

Muswellbrook South Public School

Proud and Powerful to be a School in Partnership (SiP) school.

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Week One Term Four

STOP PRESS: Swimming this Friday!

This week's PBL focus: Safe, Respectful and Responsible – What does it feel like when I get angry?

Dear Parents and Carers of Muswellbrook South PS

Welcome back every one, hope you all had a great holiday.

Last Saturday the school had a combined Working Bee with Brookside Baptist Church and our schools P&C. It was a very productive day with some amazing results. It was a huge day with cementing, paths created, turf laid, sheds erected, windows replaced, gardening, sheds cleaned out, rubbish removed and much more. Most of the jobs would have taken Mr Cooper months to complete. We are so grateful of Brookside's time and effort. Thank you everyone.

This Thursday and Friday will see our Stage 2 students travel to Dubbo for an overnight trip to visit The Western Plains Zoo, Wellington Caves and much more. I will also be participating on this excursion and look forward to spending the next couple of days with the students. Next week Stage 3 head off to Canberra. All the very best everyone, enjoy our nation's capital.

Kindergarten for 2013 Orientation program will begin next Tuesday 16 th Oct at 9.25 – 11.25am. We are looking forward to seeing our future students and their parents and carers.

Welcome to our new families who have recently joined our 'South' school community. We hope you enjoy the wonderful times that your children will experience at 'South'.

If you are passing Warrae Wannu you would have noticed major work being carried out. We are very appreciative of Adam Stewart Brick-laying who has constructed a new deck, ramp, and slab for our new shed, safety fence and gates. This would not have been possible without Adam's skill and as well sponsorship from BHP Billiton – Mt Arthur. Thank you.

Yours in education,
Rebecca Langdon

Congratulations to the following students who had 'Cup Cake' time with Mrs Langdon!

ES1 – L. Smith, S. Osborne

Stage 1 – C. Irwin, L. Gothard

Stage 2 – S. Rumble, A. Whiting

Stage 3 – K. Woodeson, S. Tisdell

KINDER 2013

We are now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2013. If your child is born between 1.8.07 and 31.7.08 they are able to enrol. Your child must be 5 years old by 31st July, 2013. If your child is enrolling for Kindergarten 2013, please come up to the school to fill out an enrolment form. You will need your child's Birth Certificate, Immunisation Certificate, Passports (if applicable) and proof of address. If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact the school on 65431896.

Dubbo Excursion!

Students are to be at school no later than **6:40 am**.

The bus will depart from the Osborn Avenue gates.

Students will return to school on **Friday** by **5:30pm**.

Uniform Reminder

Please remember that as part of school uniform policy our school uniform is required to be worn. That applies to wearing our school hat/caps, black school shoes (Mon-Thurs) and white joggers (little bit of colour is accepted). In Term 4, our schools summer uniform is required to be worn.

PLEASE NO BALLET / SLIP on shoes.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open:

Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 3:00-3:30pm and **Friday mornings** from 9:00-9:30am.

For any enquiries please call: **Anne Henderson** on 0477 063 184

Please be vigilant in checking your children's hair for **head lice**. There are a number of reported cases currently going around the school.

Terry Denton Illustrator Visit!

Last term, Stage 2 and Stage 3 were lucky enough to travel to Roger St to see renowned Australian illustrator Terry Denton.

Students were engaged and amazed as Terry effortlessly created pictures in his unique style.

Mrs Solman got to bring one of his masterpieces back to school where it will be framed and displayed proudly in the school library.

Terry is well known for collaborating with authors such as Paul Jennings and Andy Griffiths.



Terry Denton was funny because he drew funny pictures. He is a good drawer. I wish I could draw as well as him! I'm glad we got to see him.
B. Rumble, 3E



Terry Denton made a lot of excellent drawings that looked really hard. He had a couple of people come up and help him hold up a huge picture. He used water colours to make the pictures bright and they are all in a book written by Andy Griffiths.
K. Johnson, 5/6C

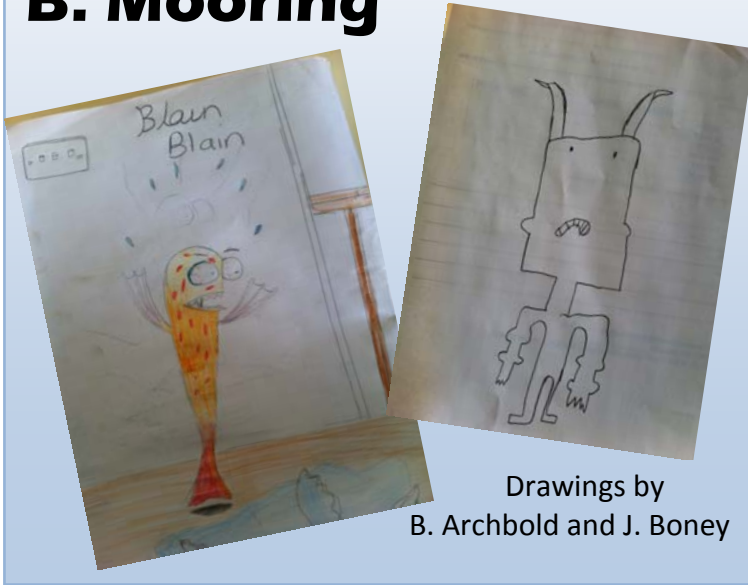
WHAT'S HAPPENING

IN...3/4M!

After the excitement of seeing Terry Denton at Roger St last term, some students in 3/4M were inspired to create their own drawings in his style.

Have a look at some of our amazing drawings!

B. Mooring



Drawings by
B. Archbold and J. Boney

Times Tables Challenge

Mr Russel's inaugural **Muswellbrook South Times Tables Challenge** was held at the end of last term. Congratulations to all the finalists on a hard fought battle.

The winners were:

Year 3 – K. Brugnatti, *first place*
T. Pereira, *second place*
L. Galvin, *third place*

Year 4 – K. Mell, *first place*
A. Colvin, *second place*
C. Ray, *third place*

Year 5 – J. Rann, *first place*
B. Nicholls, *second place*
C. Harvey, *third place*

Year 6 – M. Kimpton, *first place*
C. Watts, *second place*
J. Dick, *third place*

HOMEWORK CENTRE – Term 4

We will commence in **week 2 Monday 15th October**

Who: Students in Years 2-6
When: Every Monday 3.30 – 4.30pm (starting week 2 through to week 9)
Where: The Library
Cost: \$1.00 to cover the cost of afternoon tea.

If you would like your child to attend, please fill in this form below and return it to the front office no later than Friday 12th October. Please note if your child attended homework centre last term, you do not need to return the form again.

HOMEWORK CENTRE – Term 4 2012

YES my child is interested in attending the homework centre at Muswellbrook South Public School, starting: Monday 15th October, Week 2, Term 4

Name_____ Child's class_____

I would like my child to be taken home by the school bus after homework centre at 4.30pm
Yes / No

Parent's Name_____ Phone Number_____

Address_____

JUNIOR CRICKET: Contact Annabelle McLoughlin, Secretary, on 0427910332 or email Annabelle.mcloughlin2@tafensw.edu

Registration fees are:

Milo in2CRICKET (juniors under 10)	\$60.00
U10	\$65.00
U12/U14/U16	\$75.00

Family rate: If 3 or more children are registering, the first 2 children are at full price and the remaining children are at a half price rate.

Competition starts: Saturday 13 October 2012

Registration fees are: Most competition nights cost \$6.00 per night with membership for 12 months (\$50.00 per adult) – gives free use of courts for social hits all year round. Junior coaching is a donation of \$30.00 per school term per child.

DENMAN LITTLE ATHLETICS:

Contact Debbie Mitchell, Secretary on 0412499484 or Jenny Jackson on 0439834847.

Registration fees are:

1 st child	– \$68.00
2 nd child	– \$58.00
Subsequent children	– \$53.00

Must bring original birth certificate to register. Uniforms can be purchased at time of registration for \$10.00

**Competition starts:
Wednesday 10 October 2012 at 6.30pm**

Mrs Rayner would like to thank all the families who kindly donated books for our book stall last term. Our students loved being able to choose their own book and everywhere we looked around the playground, heads were buried in books! It was a wonderful sight to behold!

AMATEUR ATHLETICS: Contact Colin Duck, Secretary, on 65425201

Registration fees are:

Under 18	\$40.00
Over 18	\$60.00

Competition starts: Friday 12 October 2012

MUSWELLBROOK OLYMPIC PARK

TENNIS CLUB: Contact Tony McTaggart on 65431731 or Sandra Watts on 65431248

Registrations: Details can be obtained direct from the club courts on competition nights at Wilkinson Avenue (adjacent to the grandstand at Olympic Park)

Competition details:

Tuesday nights – mixed competition	– 6.30 to 9.30
Wednesday jnr coaching	– 5.30 to 6.30
Thursday nights – mens competition	– 6.30 to 10.00

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Warrae Wanni Yarn Up!

When: Next Wednesday 17th October and Monday 24th October

Time: 9:30am

Where: On the DECK at Warrae Wanni

Who: Leanne Walklate from Muswellbrook Family Support will be sharing a cuppa and chatting about the service they provide in our community.

Everyone is welcome....please come along!



DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2012

Every Wednesday	Playgroup every Wednesday, 0-4 years in Heritage Hall from 9:30 – 11:30. All are welcome and there is no cost!
11 October	Extra Special Fete Meeting, 1pm in the school Canteen!
11 & 12 October	Stage 2 Excursion.
16 October	P&C Meeting, 2pm
16 October – 20 November	Kindergarten 2013 Transition Program 9:30 – 11:15am
16 -19 October	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
2 November	School Fete
20 November	P&C Meeting, 2pm
23 November	School Spectacular – School Senior Dance Group Performing
28 November	School Helpers 'Thank You' Morning Tea, 11:30am
3 December	School Concert Night
4 December	School Concert Matinee
5 December	Warrae Wannu Graduation Presentation
6 December	Schools Sport Presentation Day
14 December	Schools Presentation Day

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Tips for Creating Resilient Families

Resilience is the fine art of being able to bungy jump through life. The pitfalls are still there but it is as if you have an elasticised rope around your middle that helps you to bounce back from hard times. Over the next 10 weeks, we will share tips on how to build this resilience within your families.

No. 1 Promote Belonging

Resilience is the happy knack of being able to bungy jump through the pitfalls of life. It is the strongest antidote we know of for self-harm, depression and drug abuse and it's built on our sense of belonging.