



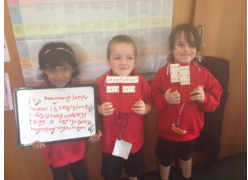
# MORISSET PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Term 4 Week 7

Dear Parents and Friends of Morisset PS,

On the 27<sup>th</sup> November at the P&C meeting I will be speaking to parents about directions we are going in teaching and learning at Morisset PS in 2016. During this meeting I will also be seeking feedback from parents in reviewing school policies to support our future directions. There will be significant changes taking place in the school office. In 2016, office staff and myself will be participating in professional learning for implementing the new Learning Management and Business Reform (LMBR). This is an exciting time for our school and I would encourage all parents to come to the meeting to be up to date with what is happening at MPS and to ask any questions.



It is always wonderful when I have the opportunity to share stories of success about our students. Coby, Katie and Namerra from KG were very excited to show me the wonderful work that they had produced in their class.

The new Opal card is needed for students who are currently in Year 2, moving into Year 3 in 2016, or students who currently catch the bus and are changing addresses or schools. Information booklets are available at the office. Applications need to be made online at [transportnsw.info/school-students](http://transportnsw.info/school-students).



Always remember to make the most of the awesome moments.

Kathryn Duncan  
Principal

### K-2 Update

All students in Stage One have been busy rehearsing for our annual school musical. The various dances are looking fabulous and you are in for a very big treat, so I hope you have all bought your tickets. Don't leave this too late because the sessions, particularly the evenings, sell out fast.

Costume notes have been given out so if you can't find your child's copy, please see the classroom teacher or send them an email so they can organise another copy. Please make sure that you send all costume items into school in a labelled plastic or canvas shopping bag with your child's name clearly labelled on all items.

It also time to make sure that all your child's school clothes are labelled because young students tend to sometimes mix their clothes up when they are getting changed.

1K, 2V and 1/2B have been learning all about different creatures of the sea and as part of this unit they have researched and written some fantastic information reports. Along with this they have also been doing some great artworks.

KG and K/1C have been writing up a storm. They have worked hard this year to learn all of their first thirty words and are enjoying being able to share their ideas when writing and talking about their writing. It is a busy time for our wonderful Kindergarten students as they are preparing for the transition to Year One.

Wendy Boyd



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### 3-6 Update

The school year is quickly coming to an end and things are really starting to heat up across the primary school. Students have been frantically putting the finishing touches on their musical performances, ready for a spectacular show. Miss Darby has been working incredibly hard with the support of Miss Webeck and Mrs Coulter to ensure all students know their parts and are ready for the opening performance. The excitement is building, props are being set and costumes made. *Robin and The Sherwood Hoodies* are coming to town. There are still tickets available for our matinee performance, please come and see the lovely ladies in the office to secure your seat.



On the 11<sup>th</sup> Hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month MPS stopped to remember those that have defended our country at war. Students at Morisset Public School paused all school work to remember the men and women who died defending Australia during all wars. Our Prime Minister, Ben Ransom and Deputy Prime Minister, Alanna Collin represented our school at the Morisset Country Club by laying a wreath as a mark of respect.

Term 4 is a time at school where planning begins for the next school year. An important process that many year 4 and 5 students will have anticipated throughout their schooling is the opportunity to be considered for a leadership position. It is always a daunting prospect for many students as they have big shoes to fill with the quality of MPS leaders and this year is no exception. Our 2015 leaders have completed their roles with honesty and maturity and will leave a lasting legacy for the 2016 leaders to uphold. This week we have had many amazing year 4 and 5 students present speeches to be elected for both the cabinet and shadow cabinet for 2016. They've completed these speeches with great pride and enthusiasm and I am looking forward to a brilliant leadership team in 2016.



Year 5 have attended their final Rooky's workshop last week. The program is a transition to High School program run by the Reach Foundation. It aims at developing both student's resilience and confidence. Students participated in a range of activities which they were able to complete demonstrating excellent cooperation skills. Students have learned the importance of forming and maintaining friendships and standing up for one another in the face of bullying.



Year 6 are getting ready for their High School Orientation day which is happening on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Students will participate in a full day of activities that prepare them for High School in 2016 including taster lessons, timetable activities and peer support sessions. This day is a fantastic opportunity for students to become familiar with Morisset High School and make new friends from other schools before they start the 2016 school year.

Finally, all students across the school are to be congratulated on their fantastic efforts this term. Teachers have been busily assessing students to write their end of year reports. This is quite a lengthy process and involves all students giving 100%. Teachers have commented that all students have handled this hectic time of year with a great attitude showing commitment to their learning. It is always so great to see students working to improve their academic marks each and every day.

*"Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere." – Albert Einstein*

Tim Lewis  
Assistant Principal



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### **2015 Term 4**

#### NOVEMBER

##### Week 7

Wed 18 Yr 6 MHS GATS Day  
Newsletter  
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 Rehersal

#### 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

##### Week 10

Mon 7 Bright Beginnings Partnership meetings  
Wed 9 Bright Beginnings Partnership meetings  
Movie Day Stage 1 & 2  
Thurs 10 Assembly  
Fri 11 Presentation Day 11.30am at MHS

##### Week 11

Tues 15 Yr 6 Farewell  
Wed 16 Mudworld Yr 5/6  
Newsletter  
Last Day of School

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.



## P & C NEWS

**Annual Christmas Raffle** – Raffle Tickets have been sent out with this week's Newsletter, Please check your children's bags. If you don't wish to sell them, please send back to the office, they can be sold at the Musical session times. The raffle will be drawn on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. This is M.P.S P&C 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.

**Canteen** – The canteen will be open before and during the interval at the School Musical times. Tea, coffee, cold drinks, sandwiches and other light snacks will be available for purchase.

**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

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# You Can Do It Awards

TERM 4 WEEK 6



## CONFIDENCE

K/1C	Trinity Kearns - Developing confidence when attempting new tasks.
KG -	Koby Kent - Showing confidence in dance practice.
1K -	Zara Lienau - Confidence in performance practise.
1/2B -	Crystal Collins - Showing more confidence in reading and writing.
2V -	Isabelle Hallett - Demonstrating confidence in Mathematics.
3N -	Meisha Visocchi - Displaying outstanding confidence in writing.
3/4B -	Luke Ostergaard - Displaying confidence in all classroom tasks.
4/5G -	Sarah Pel-Martig - Growing in confidence in all areas.
5/6L -	Mackenzie Vider - Demonstrating outstanding confidence in spelling groups.
5/6W -	Siena Turner - Showing confidence as part of her Universal Children's Day Project.

## Reading Awards

### Bronze

#### Reading Awards

Adrian Cook, Milan Hill,  
Quinn Harrison



#### Silver Reading Awards

Ruby Fleming, Eleni Bolakis,

#### Gold Reading Awards

Ruby Fleming

#### Double Bronze Reading Awards

Madeleine Barnett, Carlin Dicandilo-Knight, Ruby  
Fleming, Katie Martin, Maddison Smith

#### Double Silver Reading Awards

Felix Walker, Payton Russell, Hayley Ostergaard,  
Tyler Stace

#### Double Gold Reading Awards

Leon Vizer

#### Royal Amythest

Alex Banning

#### Double Amythest

Mikayla Shreeve, Alexander Beirne

### Opal

Adiba Ahmed

## Merit Awards

### Term 4

### Week 6

#### K/1C Merit Award

- Braiden Parker-Hall
- Felix Walker

#### KG Merit Award

- Milan Hill
- Felix Masens

#### 1K Merit Award

- Isla Mundy
- Daisy Ashman

#### 1/2B Merit Award

- Ryder Jack
- Zac Small

#### 2V Merit Awards

- Jhett Hill
- Maddison Serone

#### 3N Merit Awards

- Jimmy Edwards
- William Dalglish

#### 3/4B Merit Awards

- Angelina Joyce
- Darcy Deaves

#### 4/5G Merit Awards

- Aaron Reen
- Claire Camilleri

#### 5/6L Merit Awards

- Lane McGrath
- Bailey Ridley

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Parents wishing to make payment for the Yr 7 camp for  
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payment is due on December 11, 2015.

### Online Payments

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**DOWNS SYNDROME NSW HUNTER REGION** – Monthly coffee mornings. 2nd Wednesday of each month. 10am-12pm at Café and Playground Area Wallsend Diggers 5 Tyrell St Wallsend. For parents/caregivers, relatives & friends of someone with Downs Syndrome (of all ages) to learn about what's going on in our Region and exchange ideas and have a coffee. Dates: Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov11, Dec 9. Enquiries: Lisa Nelson Ph: 0408 665 145 or email: dshr@dsansw.org.au. Sign in at the club desk and purchase own food/drinks.

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# Wangi Carols

**SATURDAY 12 December 2015**

**Dobell Park, Wangi 6.30 - 9**

*Pre show & markets 4pm*

*Merry Christmas*

*Carols from 6.30pm*

*BBQ by Wangi Lions*

*Jumping Castle*

*Face painting*

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### Santa Claus is coming to town!

With just over 5 weeks until Christmas, Santa and his elves are gearing up for a big festive season. To help him get around, Peninsula Rural Fire brigade will be taking Santa around the Morisset Peninsula on his sleigh escorted by some fire trucks! Santa's tour of the Morisset Peninsula coincides with the Morisset Christmas Spectacular on the weekend of December 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for more details in the weeks prior to Christmas; however we generally cover Yarrawonga Park to Mirrabooka via Balcolyn on Saturday, with Brightwaters to Bonnells bay via Morisset Park on the Sunday. You can also find out updates on brigade activities, fire messages and Santa's location at <https://www.facebook.com/PeninsulaRFS/>

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