



# MAYRUNG PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Newsletter

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Week 5, Term 4

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Well the heat certainly made a sudden appearance, along with it the mosquitoes and flies. We are endeavouring to do something about this problem; however in the interim we have purchased some all natural repellent lotion, which mildly does the trick during playtime.

I was informed late last week that the same staffing entitlement we have had this year will carry through to 2011, which basically means that we will retain our two teachers; however the school will be advertised as a P6, due to our numbers.

Promotion of the school is fully underway, with a large colour ad in the past three editions of the '*Pastoral Times*' and the new school information brochures have been delivered to all three preschools in Deniliquin. More brochures are available from the front office if you know of anyone enquiring about the school.

As yet we are not sure when the new edging for the playground will arrive, but as soon as it does we will get into full swing, organising a working bee. A tentative date for November the 21<sup>st</sup> has been made, as long as the materials have been delivered. Stay tune and we will send information home.

The staff, Stacey Salusalu and the students, have been busy moving resources from rooms, in order to make way for the removal of the demountable. Although we are sad at having to lose the demountable, it has allowed for us to have a sort out of all the resources both old and new. We have a number of old encyclopaedia sets to give away for free, or if you know of a charitable organisation that could use them, please let Birgit know.

Thank you to all that attended the P&C Meeting last night. The students presentation of their proposal for a bike ride was approved, organisation for this event is presently underway and information will be forthcoming.

Have a great week

**Julie Eason**  
**Acting Principal**

### Important Dates

Friday	12 <sup>th</sup> November	Tennis Canteen (Willis/Willis)
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> November	Tennis
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup> November	Tennis Canteen (Lavery/Downes)
Monday - Friday	29 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Swimming @ Deniliquin Pool
Monday - Friday	6 <sup>th</sup> Dec – 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Swimming @ Deniliquin Pool
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup> December	Presentation Night 7 pm
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup> December	Excursion to Echuca Last day for students

**Canteen:**

Next canteen will be on Friday, 12 November with Robyn and Jamian Willis being rostered on.

**K – 2 News:**

Hi Everyone,

Thank you to everyone who has sent in cardboard boxes, we have enough for now. I will ask for more when we have used them all. (I don't have enough room to store them).

Tennis with Kim has started and all of the children are enjoying it. Don't forget it's on tomorrow.

With the change of weather and the heat we have a lot of very tired children. Early to bed and lots of water will help.

Please send your child to school with a water bottle, full of water (not juice or cordial) and at least one piece of fruit or vegetable (cut up carrot/celery).

Congratulations to Sophie Strong for filling her dragon.

Thank you

**Jenny Adamson**

**PDHPE Corner:**

There is not too much to report on with health and sport from the last couple of weeks as there has been a lot of extra-curricular activities at the school.

As Auskick has been postponed to this week at Blighty tennis coaching will start next Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Please don't forget to send in any tennis racquets with your child that you have. I will find a safe place to store them until lessons have finished, rather than the children taking them on the bus each week.

The stage 2 and 3 students have their nutrition assignment due this week so please remind your child/children to bring them in if they haven't already.

**Life Live Well**

**Shelley Scoullar**

**Sports for Schools – Incentive sponsored by Coles:**

Thank you for sending all your shopping vouchers in. We have passed them onto Coles and hopefully we will soon find out what we qualify for.

**Book Club:**

Please find attached Scholastic Book Club pamphlets. If you wish to order could we please have the orders back on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> November? Please remember payments can only be made via cheque written out to Scholastic or via Credit card payment. Thank you.

**Mayrung Bike Ride:**

On Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, Year 6 students are organising a bike ride.

The bike ride will commence at school and will stop at Barclay's property where the students will enjoy lunch before their ride back to school

**Cost will be a gold coin donation.**

Could you please indicate on the attached permission note if you are able to help out and if you have helmets and bikes for your children?

**End of Year Fun Day:**

Our school is joining Blighty and Conargo School for an end of year fun day at Echuca on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> December. The agenda for the day is to watch the movie 'Megamind' at 10 am at the Paramount Theatre at Echuca followed by a walk to the Rotary Park to each lunch (children have to bring **own recess, picnic lunch and drink**) **Hat and sunscreen are essential.**

After lunch the children will walk to the Indoor Pool where the students will be supervised by the pool lifesavers while enjoying a swim and fun on a large inflatable. Please make sure the **bathers and towel** are packed in a bag; but please do not send lollies or spending money.

Bus departs at **Deniliquin Library at 8.40 am** and will return to the Library at **4.00 pm**

Cost will be covered by Drought Relief Funding and donation by St Vincent De Paul.

## Science with Mrs Whittakers:



Our students were busy designing and construction devices to indicate wind direction and speed. Congratulations to all our brilliant designers, who came up with some interesting constructions.



## ***Parenting Tips kindly supplied by Family and Children Services***

We all know that parenting is challenging. Every parent struggles from time to time with every day issues or more complex ones. We know that because we have spoken to close to 10,000 parents in the last 12 months.

The State Government funded helpline, Parent Line NSW (managed by CatholicCare) provides a unique free support service to parents across NSW. Highly skilled professional counsellors are available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to take calls from parents and carers about any parenting issue, from tips on how to manage the morning routine, to concerns about distant adolescents to complex challenges of living in blended families. It is the only free counselling service available to parents during any part of their parenting journey, at any time of the day or night, any where in NSW. It's convenient because parents can call when it suits them, they don't have to arrange child care to talk to a professional counsellor and they can call as many times as they need.

As Parent Line is a not for profit organisation, and our funds go primarily into direct service, we always struggle to get the word out to parents about this unique support that is available to them. We are hoping that your school will support us in getting awareness about Parent Line out to your school community.

We have a website for parents, carers and professionals ( [www.parentline.org.au](http://www.parentline.org.au) ) with a range of tip sheets for parents about contemporary issues facing families today, some parenting stories written by our counselling team that normalise parenting challenges and some links to other NSW wide services.

We are particularly focusing on rural and remote families currently, as our recent statistics tell us that families from these areas of NSW are less likely to contact us with a small issue and tend to manage things along until there is a major crisis (like a child running away or violent behaviour of the child).

Our telephone counselling line is **1300 1300 52** and is available for the cost of a local call from a land line.

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## Community Notice

### Fund Raising Opportunity

**Gifts For All Occasions**, the shop with a wide range of gifts to suite everybody, will donate \$1 back to Mayrung Public School with any sale/order made between now and Christmas. The shop is located at 36 Hardinge Street, Deniliquin.

If you should purchase anything please quote Mayrung Public School.

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### What's happening at Deniliquin Library?

#### Baby Bounce

Singing songs and rhymes with accompanying actions has developed into one of the great success stories in libraries over the last couple of years. Based on a strong element of participation, the sessions are both lively and stimulating for babies, toddlers, parents, carers and grandparents alike and introduce a BIG fun element to our work with children.

***BabyBounce*** is held 11am Tuesdays at ***Deniliquin Library***.

Free Homework, Study and Assignment Help

Local students can now take advantage of free, real-life qualified tutors to help with schoolwork and study questions.

***Log onto yourtutor via the library website using your library membership number as the user (ie:C123456) and your date of birth as the password (DD/MM/YYYY)***

***This service is available between 4pm - 8pm from Monday to Friday.***

#### Summer Reading Club 2011

The Australian Library and Information Association is delighted to present this year's Summer Reading Club from 1st December 2010 to 11th February 2011. The Summer Reading Club is held in public libraries during the summer school holiday period. The reading program is designed to be non-competitive, recreational and attract readers and non-readers alike from a wide range of social and economic backgrounds.

Encouraging young people to read is in the current and future interests of young people, families, the community and the nation as a whole.

So get on into the Deniliquin Library to register and collect your Reading Record Book. The Club runs from

1st December 2010 to 12th February 2011.

#### Great prizes to be won!

☐ **3 books = 1 tattoo**

☐ **6 books = 1 sticker**

☐ **10 books = Reading Club finger puppet**

☐ **20+ books = 4 tattoos, 4 stickers, 4 Summer Reading Club finger puppets & 1 entry to win a fantastic prize**

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## Upper Murray Family Care

### Financial Counselling

Financial Counselling provides a FREE counseling service to individuals and families on low incomes or for those who are experiencing financial difficulties. This service provides information and options regarding: Budgeting and Banking; Asset Protection; Legal Rights and Responsibilities regarding payment of debts; Hardship arrangements and provisions; Access to Resources; Centrelink Entitlements; Low and No Interest loans; Bankruptcy & Debt Agreements.

The financial counsellor can advocate and negotiate on your behalf with creditors regarding repayments of debts and loans. In circumstances of financial hardship they can negotiate more affordable repayment plans, have loans rewritten with lower interest rates or arrange waivers.

Financial Counselling provides services in Albury, Deniliquin, Finley, Myrtleford, Benalla, Wangaratta, and Wodonga. To make an appointment to see a financial counsellor in any of these towns, phone UMFC in Wodonga or Wangaratta.

**Phone: 02 655 8000 or 03 57200099**

### Permission Note for Echuca End of Year Fun Day

I hereby consent to \_\_\_\_\_ participating in the excursion to Echuca End of Year Fun Day.

Date: **Wednesday, 15th December 2010**

I am aware that transport will be via Purtill's Bus.

Special medical needs of my child if not already on school records:

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Mayrung Public School's Bike Ride

I give permission for my child/children \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Mayrung Bike Ride to Barclay's property and back to school on **Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2010.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I can help out with the bike ride	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	
Our family has bikes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	No of bikes <input type="checkbox"/>
Our family has bike helmets	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	No of helmets <input type="checkbox"/>

**Swimming Program 2010:**

Mayrung Public School is joining Blighty and Conargo School in their Swimming Program which runs over 2 weeks in week 8 and 9 (10 lessons in total).

The students will board the bus to get into town to participate in a Swimming Program from 2.00 pm to 2.40 pm, which is run by profession trained coaches.

Students can either be picked up from the Swimming Pool or can get a lift to your properties on the High School Bus.

Pool entry is \$1.20/day if you have not a season card.

Could you please sign the permission note and send it back to school.

### **Permission Note re Swimming Program**

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Swimming Programme held in week 8 and 9 at the Deniliquin Pool.

I am aware that the children will be transported into town on a Purtill's bus.

Could you please indicate if your child/ren will be using the High School Bus in the afternoon?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_