

# Mundulla Primary School



GROW IN KNOWLEDGE

our school values:

excellence  
respect  
responsibility  
integrity  
co-operation  
creativity

Newsletter 13

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

*Change is probably the most constant thing in our lives, so be prepared to suddenly switch roads. Embrace it with excitement rather than failure. New road...new journey.... new you! Myterncity*

This note from MYTERN resonated with me this week -not just because Jane used a photo from Mundulla to pair it with, but also because Mundulla Primary School has seen many changes in the last few years and this will continue into next year. Change is constant and our acceptance and willingness to move along with it is important. As Beth is no longer returning to Mundulla Primary School, the principal position at the school has been advertised.

Once the date for written applications passes there is a process for selection of a Principal. A panel of 4 people is formed, including a person from the Governing Council and they follow the processes through. This can take a while to complete and if you remember last time there were no suitable applicants in the first round and it needed to be re-advertised before Beth was selected.

While we are on changes, we welcomed Sophie Ansell as the year 3,4,5 teacher this week until the end of the year. Included in this newsletter is some information from her. We also welcome Jaime-Lee Rigney to the staff as an SSO in the JP class. Megan Taylor is completing her 4 week Pre service placement in the JP class.

Dr Jane Foster returned to the school and talked with each of the classes last Friday. She is impressed with the way students and staff have embraced the MYTERN language and the activities that students have completed while learning. She particularly liked the books that the year 3-7s created to share with the F-2 Class. She was also pleased that with students working on the Rock and Water Program, they were still able to use the MYTERN language as a part of this, so it is re-enforced all the time. Students in all classes spoke confidently with her, answering her questions and giving examples of using the language themselves.



Farmers from each of the classes

### REMINDER:

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September is a School Closure Day.**

### CALENDAR

3 September School Closure Day (Adelaide Show)  
7 September Return uniform orders  
12 September FAC & Governing Council meeting  
28 September Last day of term 3

### IN THIS ISSUE

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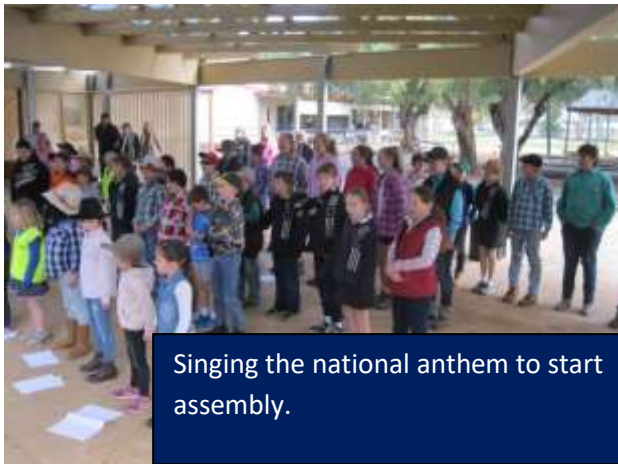
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Singing the national anthem to start assembly.



Wade and Jorja have completed the Toe by Toe program after a lot of hard work and were acknowledged at assembly.



F-2 class shared their procedural writing and how they are learning to write them.



- Class and Principal award winners
- Mia for great work in reading
  - Riley for great sportsmanship
  - Ryder for concentration and effort in music
  - Paris for effort and enthusiasm in Maths
  - Sarah for Excellence in Art
  - Wade for showing responsibility and good citizenship in the yard

**Monday is a School Closure Day for schools in Bordertown and Mundulla. No-one will be on the site on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Mundulla students return on Tuesday, hopefully with a mini rest at some stage over the 3 days.**

As the soup and special food days have finished, I want to say a BIG thank you to the many parents who have been in to drop off and serve soups or prepare special foods. Special

mention to Teena Bosch who was often here not just when it was her own soup, but was found in the staff room reading her book as she heated soup and served for other people as well. We did hear a bit of a sigh of relief from 2 parents as they completed the last of many of these days as their last child attending the school is in year 7.

Joann

**Parent Interviews:** This year we held parent interviews in term 1 as requested. This change saw many people coming in early in the year to hear about their students and the plans for the year. We will be holding interviews again in 3<sup>rd</sup> term for parents who would like to have them. Although parents are welcome to and do make times with teachers throughout the year we thought that a more formal offer on set dates might be useful for people who haven't yet come in, to follow up with teachers. Teachers may also request an interview with you at this time. As Sophie Ansell has only started recently joined us it will be about sharing information from recent testing for the students in her class.

Interviews will be held on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September at the school between 4 and 6 pm. If you would like an interview please request one by contacting the school via the diary or a phone call. If these days do not suit you, still contact the school and we will make a time with you.



**MY REGULAR DAYS  
AT SCHOOL ARE:**

Thursday  
9:00am - 2:00pm

Friday  
11:30pm - 3:30pm

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## Hooray for Good Habits

Habits are actions we do without thinking much about it. Once an action is a habit, it is easy and doesn't require much effort or thought, like brushing your teeth. Life can be hard work and require lots of conscious thought and decision making, but thank God for healthy habits that make those parts of life easier.

Even if it's cold outside and a person is tired, if they are in the habit of getting up early and exercising and/or praying/meditating, they will just do it. They don't need to wait for willpower or motivation. They just do it. That is the power of a good habit.

We can all change our habits, including removing bad habits and learning good habits. It takes hard work sometimes so it is best to work on one new habit at a time.

Good habits pave the way for reaching our life goals. The habit of regular study can result in a person getting their dream job.

Good habits reduce wasted time and help us be more efficient. Some people don't have to think about what to do after a meal. They automatically know to clean up the kitchen and brush their teeth, for example.

Habits can replace motivation. Many people wait to feel motivated to clean their bedroom, work, exercise, help around the place, but if it is a habit they will just do it.

It is said that it takes 3 to 4 weeks of consistent action to create a habit. The years of benefits far outweigh the effort of creating the habit. Every good habit we help our children create will result in years of rewards.

What is one small habit you and/or your children would benefit from starting?

Suzanne Duff  
MPS PCW



Students reading the clues to try and work out the book titles.



Students finding 'treasure' in the library during Book Week.



A big hello to everyone,

My name is Sophie Ansell and I am very excited to be the Year 3/4/5 teacher for the remainder of the school year. I may be a familiar face to some; having taught the Year 2/3 class last year in nearby Keith and playing netball for the Crows. I also have previous teaching experience in the Murraylands as well as overseas (both in Cambodia and Indonesia). I look forward to meeting some of you in the coming weeks.

