

IMPORTANT DATES

Week 5

- Nov 8 - P&C funded incursion for all students - Kym the Reptile Man
- Nov 8 - 2024 Kindergarten Transition - session 2 (English focus)
- Nov 10 - Assembly - 9:10am

Week 6

- Nov 16 - 2024 Kindergarten Transition - session 3 (Maths focus)
- Nov 17 - Yellow Confidence Mufti

Week 7

- Nov 21 - 10:30am - Presentation Day at Morisset High School Hall
- Nov 24 - 2024 Kindergarten Transition - session 4 (lunch order)
- Nov 24 - Stage 3 excursion

Week 8

- Nov 27 - 1:00pm - P&C AGM
- Nov 28 - 4:30pm Deadly Awards at Morisset High
- Dec 1 - Green Getting Along Mufti

Week 10

- Dec 14 - K-4 Movie excursion

Information, Updates and Events

Department of Education Parent App, Facebook and the School Website.

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

Email:

morisset-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Website:

www.morisset-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

TERM 4 - Week 5 - November 8, 2023

Term 4 Mufti Days with a Twist– Reminder !

Our student leaders recently met with Mrs Fuller and as a result, they would like to raise the profile of our 'You Can Do It' mufti days. Hence, mufti days with a twist.

Week 6 - Friday November 17 – **Yellow for Confidence** - students may wear **yellow** shirts or wear something from their cultural background.

Week 8 - Friday December 1 – **Green for Getting Along** – students may wear their **green** shirts or wear novelty glasses for the day.

Week 10 - Friday December 15 (last day for students) – **Purple for Persistence** – students may wear their **purple** shirts or wear their comfortable pyjamas for the day.

Kindergarten 2023/2024 transition program:

We have had a great response from our Kindergarten Expo & our first transition session. We have a more transition dates planned (see below).

Session 2 – English Focus - Wednesday November 8, 2023 - 9:15am to 10:15am

After meeting in the library, children will meet their Year 6 Buddies and move to the Kindergarten Classrooms for an English session including stories, activities, and songs. Parents do not need to stay at school for this session.

Session 3 – Maths Focus - Thursday November 16, 2023 - 9:15am to 10:15am

Again, start the morning in the library then children and their Year 6 Buddies will move to the Kindergarten Classrooms for a Mathematics session with activities and songs. Parents do not need to stay at school for this session.

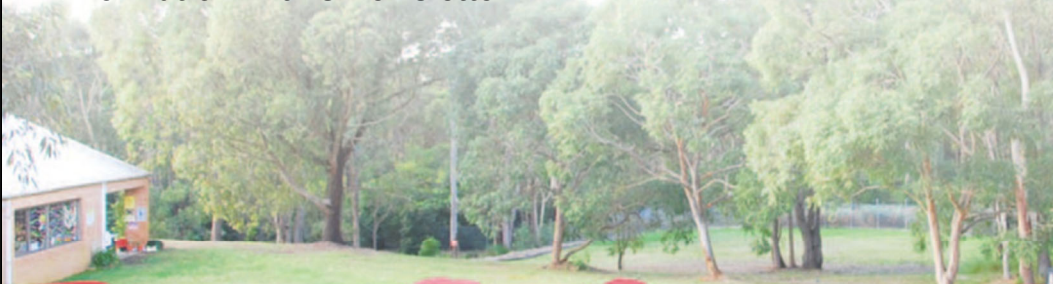
Session 4 – Outdoor Fun! - Friday November 24, 2023 - 9:15am to 10:45am

Again, start the morning in the library then children will move to the Kindergarten Classrooms for a physical activity session with games and songs outside. Please pack your child's hat for this session as they will play outside. This session invites children to place an order at the canteen and have an early lunch with their Year 6 Buddies. Lunch orders can be ordered online using the School 24 System. Parents do not need to stay at school for this session.

Mrs Renee l'Anson-Lee
Principal (rel).

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- ◆ **Parents of Year 5 Students**
- ◆ **- Please note the Selective High School 2025 Application information in this Newsletter.**



Selective High School Year 7 Entry in 2025

—Applications open October 9 to November 20, 2023

Selective high schools provide a learning environment designed to academically gifted and high potential students. They help students learn by:

- Grouping them with other gifted students
- Using specialized teaching methods so students can learn at a quicker pace and in more detail
- Supporting their unique wellbeing needs.

Most students in selective high schools enjoy learning more when their classmates have similar abilities and interests.

Research shows that students benefit both academically and socially from the learning environment in selective high schools. Selective high schools are unzoned so you can apply no matter where you live.

Where are they located?

There are 47 selective high schools for Year 7 entry in NSW with:

- 17 selective high schools
- 25 partially selective high schools
- 4 agricultural selective high schools (3 that offer boarding)
- Aurora College, for rural and remote students available in 182 authorised host schools.

Check the selective high school map to find one near you. Or look up the selective high schools list.

Is a selective high school the right fit for my child?

If your child learns quickly, asks complex questions, has a good memory or is intensely focused in their area of interest, then a selective high school might be a great fit. Discuss the opportunity with your child and look through the information together on [Selective high schools – Year 7](#) and in the new [student resource hub](#).

Fair and equitable access

The Equity Placement Model helps make access fairer for more high potential students in our community. We know that some students may be missing out because they experience educational disadvantage.

Under the Model up to 20% of student places at each selective high school are held for:

- Students from low socio-educational advantage backgrounds
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- Students from rural and remote locations
- Students with a disability.

These students can be offered a place if their test performance is within 10% of the lowest general applicant first-round offer for the school.

If you would like to obtain a hard copy of “Information for applicants for Entry to Selective High Schools in Year 7 in 2025” please contact the office.

Submit your application in 5 easy steps

1

Register to start your application

Parents and/or carers enter their own details to register (not their child's).



2

Verify your email address

Go to your verification email. No email? Check your junk folder.



3

Log in to start

Go to the application website and log in. Forgotten your password? Select **forgot password** to reset it.



4

Complete the 8 sections

Answer all the application questions. You can save your application and come back to update it and complete the questions.

You can log in to your application dashboard and make changes after you have submitted the application.



5

Select 'submit' to finish your application

Check you have received the confirmation email and application dashboard message. You can return to the application dashboard to update details and documents, as well as send and receive messages.



Features of the application dashboard

See the **status** of your application when you log in to the application dashboard.

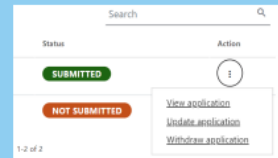
Use your unique application number when messaging with us.

| Application number | Placement | Student | Alerts | Status |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------|------------------|
| 524000001 | Selective high school | Bianca Lala | | SUBMITTED |

Your application can be easily **viewed**, **updated** or **withdrawn** at different stages of the process.

Use this feature to update your application details such as change of address.

You can also use it to upload documents such as medical information and court orders.



For the quickest response to any questions, message the Selective Education Unit through the application dashboard.

Simply click **+New message** to get started.

Select the 3 dots in the **Action** column to respond to new messages.



More help

For step-by-step instructions on submitting your application, refer to the:

[Selective high school application user guide.](#)

Phone: 1300 880 367

Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au

(If you are unable to message us through the application dashboard)

NSW Department of Education



HELP - SPARE SCHOOL CLOTHES NEEDED

If anyone has any school clothes that their child has grown out of, it would be appreciated if you could donate them to the School Office where they are either recycled for new parents or used for the times when our students need to borrow them for various reasons, now and again.

We are desperately in need of boys black shorts of all sizes at the moment. It really helps if we have spare clothes for the students on hand, and it also saves a phone call home to get the parent to come in with their child's clothing.

Thank you for supporting this program in the past and thank you in advance for any usable school clothes.

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SCHOOL INCURSION FOR ALL STUDENTS TODAY

Our school had the pleasure of a visit from the Reptile Man and his reptiles, compliments of the schools P & C. The students learned about the various reptiles, their habitat and how to handle them. It was a successful incursion and the students will hopefully be more aware of these creatures and their characteristics.

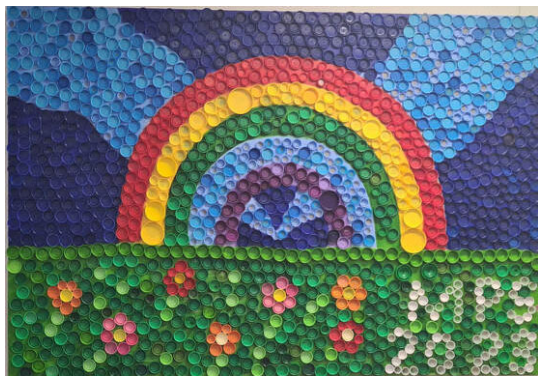
Here are some photos of K/1M and KB's visit



WASTE TO ART EXHIBITION

Waste to Art is an exhibition that showcases how we can recycle resources and create artwork. Our students have been learning about sustainability and have made an artwork using paint and bottle tops. Our families and local community have donated all of the resources.

The artwork is currently displayed at Toronto Library, Cnr Brighton Ave & Pemell St, Toronto.



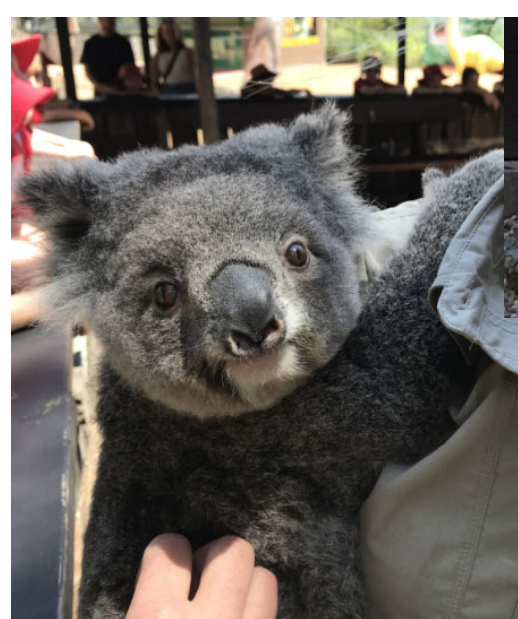
MPS workers creating "Bottle Top Artwork"

Congratulations on your work being exhibited

REPTILE PARK EXCURSION 1/2B & 2/3F

Our students from 1/2B and 2/3F went on an excursion to the Reptile Park at West Gosford yesterday.

Some of the photos of our students enjoying the day and also some of the wildlife are below:



Christmas Hamper Food Drive 2023

Morisset Primary and the Morisset Primary P & C are helping Southlakes Incorporated with their annual Christmas Hampers—so **DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR GOODIES TO SCHOOL—**

Our School will be collecting up until Wednesday December 6. Items such as Pasta, long life milk, tinned foods, lollies etc are more than welcome, but **PLEASE** check the use-by dates before they are brought in.

If we reach our target by the due date, we will be having a **"Silly Sock"** day on Friday December 8.

There is a Toy Collection at the Watagan Café in Cooranbong and Café 2283 in Toronto if anyone has new toys to donate.

Gift Cards for teenagers (\$30) are also being sought and can be handed in to the School Office.

If you are able, please support this worthwhile cause, bringing



LOOK
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MORISSET PRIMARY P & C -

The Sports Shirts (pictured below) are on sale. Get them while you can!



TERM 4 ONLY

Sport shirts for

\$25

**All sizes – 6 to adult –
limited stock available
in some sizes.**

Order forms found in office, or through the link in our Linktree on our Facebook page.

Community Announcements

Transport for NSW

Careers

We're hiring School Crossing Supervisors



Help protect our vibrant school communities.



Be a road safety hero for school kids, caregivers, and school staff.



Be a second set of eyes for local motorists at busy times.



Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest.



Permanent part-time roles available
Morisset Public School-89595

Does this sound like you?

- Willing to work outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Able to communicate with different groups and give clear instructions.
- Community-minded.
- Friendly and positive manner.

Days and hours

- 20 hours each fortnight.
- Shifts are between 8.15 am –9.15 am and 2.30 pm –3.30 pm.
- Work Monday to Friday during school terms.

Apply today

Applications close Wednesday 22nd November 2023

Visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au and search for **Reference Number: 89595** or search 'School Crossing Supervisors' for a full list of vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary

E: sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au

P: 0466 343 704

jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au



You are invited to the



Wednesday 15 Nov 5.30pm

Q Building UoN

16B Honeysuckle Dr, Newcastle NSW 2300

Come celebrate this year's young entrepreneurs with canapes, live entertainment by the Griff Brothers & the awards ceremony. MC'd by innovation ecosystem connector, Dan Smith.

Free Tix from <https://events.humanitix.com/hunter-young-business-minds-awards-2023>



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



laptops & tablets



uniforms & shoes



books & supplies



sports fees & gear



lessons & activities



camps & excursion

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:



NSW/Act - Saver Plus Team



SaverPlusNSWACT@thesmithfamily.com.au



1300 610 355

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Learn today, change tomorrow.

Find out more at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

P & C Fun Fundraiser

MORISSET PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C TRIVIA!

Meat raffle,
Tombala,
Silent Auction,
Great Prizes!

Saturday, Nov 18 4-6pm

Morisset Public School Hall
6 Terrigal Street, Morisset

\$30
per table -
maximum of 8
per table

For registration & further information check out
our Facebook page

MorissetPSPandC

Theme:
COLOURS!

*You Are The Key To
Your Success
"YOU CAN DO IT!"*



**Pick your favourite KEY
from our school and dress
in that colour. Prize for
the best dressed
individual!**

**All funds raised will go
directly towards new
playground equipment for
the school!**

In conjunction with the Surf Life Saving New South Wales Beach Series, the NRL and Touch Football Australia will be hosting a series of Beach Touch events at some of New South Wales' most iconic beach locations. There will be footy matches, league star clinics, music pumping and plenty of prizes, including NRL club memberships up for grabs! This will be held at **Merewether Beach on the 18th of November.**

PLAY LEAGUE STARS:

WHEN: Saturday, November 18
TIME: 9:30am - 10:30am
WHERE: Merewether Beach, Newcastle



NRL BEACH TOUCH
Get in touch with summer

When: Saturday, 18 November
Where: Merewether, Newcastle
13-17s Mixed Comp: \$50

REGISTER NOW

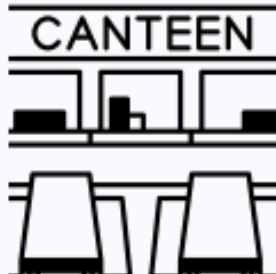
League Stars Clinic Free 5-12year olds
<https://profile.mysideline.com.au/register/clubsearch/?criteria=49793003&entity=true&entitytype=program&source=rugby-league>
Beach Touch \$50per team 13-17year olds Mixed Comp
Beach Touch \$100per team Opens Mixed Comp
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CANTEEN VOLUNTEER FORM

WEDNESDAY - BREAKFAST / LUNCH

FRIDAY - BREAKFAST / LUNCH / RECESS



WEDNESDAYS - BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

8AM TO 8.10AM START - 12.30PM FINISH

VOLUNTEER DUTIES INCLUDE

- Basic food preparation
- Packing Lunch Orders for collection by students
- Breakfast Service & Lunch Service
- General clean up and prep of frozen items
- Counting Days Takings



FRIDAY - BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

8AM TO 8.10AM START - 12.30PM FINISH

VOLUNTEER DUTIES INCLUDE

- Basic food preparation
- Packing Lunch Orders for collection by students
- Breakfast Service & Lunch Service
- General clean up



FRIDAY - RECESS

1.40PM START - 2.45PM FINISH

VOLUNTEER DUTIES INCLUDE

- Recess Service
- General Clean Up and prep of frozen items
- Counting day's takings

CANTEEN VOLUNTEER FORM FOR 2023:

NAME..... **CONTACT PHONE**

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 SPECIAL EVENTS

OTHER (PLEASE STATE)

**A WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK IS REQUIRED
(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 ANN BEIRNE ON 0488 136464**

THANK YOU!