



# Matong Public School NEWSLETTER

## TERM 4 2018

### Week 6

**Tue. 20<sup>th</sup> November**  
Assembly – 2:30pm

**Thu. 22<sup>nd</sup> November**  
Captains Speeches – 12 noon

**Fri. 23<sup>rd</sup> November**  
PSSA Cricket Trials

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### Japanese Lunch

**Orders for Wednesday**  
**21<sup>st</sup> November must be**  
**handed in by Monday.**  
**Sorry – late orders will not**  
**be accepted**



Honouring the loss of those who gave their lives

**SAVE THE DATE -**  
**Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> March**  
**2019**  
**Ian Lucas Memorial**  
**Bike Ride**

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### Week 6

Tue. 20 <sup>th</sup> November	YAHS Transition Day
Wed. 21 <sup>st</sup> November	NHS Transition Day
Thu. 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	12 noon - Yr 5 "Captain" speeches
Fri. 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Costumes for End of Year Concert need to be at school by this date
Fri. 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	PSSA Cricket Trials

### Week 7

Mon. 26 <sup>th</sup> November	2:20pm Stage 1 Responsible Pet Ownership
Tue. 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Scholastic Book Club Orders due
Mon. 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Stage 3 leave for Borambola Excursion
Tue. 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Stage 3 Borambola Excursion
Wed. 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Stage 3 return from Borambola
Thu. 29 <sup>th</sup> November	P&C Meeting 7:30pm

### Week 8 Swimming every day at Ganmain, 11am -12noon

Wed. 5 <sup>th</sup> December	NHS Transition Day
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### Week 9 Swimming every day at Ganmain, 11am-12noon

Tue. 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	School Presentation Night – 7pm
Wed. 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	NHS Transition Day
Wed. 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Yr 6 Farewell, 6-8pm.
Thu. 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Coolamon CS Year 7 Transition day

### Week 10

Tue. 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	End of Year Pool Party - Narrandera
Wed. 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of term for students and staff

## Relieving Principal's News

We are half way through the term! With lots to do in the remaining weeks students and staff are very busy completing their teaching programs and getting ready for the annual concert and presentation night to be held at the Matong Hall on Tuesday, 11th December. After inspecting the hall we are hoping to make the venue as comfortable as possible for our families and community members.

I have several meetings with the school director, Troy Mott in the next few weeks. Some of the things we will be discussing will be the school plan and teaching programs. We will also be engaging in professional learning with other small schools such as Ganmain and Marrar as part of the Narrandera network.

A note will go home for Stage 3 this week in preparation for the Borambola excursion. I'm hoping that all families have completed their medical details

online. Without these details students are unable to attend the excursion.

*Kerri McPherson*

## Assembly Awards this week

### Class Merit Awards

**Elsie** for descriptive and engaging narrative writing.

**Harriet** for working hard to sound out new words.

**Josef** for excellent effort in Creative Writing.

**Charlie** for excellent effort in Creative Writing.



### Birthday Awards: Noah



### Principal's Award:

**Estelle, Charlie, Phoebe and William** for assisting others in times of need.





## End of Year Concert Costumes

Reminder - students need to have their costumes at school no later than **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 (end of Week 6)**.

## Scholastic Book Club

The final issue for the year has been sent home today with the newsletter. Please have all orders in by **Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November**.

## Schools Spectacular

Next week, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November I am going to **"School Spec"** in Sydney. I have 35 songs to sing just in one show, there are 4 shows. Two shows will be on Friday and the other two will be on Saturday. From Wednesday to Friday we will be rehearsing at the Netball/Basketball Stadium and at Qudos Bank Arena, Homebush. There is a choir of a few thousand singers and some of the Riverina Central Choir will be going. Therefore, we will be about 15 of many singers from right across the state. This is the second time I get to be a part of the choir at Schools Spectacular.



**By Tegan Hatty, Year 6**

## Community News

### Coolamon Library

**Our next Story time** will be 23rd November at 10.30am – theme "five fingers". Books, songs and a craft to take to home – all families are welcome.

**Christmas Card Making:** The Library is holding a Christmas Card making workshop on Tuesday, 27th November at 10.30am. Cost is \$10.00 per person with morning tea provided. Come along a make your very own Christmas cards.

**Lego Club:** Lego Club has started again – it's here at the Library on Wednesday afternoons 4.00pm-5.00pm and then Saturday mornings from 10.30am-11.30am. Come along and join in the fun!

**Food for Fines:** The Library will again be holding the "Food for Fines" campaign from the end of November. Food for Fines offers library members an opportunity to clear their outstanding overdue fines by donating non-perishable food in lieu of money. All collected

food will be donated to local charities, who will distribute the food to local families.

## Ganmain Swimming Club

Registrations for season 2018/2019 are now open.

Our swim season will start with **Squad training** on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November**, with **Development squad** starting **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November**.

Fees have been reduced this year and there is an Early Bird registration prize – everyone who registers before 19<sup>th</sup> November will go in the draw to win a \$50 voucher at the pool kiosk!



**Fees for 2018/2019 Season are:**

Squad: \$100

Development squad 7 and under: \$30

Development squad 8 and over: \$50

Returning members will receive an email link to register.  
New members can follow the link posted on our Facebook page.

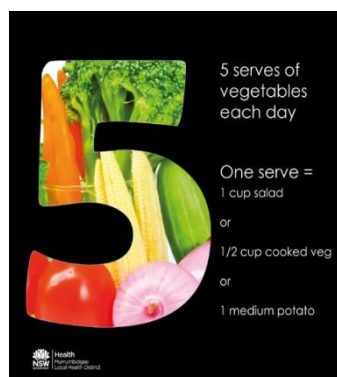
**New swimmers are welcome!**

**If you have any questions please get in touch!**

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## Got It! Program

### Getting On Track In Time

**Got It!** is a unique and exciting early intervention program rolling out in Years K – 2, in primary schools across NSW as a partnership between NSW Health and Education. The aim of the program is to support and develop children's social and emotional skills, behaviour and well-being. **Got It!** is made up of two programs run through the school, *Fun FRIENDS* and *Exploring Together*.

*Fun FRIENDS* is a social and emotional learning program that all K – 2 students will take part in. This will be delivered in the classroom by teachers that have received the *Fun FRIENDS* training, and is made up of a whole lot of fun activities like drawing, yoga, puppet play, story-telling and group games.

Some parents will have opportunity to participate in the more targeted *Exploring Together* program. This program is made up of 10 sessions over 10 weeks where children, parents, teachers and clinicians work together to address any developing emotional and behavioural problems. This part of the **Got It!** program will be implemented by the Murrumbidgee Local Health District **Got It!** Team.

In the coming weeks, parents and carers of 2019 Year 1 – 2 students will receive a survey called the *Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ)*. Please read the information that comes with it, and if you decide to take part please fill out and return your survey through the school by Monday 10 December 2018. The **Got It!** Team will consider the results and contact you if they'd like to chat further.

If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2019, we will be in touch early next year with surveys for those new students once they have settled in.

We look forward to working with you in 2019!