



Mildura South Primary School Newsletter

A Positive Education School

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TERM DATES

TERM 3 12th JULY - SEPTEMBER 17th (10 weeks)

AUGUST

Monday 16th Prep Open Day 10am to 2pm (if permitted by COVID19 Guidelines)

Thursday 19th Athletics Day (Schedule to be advised)

Friday 20th Athletics Day (Schedule to be advised)

Monday 23rd Prep Play Afternoon (if permitted by COVID19 Guidelines)

Wednesday 25th Whole School Photo

Friday 27th Book Week Parade and Activities

Mon 30th to
Fri 3rd Sept Grade 1 and 2 Swimming

SEPTEMBER

Friday 3rd Grade 2 Sleepover

Monday 6th Prep Play Afternoon (if permitted by COVID19 Guidelines)

Wednesday 8th to
Friday 10th Grade 5 Camp to Ballarat

Monday 13th Teddy Bears Picnic

Tuesday 14th to
Wednesday 15th Grade 3 Camp to Swan Hill

Friday 17th Last day of Term 3

"Mildura South Primary School acknowledges the traditional owners of the land as we choose to bring our best selves to school and love the work that we do"

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

CHILD SAFETY

**Please use the pedestrian crossing when crossing Deakin Avenue
When dropping students off or picking students up in Albert Street
please observe ONE WAY (from Deakin Avenue to the Wetlands)
When driving in Albert Street before and after school please travel
at 20km/per hour**

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US IN KEEPING OUR STUDENTS SAFE

We welcome back our students to school tomorrow Tuesday August 10

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SCHOOL AND HOME

Please continue to check Compass for any updated information. The school phone number is (03) 5023 2148

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations on a successful week of Student Conferences. The respectful, honest, open, kind and specific conversations allowed all of us to connect so that our students feel our support in times when life is great and in times when life can be challenging.

At Mildura South Primary we all 'aim high' and 'fly together'. We have got this Remote and Flexible Learning.

Let's keep building on our strengths, knowing how grateful we all are that we are absolutely 'in this together'.

MINIMUM COMMUNITY CONGESTION AND CROSS-OVER OF AGE GROUPS

The Department of Education have asked that we keep cross over of student age groups and community congestion at a minimum.

In order to do this, the following has been put in place as of Thursday July 29,2021

- Parents asked to remain off site
- Students asked to use their House Gate to enter and exit the school grounds.

House gates as follows:

Murray Gate – Albert Street

Darling Gate – Crossing Gate

Mungo and Kulkyne Gate – Front Gate

- There is no play in the yard before school
- Students to go straight to their classroom when they arrive at school
- Students are being dropped at school after 8.45am
- At 3.15pm Grades Prep, One and Two Teachers escort students to their House Gate where Parents pick them up. Students who are in Grades 3 - 6 who have younger siblings leave the school at 3.20pm using their House Gate. Any students who are booked into After School Care go there at 3.30pm.
- The remainder of our students leave the school through their House Gate at 3.30pm

Thank you for your support and co-operation in keeping our school community safe.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

At this stage all School Assemblies will take place on Wednesday afternoons at 3pm via WebEx Events. The link will continue to be on Compass.

HOME BELONGINGS

Could I please ask that toys and belongings that are at home remain at home and do not come to school.

SCHOOL EVENTS

There are a number of school events approaching which we will be planning to take place on the specified dates and at this stage Parents and Community members will not be permitted onsite.

If at any point in time we are notified that Parents are permitted onsite, we will advertise this immediately and welcome all visitors.

ATHLETICS SPORTS DAY

This will be taking place over two days - Thursday August 19 and Friday August 20. Events will be scheduled over these two days and this schedule will be advertised in the Newsletter, on Compass and Facebook.

BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Students and Staff will be celebrating Book Week in their teams on Friday August 27.

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Students and Staff will be celebrating NAIDOC in their teams on Thursday September 16- The NAIDOC 2021 theme – Heal Country!

SHARING YOUR INTERESTS WITH YOUR CHILDREN

by Michael Grose

The family was a little shocked when dad Chris, bought his six and four-year-old daughters a motorbike. “You got them a what?” was the standard reply.

It turns out that getting his daughters a motorbike was a stroke of pure fathering genius, although Chris didn’t know it at the time.

Chris bought the motorbike for his daughters because he had fond memories of riding on his family’s farm when he was young. He wanted his children to enjoy the same experience.

Close family members questioned Chris about introducing a motorbike to children at such a young age, but he let it pass. He even received a comment or two about the suitability of such a pursuit for girls. “You and your brothers loved motorbikes, but that doesn’t mean that your daughters will,” was the attitude of some people.

Undeterred, Chris spent many weekends riding in a nearby property teaching his girls the finer points of motorbike riding. He began by riding with each daughter using trainer wheels, slowly progressing to two wheeled riding as they grew more confident.

The parenting genius in three parts

Helping them to face their fears

Firstly, after acknowledging his daughters’ fears, Chris encouraged them to face them, but in their own time. The girls set the developmental pace, so they felt they had full control over their experiences. He showed himself to be astute listener ready to work with his daughters. This is respectful relationships in action.

Lessons of self-worth

Secondly, through the experience Chris showed his daughters that what they do with their bodies is far more important than how they look. His daughters are young, and their attitudes may change when they become tweens or teens, but the lessons of self-worth they absorb during this stage of childhood are lasting. The fact that these messages come while sharing activities organised by their father adds to their potency.

Communicating and forming strong bonds

Thirdly, he's using activity to communicate with and form strong bonds with his girls. Fathers generally express themselves best with their children when they are fully absorbed in an activity. Parenting author Steve Biddulph says 'activity is the language of fathering'. Men are usually at their parenting best when they're involved in games, having fun or being active with their children. It is through activity that many dads teach children lessons such as fairness, playing by the rules, trying their best and, of course, sharing stories from their own childhood.

Another side to this parenting genius is that Chris shared something of himself with his daughters when he bought that motorbike. Each time he rides with them he is sharing a part of who he is with his daughters – not the work persona, the parent persona or the friend persona – but something that is close to the essence of who is, which was forged during the joyous times of childhood.

Marie-Therese Milani

Principal

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Before & After School Care

We have places available every day for these two programs. Please contact the OSHC office for more information or make a booking.

Vacation Care

The next holiday program will be from Monday 20th September until Friday 1st October. There is a scheduled public holiday on Friday 24th September, we will not be operating on that day.

Families from Mildura South Primary will have their program plan and booking form emailed to them on Monday 23rd August, with remaining families in the district who are on our mailing list emailed on Monday 30th August. Bookings can start being taken from those dates. If you haven't received the forms by these dates, please let me know as soon as possible, or if you would like to be on our mailing list. If you know of any families requiring holiday care, please feel free to forward our details on to them.

Please return your booking form as soon as you receive the email to avoid missing out. Payment of vacation care fees are due by Friday 17th September, bookings will be forfeited if payment is not received by that date unless other arrangements have been made with me prior to the due date.



CELEBRATION OF STRENGTHS

PH Levi Hall

PK Edie Yorston

PP Mason Gane

PR Muhammad Mahmud

1B Selim Oktay

1P Faith Meafou

1T Deniz Mehmet-Ali

2H Eric Gregory

2R Harry Creamer

2S Tyler Worrell

3/4B Tyler Stewart

3/4M Ethan Iogha

3/4S Raymond Rodgers

3/4W Dante Montebello

5/6B Cayla Chaplin

5/6J Amelia Elliott

5/6K Tom Ough

5/6L Leo Storer

5/6O Emily Tumes

Art
Harry Creamer 2R

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Avery White 3/4B

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1B

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Hot Shots & Tennis 4 Teens @ Red Cliffs Tennis Club Term 3, 2021

Hot Shots Tuesday 4-5pm Wednesday 4-5pm & Friday 4-5pm
All sessions @\$10 - Racquets available-Plus free Hot Shots T-Shirt

Hot Shots MATCH PLAY each Friday 5-5.45pm @\$3 per player

Tennis 4 Teens Tuesday 5-6pm Wednesday 5-6pm - Racquets available \$10 per session

To enrol or for more information ph: Lisa Hill 0400726824

email: lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com Community Play Coordinator

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 3 (12th JULY to 17th SEPTEMBER)

AUGUST

- Mon 16th Prep Open Day (10am to 2pm) –
if permitted by COVID 19
Guidelines
- Fri 13th Interschool Sport (Round 3)
- Fri 20th MSPS Athletics Day
- Mon 23rd Prep Play Afternoon (if
permitted by COVID19
Guidelines
- Mon 30th
to 3rd Sept Grade 1 & 2 Swimming

SEPTEMBER

- 2nd Sept Mini Olympics
- 8th – 10th Grade 5 Camp to Ballarat
- Mon 13th AFL 9's (Grade 3 and 4)
- Fri 10th Grade 2 Sleepover
- 14th – 15th Grade 3 Camp to Swan Hill
- Fri 17th Last of Term 3 (2.30pm Finish)

TERM 4 (4th OCTOBER to 17th DECEMBER)

OCTOBER

- 13th Oct Division Volleyball & Tennis
- 14th Oct Division Basketball & Softball
- 19th – 22nd Grade 6 Outdoor Camp
- Wed 20th Grade 1 Fun Night

NOVEMBER

- Tues 2nd Melbourne Cup Day Public
Holiday
- Fri 5th Grandparents Day
- Wed 17th School Concert
- Fri 19th Colour Fun Run
- 24th – 26th Grade 4 Camp to Lake
Cullulleraine
- Thurs 25th Prep Orientation

DECEMBER

- Tues 7th Grade 6 and Prep Orientation
- Fri 17th Last day of Term 4 (2.30pm
Finish)

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