

NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 7: TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2018

SRC spreads a message of kindness, inclusivity and respect

Monday 3 December is the International Day of People with Disability. The SRC has decided to hold an event to acknowledge this special day on Friday 30 November. Students are invited to wear mufti in the colours of the International Day of People with Disability, which are white, orange and purple (or any combination of these). If you would like to wear mufti, please bring a gold coin donation. The money raised will go towards the purchase of sensory outdoor instruments and play equipment.



As part of the program, we're delighted to welcome international motivational speaker, Lorin Nicholson, to the school. Lorin has been blind since birth and will be sharing his life story and some deadly guitar playing with the students 9:10am – 10am in the OEC. Parents, carers and friends are very welcome to attend; Lorin's presentations are always very inspiring and entertaining. You can find out more at lorin.com.au



Please note that there will not be a full assembly on Friday morning. We will award the EKIDNA badges and then enjoy Lorin's presentation. After recess, Lorin will conduct a leadership session with students in Years 4 to 6. In Sessions 3 and 4, the SRC has organised activities for students to do which will help them develop greater empathy for people living with disability. Thank you to the SRC for being excellent role models, and to Mrs Taylor and Mrs O'Regan for their work with the SRC in preparation for this event.

Kindy Transition....they're ready to start!

Today is the last of our four Kindy transition days, and we think they are all looking ready to take on the challenges of the Kindergarten classroom in 2019! We'd like to remind all Kindergarten 2019 parents about the Parent Information session this Thursday 29 November 5:30 – 6:30pm. There have been important changes to the beginning of the year routines, so even if you have had other children start school, please come along so you are informed about the changes. The P&C will also be providing refreshments, and it's a great way to meet other parents.



Colour Fun Run

If the photos are anything to go by, the Colour Fun Run on Saturday was a huge hit! What could be more fun than running through an obstacle course with your friends, getting soaked with super-soaker snipers and then doused with colour...a glorious mess! Thank you to the P&C for organising this very successful fund-raiser, which saw over \$3000 raised for the school. This money will go towards new playground murals. Thanks also to the many volunteers who turned up to set up the equipment, take care of the barbecue and food stand and, of course, provide all the fun with the water and colour. A special mention must go to the Kunghur Rural Fire Service who joined in the festivities and kept everyone cool!

Year 3 Camp

Year 3 students enjoyed an absolutely brilliant camp at Tyalgum Ridge Retreat last week. In a stunning location, they tackled the low ropes course, hit an adrenaline high on the flying fox, got cosy with some large reptiles, discovered a pristine waterfall on a bushwalk, mastered the art of kayaking and cuddled some very cute kids....the four-legged kind! Along the way they learned a lot, tried new food, developed social skills and gained greater independence. It was lovely to see so many students and parents thanking the teachers who accompanied them; Mrs O'Regan, Mr Southgate and Chloe. Without the generosity and dedication of teachers who are prepared to give up personal and family time, camps such as these just couldn't go ahead.

Rachel Watkins - Principal

MUFTI DAY THIS FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER
International Day of People with a Disability
Promoting Inclusiveness, Kindness and Respect
Wear PURPLE, ORANGE/ GOLD and WHITE
GOLD COIN DONATION



Caption for Pommie statue

Have you seen the new and beautiful plaque that is now affixed to our special statue of Pommie? Thank you to Nigel (Pommie's grandson) and the committee who have made this lovely memorial to Pommie and all Uki volunteers. Pommie's rake is currently under repair and will be back in place shortly.



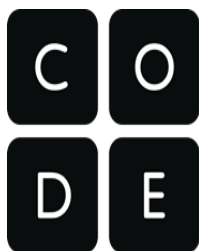
Monday 3 December

**\$8 per student or \$20
per family (3 or more)**

The Mini Fete is run by the Years 5 & 6 students. All children are allowed a turn at every stall and activity, including lollies, cakes, pillow fighting, sponge throwing, lucky dips, guessing competitions, bubbles, beauty salon, ducky dip, and much more!

Payment for the mini fete should be made to school by Thursday 29 November.

HOURLY OF CODE!



As you may know, we have been running a Codeclub for students on Mondays at play break in 5/6T's room. All students are welcome, using iPads and laptops to learn and experiment with coding platforms such as code.org, Scratch, Scratch Junior and Tynker.

The Hour of Code event is run from December 3-9 2018, one of the largest educational events in the world. During this week each class will complete an 'Hour of Code' where they get to try out one of the coding tutorials on code.org or other platforms.

Learning to code is an important step to understand how technology works. Coding is set to become a key skill in many industries in future beyond software development. Research shows that it activates the same parts of the brain as learning another language, strengthening problem solving, logical thinking and persistence.

For more information (and to find Uki on the map!):

<https://hourofcode.com/au>

Mr Andy Williams - Learning and Support Teacher

P&C NEWS

COLOUR RUN

Wow! What a FUN event we had on Saturday morning. Thank you so much to everyone who came along and supported all of our amazing participants in the Colour Fun Run. A big thank you to Danni who tabled the idea at our P&C meeting and who coordinated the fundraiser. What a great success for our first fun run with over \$3000 raised! Thank you also to our other Fun Run sub-committee members Tereasa and Rachel for your incredible efforts and to all of the volunteers including our students who stepped up and helped on the day. Particular thanks to our teachers who went above and beyond to support the event despite being in the middle of report writing, to Justin for transporting all of our obstacles, and to Mick and Blake from Kunghur Rural Fire Brigade who gave up their morning to keep all of our runners cool. We very much appreciate your support. Finally and most importantly to all of our students who fundraised for our school, THANK YOU SO MUCH! AMAZING EFFORT! Special mention must go to our #1 fundraiser, Gabi, who raised over \$400 and swam in the North Coast Swimming Championships in lieu of the fun run, swimming 6 personal best times and picking up a bronze medal. Congratulations Gabi!

CAR WASH

The P&C Car Wash is scheduled for this Saturday 1 December at BP Murwillumbah. Please consider sparing an hour or two to help out at this event and/or bring your car along to BP Murwillumbah for a wash. An online roster is available via: <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/book/step1?z=9CDdxi> Use the Event Code: **c9vmk** or contact the school office. Thank you to Kate and Kellie for coordinating this event.

CHRISTMAS MARKET STALL

The P&C will be running a stall at the Uki Markets on Sunday 16 December. If there are any interested craft-minded parents or Christmas bakers keen to contribute to our stall please give me a call/text on 0423 313370.

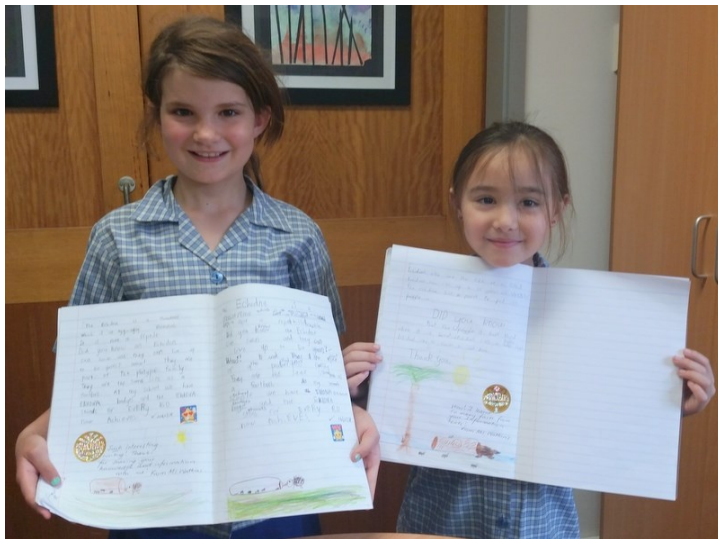
FREE CIRCUS & BASKETBALL SKILLS

Don't forget our Term 4 circus classes have commenced at OOSH (After School Care). These classes run Monday afternoons and are available at no extra cost as part of your usual OOSH fee. OOSH is eligible for child care subsidy and can be as little as \$5 depending on your family circumstances. Amazing value for afternoon tea, quality care and fun after school sports. We are also extending our Basketball classes for a further two weeks (Tuesday mornings at 7:30am). Basketball is on offer as part of our Before School Care program. Please contact our OOSH Coordinator on 66795024 or our school office to enrol. Thank you to all of our great coaches. Lots of fun!

P&C MEETING

Thank you to everyone who attended our last P&C meeting for 2018. It was a great opportunity to wrap up our activities for the year and look ahead to 2019. I have been extremely blessed to work with an incredible team this year, many of whom have worked tirelessly on the committee for many years. As I step down from this role at the start of next year, I would encourage anyone thinking of getting involved in the future of our school to consider joining this wonderful committee. The P&C AGM will be held in February 2019.

Selina Stillman - P&C President



Pictured are Sierra and Emily from 2K with their beautiful work books and Nikita and Willow from 3O with their amazing Australia pottery.

COMING UP... Calendar

Week 7

28 Nov	Wed	Healthy Harold - Life Ed Van
28 Nov	Postponed	School Captain Speeches-new date TBA
29 Nov	Thurs	Kinder 2019 Parent Info 5:30pm
1 Dec	Sat	P&C Car Wash 8:30am-2:30am

Week 8

3 Dec	Mon	Mini Fete
4 Dec	Tues	Year 6 Orientation - MHS
5 Dec	Wed	Year 6 orientation - MHS
6 Dec	Thurs	Volunteers Morning Tea 10am

Week 9

11 Dec	Tues	EKIDNA reward and whole school water Fun Day
12 Dec	Wed	Year 6 Farewell
13 Dec	Thurs	OOSH Christmas Party
14 Dec	Fri	Presentation Assembly

Week 10

17 Dec	Mon	Combined Band Day - MHS
18 Dec	Tues	Year 6 Fun Day Excursion
19 Dec	Wed	Last Day of Term for Students
20/21Dec	Thurs/Fri	Staff Development Days

CANTEEN NEWS

Wow! Thank you to those students who have been so very enthusiastic for our canteen made beef lasagne! We have sold out of these already! There are only 5 canteen days left of term and so we won't be restocking these again until the start of next year.

As we start to pack down and clean the canteen for the school holidays, some products will run out, please keep an eye on the newsletter or online app for updates.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Week 7

Wed 28 Nov	Edwina & Ness
Fri 30 Nov	Belinda & Selina

Week 8

Wed 5 Dec	Tameeka & Erin
Fri 7 Dec	Danni & Tereasa

Week 9

Wed 12 Dec	Hayley & Ness
Fri 14 Dec	Closed for end of year cleaning

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

As we draw to the end of the year please consider donating any outgrown uniforms to the second hand stall in the office. Items are resold for \$2 to families who cannot afford new uniforms and we are very low on stock. Donations of plastic or recyclable bags would also be appreciated. Thanks for your support.

Justine - P&C Uniform Shop Coordinator

CHILDREN'S BOOK LAUNCH

FOOD FUN PRIZES

PARENT & COMMUNITY HELPERS THANK YOU MORNING TEA

Thursday 6 December at 10.00am

RSVP by Tuesday 4 December 2018



Name/s: _____

I / we would like to attend the helpers morning tea