Welcome to 2015
Millthorpe Public School
Newsletter

Issue 20

Dates To Remember

- Athletics Carnival - Wednesday, 24th June (Done!)
- Whole School Assembly - Friday 26th June, 9am - 11am
- FIRST DAY BACK AT SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - Tuesday, 14th July
- Musica Viva - Thursday, 16th July (Week 1 Term 3)
- Life Education Van - Week 2, Term 3
- Education Week/Book Fair - Week 3, Term 3
- Leaders’ Lunch - Monday, 27th July (Week 3, Term 3)
- District Athletics Carnival - Friday, 31st July (Week 3, Term 3)

Principal’s Report

I have thoroughly enjoyed my three weeks as Relieving Principal. Thank you to the two Relieving Assistant Principals, Mr Truloff and Mr Ross, along with all our wonderful teaching and support staff who have made life very easy for me. Of course, all the students are to be congratulated on the way in which they have consistently upheld the school motto by providing “Our Best Always” throughout the last Semester.

I trust Ms Jackett has had a very Happy Birthday at Uluru this week. Ms Jackett returns to work on the first day of Term 3.

First Day of Term for Students

All students will be returning to school on Tuesday, 14th July. Mrs Sharp will be at school on Monday, 13th if parents need uniforms or wish to pay fees etc. We wish Mrs Thompson and Mrs Gray bon voyage as they take off on overseas adventures!

Reports Home

Students appeared thrilled to take home their report cards on Tuesday. It was wonderful having the opportunity to read over them all and see all the hard work that has been going on in our classrooms. I’m sure parents and carers were also pleased to read about their children’s successes and achievements.

Term 3 - Students Return to School

Tuesday, 14th July
Principal’s Report Continued

Dance Week
Last week was Dance Week! Our students were treated to expert tuition from Ashlea and the Footsteps Dance Company. The lessons culminated in the end of term Disco where the boys and girls showed off their talents. Thanks also to Miss Jasmine and her group of dancers who put on a display for us during the evening.

Athletics Carnival
The Athletics Carnival was able to go ahead yesterday, despite the ominous forecast. I can assure you that The Weather Zone App really received a workout in the Staffroom this week. Well done to all those who achieved success in their events. All students are to be congratulated on their excellent behaviour and sportsmanship. It is always wonderful to see such a high participation rate. The District Team will be announced at the commencement of Term 3, with the District Carnival to be hosted by Blayney PS on Friday, 31st July.

Many thanks to Mr Mason and his team of helpers who put the Carnival together, along with the Infants’ Teachers who planned a fun-filled session of activities as well.

NAIDOC Public Speaking
Congratulations to Isaac Power and Emily Spargo who participated in the NAIDOC Public Speaking Competition on Tuesday at Spring Hill PS. Mr Morgan accompanied them on the day and praised these two for their excellent presentations.

Jump Rope for Heart Day
All the students in the school took part in the Jump Rope for Heart Day last Friday. Well done to those who participated and those who successfully raised money for the Heart Foundation. The day was wonderfully organised by Miss Ryan and Mrs Maskill.

Final Combined Assembly
Please join us for our final Combined Assembly for the term this Friday, 26th June from 9.15am in the school hall.

Incursion Reminder
The Incursion Fee is now well overdue. Incursions are school performances and programs that involve external deliverers. These are Dance Week and Disco (last week), and also Musica Viva and Life Ed. Please ensure this fee is paid by this Friday 26th. Don’t hesitate to speak to Mrs Thompson or myself if payment for these events is difficult at the moment.

Have a very safe and relaxed holiday everyone.

Mary Gardiner

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2015
**Premiers Reading Challenge**

Remember to keep reading and recording your PRC books during the holidays. The Challenge will end mid-August so there’s only a few weeks left.

🌟 Remember to log onto the PRC website so that you can write down the ID code for each book you read. Thanks Ms Jordan.

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**Chess Club Report**

WOW! As the photo shows, chess club is very popular this year. We have over 50 players in our school championships at the moment! A HUGE thank you as always to Mr Cummins for coming in every week to help out our players.

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**NAIDOC WEEK**

This year’s NAIDOC theme highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people’s strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea.

The theme is an opportunity to pay respect to country; honour those who work tirelessly on preserving land, sea and culture and to share the stories of many sites of significance.

**NAIDOC SPEAKING** - Congratulations to Isaac Power and Emily Spargo for representing Millthorpe PS this week. They spoke of how we can all ‘Learn, Respect & Celebrate’ our cultures, their similarities and their differences. They showed great pride whilst competing against 6 other teams in the Orange Finals at Spring Hill. They also were fortunate enough to meet an inspiring actor Luke Carroll. Please come along to the whole school Assembly this Friday and hear their great speeches for yourselves. Thanks to Ms Jordan and Mrs Webster for their guidance and efforts leading up to the start of the competition.

**NAIDOC PEOPLESCAPES** - As part of NAIDOC celebrations, all classes have been studying a significant person. They have created a Peoplescape which includes symbolic and written representations of their history, culture and social contribution. These will also be available to see from Thursday afternoon in the hall.

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**Millthorpe Ballet Studio**
Jump Rope For Heart

Last Friday, students had a ball at our Jump Rope for Heart event. Students skipped for as long as they could in their Jump Off, tried some tricks and enjoyed watching some routines from classes and skipping teams. Thank you to all who raised some money for the Heart Foundation. Millthorpe Public School has raised $3867.15, with some final donations still coming in. What a wonderful effort!

Canteen News Week 10

There are plenty of Sausages and Rolls for Friday’s End Of Term Special, Please get the kids to put the enclosed form and money in the tubs tomorrow morning.

*****PLEASE NOTE *****

The ONLY lunch menu available on Friday is the Sausage Sizzle, Recess is as normal.

The first half of Term 3’s roster is below, please find a date you can help and let me know over the holidays. Contact Jo on 0417 284 383 or jc.parko@bigpond.com

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