



Matong Public School NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 2018

Thurs 21st February

District Swimming Carnival,
Ariah Park

Week 5

Wed 27th February

AFL Trials, Ardlethan

Fri 1st March

Clean Up Australia Day

Week 7

Wed 13th March

Riverina Swimming

Fri 15th March

Small Schools Cross Country
Ganmain

Fri 16th March

Ganmain Gourmet Market -
P&C Fundraiser Ganmain
Pie Stall



NOTES TO BE RETURNED:

- Parent Permission
- Student Update Details
- SRE Permission Forms
- Japanese Cuisine Lunch
Orders for Wed. 27th
Feb. must be handed in
to the School Office by
Mon. 25th February.

A Great Turnout for the MPS Welcome BBQ

This was a great opportunity for our community to catch up and meet our newest members. Thanks to everyone who contributed to making this a success.

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Calendar for Term 1 2019

Week 4

Thurs. 21st February District Swimming Carnival, Arianah Park

Growth Mindset Program

Fri. 22nd February Cricket Clinic 9.10am to 10.50am

Week 5

Mon. 25th February School Library

Tue. 26th February Netball Trials, Coolamon

Wed. 27th February AFL Trials, Ardlethan

Thurs. 28th February Growth Mindset Program

Fri. 1st March Clean Up Australia Day

Cricket Clinic 9.10am to 10.50am

Stage One News

Thank you to those families who have been able to cover and return their children's exercise books. They look fantastic and are being put to good use in our classroom. If you have not yet done so, please return your child's covered books to school as soon as possible.

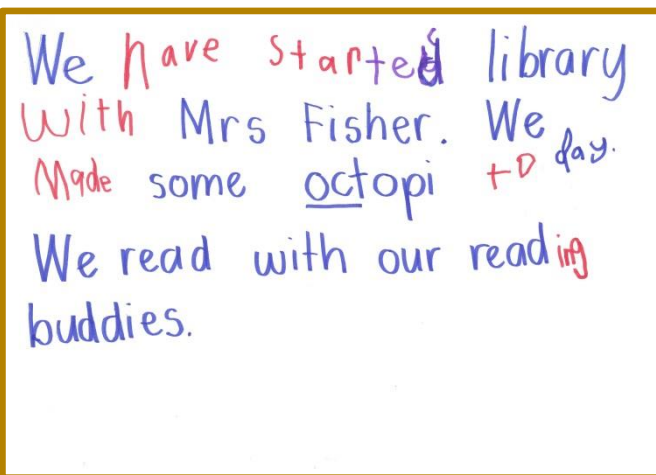
Thank you **VERY** much to the following people:

- Emily Malone for mending our chair bags.
- Hannah Richardson for washing and ironing concert costumes.
- Sheree Ferguson and Katie Bensch for book covering. Your help is very much appreciated.

Stage One Reminder:

'My Pet' Mini Projects due to school by **Thursday, 7th March 2019.**

If you have any questions, please ask Miss McKelvie. We look forward to sharing your wonderful projects.



Stage 1's learning new skills at the Cricket Clinic

School Contributions

Each year the school provides all students with their textbooks, stationery needs and art and craft supplies. To assist us with the cost of these items we ask that families pay a contribution of **\$50.00** for each student, **\$100.00** for two students or **\$120.00** for three students or more.

It would be appreciated if this contribution to your child's education be paid as soon as personal funds permit either as a whole payment or in instalments.

Please note: The school executive have discussed that there is no pressure for families to pay this amount due to the ongoing financial stress placed on farmers and other businesses in our rural community.

P&C News

Thank you to all parents who were able to make the P&C meeting. With quite a large attendance the committee were able to fill all positions for 2019.

New executives for 2019:

President - Katie Bensch

Vice President - Lauren Whitty

Secretary - Andrew Hatty

Treasurer - Lauren Dowling

Catering Officer - Sheree Ferguson

Uniform Co-ordinator - Jen Hatty

Matong P & C have been approached to hold a stall selling Ganmain Pies at the upcoming Ganmain Gourmet Markets **Saturday, 16th March from 4PM-8PM.**

We will be looking for some parent helpers to help set up, stock pie warmers, sell pies and pack up on the day. Hopefully if we get enough helpers everyone will only need to cover 1 hour. Please contact Katie 0404 487 956 or Sheree 0403 962 114 to advise if you can help on the day and what time may suit you.

Also we have a date set for our annual **Ganmain Pie Drive**. Orders will need to be placed by 29th March and delivery being 5th April - more info and pie order forms to follow soon.

Update of Family Details

We are now updating our records for all families. Thank you to all those that have returned the Family Information Update Forms. Please inform the school if there are any changes to the emergency contacts. If you are unsure please call the school office.

Student Absences

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that if your child is absent from school there is a requirement for you to provide a reasonable explanation for the absence within seven days. It is the Principal's discretion as to whether they deem an explanation as reasonable. If an explanation is not received the students' absence will automatically be recorded as unjustified.

Absences include late arrivals and early departures to and from school and also require an explanation.

Absence notification methods that are acceptable are via verbal (telephone or in person), email or written.

If your child is absent because of illness for more than three consecutive days, you will be required to provide a medical certificate with your absence notification.

At times there may be a requirement for your children to be absent for extended periods of time. If this is the case you will need to contact the Principal and complete an application for extended leave **prior** to the leave being taken. It is the Principal's discretion whether this application will be approved or declined.

MPS provides Absence Note forms for you to keep at home and return with your child after their absence. If you have run out and would like more, please contact the school on 6927 7824.

2019 Riverina Central Choir Junior Division

Nominations to Miss Tilly by Monday, 4th March 2019.

Auditions: Wednesday, 13 March 2019 1:15 to 3:10 pm
\$15 fee

Successful candidates must attend several choir sessions from 1:10 to 3:10 p.m. Wednesdays throughout the year. Choir Fees are \$160 per student.

Families of interested students should contact Miss Tilly or Miss McKelvie for further information.



**Love to sing?
In Year 5 to Year 12?**

**2019 Riverina Choral Camp
is the place for you!**

A three and a half day choral singing camp including one day tour to perform at local schools.

A great opportunity to be selected for Riverina, State and Schools Spectacular Choirs.

When: Sunday 26 May to Friday 31 May 2019
Where: Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre
Cost: \$420

Register your interest here:
<https://goo.gl/forms/cdJwKsC9iAOiylyf2>



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Camp Coordinator: Holly Rose
 Contact: 6922 5087
 Email: sturt-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
 Host School: Sturt Public School

School Uniforms

■ Sports Polo Shirt	\$25.00
■ Sport Shorts	\$16.50
■ Hat	\$15.50
■ Tracksuit Pants	\$23.00
■ Jumpers	\$30.00

If you wish to purchase an item please send money to school with your order and items will be sent home with your child as soon as possible.

Please clearly label your child's clothes.

Jen Hatty (P&C Uniform Co-ordinator)

Community News

Coolamon Library

Storytime

Storytime has commenced again for 2019, the next Storytime will be this on Friday, 22nd February @ 10.30am theme "Zoo". The morning is filled with lots of stories, songs and finishing up with a craft the children are able to take home- we welcome any new families to join us.

Lego Club

Lego club has also commenced again for the year it is held on Wednesday's afternoon @ 4.00pm – 5.00pm and then on Saturday mornings from 10.30am – 11.30am. 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. All lego is provided and is held weekly at the Library. Any donation of Lego would be kindly appreciated.

Community Recycling Station

The Library has a Community Recycling Station available for our residents. Residents can drop off special wastes for recycling for FREE.

The Community Recycling Station accepts household quantities such as Fluoro globes, Mobile phones and accessories, Smoke detectors and Household batteries - Visit the Recycling Station today.

Join the Library

Join the Coolamon Library it's FREE and you can even get started online- just click on "Join the Library" at rrl.nsw.gov.au website. The Library has plenty of services and facilities to offer to the community. It provides Public Internet Access & Wifi, photocopier, fax and laminating services. Also a community noticeboard, children and youth services, council school holiday programs and Local History services. We are continuously receiving new books fiction and non-fiction, DVD's, and magazines, call in for a browse. The Coolamon Library is on Facebook! News, pictures, events and opportunities are regularly uploaded – join us now to improve our recycling waste.

GANMAIN AND DISTRICT POULTRY CLUB



POULTRY SALE

Sunday 10th March 2019 10am

Max 3 birds per pen.

\$5 per pen

Penning from 7am to 9:30am

Bidding from 10am finishing at 11am

NO SICK OR INJURED BIRDS WILL BE EXCEPTED

At the George V Stevens Pavilion Ganmain Show Ground

BBQ available on sale day

Bookings/ Enquires: Jared Evans

Ph: 0499353278

Email: ganmainanddistrictpoultryclub@gmail.com

New members always welcome

AUTUMN TOUR 2019
PORT FAIRY FOLK FESTIVAL TO NATIONAL FOLK FESTIVAL
WOODFORDIA INC. PRESENTS

Festival of Small Halls

COMING TO A SMALL TOWN NEAR YOU

AUTUMN TOUR 8 MARCH - 22 APRIL 2019

Wednesday 10th April
6:30pm
GANMAIN HALL

**TICKETS: \$20 adult
\$5 child**

**FOOD + DRINKS
FOR SALE PRIOR.**

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