



Southie Scoop

POSITIVE EDUCATION SCHOOL

Friday 28th March, 2024

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

Dates for your diary

Term 1

30th January – 28th March, 2024

Term 2

15 April – 28 June, 2024

April

- 14th Last day to order family photos (before 4:30pm)
- 15th First Day of Term 2 School Photo Day
- 24th School ANZAC Day Service
- 25th ANZAC Day Holiday –No School



Mildura South PS



(03) 5023 2148



msps.vic.edu.au



593 Deakin Ave, Mildura



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School Photos - CHANGE OF DATE

We are changing the school photo day to Monday April 15.

This is the first day of Term 2.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

ONLINE BOOKING



Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year.

Choose your own **FREE** background



The benefits of being online...

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 18 different backgrounds to choose from - no additional cost

www.leadingimage.com.au

Mildura South Primary School

Access Key

Q6C3XN79



INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Enter your Access Key



Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

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End of Term 1

What a successful, positive and busy term we have had. Thank you to our students, families and staff for the way we have all worked together to ensure that our students continue to flourish.

As a way of celebrating, the students are invited to come to school in casual clothes, or their favourite sporting team colours or any other choice of clothing that represents their best self.

Please be advised that Thursday 28th March school finishes early. Prep to Grade 2 finish time is 2:15pm and Grade 3 to 6 finish time is 2:30pm.

Have a wonderful break and we will look forward to doing it all again next term.

Harmony Day

Mildura South Primary School will be celebrating a Harmony Day perspective throughout Term 2.

This means students will have the opportunity to dress in their cultural colours on

Friday the 19th April, this will launch our Term 2 focus of:

"Alone we are each unique, but together we are a masterpiece."

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School Review Parent and Carer Forum

On **Wednesday April 17 at 9am in the Staff room**, Parents are invited to meet with our School Reviewer Mr David Allibon. This is an important part of the School Review Process, where David will have the opportunity to ask our Families and Carers questions and seek to understand your perspective as member of the Mildura South Primary School Community.

I will be very grateful to anyone who makes the time to be present at this Forum. Your voice, thoughts and insights are an important part of our capacity to continue in providing the best learning environment and Education for our students.

Mildura South Primary School Boys Cricket

Congratulations to the Mildura South Primary School boys cricket team that represented the school at the Division Cricket Finals on Thursday March 21. The team placed 2nd on the day with 1 win and a loss.

Thank you to Andrew Myers, Kelly Scherger and Tim Plumridge who helped transport the team to their games this year.

Staffing

At the end of this Term, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Melanie Paterson, who is taking up a position at Werrimull P-12 at the beginning of of Term 2. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Melanie for her outstanding commitment and



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professionalism to our students at Mildura South Primary School. We all miss Melanie as we wish her every success at Werrimull P-12.

There will be two new staff members in the Grade 1 area. Miss Amber Thompson will be teaching in 1H on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs. Brittney Barbara will be teaching in 1T.

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School Hours

Classroom doors open at **8.45am** for all year levels.



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Dismissal times:

Foundation - Grade 2 (along with siblings in Grades 3-6) **3.15pm**

Grades 3-6 **3.30pm**

Please continue to use the House Colour gates for entry and exit of school grounds:

Front Gate: **Mungo (Red) and Kulkyne (Yellow)**

Gate near the School Crossing: **Darling (Green)**

Albert Street Gate: **Murray (Blue)**

If your child arrives after 9am, please go straight to the front office to sign in and ensure your child receives a late pass to take to their teacher.

Thank you

School Uniform

Thank you so much for the fantastic effort you have made ensuring that your children are in the appropriate school uniform. The uniforms assist in developing a sense of identity and pride in our school.

There are a number of students wearing very short skorts and sport shorts that are not an appropriate length for school. Please ensure that the school shorts and skorts that your child is wearing is appropriate for school. I am happy to support families with this by allowing green or black school shorts to be worn.

Thank you for your support in this matter.



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Black School Shoes

Big W has kindly donated a range of black school shoes to our MSPS students. These shoes will be available to all families who come in, try them on and then take them home for free.

The shoes can be found in the lost property area outside of the PERMA room. Sizes range from little children's size 10 up to older students' size 2.

Time to access the shoes: 8.45-9.00am and 3.15-3.30pm. Please help yourself as no staff will be present.

Appointments to see the Teachers

Teachers welcome open communication with all of our families. Positive Contacts will continue this year where you can expect to be contacted by your children's classroom teachers, celebrating successes.

We know that there are times when families need to speak to Teachers so that questions can be clarified, and concerns resolved. Before school is a busy time when Teachers are connecting with students and ensuring that everything is in place to begin the day calmly and successfully. In order for Teachers to give Parents the necessary time we ask that families make appointments with their Classroom Teacher.



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Singing for fun, health and development!!

Fiona Beyer is, again, offering singing lessons at the school this year, during school hours. Lessons are weekly, half hour sessions in the music room on a Tuesday morning.

Singing is a super fun and feel-good activity – it develops confidence - improves mood – builds friendships - soothes the nervous system - strengthens and clears airways - assists learning and brain function – and improves speech and memory - along with many other benefits.

Any interested family is encouraged to contact Fiona for more information -

Ph: 0407 876 874

Email: fionatassone@hotmail.com

Tennis Mad

If your child is interested in tennis, Bill from Tennis Mad runs sessions at school each Thursday morning at 8.00am. If you would like your child to participate, registration can be done online.

Parent Contributions

Mildura South Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Mildura South's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.



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Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

Within our school previous support has allowed us to update our texts and readers to reflect current interests and passions, supply materials and resources to develop our mathematical knowledge and problem-solving skills, purchase materials to support the creativity and exploration in our Arts and Science programs and ensure that all our students have access to equipment to develop into active healthy children.

We invite you to support our school by making a Curriculum Contribution so that we can continue to provide opportunities for all our students.

Please contact the office if you would like to make a contribution or need further information.

School Lunches

The school is supported by Cowards Cake to supply lunches for students on Fridays. Orders are required to be submitted on the Flexischools App by 2pm the Thursday before the lunch order on Friday.



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Brain Food

We would like to encourage the students to bring brain food to school to graze on throughout the day. We ask that this be healthy options as junk food does not assist with nutrition or concentration. Please clarify with your children's classroom teachers if you are not sure what to provide.

School Assembly

Our School Assembly takes place each **Monday at 2.40pm** in the School Gym. The Grade 6 students will continue to lead the School Assembly each week. A link for our School Assembly will be posted on Compass each week for you to access if you are unable to attend.

Digital Newsletter

The School Newsletter will continue to be distributed digitally on the school Compass, the School Website and Facebook sites. If you wish to receive a hard copy of the School Newsletter, please let your classroom teacher know.

Advertising on the School Newsletter

The school newsletter going digital has opened up the opportunity for more families with a business to advertise. If you have a business and would like to investigate the option of advertising on the school newsletter, please ring our Business Manager Chris Callipari who will be happy to outline the details and clarify any questions you may have.

Marie-Therese Milani
Principal



Strength

Professor Lea Waters

Humour

Like to laugh

Bringing smiles to others

See the lighter side

Making jokes

How might students connect with this strength:

I love to laugh

I love making other people smile and laugh

I tell jokes and do funny, goofy things to make people feel happy

Family Activity

Positive Planning

Professor Lea Waters

Purpose

Map out the details of an enjoyable thing you can do together as a family



How does this help your wellbeing?

Planning for a positive event help you to look forward to the future. Psychologists call this 'anticipatory savouring' and it has been shown to make you feel happier in the present moment.

Activity for all family members

1. Think about a positive event or experience that you can plan as a family.
2. Talk about what you will see, hear and feel when you experience this event as a family.
3. Name some of the emotions you can expect to experience and why.

(joy, awe, love, happiness, curiosity, gratitude, connected, adventure, peace)



8 tips for the School Holidays!

Erin Kefalas

1. PLAN AHEAD – this is probably stating the obvious and is always easier said than done, but a couple of weeks can get filled up fast! So, book in those play dates, babysitting arrangements and community activities. An ‘extra special day’ planned for the end of the school holidays can work well too. But don’t forget to schedule in some lazy all-day-in-the-PJ’s days and know that as it goes with children – it won’t always go to plan – and that’s ok!

2. TAG TEAM IT – Gather your village – school friends, extended family or perhaps neighbours. If you have to work, or just need some time out for self-care, do you have a trusted person who can look after your children for a day? You can then babysit for them or perhaps cook them a favourite meal or two.

3. COMMUNITY CONNECTION – Most communities have an abundance of offerings in the school holidays. The local library is always a great place to start and is usually free. Sports clinics, art workshops, school holiday programs, YMCA, Aquatic centre, and the Museum are also great fun! If your child is nervous about not knowing anyone or trying something new, see if they have a friend that might want to attend with them. A good tip is to try and space out spending – i.e. try not to have all the expensive things first up.

4. SET INTENTIONS AND EXPECTATIONS – Talk to your children about how it might be in the holidays and what you might expect from them. This could be especially important if you need to continue to work. For example, you can watch a movie of your choice at 2pm. Or you can use technology from 3-4pm.



5. SCHEDULE IN YOUR OWN SELF-CARE – Although it's beneficial to practice mindfulness and being in the moment as much as you can during the holidays with your children, it is really important to make sure that your tank is full – to help you be the best parent you can be. Make sure you have time out for a gym session, see a movie with a friend, read a magazine at a café or even just have a long bath with a glass of wine and a good book!

6. LOWER SOME EXPECTATIONS – School holidays can be a tricky time and although you might be busy with activities, it can be helpful to relax on the routine a little! The children might always be hungry (tip – a fruit and vegetable platter topped up in the fridge can help) and it might feel like the house is always a mess. It's ok to be like Elsa and 'LET IT GO!' Let them get creative and turn the lounge room in to a cubby house! Less stress is better for everyone.

7. BORED CAN BE GOOD – Experts suggest that it's not ideal for children to be constantly entertained. Sure, some monitored screen time and structured activities are great, but so is being bored occasionally – it incites imagination! We love these 150 tips from the Dorky Mum's blog for ideas <https://ruthdawkins.net/2017/12/14/boredom-box-ideas-for-work-at-home-parents/>

8. CREATE YOUR CHILDREN'S OWN 'WORK STATION' – If you have to work from home during the holidays, set up your own work station in a nice and light area, maybe the kitchen, and make one up for your children too! You could give them their



own assignment 'just like Mum' or set it up with craft items such as paper, textas and paint. It can work best if you work in shorter bouts. For example, work for 40 minutes and break and play and then start again. Other places to get some work done (albeit noisy) is to take your laptop to an Indoor Play Centre where you can still supervise your children.

and remember....

"BE GENTLE WITH YOURSELF, YOU'RE DOING THE BEST YOU CAN"



Parent

CLUB

Mildura South Primary School Parents Club meets each Friday 2-3pm (as able) at the onsite Parent Hub. We are currently looking for new or existing parents to join the team this year.

The Parent Club is a group of interested parents that make up a communication link between the school, the school council and the school community – to establish strong partnerships between the groups, and create an encouraging, educational and fun school environment for young learners.

If any new/existing parents would be interested in joining the parents club this year, could you contact the school front office.



Celebration of Strengths



Creativity



Curiosity



Judgment



Zest



Honesty



Social Intelligence



Fairness



Teamwork



Forgiveness



Self-Regulation



Humility



Appreciation of Beauty



Perspective



Bravery



Perseverance



Kindness



Love



Leadership



Love of Learning



Gratitude



Spirituality



Prudence



Hope



Humor

Foundation
Foundation Purple
Zyah R.

Grade 2
2B
Jim H.

Foundation Blue
Winter R.

2C
Aveie G.

Foundation Orange
Iman M.

2P
Samuel E.

Grade 1
1B
Leah R.

Grade 3/4
3/4H
Skylah G.

1H
Xaviah D.

3/4I
Mia Y.

1S
Natania A.

3/4M
Jaxon W.

1T
Zulfiqar H.

3/4R
Eva S.

3/4T
Adrienne S-B.

3/4W
Sophie K.



Celebration of Strengths



Creativity



Curiosity



Judgment

Grade 5/6
5/6C
Ethan C.

PE
Ruby Y.
2P



Zest



Honesty



Social Intelligence

5/6H
Hamish S.

ITALIAN
Noah D.
1T



Fairness



Teamwork



Forgiveness

5/6J
Charlee B.

DIGITAL
TECHNOLOGIES
Sebastian G.
1H



Self-Regulation



Humility



Appreciation of Beauty

5/6K
Charlie T.



Perspective



Bravery



Perseverance

Specialists
ART
Ryan N.
3/4M

OUTDOOR
EDUCATION
River H-F.
1B



Kindness



Love



Leadership

BAND
Oliver H.
5/6C

STEM
Zayden C.
3/4I



Love of Learning



Gratitude



Spirituality



Prudence



Hope



Humor

PERFORMING
ARTS
Rhylen J.
3/4W



Celebration Of Strengths Art Awards



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Perspective



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Love



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Love of Learning



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Prudence



Hope



Humor

Grade 1

1S Clara D. and Natania A.

1B Winter F. and Leo M.

1H Aurora A-K. and Amelia G.

1T Emmison E. and Hassan M.

Child Safety Standards



School Crossing

Last year we had the ongoing concern of adults and children not using the School Crossings when crossing Deakin Avenue and the service road (often while holding a toddler or pushing a pram and holding the hand of a student at the same time).

The mandated Child Safety Standards require that all members of our school community use the School Crossings on both roads to ensure that all of our students arrive safely to school and leave safely from school.

You may think that because you are with your child crossing Deakin Avenue and/or the service road outside of the School Crossing that you can ensure their safety - this is not the case. If a Parent chooses to cross Deakin Avenue and the service road without using the School Crossings, they are teaching their children unsafe behaviours and modelling this unsafe behaviour for other students who may follow.

I would like to thank each of you who do use the School Crossings correctly as you help me not only keep your children safe but all the children who attend Mildura South Primary.

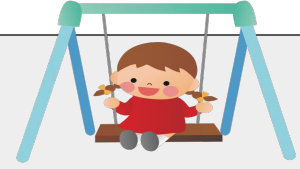
If I observe any adult not using the School Crossings, I am obliged to speak to that person and support that person in adhering to our Child Safety Standards and use the School Crossings.

Staff Car Park



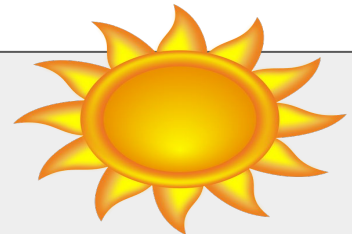
Please do not use the gates and walk through the Staff Carpark. Cars are coming and going all the time and it is not safe.

Child Safety Standards



Playing on the Playground after School

No children are to play on any of the Play Equipment after school. I am grateful to the Parents who assist staff after school by asking their children to leave the Play Equipment, particularly the Grade 1/Foundation Play Equipment at the front of the school.



Hot Weather

When the temperature is 36 degrees or higher, we will be having a 'hot day timetable'. Having lunch earlier in the day sometimes allows the students to have an opportunity to get some fresh air before the heat.



Hats

Mildura South Primary is a SunSmart School, and it is important that all students wear a hat when playing outside in Terms 1 and 4.

Thank you to the Parents who have made sure their child has a hat and it is named clearly.

Children without a hat remain in the shade during outside play time.



We would like to take this opportunity to say a big Thank you to Jo Chisari of Barry Plant Real Estate' for his generous donation of: Trophy and \$50.00 Book Voucher to our Aussie of the Month recipients.



Rivaside Hockey Club

Ever wanted to give hockey a try?

Rivaside Hockey Club are looking for players in junior and senior grades. Come down to a training session for a run and see if hockey is the sport for you!

**Our training sessions are Mondays
Aero Ovals– Gate C**

Under 11's - 5.15 pm to 6.15 pm

Under 13's - 5.15 pm to 6.15 pm

Under 16's - 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm

Seniors - 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm

Season kicks off April 19, 2024



Please don't hesitate to email, text or call.



0435 054 012 Kerry Wood (President)



rivasidehockeymildura@gmail.com



www.facebook.com/RivasideHockeyClub



Registration Open

TERM 2 2024 | 8 Weeks
Tuesdays, 4:15pm – 5:00pm
30 April – 18 June 2024



**Designed for
beginner ballers
ages 5 – 9**

For further information
and to REGISTER:
[mildurabasketballassociation.com.au/
aussiehoops](http://mildurabasketballassociation.com.au/aussiehoops)



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GO GIRLS!

BASKETBALL CAMP



APRIL

The Mildura Basketball Go Girls! camp is have been designed to empower and encourage girls to participate and develop in basketball.

Girl-only camps SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES & ABILITIES, that will focus on teaching the fundamental skills needed to play basketball in a fun and inclusive environment with import Kayonna Lee and the Lady Heat.

Thursday 11th April
10:00am - 12:00pm
Mildura Hothouse
\$40 per participant

For further information and to TO BOOK go to:
mildurabasketballassociation.com.au/camps



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A fun fitness program on skates

TERM 2 STARTS APRIL 14

- ✓ fun times with fun people
- ✓ skates and safety equipment provided
- ✓ learn all the skating skills
- ✓ age 8 to 88+

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TERM 1 2024 Coaching – Community Play

Red Cliffs Lawn Tennis Club

Monday

3.30-4pm 4 & 5 yrs Hot Shots @ \$7

4-4.45pm Hot Shots 6-12yrs

4.45-5.30pm Tennis 4 Teens 12-17yrs

Tuesday

3.30-4.15pm Hot Shots 5-12yrs

4.15-5pm Tweens Hot Shots 10-12yrs

5-5.45pm Tennis 4 Teens 12-17yrs

Saturday

9-9.45am Hot Shots 5-12yrs

Match Play 9.45-10.15 @\$3

Cost: \$10 Per Lesson-Receive free Hot Shots T-Shirt

**To enrol or for more information please contact
Lisa Hill Community Play Coach Mob 0400 726 824**

Email lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com

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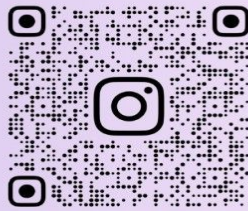
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