



Matong Public School NEWSLETTER

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Our school has had a mini makeover starting with our outdoor learning areas and bubblers to our lovely classrooms.

What's on at MPS - 2022

WEEK 2 TERM 3

Thursday, 28th July – Parent Teacher Interviews

Friday, 29th July – ICAS Entries Due

WEEK 3 TERM 3

Wednesday, 3rd August – Narrandera High School Taster Day—Year 6

Thursday, 4th August – Captains meet with Coolamon Shire Council

Thursday, 4th August – Book Fair Open from 2:00pm to 3:30pm

Friday, 5th August – Family Connections from 10:30am to 12:00pm

Friday, 5th August – Book Fair

REMINDERS

Japanese Cuisine Orders Due: Monday, 1st August

Principal's News

Welcome back to Term 3!

Today students are looking forward to the Circus Quirkus excursion. We thank the **South Wagga Rotary Club** for their kind donation of tickets to our school.

Tomorrow we are also conducting the parent/teacher interviews. If you would like your child to be included in this interview they are more than welcome to join parents and staff. We encourage families to attend these sessions so we can all work together to produce the best learning journey possible for all of the students. Staff look forward to seeing families and if you do need to reschedule your meeting please contact the school office.

Next week we celebrate Education Week in all public schools. The theme that we will all be celebrating is 'Creating futures – education changes lives.' Next Friday the 5th August will be our first Family Connections day back this term. Mrs Fisher is busy organising the Book Fair and activities for the day. It is an enormous amount of work organising the Book Fair so we hope that everyone can support this important event. We all understand the importance of being able to read and welcome any kind donations from families to the school library.

I look forward to seeing many of you over the next few weeks.

Many thanks,

Kerri McPherson
Principal



Attendance Matters

REMINDER:

- 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:**
verbal (telephone or in person), reply text to **school Sentral**, email or written note.
- 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 form for extended leave **prior** to the leave that is being taken. It is the principal's discretion whether this

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

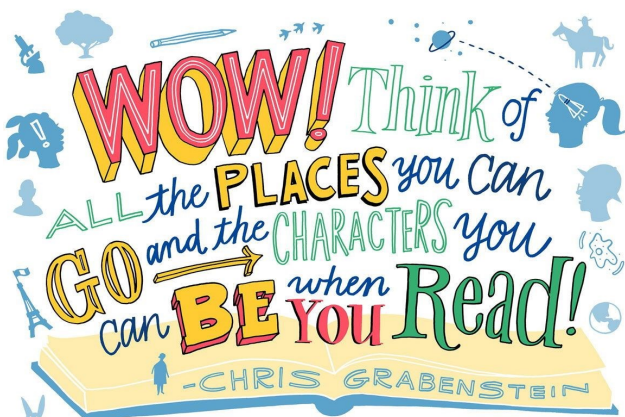


Every day
COUNTS!



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



You're invited to our Scholastic
BOOK FAIR
Come. Stay. Read a Great Tale!



Find these books and hundreds more at the Fair!

EVERY PURCHASE YOU MAKE EARNS LEARNING AND LITERACY RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL

When: Thursday, 4th August 2:00pm to 3:30pm
&
Place: **Matong Public School Library**

Friday, 5th August

COME. STAY. READ A GREAT TALE!



MPS will be hosting our annual Book Fair on Thursday, 4th of August and Friday, 5th of August. This year the theme is "Paws for Books" - COME. STAY. READ A GREAT TALE!

Children are invited to come to school on Friday, 5th of August dressed in anything crazy e.g. clothes, socks and hair—the more colourful the better. We will be providing hotdogs and donuts to all children attending on the day.

We would like to invite any parents, children, grand parents and community members to join us in the fun during our Family Connections session from 10:30am to 12:00pm.

Parents/grandparents and community members are invited to stay on and enjoy a cuppa and a donut or some treats. All are welcome to visit the Book Fair throughout the day.

The Book Fair will be open on Thursday, 4th of August from 2:00pm to 3:30pm and on Friday, 5th of August during the day. Students will have the opportunity on Wednesday, 3rd of August to create their wish list to take home. Attached please find a Scholastic Book Fair brochure showcasing a few of the interesting books for sale.

Proceeds from the Book Fair directly support the purchasing of new student resources in the library. Reading is a very important part of a child's education. Show interest by asking them what they are reading and share your love of reading with them. Great time to get your "PAWS" on some great reading.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Community News

Storytime 2022

Our next Storytime will be held Friday, 5th August @ 10.30am – theme “Gardens”. Come and join us – new families are most welcome.

Mobile Phones Lessons

The Library is offering free mobile phone lessons for our seniors, with the assistance from the Coolamon Central School students. The students will assist in teaching seniors to use their mobile device and its features. For further details, phone the library – 69272492.

Save Power Kits

Save Power Kits are available to borrow for free from the Coolamon Library. The Save Power Kits can show you what appliances are using the most power in your home. It also gives easy steps you can take to save money, power and reduce your impact on the environment.

Baby Bounce

Our next Baby Bounce will take place this Thursday, 28th July @ 10.30am. Baby Bounce is a 30 minute early literacy program designed to help very young children to explore language. This is done by everyone joining in and learning an array of simple stories, rhymes and songs.

Delivery Services

Our home delivery service is still available - the library will deliver every Friday morning. Please contact the Library for further details – 69272492.





Art Exhibition

Saturday 27th August to Sunday 11th September

Open: Daily 10am to 4pm
Up to Date Store Coolamon
Entry: Gold Coin Donation

Opening Night: Friday 26th August, 6pm
Free Entry

Theme: Connections

Art Entries Close: 15th August 2022

For Information Contact:
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Proceeds Supporting Local Schools




This is an opportunity for kids and parents or carers to make new friends and have fun together.

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES & THEIR MUMS, DADS, GRANDPARENTS OR CARERS WELCOME

Join us every fortnight on Fridays from 10:30am to 12:00pm. Follow us on Facebook for updates.

Children Bring: Lunch box, drink bottle & hat.
 Call the Gannmain Bakery on 6927 6401 if you'd like to place a lunch order and it will be delivered to school. Refreshments will be provided for adults.

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FUN & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES
 Social interaction, outdoor games, art activities, story time, interactive games, etc

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Children creating & learning
 Families belonging & connecting
 Communities growing & collaborating