



# Matong Public School NEWSLETTER

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MPS staff and students participated in the 'Doin' it For Rural Aussie Kids', Coins for Santa Sacks Day. Students and staff donated a gold coin or two and dressed up in a Christmas theme last Thursday which raised \$60 on the day. All proceeds will go to 'Coins 4 Santa Sacks for Rural Children Doing it Tough'.

## What's on at MPS - 2021

### WEEK 8 TERM 4

*Monday, 22nd November to Friday 3rd December – Swim School at Ganmain Pool*

### WEEK 9 TERM 4

*Monday, 22nd November to Friday 3rd December – Swim School at Ganmain Pool*

*Tuesday, 30th November – Stage 3 Paul Crowe All-Rounder Award Applications Due*

*Wednesday, 1st December – Narrandera High School Taster Day*

### WEEK 10 TERM 4

*Wednesday, 8th December – Narrendera High School Transition*

*Thursday, 9th December – Year 6 Farewell from 6:00pm – 8:00pm*

### WEEK 11 TERM 4

*Tuesday, 14th December – Presentation Day*

## REMINDERS

*Monday, 29th November - Sushi Orders due for Week 9*

## Principal's News

This week I have enjoyed watching the students participate in their swimming lessons. We hope your child/rens swimming confidence continues well into the school holidays. The two week program offered to our students is fantastic and the swimming teachers and staff must be thanked for supporting this to happen. A big thanks to Miss Tilly for organising Swim School and to Mahoney's buses and the P&C for providing a bus service free of charge to all students.

Recently Nicole Ivanoff, Tupperware consultant organised a Tupperware Host Rewards to be donated to our school. A big thank you to Robyn Lucas for thinking of our school and we hope that we can see you in the near future. We love the continued support of our existing family and friends. We cannot thank you enough. Also, a big thanks to our fantastic P&C who continue to fundraise for the school. I thoroughly enjoyed the opening evening of the Art Exhibition in Coolamon. The student created birdhouses looked amazing and Elsie Ferguson's achievement in the photography section was a lovely surprise.

Attached to this newsletter is information about further updates to the Presentation Day. As a leader of the school I feel very upset about these changes as we had already planned to have a similar day to last year. This has also affected our ability to share with you the concert that our students have been tirelessly rehearsing with Mrs Smith. Unfortunately, with the advice from NSW Health and the Department of Education we must comply with the current restrictions. We will put together a Presentation Day newsletter in the final week of school so you can all view the student achievements. On a positive note we will be able to host the Year 6 farewell at the school on Thursday, 9th December. We can't wait to celebrate this special occasion with the Stage 3 students.

We are currently finalising staffing for next year. In the coming weeks a note will be sent home to families. If you have anything you would like to discuss with staff at the school in regards to your child's learning, please do not hesitate to organise an appointment through the school office. An interview over the phone is the preferred method.

Many thanks,

**Kerri McPherson**  
Principal



When your child misses just ...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means, the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days each year	4 weeks each year	Nearly 1 ½ years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day each week	40 days each year	8 weeks each year	Over 2 ½ years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days each week	80 days each year	16 weeks each year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days each week	120 days each year	24 weeks each year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

*School success starts with attendance*

**Why you should always check in**

- to help contact tracing
- to be notified of a potential exposure faster
- Protect your family and community

For more information please see the following link for more details.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families/level-3-schools>

## Assembly Awards - Week 6

### Principal's Awards



*Ainslie Clark*

**For being a helpful and polite member of our school.**

*Tom Malone*

**For being a helpful and polite member of our school.**



## Class Merit Awards

*Milo Bensch*

For reading with expression and fluency.

*Jack Ferguson*

For taking his time to think things through in Maths before giving an answer.

*Tomoki Brew*

For being a conscientious learner and a great role model.

*Harriet Dowling*

For being a diligent learner and taking pride in her work.

## Library Awards

*Jack Ferguson*

For his insightful contributions to class discussions and for his consistent effort in library.

*George Dowling*

For sharing his wonderful knowledge during class discussions and his positive attitude in library.

*Milo Gordon*

For his happy and enthusiastic attitude in the library and for his lovely artwork.

*Evie Bensch*

For her enthusiastic participation in library and for showing initiative in all tasks set.



## Thank You Mr Paul Crowe

Thank you once again to Mr Paul Crowe for his very generous donation which will go towards an All Rounder award for an upper primary student to be presented annually.





## Community News

### Coolamon Library

#### Share the Dignity – It's in the Bag

Fill a handbag with gifts for women and girls in need - "It's in the bag". Provide personal hygiene products and everyday luxuries to homeless women, women at risk or women experiencing domestic violence. It's simple - choose a handbag in good condition that you no longer use. Then, fill it with items that would make a woman feel special, such as personal care items. The Coolamon Library will be collecting these bags until the end of November if you wish to be involved.

#### Christmas Cards and Tag Making

The Library is holding a workshop on Tuesday, 30th November @ 10.30am. Come along to make some Christmas cards and Christmas tags, cost is \$5.00 – everyone is most welcome.

#### Christmas Food Appeal

Once again the Library will be holding our annual Christmas Food Appeal. Drop off non-perishable food items to the Library to help our local community members in need. Donations will be accepted until Friday, 24th December.

#### Home deliveries

Our Free home delivery is still available for our elderly in the community or residents that are unable to get to the Library. Phone the Library to make arrangements for delivery.

#### Storytime @ Coolamon

Our next storytime session in Coolamon will be this Friday, 3rd December @ 10.30am. Bring along a friend to join in the fun. phone the Library – 69272492.

#### Family History Group

Interested in Family History, come along to the Library Saturday, 27th November @ 10.00am. Chat about family history or history in the area – everyone is most welcome.



**ACTIVE FARMERS**  
@ GRONG GRONG

### GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

#### WHEN

Tuesdays  
9.45am - 10.45am  
Fridays  
6.30am - 7.30am

#### WHERE

Grong Grong  
Sports Club

#### COST

FIRST CLASS FREE  
\$15 per class after that

All members of Grong Grong and surrounding communities are welcome (not just farmers), and all levels of fitness and experience are encouraged to attend!

For more information contact your Active Farmers trainer Sheree Ferguson for more information:

Sheree Ferguson  
0403 962 114  
reeandluke@hotmail.com

<https://www.activefarmers.com.au/gronggrong>



**COOLAMON**  
*Late Night*  
**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING**

**THURSDAY 25TH NOVEMBER**

**&**

**THURSDAY 2ND DECEMBER**



# Community News



## Up2Date Art Exhibition

Where: Up to Date Store, COOLAMON

Dates: Saturday 13 Nov– Sunday 28th Nov 2021

Open: 10—4pm Daily

Cost: Gold Coin Entry

Yield Festival Opening Gala Night: Friday 12th November  
6pm, Coolamon Up-To-Date Store

Proceeds  
Supporting our Local  
Public Schools in:  
Marrar, Matong,  
Ganmain & Coolamon

For Information Contact:  
Email: [info@up2dateart.org.au](mailto:info@up2dateart.org.au)  
Angela McCann: 0428 273 525



Subject to NSW Health COVID-19 Restrictions

Advance Ganmain Committee  
invite the community to...

# Christmas Carols in the Park

6:30pm, Sunday 19th December

Chocolate Wheel & Santa  
Pack a picnic / BYO drinks



## APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

We are now calling for expressions of interest from people to join our Local Health Advisory Committees (LHAC) across our region.

LHAC members are volunteers who advocate on behalf of the community. They get involved in discussion around what's important for local people and their health, and provide feedback to the Murrumbidgee Local Health District and the Murrumbidgee Primary Health Network around what matters most.

Be a voice for health in your community...

- Take a seat at the discussion table
- Provide your feedback and ideas
- Be part of the planning and decision making
- Make a difference

To find out more visit  
[www.mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/getinvolved](http://www.mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/getinvolved)

or call 0477 359 764 for more information.



We will be running a 1 day school holiday cricket blast program in the hope of drumming up numbers for our Post X'mas Wagga Cricket Blast program at Bolton Park. The day will be from 9am to 3pm on Friday January 14<sup>th</sup> and will cost \$59 which includes a participant pack. Clubs we would love it if you would promote on your socials and also ensure registrations are open for our Combined Wagga Cricket Blast which will kick off Wednesday February 2<sup>nd</sup> and run for 8 weeks until March 23<sup>rd</sup>, kick off 5pm to 7pm. This will be supported by CNSW staff but will require a coach from each club for every team entered.





*small school*

**BIG**

**IMPACT**



## **MATONG PUBLIC SCHOOL**

Where every child is acknowledged, safe, inspired, challenged and empowered.

**WE'RE NOW ACCEPTING NEW ENROLMENTS!**

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