Download and view your child's progress and

Book parent-teacher conferences

Letters with your family Log In details are available at the office for collection.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

We are having a Sausage on the Monday the 25th of June and ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE to raise money for the Grade 6 camp to Adelaide.

Sausage Sizzle

Sausages will cost \$2.00 each. Order forms will be handed out on the 13th of June. The orders forms need to be returned by Thursday the 21st of June. Please bring money and order forms to the Junior School Council Representatives outside the Learning Centre before school.

Ice Bucket Challenge

The Ice Bucket Challenge will be on the last day of term Friday the 29th of June at 2:15pm on the mound. This is the students chance to ICE their favourite teacher. Each teacher will have a jar to donate into. Students can bring in money from the 14th of June. The four teachers with the most money will have a bucket of icy cold water tipped on their heads.

SPORTS NEWS

Regional Cross Country

Congratulations to Tanika Russell who represented Mildura South Primary School at the Regional Cross Country Championships in St. Armand on Tuesday 5th June. Tanika finished a very creditable 24th in the 3km 12 year old girls race. Well done Tanika.

State Football Team

Congratulations to Jack Ough in 6R who has been selected in the Victorian State Primary School Football team. Jack will represent the Victoria at the Australian Primary School Football Championships which will be held in Canberra from the 11-18th of August. Well done Jack on this fantastic achievement. We wish you all the best.

STRONGER SMARTER

Each week a Stronger Smarter message will be in the newsletter. Students and teachers will be focusing on the quote in their classrooms. It will be based on positive learning and building high expectation relationships.

This week's Stronger Smarter Message



ART AWARDS

Grade 3 – Initial Letter
3M

Maddi Catalano-Johnson
Eliana Kaassamani
Ruby May

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3M
Maddi Catalano-Johnson
Eliana Kaassamani
Ruby May

3T
Kayla Stone
Eren Alcicek
Meleseini Kuluka
Peyton Chilly

3N
Bailey Crump
Ella Adolph
Riley Cox
Tom Helms

3/4R
Emersyn Chilly
Narelle Haynes-Parente
Shion Gardner
Zhoe White



WORKERS OF THE WEEK

PB Caleb Perry	4D Romy Wescombe
PH Macey Ridgwell	4N Luke Hibbard
1K Olivia Starikov	4W Isayah Thomas
1J Logan Lambert	4Z Daniel Mitchell
1R Bonnie Fox	5B Harneer Singh
1/2O April Heley	5K Grace Erskine
2S Jacob Purdue	5W Deannah Greenwood
2T Vaama Thaapa	5/6S Lacey Kaiser
3M Holly Skipsey	6B Ria Ramirez
3N Tom Helms	6H Karlee Turnbull
3T Alyssa Wilson	6R Jeremy Lia
3/4R Xavier Erskine	6W Tyler Whitford

SPORT AWARD

T'Sharni Zielonka Prep/1K

PERFORMING ARTS AWARD

Cooper Young 5W

SCIENCE AWARD

Sebastian Casey 4Z

ART AWARD

Stephanie Keller-Linnett 1/2O

PARENTS CLUB

COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

Cookie Dough forms went home with last weeks Newsletter. Forms and money must be back no later than 14th June.



**Lyn Bozzi
President**



OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

We have places available every morning and every afternoon for Before and After School Care. There's lots of fun to be had and a fantastic way to make new friends in a friendly and safe environment. Staff are qualified in Children's Services all with current Working with Children's Checks and trained in first aid, asthma and anaphylaxis. Call in to see us in the gymnasium or contact us on 5018 6028 / 0408 232 143 for more information.

Vacation Care for the July school holidays is now booked out, if you would like to be placed on the waiting list, please contact the OSHC office.

There will be a student free day on Tuesday 2nd August. We will be holding a program in the school gymnasium between 8am to 6pm. The full fee is \$45 per child, if you receive Child Care Assistance from Centrelink, you can use this to reduce the fee. Please contact the OSHC office to make a booking.

Athletics Sports Day

This year our School Athletics Sports Day will be held on the 15th August. If any parents are interested in being involved in the organising committee or would like to help out on the day could they please indicate on the return slip below.

I would like to be involved in the organising committee for the athletic sports day this year.

Name.....

Contact Phone

Child's Name.....

Child's grade.....

I do not wish to be on the organising committee but would be willing to assist on the day of the athletics sports.

Name.....

Contact Phone.....

Child's Name.....

Child's grade



BRAINTEASER

This week's Brainteaser:

What is the highest mountain on earth?

Your answer:.....

Your Name:.....

Your Grade:.....

Cut out this box with your answer, name and grade and place it in the brainteaser box at the front office. Each week, one lucky entrant will win a prize! 😊
Last Week's Winner: Sophie Keller-Linnett
4W
Answer: Sleep