

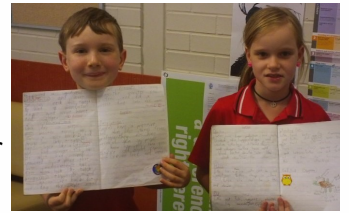
# MORISSET PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Term 4 Week 5

Dear Parents and Friends of Morisset PS,

I was very excited to see the wonderful work that 2V are doing when Alex and Maddi brought up their descriptions of turtles and their amazing labelled diagrams.



Healthy Harold and the Life Education Van were back in our school from Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October until Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2015. Our students enjoyed another important and informative session in the Van promoting positive life choices. Hunter Life Education is fully funded by the community. It is only through partnership with community organisations and businesses that we can make Life Education's preventative educational programs available to children in the Hunter.

Morisset Public School would especially like to say thank you to the **Lions Club of Morisset and the Rotary Club of Morisset** for supporting this year's visit with Healthy Harold and the Hunter Life Education team. Life Education supports us in teaching children what they need to know to make smart choices and develop healthy habits that last a lifetime.

Kathryn Duncan - Principal

Hello, my name is Kendall Dodt. I will be working here at Morisset Public School as an English Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D) teacher for the remainder of the year. I would like to introduce myself to the whole school community and to let you know how excited I am to be able to begin working with the Students and Staff at Morisset. My background as a Primary School teacher has involved me in teaching a range of different classes, schools and settings, including EAL/D. I am also hoping to bring my background knowledge on cultural diversity to introduce the school to new experiences and exciting events for the whole community. Please come up and say hello if you see me around the school and to share your experiences of different cultures. I look forward to meeting as many parents as possible.



### K-2 Update

It has been a busy time for us all in the past weeks. Grandfriends Day was held on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and was a huge success! It was great to see all the Grandfriends here for our students. Last week we participated in 'Day for Daniel'. Children discussed ways to stay safe, formed a safety network and learnt about internet safety among other things. It is essential we all have strategies in place to keep ourselves safe.

Term 4 does not slow down at all as we are all busy preparing for our K-6 performance – 'Robin & the Sherwood Hoodies'. Teachers will send a costume note home, if they haven't already, detailing your child's costume needs. This certainly is a fun and busy time of the year.

### 3-6 Update

Over the past two Fridays we have had special events at our school. It was wonderful to see so many grandparents and friends attend our special day. Congratulations to our senior students who organised games and activities for our Day for Daniel. Both days were a great example of the wonderful community we have at MPS.

Our Stage 2 swimmers have been working hard on Fridays. Teachers have noticed huge improvements already in many students swimming skills. Keep it up guys.



**Students, Teachers and the Community United in Quality Learning**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**2015**

**Term 4**

### NOVEMBER

#### Week 5

Wed 4-Fri 6 Ticket Sales Open for School Concert  
Wed 4 Newsletter  
Fri 6 Stage 2 swimming

#### Week 6

Wed 11 REMEMBRANCE DAY  
Thurs 12 Assembly  
Fri 13 Stage 2 swimming

#### Week 7

Wed 18 Yr 6 MHS GATS Day  
Thurs 19 International Childrens Day Celebration  
Fri 20 Stage 2 swimming

#### Week 8

Thurs 26 Assembly  
Fri 27 P&C AGM commences at 9.15am  
Bright Beginnings Afternoon Tea - 2.00pm-3.00pm

#### Week 9

Mon 30 Musical - Dress Rehearsal

### DECEMBER

Tues 1 Musical Matinee - 11.30am  
Wed 2 Musical Evening Performance - 6.00pm  
Newsletter  
Thurs 3 Yr 6 Orientation Day MHS  
Musical Evening Performance - 6.00pm  
Fri 4 PJ Day  
Scripture Puppet Show - 2.00pm-3.00pm

## P & C NEWS

### Family Portraits

Family portraits day is **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**. Information sheets have been sent home. If you are interested to get a family photo shoot done for **\$15**, please send in the booking form by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**.

It is a fantastic GIFT for the grandparents or hard to buy for family members, and is great value if you do go ahead with the whole package.

### Hunter Valley Winery Bus Trip

What a FANTASTIC day! We all had a very enjoyable time. Thank you to Averil for organising a wonderful day for us, looking forward to next year's trip.

### Annual Christmas Raffle

The raffle will be drawn on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. This is the P&C's biggest fundraiser for the year, all your support is greatly appreciated. Raffle tickets will be sent home with week 7's newsletter.

**Donations for the Raffle** are being accepted now. If you wish to donate to the Christmas raffle, please leave your donations at the office for collection. Thank you.

### P&C Meeting AGM and General meeting

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November**, 9.15am, Multi-Purpose Room. Come and join us for a cuppa and discussion about our school. You just never know what you might learn!

Rebecca Harridge  
P&C President

## **DYSLEXIA OR LEARNING DIFFICULTIES?**

Some children experience reading and learning difficulties as a result of visual perception problems caused by

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The ukulele group will be performing at the community Christmas party on the 4th Dec at the community centre. More information will be sent home closer to the date.



### SCHOOLS WEBSITE CALENDAR

The calendar on the schools website has been updated and you are now able to access notes from the website if required, also available on the school app.





# You Can Do It Awards



## TERM 4 WEEK 4

### ORGANISATION

K/1C	Ava Wenning - Always having red folder.
KG -	Demi Bolakis - For fabulous classroom organisation.
1/2B -	Madeleine Barnett - Organising her information reports under headings and in paragraphs.
2V -	Sarandon Hornby - For fabulous organisation of her informative writing.
3N -	Vitalely Ingram - Consistently organised and ready to learn. ALWAYS!
3/4B -	Sharntelle Small - Always being organised and ready to learn.
4/5G -	Jemma Pithie-Collins - Having her speech organised and well presented.
5/6L -	Natasha Homer - Always organised and ready to learn.
5/6W -	Joey Lewis - Organisation in all areas, all year.

## Reading Awards

### Bronze

#### Reading Awards

Connor Lowry, Crystal Collins, Joey Lewis



#### Silver Reading Awards

Lilly McGill, Joey Lewis

#### Gold Reading Awards

Joey Lewis

#### Double Bronze Reading Awards

Lily Sonter, Archer Sonter, Joey Lewis

#### Double Silver Reading Awards

Joey Lewis

#### Double Gold Reading Awards

Grace Ostergaard, Nina Dean, Joey Lewis, Nameera Hossain, Jawad Ahmed

#### Royal Amythest

Joey Lewis, Koby Kent, Luke Ostergaard, Jawad Ahmed

#### Opal

Ryan Nicholls-Hughes, Joey Lewis

## Merit Awards

### Term 4

### Week 4

#### K/1C Merit Award

- Zierra Melbourne

#### KG Merit Award

- Katie Martin

#### 1K Merit Award

- Maddison Smith
- Nate Fullerton

#### 1/2B Merit Award

- Jacob Watts
- Indi-Rose McLean

#### 2V Merit Awards

- Jacob Flaherty
- Kurtis Dicandilo

#### 3N Merit Awards

- Joshua Ridley
- Alyssa Ryan

#### 3/4B Merit Awards

- Joshua Coleman-Rouvray
- Tamika Waters

#### 4/5G Merit Awards

- Claire Camilleri
- Aiden Williams

#### 5/6L Merit Awards

- Archer Sonter
- Ethan Mundy

#### 5/6W Merit Awards

- Tashawn Griffiths
- Joshua Thompson

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Adult ticket \$12 Student/Pensioner \$6

Tickets available at the office



# Robin & the Sherwood Hoodies



## DEBATING NEWS

Last Thursday, Mikayla Morgan, Siena Turner, Hayden Roberts and Olivia Caddey represented our school at the Western Shores Learning Alliance Debating Challenge. This

was the first time the Year 5 debated against students from other schools. The team debated that 'Learning a 2nd language should be compulsory in schools' and that 'Junk food advertising should be banned.' The team did a great job and were successful in making the grand final on the day. They were given 1 hour to prepare a debate to argue that 'computers have a negative impact on our education.' They debated against Bonnells Bay in the Grand Final but were not successful in winning on the day. Everyone had a great day and are looking forward to debating in Year 6.



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For more information please contact the MPS office.



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### MHS YR 7 CAMP 2016

Parents wishing to make payment for the Yr 7 camp for 2016 can either do so via online payment or at the High School office. Details for online payments are below. Final

### Online Payments

Westpac Bank

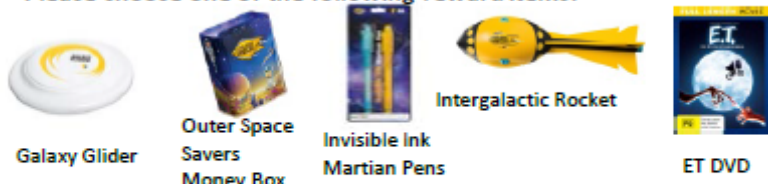
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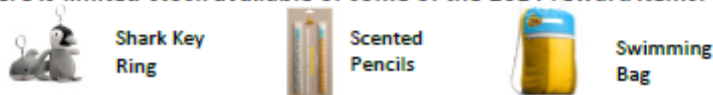
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### A note from School Banking

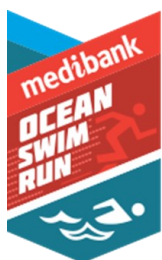
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### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### COORANBONG VALLEY COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL - Cooranbong Valley

Community Preschool currently offers educational care at a reduced rate for children who turn four by the 31/7/15. The prior to school program runs for six hours a day from Tuesday to Thursday. In an effort to accommodate those families who have three year old children and who would like their child to begin the first stage of their educational journey we are offering some limited places for younger children which can be taken as either a four or six hour day. There are reduced rates for both age groups if a Health Care Card is held by the family (this card must be sighted and copied by the preschool). Families must provide a copy of an up to date immunisation certificate and birth certificate as well as pay an enrolment fee of \$85.00 before their child can commence at our educational preschool. If you would like your child to start their education with us please call the preschool (Fiona Kerr - Director) on 49771055.

#### DOWN'S SYNDROME NSW HUNTER REGION - Monthly coffee mornings.

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