



# MAYRUNG PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Newsletter

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Week 10 , Term 1

### Principal's News:

It was such a pleasure driving into school on Monday morning and seeing a tidy, trimmed community area and school grounds. The area looks an absolute treat and not forgetting the edging around the playground and the new sandpit. We have had to introduce a five minute warning bell before the real bell is rung, as that is how long it takes us to pry the kids out of the sandpit.

All of the above would not be a reality if it wasn't for our hard working volunteers, I thank each and every one of you for your tireless effort and patience at getting everything done. Of course there is still more to do and always will be, but I think we achieved more than expected on the day and we, the students and staff, will continue to do our bit to keep the area looking its best.

With only a week to go, the term will soon be over. On the last Friday of the term the Yr. 6 students will host a casual day, which will encompass a gold coin donation. This will go towards the end of year Yr. 6 gift to the school. Speaking of Stage 3 students, Maddison Strong, Rylee Strong and Simon Barclay tried out for the Deniliquin PSSA Soccer teams. Congratulations to Maddison for making it through to the next round and to Rylee and Simon for their excellent sportsmanship in attending the trials.

I hope you all have a lovely holiday with your children and I look forward to seeing them return ready and raring to go for a very busy term 2.



## Julie Eason

*Principal*



**Don't look back and ask why .....**  
**Look forward and ask why not .....**

### Important Dates

Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> April	Gilbert Bain Small School's Development Day
Friday	8 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Term
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup> April	Students start school
Saturday-Friday	30 <sup>th</sup> April - 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Stage 3 Excursion

### **MIL contribution:**

We would like to thank MIL for their Intensive Swimming Contribution which they paid us just recently. Normally we run the Intensive Swimming Program start of the year, hence the late payment. Nevertheless we are thankful for their continuous support in this worthwhile swimming program and hope they support us again end of the year.

### **P&C Meeting:**

We would like to thank the parents who were able in attending the meeting. It was great to see another dad there as well, good on you Dennis!

Major agenda were fundraising ideas and it was decided to raffle a load of wood.

Nicole has organised a spot at IGA on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> April, to sell raffle tickets. We hope to have enough people helping out so we can have 3 sessions starting from 9am till 4.30 pm (2 ½ sessions). Raffle tickets will sell for \$2 each or 3 for \$5. If you can't help out we would like you to try and sell a raffle ticket book to your family and friends etc.

Could you please indicate on the attached form if you are able to help out and what time slot would be best suitable?

In case of any queries please ring Nicole on 5881 3973.

Gavin is in full swing with selling the batteries on to a dealer, so if you can get hold of some more please let Gavin Mullens (5882 5969) or the school know.

Another fundraising idea was to hold a Lingerie party through Kylie, who is a consultant of Intimo. Nicole has offered to hold a party on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, at 234 Victoria Street starting at 3 pm. Please come along with a plate of snacks/afternoon tea and a friend or two. Children are most welcome too. If you would like to have a look prior to Saturday, or can't make it and would like to put an order in you can visit the website on [www.Intimo.com.au](http://www.Intimo.com.au).

For more information please ring Kylie on 5881 5830.

### **School Fees: *reminder***

Just a reminder about the school fees which are due now. As it was decided at the last P&C meeting, every family contributes \$60 for their first child towards the educational expenses and for every consecutive child \$20. If families acquire assistance with meeting these commitments or need a longer timeframe re payment please contact the school asap. We will handle your concern in a confidential manner.

### **News from the 3/4 classroom:**



Who said school isn't fun. Crazy hair/Harmony day was a fun day and the children particularly enjoyed colouring each other's hair to make it just that bit more crazy.

Last week 3/4 also started learning about energy with the 5/6 class which is a part of the Climate Clever Energy Savers project. This program is government supported in order to support a student-directed energy saving and greenhouse gas reduction project within NSW government schools. So far it looks to be an interesting and constructive assignment for both stage 2 and 3 students.

In addition to all the wonderful activities and learning that is happening in and around the school I have recently registered Mayrung Public School to become a Crunch & Sip School This Healthy Kids initiative is an opportunity for students to have a break during class and 'refuel' on fruit, salad or a vegetable and 'rehydrate' with some water in order to assist physical and mental performance and concentration. We are already implementing a similar scheme through our 'fruit break'. With your support in encouraging the children to pack a healthy snack we can become a certified crunch and sip school.

**Thanks**

**Miss O'Meara**

### **Gilbert Bain Small School Development Day – AFL:**

Tomorrow the school will be attending the Gilbert Bain Footy Fun Day at the Blighty Recreational Grounds. Students will leave for Blighty at 9.15 am and participate in some AFL skill rotations till recess. Between recess and lunch the students will be involved in some games and novelty events. Lunch (sausage sizzle) is planned round 12:50. At 1:45 there will be presentation of shield and some prizes.

Students have the opportunity to try out for the Paul Kelly Cup team during the day as well.

**Please remember that your children come in their sports uniform, bring their school hat, recess and plenty of water.**



## Crazy Hair Day and Harmony Day:



### News from K-2 classroom:

Hi Everyone,

What a fantastic day we had on Sunday. Thankyou to all of you hard workers, the school grounds look great.

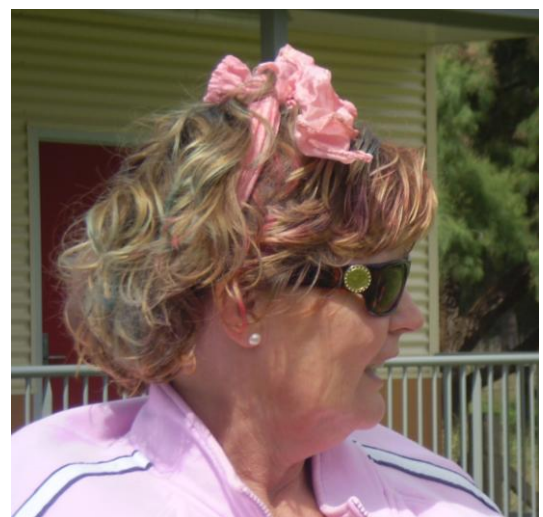
We have been very busy in K-2. The children have been making books about themselves. They will bring them home next week as a keepsake. If you haven't already done so, could you please send in a baby photo and a preschool photo of your child. If they are one's you don't want cut up let me know and I will photocopy them and send back the originals.

In PDHPE this term we are doing Child Protection. Today we talked about caring for others and Private Parts (for me) Public Parts for everyone. We talked about body parts and the correct names for them. If they start discussing these things you'll know where it's coming from.

Congratulations to Taylah Gow and Bethany Jansen for receiving Honour Awards at assembly this week.

**Have a great weekend.**

**Jenny Adamson**



### Premiers reading Challenge: *reminder*

Our school is participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge, a NSW Government initiative, which tries to encourage students to read quality literature as a leisure activity which, ultimately, enhances their literacy levels. This year marks the

10<sup>th</sup> year of the challenge. You can read more about the details and books which are on the list on their website [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge) .

A new feature of the Challenge for 2011 is the opportunity for students to participate in Book Bonus, an online fundraiser for Dymocks Children's Charities. Funds raised will be shared with schools to buy new books.

*Parenting tip for the week kindly provided by Children and Family Services:*

#### Coping skills for children

Helping children build inner strength to cope with the ups & downs of growing up is one of the best things parents can do for them. Often we cannot prevent things going wrong for children but we can try to help them build the strength that will help them cope.

- Children need to feel loved and lovable just for being themselves, not only when they do things well
- Children need to feel they have some control in their lives
- Children need to feel that they can be successful at something
- Children need a sense of belonging
- Children are helped by having people apart from their parents who care about them and support them
- Grandparents can be a special support for children and teenagers

## Community Notice

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### Auskick Registration Day

Sunday April 3 10 am – 12 am at RAMS Harding Street Oval

Under 8, Under 10 & Under 13

Cost is \$55 per player, which includes a backpack with footy, hat & more.

Commence Sunday May 1

More details: John Henderson on 5881 4947 or mobile 0427 814 947

Late Registrations: Rockets Sportspower on 5881 1515

### Deniliquin Library

will close for Easter on Thursday 21st April @ 5:30pm and will reopen on Wednesday 26th April @ 9:30am.

To renew any books during this time, go to [www.cmrpl.com.au](http://www.cmrpl.com.au).

A happy and safe Easter to all our borrowers.



@your library™

Don't forget to check out the April *School Holiday Activities* at *Deniliquin Library*. You can decorate an egg and egg cup or make a personalised wooden heart frame. The cost is \$5 and bookings are essential.

Contact the *Deniliquin Library* for more information.

#### COMING IN MAY

- Australia's Biggest Morning Tea
- Volunteers Morning Tea



Snapshots - Girls busy taking photos



## Wood raffle ticket day:

I \_\_\_\_\_ am able to help out on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April at IGA with selling raffle tickets.

My preferred time is (please circle)

9.00 am – 11.30 am

11.30 am – 2.00 pm

2.00 pm – 4.30 pm

I am happy to have \_\_\_ raffle ticket books send home.