



# Matong Public School NEWSLETTER

## TERM 3 2019

### Week 2

**Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> August**

Storytime on the Road – K to Year 2

### Week 3

**Tue 6<sup>th</sup> August**

Book Fair, Costume Parade and Grandparents Visit

**Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> August**

Wagga REEC Excursion K-6

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> August**

P&C Working Bee

### Week 4

**Tue 13<sup>th</sup> August**

Life Ed Van Visit

**Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> August**

Coolamon Central School Taster Day – Year 5/6

### NOTES TO BE RETURNED:

- **Dubbo Zoo Excursion**
- **Wagga REEC Excursion**
- **Riverina Athletics Carnival**

- Japanese Cuisine Lunch  
Orders for **Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August** must be handed in to the School Office by **Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> August**.



## MPS Students Dig in on National Tree Day

Steph Cooke (MP), Troy Mott (Director), new staff and students planted new trees in the Native Outdoor Learning Area last Friday.

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## Upcoming Events 2019

### Term 3

Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> August	Ganmain Show
Fri. 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Riverina Athletics
Tues. 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	ICAS – begins
Thurs. 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Spelling Bee – Griffith
Fri. 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Footy Colours Day
Thurs. 19 <sup>th</sup> September	ICAS – ends
Thurs. 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Dubbo Zoo Excursion – Stage 2/3
Fri. 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Dubbo Zoo Excursion – Stage 2/3
Fri. 11 <sup>th</sup> October	MPS 100 <sup>th</sup> Year Celebration
Sat. 12 <sup>th</sup> October	MPS 100 <sup>th</sup> Year Celebration

## Relieving Principal's News

We have started the term with lots of exciting events happening. Last Friday, Director Troy Mott and Steph Cooke MP visited our school to participate in National Tree Day. This day is very special to the school as we continue to nurture the NOLA (Native Outdoor Learning Area). Both Troy and Steph were very impressed with this learning area and have now joined our wonderful school community by planting their own tree.



This week, Phoebe and Emma enjoyed meeting the Coolamon Mayor, Cllr John Seymour, Councillors and other council staff to celebrate, 'Local Government Week 2019.' This Thursday all Year 6 students will also participate in a leadership workshop at Coolamon Central School. Our students are very fortunate to be given so many leadership opportunities. We thank Coolamon Central School for taking the time to pick us up in their groovy little CCS school buses.



Congratulations to Jacob, Laura, Charlie and Baxter who performed well in the Premiers Spelling Bee at school recently. Some of the students have chosen to represent our school at the next stage of the spelling competition in Griffith. This will be held on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> September.

Well Done to Arthur, Charlie, Zanthé, Emma, Digby and Phoebe who have been selected to represent our school at the Riverina Athletics carnival. This event will be held in Albury on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> August.

**A big thank you** to the **Stephens family** who have donated some of their merchandise from their business. We really appreciate this kind gesture and we are looking forward to using the resources to play some indigenous games.





Next week is Education Week and Mrs Fisher is busy organising the Book Fair and costume parade. We are hoping that many family members, grandparents and students just about to begin school are able to join in with the 'Super Hero' fun! If you know of any families just about to begin Primary School please encourage them to join in. It doesn't matter if they don't intend on coming to MPS, we are just looking forward to celebrating Education Week with as many members of the community. The theme this year is 'Every student, Every Voice.' Students K-6 will also be travelling to Wagga for a REEC excursion on the Thursday of Education Week. Please make sure you have returned notes and money to the office, preferably before next week. We look forward to seeing lots of superheroes on Tuesday!

Many thanks,

Kerri McPherson

Relieving Principal



## Assembly Awards – Week 2

### Principal's Awards



#### **Baxter Smith**

**For being a great role model during sport.**

#### **Estelle Dowling**

**For showing responsibility by applying independence to her learning.**

### Class Merit Awards

**Year 1: Grace Atkinson – For improved computer skills when publishing writing.**

**Year 1: Harriet Dowling – For staying focussed to complete learning tasks to a high standard.**

**Year 3: Violet Gordon – For an excellent effort in poetry.**

**Year 4: Tomoki Brew – For excellent application to Mathematics.**

### Library Awards

**Elsie Ferguson – For enthusiastic participation in library and for her keen interest in reading.**

**Estelle Dowling – For being a great asset to the library and for creating lovely artworks.**





## Sport News

Thank you very much for hosting the Sporting Schools Golf Program that Leneve and I have just finished at Matong Public School.

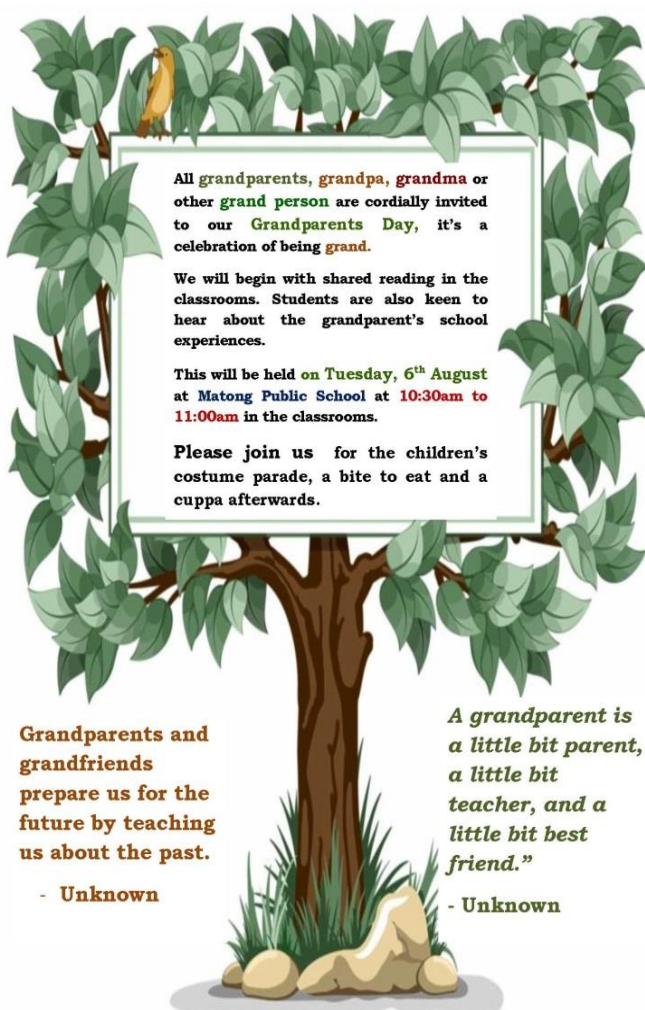
We really appreciate the opportunity to be involved with your school, and to be able to showcase the challenges, skills and fun that can be involved with playing golf. It was a lot of fun for us and we trust that the children enjoyed the activities as well. They certainly seemed to have a lot of fun with the golf classes and skills challenges.

Leneve and I were really impressed with the whole school; from the staff right through to the children's behaviour and engagement with the classes.

We hope that you have enjoyed your experience with us, and we look forward to seeing you again in the future.

Kind Regards  
Phil Cartwright

**PGA Golf Professional**  
**South West & Riverina Junior Golf Development Officer**  
**Registered JNJG & Sporting Schools Coach**



## Book Fair and Grandparents Day

Please join us for our annual Book Fair and Grandparents Day on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August.

This year the theme will be "Reading is my Secret Power".

Students are invited to come to school on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August dressed in a superhero theme.

Students are encouraged to use their imagination and create their own superhero costume.

We would like to invite any pre-schoolers in the community to join in with the costume parade. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> raffle prizes will be drawn for Pre-schoolers, Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 students.

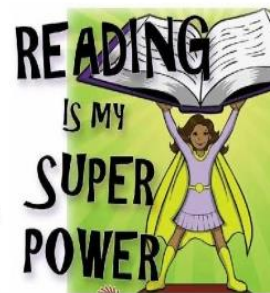
The Book Parade will begin at 11:00am, students will then proceed to lunch. They may remain in casual clothes for the rest of the day.

Parents/grandparents and community members are invited to stay and enjoy a cuppa and a sausage sizzle.

The Book Fair will be open from 11:15am to 12:15pm and 3:00pm to 3:30pm. Students will have the opportunity to create their wish list to take home on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> August.

Students will be taking home an invitation for their grandparents in this week.

We look forward to seeing you there!



## Matong Public School Centenary

Save the Date!

All past and present students, staff, parents and community members of Matong Public School are invited to attend the **Matong Public School Centenary Celebration** on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October** and **Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> October** at Matong Public School.

For further details please join the "Matong Public School Centenary" Facebook page.

For enquiries please send an email to [mpscentenary@gmail.com](mailto:mpscentenary@gmail.com)



## Community News

### Coolamon Library

#### Lego Club

Lego club will commence again in Term 3 Lego Club - it is held every Wednesday from @ 4.00pm – 5.00pm and then on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 11.30am here at the Library. The aim of the Lego Club program is for children to have fun, learn to communicate with others and to develop problem-solving skills. This is a free program and is being offered to children from 5 years to 15 years of age.

#### Writing for Pleasure

Join us here at the Library for some writing workshops – “Writing for Pleasure”. The workshops will encourage you to write, share and interact with others in a group. They will be held every Tuesday afternoon starting from the 30th July until the 24th September from 2.00pm – 4.00pm. Our facilitator is Sally Farmer from Coolamon - cost is Free.

#### Storytime

Our next Storytime will be Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> August @ 10.30am – theme ‘Its bear time’. Everyone is most welcome to attend.



### Have your say!! Coolamon Shire Council

are asking all young people aged 12-24 in the Shire to have their say about issues that are important to them! Your answers will help Council access funding opportunities as well as plan awesome events and programs in the community! Follow the link bellow to complete a two minute survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QGZS2V>

### Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate Scheme

The Australian and NSW Governments are working together to deliver \$12 million in Federal rebates to drought affected livestock farmers for the purchase and upgrade on-farm water infrastructure.

The On-Farm Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate scheme is available to eligible primary producers who can claim a rebate of 25% of the cost for; new purchases, and installation of pipes, water storages and water pumps, de-silting dams, and associated power supplies such as generators. This Rebate scheme can be applied to **costs incurred from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018**.

The maximum that can be claimed is \$25,000 per farm enterprise. The availability of rebates is subject to funds being available. No rebates will be offered beyond the allocated funding of \$12 million.

**Applications close 30 June 2021 or when the funding allocation is exhausted, whichever occurs first.**

**APPLY ONLINE NOW**

<https://www.raa.nsw.gov.au/grants/emergency-water-infrastructure-rebate-scheme>

## Narrandera's Farmers Market

*Held 1st Sunday of each month*

**4th August 2019**

**at The Shady Gum  
Nursery Car Park  
9am - 12noon**

**Breakfast &  
Coffee  
Available**



**LION TRAIN SHUTTLE  
ON THE HOUR (SEE MAP FOR ROUTE)**

**All produce home-grown by local  
Cooks & Gardeners  
All craft goods handmade**

Vendors welcome contact: Annie on 02 69591780



### The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box

The average school child will eat more than 2,500 lunches during their 13 years at school.



Cancer Council's website [healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) is a one-stop-shop for everything families need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.

Parents will find information on the five food groups, what constitutes a healthy lunch box, sandwich alternatives, sandwich filling ideas, snack ideas, swaps for unhealthy snack foods, recipes and tips. The website features an [interactive healthy lunch box builder](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) where parents can get their kids involved in planning the lunch box and choosing foods they will eat and enjoy.

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## **GANMAIN SHOW JUNIOR SECTION : CRAFT & SKILLS**

Children are encouraged to enter lego creations, woodwork, needlework & craft in the **Junior Craft & Skills Section** in the Ganmain Show on Saturday 24th August.

**Entry forms need to be submitted to the Showground office by 4pm Friday 17th August.**

Exhibits can then be delivered to the Showground Pavilion Friday afternoon or on the morning of the Show before 9am ready for judging. They will then be displayed until 5pm when they may be removed by entrants.

A full copy of the Show Schedule and entry forms can be downloaded from the website [www.ganmainshow.org.au](http://www.ganmainshow.org.au). Good luck!

## **CLASS Q - JUNIOR SECTION**

### **CRAFTS AND SKILLS**

Head Stewards: Mrs. B. Hatty, Mrs. B Lucas

**Sponsored by GANMAIN PIED PIPER PRESCHOOL**

Prizemoney - First; \$2.00, Second; \$1.00

Entry: Free

### **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY :**

- All exhibitors to be 16 years or under
- All entries to be made by exhibitors in the last 12 months.
- Garments not to have been worn or laundered.
- Exhibits to be benched by 8.45am for judging to commence at 9am, Saturday 18th August 2018

1. ARTICLE MADE FROM DUPLO; small, 5 years and under
2. ARTICLE MADE FROM DUPLO; large, 5 years and under
3. ARTICLE MADE FROM LEGO BLOCKS; imaginatively/originally constructed, 8 years and under (not Lego Technics, not to exceed 32cm x 32cm)
4. ARTICLE MADE FROM LEGO BLOCKS; imaginatively/originally constructed, 9 - 16 years (not Lego Technics, not to exceed 32cm x 32cm)
5. ARTICLE MADE FROM LEGO TECHNICS; single item
6. ARTICLE OF DISPOSABLE MATERIAL
7. ARTICLE OF WOODWORK
8. ANY OTHER CRAFT NOT MENTIONED; 5 years and under
9. ANY OTHER CRAFT NOT MENTIONED; 9 years and under
10. ANY OTHER CRAFT NOT MENTIONED; 12 years and under
11. ANY OTHER CRAFT NOT MENTIONED; 16 years and under

Trophy for Most Successful Exhibitor donated by **J. & M. BOOTH**

Trophy for Best in Handicraft donated by **Ms. R. BUCHANAN**.