



# Southie Scoop

POSITIVE EDUCATION SCHOOL

Friday 26th April, 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 2

15 April, 2024 - 28 June, 2024

### April

29th - Gr 5 Outdoor Education  
30th Camp - Group 1

29th -  
3rd May Swimming - 3/4M, 34R & 3/4W

### May

1st -2nd Gr 5 Outdoor Education  
Camp - Group 2

2nd **3/4H, 3/4I & 3/4T**  
**Swimming Notes due back**

6th- 3/4H, 3/4I & 3/4T  
10th Swimming

8th **Grade 2 Swimming Notes due back**

13th- 17th Grade 2 Swimming  
15th **Grade 1 Swimming notes due back**

20th - 24th Grade 1 Swimming



Mildura South PS



(03) 5023 2148



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593 Deakin Ave, Mildura



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## Aussie of the Month

The Aussie of the Month for April is Isabella Berry of 2P.

For this month's Aussie of the Month, the students and teachers were asked to think of and vote for a person who they think shows the value of Courage.

Isabella shows courage every day, she uses courage when she is learning – Isabella always tries new things and puts her best effort into her learning, even if it's tricky at first. Isabella's classroom teachers and specialist teachers have all noticed that sometimes she may feel a little shy or scared to do a new activity but she never says she won't do it. She finds her courage and gives it a go – whether it's dancing in front of the class in Performing Arts or playing a new game in Sport.

Isabella also uses courage to get help – she gets help for herself but also notices when other people need help. She helps other people everywhere she goes, in her classroom, in her specialist classes and even when Isabella is playing outside! When she gets help she is making sure that everyone is safe and is having fun.

Isabella not only shows the value of Courage but she also shows our other TRICK values every day. Isabella shows kindness to everyone around her. She invites people to play with her, she uses kind words and she looks for ways to help other people. Isabella has so much integrity! She always does the right thing and she even helps other people remember to do the right thing as well. Isabella listens carefully to the instructions her teachers give her and she starts her activities straight away without wasting time. She is respectful. She always looks after classroom equipment, plays carefully with the toys and



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helps to keep our classroom and the school clean and tidy. Isabella is respectful to people, she respectfully listens to her teachers and other students, she puts her hand up to ask questions and always uses her manners!

Congratulations Isabella!. Thankyou for always bringing your best self to school, loving the work that you do and showing our TRICK values everyday.

## **ANZAC Day Service**

On Wednesday April 24 our Memorial Service was held with our school community. The Student Leadership Team and all of our grade 5/6 students made us feel very proud in the way that they conducted themselves at this commemoration.

In attendance were veterans, ex-servicemen, the RSL and other members of our Mildura South Community.

Thank you to Mr Luke Jackson for his organisation of this event and for his guidance for this ceremony.

## **Grade Five Camp**

Next week our Grade Five students head off to the Mallee Bush Retreat in Hopetoun for two days of camping, fishing, kayaking, cycling and generally having a wonderful time. Staff attending the camp are Mr Dean Pettit, Mr Luke Jackson, Mrs Linda Barker, Miss Abby Squire, Miss Mak Theil and Miss Cassandra Chapple.





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## Swimming

Our swimming program for our Foundation, One, Two, Three and Four students will be held this term at the 'First Stroke Swim School'.

Please see below for dates.

Swimming for Grade Three and Four students will begin on April 29<sup>th</sup> (Week Three – 3/4W, 3/4R and 3/4M) (Week Four – 3/4H, 3/4T and 3/4I)

Swimming for Grade Two students will begin on 13<sup>th</sup> May. (Week 5)

Swimming for Grade One students will begin on 20<sup>th</sup> May. (Week 6)

Swimming for Foundations students will begin on 11<sup>th</sup> June (Week

## School Hours

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

### 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:

**Teamwork** ● **Respect** ● **Integrity** ● **Courage** ● **Kindness**

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



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

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

Albert Street: **Murray (Blue)**

## 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.

## 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.



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## 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.

## 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.

## 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.



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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](mailto:fionatassone@hotmail.com)**

## **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.

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.



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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 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





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## **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**



MSPS Parents' Club are looking for  
volunteers to help run the Mothers' Day Stall on  
Friday 10th May.

If you can spare some time between 9.00am and  
3.00pm our Parents' Club would be very  
grateful.

If you can help please leave your name and  
phone number at the School Office.





## **Helping Children Feel Good by Doing Good**

**Dr. Justin Coulson**

We all want our children to feel good. Ice cream, days at the beach and play dates may bring children joy, but once they're finished the good feeling often disappears.

### **Good deeds**

*Doing good*, is the key to living a more meaningful and happier existence. The ancient Greek philosophers Plato and Aristotle knew it was true, and modern research bears out the fact altruistic behaviours are associated with better wellbeing, health and longevity. In short, we feel good when we do good.

### **Kind Kids**

Every parent wants happy children. The easiest way to help children attain happiness is to encourage them to be kind.

Many studies show that our children want to be kind. They know it makes them happy! Research shows that children from as young as fourteen months want to help others achieve individual goals and cooperate with others to achieve shared goals. This desire to help is something they're born with.

A recent landmark study showed even very young children find helpful and kind acts to be intrinsically rewarding. Two year olds showed greater happiness when they gave treats to others, compared to when they received treats themselves.

## **Teaching Our Children to Do Good**

If children want to help because it helps them feel great, it's our job to help fulfil this natural inclination by guiding them to age-appropriate opportunities to do so.



Here are 5 ways to do just that:

1. **Role model helpfulness and kindness.** Children and teenagers learn to be helpful and kind by copying the significant adults in their lives.
2. **Encourage them to perform small acts of kindness.** Being kind, giving a compliment, helping to tidy up- these small acts are just as powerful and effective as larger tasks such as mowing the lawn for a neighbour.
3. **Make helping a family project.** Get your children involved when you take a meal to a family who have just had a new baby, or visit a sick friend in the hospital.
4. **Be a good neighbour.** Help your children learn to keep an eye on others, whether it is a neighbour, or a boy on their sports team. Teaching your children to notice what's going on in the lives of people in their community promotes awareness and empathy.
5. **Be grateful.** Expressing gratitude is one of the best ways to do good. In fact, nothing can improve your life (and the life of others) like gratitude.

Doing good deeds is what makes us human. It lifts burdens from others, and lifts us by activating the joyful part of our brains. Teaching your children to do good is the best way to help them have lasting 'feel good' feelings. Of course, they should eat cake too. Even better, share it with a friend for a lasting feel-good effect.



# 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



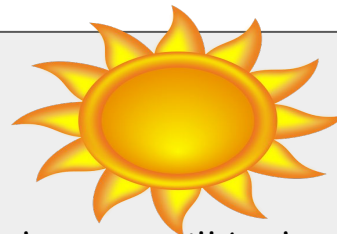
Please do not use the gates and walk through the Staff Carpark. Cars are coming and going all the time and it is not safe.

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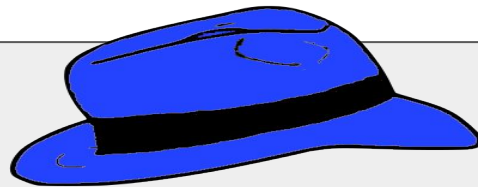
## Playing on the Playground after School

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

Students will not be required to wear hats in the school yard during Term 2 and Term 3.

## Bus Route and Fares – CDC Mildura Bus Information



For all bus route options please go to the website

<https://cdcvictoria.com.au/services/school-services/> for all school bus routes and maps.

Mildura for school routes for Victorian residents and Wentworth for school routes for NSW residents.

Mildura Bus have had a fare price rise with their 2024 bus fares as per below.

Ticket concession price

2hrs \$1.40

Daily \$2.80

Weekly \$13.10

You can purchase tickets upon boarding the bus. Please note that Mildura Buses are cash only and it is preferred to have change close to the ticket price.

Alternatively, Mildura Bus offer prepaid term passes that can be purchased from the Mildura Bus office in Bathurst Court. You will need to bring a small headshot of the child to go with the pass. If you email the photo, name of your children and the school they attend Mildura Bus can print the photo, create the pass and let you know when the pass is ready to collect save having to wait. These passes are based on the student concession prices; Prepaid options are no cheaper than purchasing tickets on the bus however, they are a more convenient options for parents.

**Term 1 (30/01/2024-28/01/2024): \$110.40**

**Term 2 (15/04/2024-28/06/2024): \$139.40**

**Term 3 (15/07/2024-20/09/2024): \$131.00**

**Term 4 (07/10/2024-20/12/2024): \$142.20**

**Yearly (All terms excl school holidays): \$523.00**

These passes can be used 7 days a week including weekends during the school term only, they cannot be used during the school holidays.

These passes can be used on any of the **CDC Mildura Victorian services**.

We accept payment by cash, cheque or eftpos.

If you choose this option and throughout the Term the child lose their pass, you will be required to come into our office and pay \$10.00 for a replacement card and another photo is required to make another pass.

If you require any assistance, please contact CDC Mildura on 5023 0274.



**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.**





# 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  
Anam R.

Grade 2  
2B  
Adelle N.

Foundation Blue  
Mia C.

2C  
Xavier D.

Foundation Orange  
Reign C.

2P  
Joshua A.

Grade 1  
1B  
Arlo P.

Grade 3/4  
3/4H  
Mariah K.

1H  
Brylee K.

3/4I  
Amity C.

1S  
Tabitha I.

3/4M  
Archie S.

1T  
Georgia B.

3/4R  
Muhammad M.

3/4T  
Sahar Z.

3/4W  
Ava V.



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Hope



Humor

Grade 5/6  
5/6C  
Blake F.

5/6H  
Levi T.

5/6J  
T'Sharni Z.

5/6K  
Dane M.

Specialists  
ART  
Rania M. 3.  
3/4W

BAND  
No Award this  
Week

PERFORMING  
ARTS  
No Award this  
week

PE  
Ali H.,  
5/6J

ITALIAN  
Samuel J.  
Foundation Orange

STEM  
Milla S.  
3/4M

DIGI TECH  
No Award this Week

OUTDOOR  
EDUCATION  
Winter R.  
Foundation Blue

HUMANITIES  
Boston R.  
3/4R

HUFF & PUFF  
No Award this Week



# Celebration Of Strengths Art Awards Foundation Grade 6



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Spirituality



Prudence



Hope



Humor

5/6J Fatma H.  
Amaya S.  
5/6K Olivia  
R-B.  
5/6C Kirah F.  
Macey R.  
5/6H Willow C.  
Jett C.



# OPEN EVENINGS 2024

Sunraysia Secondary Colleges will be holding 'Open Evenings' during April/May. Families are invited to visit our schools to discuss teaching and learning programs, extra-curricular activities and facilities.



Irymple Secondary College

Karadoc Avenue, Irymple  
Phone 5024 5407  
[irymplesc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:irymplesc@education.vic.gov.au)

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**  
6.00 – 8.00pm

Please gather in The Quad at 6.00pm



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PRIDE, RESPONSIBILITY

Chaffey Secondary College

261–289 Deakin Ave, Mildura  
Phone 5023 0538  
[chaffey.sc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:chaffey.sc@education.vic.gov.au)

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April**  
6pm – 8pm

Presentation 6pm - Gymnasium



Merbein P-10 Secondary College

Commercial Street, Merbein  
Phone 5025 2501  
[merbein.p10@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:merbein.p10@education.vic.gov.au)

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**  
5.30pm - 7.30pm

Presentation at 5.30pm - Gym



Red Cliffs Secondary College

Fitzroy Avenue, Red Cliffs  
Phone 5024 1522  
[red.cliffs.sc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:red.cliffs.sc@education.vic.gov.au)

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**  
5.30pm – 7.30pm

Please meet in the Student Hub

Authorised by the principals of the participating secondary colleges: Jo McQuinn (Irymple S.C.), Jeff Topp (Chaffey S.C.), Chris Gimenez (Merbein P-10 College) and Justin Matt (Red Cliffs S.C.)



**OPEN NIGHT**  
**TUESDAY 30 APRIL**  
**6:00 – 8:00PM**



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# 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](mailto:rivasidehockeymildura@gmail.com)



[www.facebook.com/RivasideHockeyClub](http://www.facebook.com/RivasideHockeyClub)



SUNRAYSIA DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION

# WINTER JUNIOR TENNIS

The Sunraysia District Tennis Association is looking for junior tennis players for this year's winter tennis competition.

**RUNNING ON SATURDAY MORNINGS (9AM - 11AM)  
FROM MAY TO SEPTEMBER**  
Beginners through to A Grade

**TENNIS IS A GREAT SPORT FOR KIDS!!**  
Safe, great exercise, social.  
Play tennis now and you will have a sport for life!

Contact one of the Club Delegates listed below for further information or to register your child

Carole - Sacred Heart: [sacredheartjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartjuniors@gmail.com)

Robyn - St Andrews: [robynherberte@gmail.com](mailto:robynherberte@gmail.com)

Brenda - Sarnia: [brendaghornsby@gmail.com](mailto:brendaghornsby@gmail.com)

Rob - Red Cliffs: [robbie@mannafarms.com.au](mailto:robbie@mannafarms.com.au)

Louise - Alcheringa: [louiseswenolofsson@gmail.com](mailto:louiseswenolofsson@gmail.com)

Cheryl - Wentworth: [cheryl.vines@bigpond.com](mailto:cheryl.vines@bigpond.com)



# HOT SHOTS Tennis 4-12yrs

**Where:** Sacred Heart-St Andrews Tennis Club

Aero Complex 11<sup>th</sup> Street Mildura

**When:** Saturday Mornings 9-9.45am

**Cost:** \$10 Per Lesson

**Match Play:** 9.45-10.15am @\$3

{an opportunity to play a couple of modified sets}

**Receive free Hot Shots T-Shirt**

Racquets available - Learn the fundamentals of tennis in a social fun environment

<https://hotshots.tennis.com.au/already-playing/>

To enrol or for more information

ph: Lisa Hill 0400 726824

email: [lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com)

Community Play Coordinator





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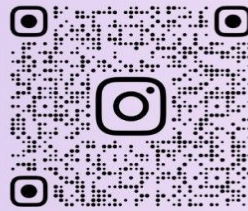
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IRYMPLE BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION



# MINI BALL



## REGISTRATION OPEN

REGISTER VIA PLAY HQ

[HTTPS://WWW.PLAYHQ.COM/BASKETBALL-VICTORIA/REGISTER/BF8EE1](https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/bf8ee1)

IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE REGISTERING PLEASE CONTACT ROWENA USING THE DETAILS BELOW.

FREE BASKETBALL PACK WITH EVERY REGISTRATION



Start Date: Saturday April 20th 2024

Season runs for Terms 2 & 3

Registration Fee \$65 (through PlayHQ)

Weekly Game Fee \$5

Open to students in Grade Prep - Grade 4

Children will be placed into teams once registered. Each Saturday they will participate in a 20 minute game and 20 minute skills session ran by Mildura Heat players (when available) and our IBA coaches. Uniforms and equipment are supplied, although we encourage children to bring along their own basketball.

Further information can be found on our website listed below.

### CONTACT ROWENA

[ibaminiball@gmail.com](mailto:ibaminiball@gmail.com) | 0418 317 264

<https://www.irymplebasketballassociation.com.au/iba-competitions/mini-ball>

