

Muswellbrook South Public School Newsletter



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"Muswellbrook South Public School Official"

TERM 4 WEEK 1

Wednesday 17th October 2018

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 4 is an exciting time: it's the last term for Year 6 and it's the first time we see our 2019 Kindergarten students. This year Term 4 is going to be even more exciting as we have a fabulous concert planned, which will give all our students a chance to celebrate the gift of giving. We will also be running swimming each week for sport, preparing our students for the swimming carnival at the end of the year.

That's right, we're planning something a little different this year – running our 2019 swimming carnival this year. The main reasons for the switch are to increase participation and to improve the organisation of the carnival. It's hoped that by running swimming lessons leading up to the carnival, that more of our students will feel ready to swim and participate at the carnival. Secondly we are forced to run the carnival in the first two weeks of 2019 because the Upper Hunter Zone carnival is so early, meaning that there is a huge rush to prepare the carnival. Having it this year means we are in a better position to organise things well. There are many challenges in moving the carnival forward but we think that we can overcome them with planning and teamwork. We hope that you can join us on the day.

There is much to look forward to this term and the team here at South is ready and excited at the chance to make a positive impact.

Yours in education,

Glen Kite
Principal

Assembly – Friday 19th October 2018

Friday 19th October is a primary assembly that will start at 11am in our school hall.

5BLUE will be presenting a class item.

White, Bronze & Silver PBL awards will be presented.

All parents & carers are warmly invited to attend.

Please note entry is via the front gate only.

PJ says - "Welcome back to Term 4. Let's continue to work hard and play fair all term".



WEEK 10 AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following students who received Gold PBL awards at the last week of Term 3 whole school assembly. MSPS are proud of your efforts!

Gold Award – 100 Pebbles

Jadyn H, Angus C, Samuel B, Erica C, Seth D, Aylah P, Natalie W, Cooper L, Elsie F, Mahdi P, Tillie F, Danika B

WEEK 10 PBL CHAMPS

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded "PBL champs" at last week's whole school assembly. MSPS are proud of your efforts!

Early Stage 1 – Lumyn R, Damon P

Stage 1 – Mason E, Ryder W, Dorrie O, Ella L

Stage 2 – Megan N, Olivia B, Tom N, Darcie W

Stage 3 – Xavia F, Matilda W, Corey R, Chelcee B

Support – Levi C

Learning Support Team – Parent/Carer Survey

MSPS are in the process of reviewing current procedures for enabling all student's quality education and support from our Learning Support Team. We would appreciate parent input to ensure that parental and carer understanding is taken into account in such an important review.

If parents/carers could please follow the survey link on our school Facebook page or go to this address <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MGNM82G> and complete the survey it would be very much appreciated.

Thank you for your support.

School banking

Rewards Program update

In Term 4, two new reward items from our Super Savers range are available to redeem (while stocks last):

- Slushie Maker Cup
- Zoom Flying Disc



SPORTS REPORT

School swimming is the talk of MSPS at the moment, with all Years from 2-6 and some Year 1 students diving into Learn to Swim in Week 3. The program will run for 7 weeks and will cost only \$25. With the weather heating up it is important to be safe in and around the water which is one of the main focus' of the program. Swimmers of all abilities will be catered for and it is perfect timing with the 2019 carnival being run in the last week of 2018.

Our netball teams are continuing their preparations for their Gala days in the coming weeks.

It is important that all students are wearing the appropriate clothing to school. School bucket hats are really important for student's safety in the sun. Please make sure your child has one and wears it.

Finally, Stage 2 and 3 will be doing Gymnastics this Term. It is important that students wear their sports uniform on the days they have PE. If you are unsure what day your child has PE please ask the classroom teacher.

Regards
Mr Adams - PE Teacher

Buy a bale

Muswellbrook South and King Street Public School have launched a Muswellbrook and Singleton Schools' Community Fundraiser, in support of our local farmers who are struggling with the drought.

Our first goal is to raise \$9500 to provide hay for their stock. Please visit

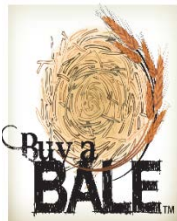
https://www.buyabale.com.au/donate/?supporter_id=95176 to donate.

All donations are tax deductible.

We have farming families that need our help, so please help us to help them.

Regards

Mrs Felan and MSPS SRC



Transport for NSW

School student applications for 2019 are open from Monday, 15 October 2018.

Students progressing to Year 3 and Year 7 do not need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should collect their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from the nominated operator (Osborn's Bus company). Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students should check with their operator for more information.

For further information visit

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

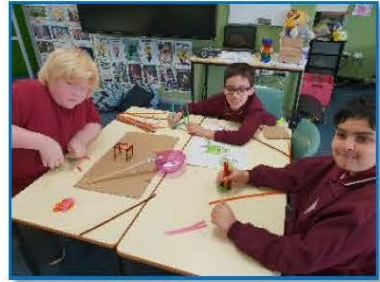
Regards,
Transport for NSW

STEM in 5 Blue

Over the course of Term 3, 5 Blue have been hard at work on our stem project. Students were tasked with the challenge of upgrading a playground area within our school. As a class we decided to update the area behind the kinder rooms at the front of the hall.

Students had to work within an assigned budget to design a new playground area for Muswellbrook South. The sky was the limit in their choices and they could have anything they decided in their playgrounds. The only limitation was that it had to be sustainable for future students well after they have gone on to bigger and better things.

We are currently finalising our models and proposals this week. We look forward to displaying these with other students and parents next week.



Stage 3 STEM Showcase

Over the course of Term 3, Stage 3 students participated in a STEM unit of work. The driving question for the unit of work was *“How can we improve our school environment and ensure it is sustainable for future students?”*



Stage 3 would like to invite our parents/carers/friends to our STEM Showcase, to be held in the hall on Friday 26th October from 1:00 - 1:45pm.



Muswellbrook South Public School

Kindergarten Transition Program

A special invitation is extended to all children who have enrolled at Muswellbrook South Public School for 2019 or who are going to enrol, to attend our

Kindergarten Transition Program.

There will be lots of exciting activities such as art and craft, singing and dancing. This is a chance to become familiar with the school environment and teachers for next year.

Please contact the School Office on **65 431896** to register your child and nominate the session you would like your child to attend.

Where: Muswellbrook South Public School

When: Term 4: 24th, 31st October
7th, 14th and 21st November
(5 week program).

Time: Sessions will be held on a **Wednesday**
Students are invited to attend one timeslot each Wednesday
(limited spaces in each timeslot so please register asap).

- 10.00am to 11.30am

- 12.00pm to 1.30pm

- 2.00pm to 3.25pm

Cost: None





Power FM are bringing breakfast to our School!

Power FM Brekky Show will broadcast live from our school on

Thursday 25th October thanks to the Power FM School's

Brekkiess! The Power FM crew will bring breakfast for the kids

available from **7.30am to 9.00am**. A coffee machine will be available for Mums and Dads to purchase a coffee.

Come and join us for a ton of laughter and fun!

(We are looking for volunteers to help serve breakfast on the day).

MSPS SRC are also holding a

“Come dressed as a farmer day”

next **Thursday 25th October**.

A gold coin donation is requested that will

go towards our ***“Buy a Bale”*** fundraising efforts for the farming community affected by the droughts.

Please help support a worthy cause!



MSPS Dates for the Diary – Term 4 2018

<i>weeks</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>
Oct 1	15	16	17	18	19
Oct 2	22 Steven Herrick Poetry to the Rescue Stg 2	23	24 Kinder Transition starts	25 Power FM Breakfast / come dressed as a farmer day	26 Stage 3 STEM Showcase
Oct/ Nov 3	29	30	31 Stage 1 Tocal homestead excursion (Year 1) Kinder Transition	1 Stage 1 Tocal homestead excursion (Year 2) Inter school debating competition at MSPS	2 Cake Stall
Nov 4	5	6	7 Kinder Transition	8 Yr5 Leadership Day	9 Yr5 Leadership Day
Nov 5	12	13	14 Kinder Transition	15	16
Nov 6	19	20	21 Kinder Transition	22	23
Nov/ Dec 7	26	27	28	29	30 P&C colour run
Dec 8	3	4	5	6	7 9:45-10:45am Sports Presentation
Dec 9	10	11	12 Concert	13 Year 6 Farewell	14 Presentation Day K-2 9:45-10:30 am 3-6- 11-12pm
Dec 10	17	18 Swimming Carnival	19	20 SDD	21 SDD

Rural and regional school travel

Your child may be eligible for free travel between home and school. Simply apply online.

Visit transport.nsw.info/school-students



Save time. Apply online

You can now apply online for free school travel in rural and regional NSW instead of using paper forms. This means you only need to complete one form, even for journeys using more than one bus company. It's also easier for schools and bus companies, as Transport for NSW now handles the applications.

Who can apply

To be eligible for free school travel, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants)

There's no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary)

More than 1.6km straight line distance or at least 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary)

More than 2.0km straight line distance or at least 2.9km walking.

Who needs to apply

You only need to apply if the student has never been approved for free school travel before.

However, you need to update student details online if the student is:

- changing schools or campuses
- changing address
- changing operator
- requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

How to update your details

If the student has already been approved for school travel and they change addresses, schools or their name changes you will need to update your details at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updatedetails

How to apply for free travel for the first time

You can apply for free school travel for next year from the start of Term 4 this year.

Step 1

Once you have enrolled your child at the new school, apply online at transport.nsw.info/school-students giving your home address and telling us which bus company the student needs to travel with between home and school.

Step 2

The school then confirms to us that your details are correct.

Step 3

We will then work on your application. You will get an email confirming if the student is approved for free travel. If so, we will tell your local bus company who may send a school travel pass (if needed) to your school or, in some cases, the bus company will contact you directly about travel arrangements.

A parent or guardian must apply for students aged 15 years and under. Students who are 16 years and over apply for themselves.

Frequently asked questions

How can I apply if I don't have internet access?

Call **131 500** to get help with your application.

Does the approved free travel include travel outside school hours?

Approved free school travel is only for travel to and from school. So for travel after hours, on weekends or during school holidays, students will need to buy a ticket.

What if there's no public transport in my area?

In areas where there is no public transport, you may be able to get a subsidy for driving the student to school. For details visit transport.nsw.info/school-students

How do I apply if the student needs to travel from two addresses because the parents live separately?

Each parent (or the student if aged 16 or over) needs to apply separately for each address. The same minimum distances apply.



Want to know more?

For more information call **131 500** or visit transport.nsw.info/school-students

For help in your language, call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on **131 450**.

UPPER HUNTER COMMUNITY SERVICES

CINEMA

Under the Stars

FREE FAMILY MOVIE
FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 2018
 Highbrook Park, Muswellbrook
 Starts at 5:30pm. Movie starts at sundown.

Dress as your favourite movie character
 Mystery family movie
 Craft activities
 TOYBOX
 Face painting
 \$1 cold drinks
 Popcorn from \$1
 FREE sausage sizzle



Picnic blankets welcome. This is an alcohol and glass free event. Children must be accompanied by an adult

Event Partners: 

UPPER HUNTER COMMUNITY SERVICES Inc.

This service is proudly provided to you by:
 Upper Hunter Community Services Inc.
 CHC Community Centre
 Our Bridge & Market Streets in Muswellbrook
 Phone: 02 6542 3555 • www.uhcs.org.au



Ever wondered about studying at University?
 Why not come along to our free Prep Workshops?

Venue: Tertiary Education Centre (TEC), 87 Hill Street, Muswellbrook

Date: Thursday 25th October 2018

Time: 10am to 12noon



Please register by contacting Nicole

Uni4You: Encouraging, supporting and connecting people who are interested in the possibility of study

To find out more, or to register, please contact:
Nicole Roser
 Phone: 4055 1891 or 0409 814 107
Nicole.Roser@newcastle.edu.au



UNGOOROO GP DOCTORS CLINIC & HEALTH SERVICES

Dr Liz Dr Viv ADMIN Dana, Dr Leah, ADMIN Mel

Ungooroo GP & Health Service is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) and providing health care including Order 43's and Chronic Disease Management as well as our other clinical services.

UNGOOROO OFFERS THE FOLLOWING SERVICES IN OUR GENERAL PRACTICE:

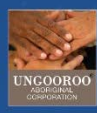
- ▶ Skin Check
- ▶ Pap Smear
- ▶ Baby Check
- ▶ Pre-Employment Medical
- ▶ Chronic Disease Care
- ▶ Geriatric Medicine
- ▶ Workers Compensation
- ▶ Paediatric Care
- ▶ Blood Collection
- ▶ Child Immunisations
- ▶ Adult Immunisations
- ▶ Health Assessments
- ▶ 715 Health Check
- ▶ Pregnancy/Antenatal Care
- ▶ Wound Repair
- ▶ Bulk Billing
- ▶ Open to the General Public

ALL SERVICES BULK BILLED

OPENING HOURS: Monday to Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm

If you would like to make an appointment, please contact the office on **6571 5111** or email medical@ungooroo.com.au

www.ungooroo.com.au



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DIETITIAN

- ▶ Weight management
- ▶ Cardiovascular disorders
- ▶ Gastrointestinal disorders
- ▶ Pulmonary conditions
- ▶ Malnutrition
- ▶ Paediatric obesity
- ▶ Oncology nutrition



OPTOMETRIST

- ▶ All Adults and Children Bulk Billed for eye check
- ▶ Glasses assessment through Centrelink
- ▶ Signs of Glaucoma
- ▶ Macular degeneration
- ▶ Diabetic retinal disease testing



PHYSIOTHERAPIST

- ▶ Any muscle or joint pain
- ▶ Sports and workplace injury
- ▶ Reduced mobility and/or movement disorders caused from previous injury or illness
- ▶ Chronic lung disorders e.g. asthma, COPD
- ▶ Pre and post pregnancy-related injury or pain
- ▶ Arthritis pain



HEARING SCREENING

- ▶ Audiology and hearing screening for adults and children is now available at Ungooroo GP and Health Services.



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LOCATION:
 128 George Street, Singleton
 (Opposite Singleton Ambulance station)

