

Mundulla Primary School



GROW IN KNOWLEDGE

our school values:

excellence
respect
responsibility
integrity
co-operation
creativity

Newsletter 1

2nd February 2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Welcome back to school for 2018.

We are all refreshed and ready for some excellent learning this year.



This year we welcome 10 new Foundation students to the school- Kyran, Max C, Beau, Holly, April, Carson, Mia, Kenzie, Max S and Lillian. **Mark Revell** has joined the staff to teach the Year 5,6,7 class and has started the year enthusiastically.

Suzanne Duff has been appointed to the Christian Pastoral Support Worker role for 2018 and we also welcome her to the school. We welcome back SSOs **Linda Braybrook** (F-Year 5), **Jan Edwards** (F-2 Class), **Rich Fiegert** (F-2 class) and **Leeanne Smedley** (across the school) to their contract SSO roles.

Phew - lots of new and continuing staff for the year. Kathy Haynes and Sue Hill continue in the Foundation to Year 2 and Year 3,4,5 classes and Jess Wiese has taken up her permanent position for 2 days-Tuesday and Wednesday.

The year 7 students are looking 'flash' in their new jumpers. They have a great design they planned last year- have a look and see what you think!



Welcome to Harrison in Year 2 and Joe in year 4



CALENDAR

5 – 9 Feb: F-5 swimming lessons
6 Feb: 7pm Governing Council meeting
15 Feb: 9am Playgroup
15 Feb: My Tern parent sessions
2 Mar: Student Free Day
29 Mar: Sports Day at Padthaway
9 – 13 April: Year 6/7 Adelaide Camp

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With all the changes the school has had over the last few years, especially in leadership, some things stay the same- we are dedicated to student learning and improvement and the provision of a quality education to the students at Mundulla Primary School. We also see this happening as a partnership with parents and often try to catch up with you informally as well as formally throughout the year. We also have parents who regularly touch base with us to see how their child is progressing or settling in and we hope this will continue.

Student Wellbeing is a part of our School Improvement Plan, and we will be involved in work with the MYTERN program. Bordertown Primary School ran sessions and started implementing this program last year and Bordertown High School and ourselves will be starting the year with it. We have Jane Foster coming to the school to work with staff, students and parents on this program and it would be great to have every parent support this night so that we all have the skills and the language for consistency with our children. To help with this we are going to have a barbecue tea and Kathy will be having a Pyjama party in her room for Mundulla Primary School students and younger siblings. They will have quiet time and maybe a movie to watch while their parents are learning about the program. The evening session will be held on Thursday 15th February from 7-8:30. Jane has also offered to run a day time session 2 -3:30 if we have people who would find that a better time. Fill in the tear off strip and return so that we know who is coming to which session, and that there are people interested in each of these times.

If you look at the term calendar there is a lot happening across the school. Year 6/7 students are starting to look forward to their camp and planning is well underway. We also have Sports Day at Padthaway and then there's a pupil free day, the Moot Yang Gunya Festival and Easter to look forward to.

A busy term to start the year

CELEBRATING
140 YEARS

This year marks the 140th year of education in Mundulla. We thought it would be good to have a 'Where are they now or What have they been up to?' segment in the newsletter to find out what ex-students of the school have been up to. Please send in any information about friends, family members or get on to aunts, uncles etc to find out for us. There are plans afoot to have a weekend event later in the year to celebrate.

To start us off I am following up one of our students from the 70/80s and current Governing Council member **Tim Leach**.

After completing his schooling at Bordertown High School, Tim took a gap year before moving to Adelaide. He attended Regency TAFE beginning his studies in Electronic Engineering and then changing over and completing a Diploma in Mechanical Engineering. He undertook a variety of short term jobs while studying and then worked for Wormald in Fire Protection. He designed fire systems for companies using CAD – Computer Aided Design. While at Wormald he met Michelle and once they married they returned Mundulla, with Tim working on the family farm as well as other occupations including doing the census.

As their farming interests have expanded Tim has now become the manager.

Tim has been involved in the community, especially in the sporting field. He has played football, basketball and tennis and has turned his hand to committees for senior and junior sports, with football and basketball junior committees currently using his expertise.

I hear Tim was a great goal kicker in football with 100 goals in a season for Mundulla. He has also excelled in basketball, winning the Most Valuable player in the Bordertown association twice – 20 years apart! Most recently he was a part of the Men's representative side in Adelaide with the team taking out the C grade medal, and Tim being in the top 5 goal shooters for the competition and winning the most valuable player award for their division.

I'm sure there are many, many stories of our students we could share, so let me know and I'll try and include them all here.

Hi everyone!

My name is Suzanne Duff.

I am the Pastoral Care Worker to provide a chaplaincy service to the Mundulla Primary School community. My role is varied. Part of it is to provide social, emotional and spiritual support in line with the DECD wellbeing framework. In other words, I am here to help and support children, families and staff.

Mundulla was my hometown for my childhood. I enjoyed my primary schooling at MPS and playing netball for the Tigers. I love chocolate and being outdoors. Music (I play piano and bass guitar), sports, reading and playing with my children are some of my favourite activities.



My teacher training was in Early Childhood Education. I have also done a Certificate 4 in Life Coaching and a Certificate of Christian Ministries.

My days at MPS for Term 1 are

Thursdays 9am – 2pm

Fridays 12:30pm – 3:30pm

I am looking forward to getting to know you and supporting you throughout this year!

In Case you missed this last term,



MYTERNTM
Take Emotional Responsibility Now

SO WHAT IS IT???

MYTERN is a powerful common language to help students, staff, parents, carers and grandparents handle the daily stressors of life.

We CAN'T stop the daily challenges

but we CAN learn to be in control of how we respond to them

Imagine if you (children, parents, students, executives, employees) could stop feeling out of control - no longer blaming others/circumstances for how you feel

Imagine if you had the power and knowledge to:

- build your own resilience
- take back control of your own steering wheel
- not be negatively influenced by what other people say or do
- learn how to drive yourself from a rough red road onto a smoother green road
- not need to be helped by someone or something else

That is the power of MYTERN

**** Bordertown High School and Bordertown Primary School will also be using MYTERN thus we will have a common language across our communities.****

Visit <http://myterncity.com.au/home> if you would like more information

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I/we will be attending the daytime session 2-3:30pm on Thursday 15th February

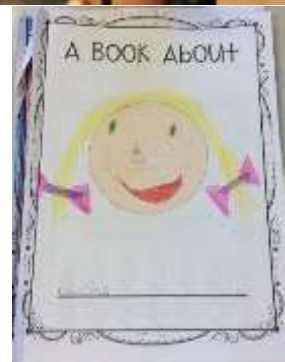
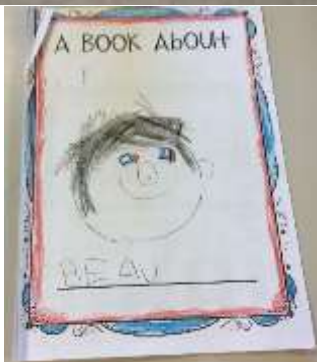
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All About Me!

The Foundation-Year 2 class came along to school on Monday with their 'All About Me' bags that arrived in the post during the holidays. Students collected 4 things to bring along to school that represented themselves and things they had been up to over the break. We shared our bags on Monday and then have been compiling a book about me throughout the week.



School & Community Notices



KIDS TIME OUT

★ **IT'S ON AGAIN !!** ★

" Lots of FUN "

Friday 9th February 7 - 9 pm.

Meet at U.C Hall

★ **All Children Years 2-7 Welcome.** ★

Cost \$ 2.00 per child.


Bordertown Vineyard Christian Fellowship.

Enquiries : Rex & John Patterson. Ph. 87521516.

See you there, don't miss out.

PLAYGROUP

Thursdays, 9 – 11am in F- 2 class
Birth to 5 welcome.
Cost \$2 per family per session
Term 1 Theme:
Up, Up & Away!
Starting Thursday
15 Feb



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FOOTBALL FEDERATION SOUTH AUSTRALIA

TATIARA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

COME & TRY (FREE) - SUN 11TH FEB 2018
ALDI MINIROOS (4-11YRS) - 12PM-1PM
SKILL ACQUISITION (12-15YRS) - 1.30-2.30PM
BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

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TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR SISTER EXPERIENCE FRANCE AT HOME HOST FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES

In June each year, students aged 15 - 16 years from France will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 12 weeks. Opportunities are available to become a host family in a volunteer/unpaid capacity.

Host families help provide each student with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to practice your French, share your stories, learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.



Our students bring with them their own spending money, health insurance, a wonderful attitude and desire to learn about their new host country. Your extended family and friends will grow and learn as you all get to know your new "son" or "daughter" from another land. If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, we would love to hear from you...

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