



## Stage Three Canberra Excursion - cancelled

due to the extension of the ACT lockdown - refunds available - Parents of Year 6 students will need to complete a Student refund application for. Parents of Year 5 students can elect to carry the funds forward to 2022 (for future excursions) or fill out the Student refund application form. Paper copies of the form can be supplied on request. If you made a Parent online Payment (POP), funds can only be refunded as POP.

## Kindergarten 2022 Transition

Due to updated COVID guidelines, all Kindergarten orientation events have been placed **on hold**. If you have a child coming to school or want to make an enrolment enquiry please contact our office on 02 49731435 or email [morisset-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:morisset-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

## Updates and Events

Please visit the school website and download the School App

[www.morisset-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.morisset-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

**Newsletters** are distributed via the School App and Website. Paper copies can be requested by phoning the school office 49731435 or emailing [morisset-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:morisset-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

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School Stream App,  
Facebook,  
and School Website.

Contact the school via the school email address or by phoning 49 731435 or 49731533

## Email:

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## TERM 4 Week 1

October 6, 2021

Keeping you up-to-date of changes to the Term 4 Learning Roadmap is important. Today, the NSW Government has announced a revised date for the return of students.

Kindergarten and Year 1 - Monday October 18  
and all students in Years 2-6 on Monday October 25.

I will endeavour to give you further information next week.

## Message regarding Premier's Spelling Bee

Due to the impact of COVID-19 across NSW, the 2021 NSW Premier's Spelling Bee is cancelled.

## Morrisset High School Enrichment Class Applications Open

Year 6 students have been sent an email explaining the application process. Applications need to be emailed to the High School by Friday October 15. Paper copies will be not accepted due to COVID protocols. Yr 6 parents who are on Facebook, please 'like' Morrisset High for regular updates.

## Message from ICAS Assessments

Due to the rapid changes that impact schools, we are extending your ICAS sitting window to Friday 26 Nov 2021 for the following subjects: Mathematics, English, Science, Digital Technologies and Spelling Bee **Writing, however, will retain its current sitting window of 5 Oct – 15 Oct.**

## Creative Kids Voucher

The NSW Government is helping kids get creative with the new Creative Kids program. Parents, guardians and carers can apply for a voucher with a value of up to \$100 per calendar year for each student aged 4.5 to 18 years old enrolled in school. The voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and tuition costs for creative arts, speech, drama, dance, digital design, coding, and music lessons and activities. Use this link check your eligibility and learn more about the Creative kids voucher <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-creative-kids-voucher#eligibility>

Updates to activities for Term 4.

- Scripture - **cancelled** for the remainder of the year
- Canteen - will open **Fridays** only from October 29
- P&C meeting - via ZOOM will be held on Friday October 22 at 11am

Thank you for supporting your children with their continued engagement in the Learning from Home single unit of work .

Mrs Warham  
Principal



**COVID Information** Currently we continue to operate on Level 4 restrictions at this stage.

Parents and carers must keep children at home unless they need to be at school. Schools (including outside of school hours care) are open for any child who needs it. There will be minimal supervision on site at our school for those students who cannot be educated at home, for example if their parent or carer is an essential worker. Students will continue to work on their 'single unit of work' which is available on the school website. Any questions, please phone or email the school.

Due to COVID restrictions and a shortened Term 4, a number of planned events have been impacted. The Department of Education in conjunction with NSW Health, determine the level of restrictions we operate under in the school setting.

- Whole School Musical - **cancelled** due to restrictions placed on our return to school - shortened Term 4, shortened timeframe to report on Literacy and Numeracy, no mixing of cohorts
- Whole School Swimming Fun Day - **cancelled** due to pool closure, no mixing of cohorts
- School Assemblies - **cancelled** until restrictions are eased
- Zone Athletics Carnival - waiting on notification from the Westlakes Carnival Convenor
- State Athletics Carnival - **cancelled**
- Jarjum Soar - **cancelled**
- Breakfast Club - **on hold** until restrictions are eased
- Uniform shop - online until restrictions are eased
- PMI - **on hold** until restrictions are eased
- High School Transition - awaiting notification from Morisset High School
- Kindergarten 2022 Transition - **on hold** until restrictions are eased
- Term 4 Learning @ Morisset - **cancelled**
- Book Week Parade - **cancelled**
- Movie Day Excursion - **cancelled**
- Our Presentation Day date of November 16 at Morisset High School has been **cancelled** due to COVID level restrictions - we still plan to recognise student achievement
- Year 6 Farewell - **on hold** until restrictions are eased
- Zone Swimming Qualifying Event - **on hold** until restrictions are eased
- Newcastle Permanent Maths Test - **cancelled**
- Semester Two Reports - an adjusted report will be distributed before the end of Term 4. The A-E reporting framework will not be included in this report.

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#### MORISSET PUBLIC SCHOOL - SCHOOL VISITOR CHECK-IN

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the State is coming from October 18. The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW Government School.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins as fast as 20 seconds
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW COVID-19 mandate
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services

You can watch our short Parent video on our website to see how it works for parents.

Who can use School Visitor check-in?

Visitors including parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.

Students under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor

School Visitor Check-in will be ready from October 18 at all NSW Government Schools.



# **P&C News**

## **T4 W1 2021**



Welcome back to Term 4! Here's hoping that things will return to something approaching normal soon – but not quite yet.

### **MEETINGS:**

Our next meeting will be via ZOOM ONLY and is set for **FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 11:00am**. All are welcome to attend via Zoom, so please email us at [mpspc@yahoo.com](mailto:mpspc@yahoo.com) for the link by Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October.

This is our last meeting prior to the AGM – anyone who wishes to be able to vote on, or stand for, an executive position on the P&C at the AGM **must** attend this coming meeting *and* become a paid member prior to the AGM, which will be at the end of November. Membership is \$2 for the year.

### **FUNDRAISERS:**

All fundraisers have been cancelled for the rest of this year, due to the COVID situation and its impact on the school and the overall economy.

### **CANTEEN NEWS:**

There are new COVID-safe rules for all canteen and P&C volunteers – anyone who comes onto school site to interact with the students must now be double vaccinated. This has affected the number of canteen volunteers we have available; because of this we will only be opening on **Fridays** this term, commencing Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October. We may be able to open on Wednesdays later in the term, depending on volunteer numbers and vaccination status.

**Please fill in the form overleaf if you would like to join our canteen volunteer team and see your children at school!**

### **UNIFORM SHOP:**

The uniform shop is currently unavailable to attend in person: under COVID 19 guidelines, students are not allowed to try anything on. We'll let you know when this changes.

Order forms (including a sizing guide) are available in the office, or online here <https://morisset-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/canteen-and-uniform/uniform.html>; OR you can use School 24, especially if you need to pay by credit card.

Orders can be collected from the Office on showing proof of purchase – please phone the office before pick up to arrange a suitable time after 10am on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

School 24 online ordering – you can set up your account by following this link <https://morisset-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/canteen-and-uniform/canteen.html> and clicking on the information about online ordering link. The canteen menu can also be found here.

*Ann Beirne, President of Morisset PS P&C*

Find Morisset PS P&C on Facebook  and  our page to keep up to date with events and fundraisers at the school. Links to fundraiser forms will also be found there.

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEER TIMES:

**WEDNESDAYS** – Canteen is open only for **morning and lunch**, no recess.

At least one volunteer should be at school at **8am** to get the ovens going and open up; but all volunteers should be there by **8:30am** preferably, to take orders, serve breakfasts and start lunch preparation, which will continue until the lunch baskets are all completed by 10:50am. Lunch bell is at **11am** and counter service will start shortly after that.

Lunch finishes at **11:50am**; service should stop 5 minutes prior to that (with no large ice creams being sold for the last 10 minutes), and the shutters brought down – then there will be some preparation of frozen stock, such as yoghurt bites and mini juicy cups, followed by clean up, including the floor. Money also needs to be counted and bagged. Mostly, everything should be done by 12:30pm.

**TL:DR – maximum volunteer time required: 8am – 12:30pm**

**FRIDAY morning and lunch** is much the same as on Wednesday, except that the clean-up is much less and the money doesn't get counted at this stage, so people should be able to get away by 12:20pm.

**TL:DR – maximum volunteer time required: 8am – 12:20pm**

**FRIDAY RECESS** – the recess bell goes at **1:50pm**, and ends at 2:15pm – so someone needs to come in at **1:30pm** to open up and start getting everything ready to go. Again, service should stop 5 minutes prior to the bell and the shutters brought down. Clean up, frozen stock preparation and money counting will take place at this point and should all be done by 2:45pm, but by then it's nearly end of school anyway.

**TL:DR – maximum volunteer time required: 1:30pm – 2:45pm**

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEER FORM for 2021:

Name..... Contact phone  
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*Availability:* Wednesday                      Friday morning      Friday afternoon (Please circle all that apply)

*How often would you be able to help out?*

Every fortnight                      Once a month                      Once a term

Other (please state) \_\_\_\_\_

**You are required to be double vaccinated against COVID 19, and must have a Working With Children Check (volunteer), which is free to obtain from Service NSW**

*Please return this form to the Office, who will pass it on to the P&C Canteen team,*

*or call Amanda Finucane on 0414 270 885*

THANK YOU! 😊



## Uniform Shop - P&C

***Under current COVID 19 guidelines, the uniform shop is unavailable to attend in person and students may NOT try on any uniform prior to buying.***

***Online uniform orders will be available to collect from school after 10am on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please phone the office to arrange a time to collect them.***



The uniform shop is normally open every Friday during term time from 8:45 til 9:45am. Order forms (including a sizing guide) are available in the office or online from the Morisset Public School website; and uniforms that have been paid for can also be collected from the office – please phone the office to arrange a time to pick uniform up.

Uniforms can also be ordered online via School 24 – see the information page [here](#) to register for this option. This allows you to pay by credit card; otherwise payment is by cash, cheque or direct bank transfer as there is no EFTPOS availability.

Payment in cash or cheque (made out to Morisset Public School P & C) should be included with your order form; or payment can be made by direct transfer to the Uniform Shop account (details on the order form). Uniforms ordered via School 24 are paid for when the order is submitted.

No EFTPOS is available for uniform payments.

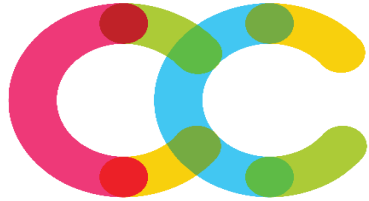
# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Food Parcels

**Southlakes Community Centre** are providing food parcels on Mondays and Tuesdays by booking an appointment only - phone *Regan* on 02 49737000 for more information.



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## MUSIC LESSONS



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- ENROL TODAY via PMI CC's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and enrol for lessons online
- Lessons are held once per week via Zoom - with opportunity for face-to-face lessons once lockdown is lifted
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn music
- Private and Pair lessons are also available
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results - including reading, maths, coordination, IQ, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!

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**WANGI COMMUNITY  
FIREWORKS  
NEW YEAR'S  
EVE – 2021  
9.P.M.  
WANGI BAY**

**ENQUIRIES : 0438 751 322**

## Nutrition Snippet

HEALTHY HALLOWEEN SNACKS.

Healthy snacks don't have to be boring!



Swap out the usual snacks for these healthier ideas:

- Witchy guacamole face
- Veggie and tzatziki skeleton
- Banana ghost and mandarin lanterns

For ideas and recipes visit:  
[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)



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Healthy Lunch Box