



Matong Public School NEWSLETTER

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School Swimming and Water Safety Program

Students started their two week swim program on Monday. The School Swimming and Water Safety Program is a learn to swim program that develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival.

What's on at MPS - 2022

WEEK 7 TERM 4

Monday, 21st November to Friday, 2nd December – Swim School & Water Safety @ Ganmain Pool

Wednesday, 23rd November to Saturday, 26, November – School Spectacular 2022

WEEK 8 TERM 4

Wednesday, 30th November – Narrandera High School Transition Day Yr 6 - 8:45am to 3:00pm

Friday, 2nd December – Coins 4 Santa Sacks (Doing it 4 rural kids) Dress Christmas Theme Gold - Coin Donation

WEEK 10 TERM 4

Tuesday, 13th December – Presentation Day at 10:00am

Thursday, 15th December – Year 6 Farewell from 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Friday, 16th December – Year End Pool Party

Friday, 16th December – Last day of term

REMINDERS

Year 6 Farewell RSVP Due: Wednesday, 30th November

Matong Public School Presentation Day 2022

The 2022 school year is fast coming to its conclusion and we are preparing to celebrate the achievements of our students throughout the year. We invite you to join us in this celebration on our Presentation Day.

When: Tuesday, 13th December

Where: Matong Public School

Time: 10.00am

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 application will be approved or declined.

School Matters!



Swim School 2022



Community News

Storytime 2022

Our next Storytime will be Friday, 2nd December @ 10.30am – theme- “Clothes” – everyone is most to join in the fun.

It's in the Bag- Spread some joy this Christmas

The Coolamon Library is again involved in this appeal. This is an annual event where we encourage our community to put together a handbag filled with essential items for women, teenage girls, mums and bubs. The bags are then donated to someone in need for Christmas. A list of suggestions for the items are available at the Library. The Library will be collecting these bags in the month of November.

Lego Club

Lego club is held on Wednesday afternoons from 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.

Delivery Services

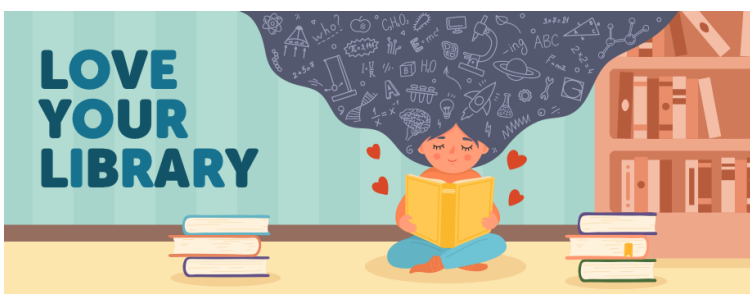
Our home delivery service is still available - the library will deliver every Friday morning. Please contact the Library for further details – 69272492.

Baby Bounce

Our next Baby Bounce session will be held Wednesday, 30th November @ 10.30am. . Baby Bounce is a 30 minute early literacy program designed to help very young children to explore language. New mothers and bubs are most welcome to come along.

Local History Group

Our local family History group will meet again at the Library Saturday 26th November @ 10.30am – everyone is most welcome.



Community News

E-SAFETY

Tips to help protect your child online

BUILD TRUST AROUND TECHNOLOGY
Keep communication open and supportive so your child knows they can come to you if something goes wrong or does not feel right online.

SET TIME LIMITS
Balance time spent in front of screens with offline activities – a family technology plan can help you to manage expectations around where and when technology use is allowed.

BUILD GOOD HABITS
Help your child to develop digital intelligence and social and emotional skills – such as respect, empathy, critical thinking, responsible behaviour and resilience – and practice being good online citizens.

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS
On the games and apps your child is using make sure their profiles are turned on to the strictest privacy setting. Restrict who can contact your child or ask them to check in with you before accepting new friends.

CO-VIEW AND CO-PLAY
Play with your child online. This will help you better understand what they are doing and why they enjoy an app, game or website, as well as providing a great opportunity to start conversations about online safety.

EMPOWER YOUR CHILD
Wherever possible, help your child make wise decisions for themselves rather than telling them what to do. Try to provide them with strategies for dealing with negative online experiences that will build their confidence and resilience.

For more information visit: www.esafety.gov.au

COOLAMON CHRISTMAS ON COWABBIE

AN EVENING OF LATE NIGHT SHOPPING
THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER
4-8PM

ONE NIGHT ONLY – EXTENDED TRADING – PRIZES – MARKET STALLS – SANTA PHOTOS

MEGA DRAW AND RUDOLPH RUN
PRIZE POOL VALUED at over \$1500

How the mega draw works > Purchase between 4pm and 8pm from participating stores (min spend \$20) to receive an entry into the Coolamon Christmas Mega Draw (vouchers to participating stores). 1st, 2nd, 3rd prize winners will be announced at the end of the evening.

Rudolph Run> Visit the Coolamon Post office on the night to enter

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Facebook event: <https://fb.me/e/2kOUWhBII>

We're coming to your community



NSW Government services will be available in Ganmain on Thursday 1st December 2022 between 1:00pm and 3:00pm

This includes:

- driver licences, proof of identity documents, and Photo Card applications
- Driver Knowledge Tests
- Working With Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Check
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- up to 70 government rebates and savings
- Stay NSW and Parents NSW voucher applications.

Find us at:
Victory Gardens
Ford Street

Visit service.nsw.gov.au or call 13 77 88 to check our schedule. Unfortunately, sometimes our routes change at short notice.



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