



Southie Scoop

POSITIVE EDUCATION SCHOOL

Friday 17th May, 2024

“Mildura South Primary School acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land as we choose to bring our best selves to school and love the work that we do”

Dates for your diary

Term 2

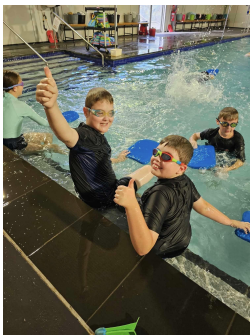
15 April, 2024 - 28 June, 2024

May

20th -
24th Grade 1 Swimming
24th Gr 5/6 Interschool Sport
31st Gr 5/6 Interschool Sport

June

7th Curriculum Day - no students at school
10th Kings Birthday Public Holiday - No Students at school
11th-14th Foundation Swimming
17th Foundation Play Afternoon from 4.00pm
21st Curriculum Day - no students at school
24th-
28th Dental Van visit
28th Last day of Term - 2.30pm finish



Mildura South PS



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593 Deakin Ave, Mildura



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Professional Practice Days

Friday June 7 and Friday June 21

Students not required at School

OOSH available to support families on these days

Whole school professional development in Literacy was identified as a priority by the School Review Panel in our recent School Review. At Mildura South Primary we are working towards all staff having a full and common understanding of the Science of Reading, to ensure that the students receive a streamlined successful approach to teaching Literacy.

The school has chosen the Little Learners Love Literacy approach in teaching synthetic phonics.

Little Learners Love Literacy is an explicit and sequential literacy approach for teaching children to read, write and spell with confidence. Evidence-based literacy research stresses the importance of explicit and sequential literacy teaching from the beginning. Little Learners Love Literacy is a systematic and engaging approach with focused explicit lessons. The seven stages ensure that children are never asked to read something that is too difficult for them or that they have not been taught the skills to read yet. Decodable Texts only use the sounds and letters children have been explicitly taught, allowing them to apply their learning and build confidence.

Little Learners Love Literacy explicitly teaches and practises phonemes (speech sounds), graphemes (print) and vocabulary (meaning) to build connections in the brain that are needed for automatic reading.



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Bike Education Reminder

This is just a friendly reminder that Bike Education will run for the whole term for all Year 3-6 students. We encourage all students who can, to bring their own bikes/scooters and helmets. We understand that not all students can do this and are happy to support them by lending them bikes/scooters and helmets if required. However, we have many students who are not bringing their own helmets, so they are borrowing the school helmets. This is not ideal as many students are required to have helmets fitted each lesson which takes away learning time and there is also the risk of head lice being spread. If your child has a helmet, can it please be brought to school to support the Bike Education program.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Whole School Open Afternoon

Thank you to all the families who helped us to celebrate our learning last Wednesday as part of Education Week. The students and families enjoyed the fun of the afternoon recess and then connecting with the learning in the classrooms.

Congratulations to all on a wonderful experience.



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Interschool Sport

Today students from Mildura South Primary School competed against students from Mildura West Primary School in football, netball, soccer and hockey.

All students showed exceptional teamwork, pride in their school and respect for one another.

Swimming

Grade 2 students enjoyed their swimming program this week and Grade 1 students will be swimming next week.

2025 Foundation Open Day

Wednesday May 22, 12.00-2.00pm

We welcome all future families to visit our classrooms and take a tour of our school with our student leadership team.

School Hours

Classroom doors open at **8.45am** for all year levels.



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Dismissal times:

Foundation - Grade 2 (along with siblings in Grades 3-6) **3.15pm**

Grades 3-6 **3.30pm**

Please continue to use the House Colour gates for entry and exit of school grounds:

Front Gate: **Mungo (Red) and Kulkyne (Yellow)**

Gate near the School Crossing: **Darling (Green)**

Albert Street Gate: **Murray (Blue)**

If your child arrives after 9am, please go straight to the front office to sign in and ensure your child receives a late pass to take to their teacher.

Thank you

School Uniforms

Thank you so much for the fantastic effort you have made ensuring that your children are in the appropriate school uniform. The uniforms assist in developing a sense of identity and pride in our school.

There are a number of students wearing very short skorts and sport shorts that are not an appropriate length for school. Please ensure that the school shorts and skorts that your child is wearing is appropriate for school. I am happy to support families with this by allowing green or black school shorts to be worn.



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Black School Shoes

Big W has kindly donated a range of black school shoes to our MSPS students. These shoes will be available to all families who come in, try them on and then take them home for free.

The shoes can be found in the lost property area outside of the PERMA room. Sizes range from little children's size 10 up to older students' size 2.

Time to access the shoes: 8.45-9.00am and 3.15-3.30pm. Please help yourself as no staff will be present.

Appointments to see Teachers

Teachers welcome open communication with all of our families. Positive Contacts will continue this year where you can expect to be contacted by your children's classroom teachers, celebrating successes.

We know that there are times when families need to speak to Teachers so that questions can be clarified, and concerns resolved. Before school is a busy time when Teachers are connecting with students and ensuring that everything is in place to begin the day calmly and successfully. In order for Teachers to give Parents the necessary time we ask that families make appointments with their Classroom Teacher.



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School Lunches

The school is supported by Cowards Cake to supply lunches for students on Fridays. Orders are required to be submitted on the Flexischools App by 2pm the Thursday before the lunch order on Friday.

Brain Food

We would like to encourage the students to bring brain food to school to graze on throughout the day. We ask that this be healthy options as junk food does not assist with nutrition or concentration. Please clarify with your children's classroom teachers if you are not sure what to provide.

Singing for fun, health and development!!

Fiona Beyer is, again, offering singing lessons at the school this year, during school hours. Lessons are weekly, half hour sessions in the music room on a Tuesday morning.

Singing is a super fun and feel-good activity – it develops confidence - improves mood – builds friendships - soothes the nervous system - strengthens and clears airways - assists learning and brain function – and improves speech and memory - along with many other benefits.

Any interested family is encouraged to contact Fiona for more information -

Ph: 0407 876 874

Email: fionatassone@hotmail.com



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Parent Contributions

Mildura South Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Mildura South's voluntary financial contributions for 2024.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

Within our school previous support has allowed us to update our texts and readers to reflect current interests and passions, supply materials and resources to develop our mathematical knowledge and problem-solving skills, purchase materials to support the creativity and exploration in our Arts and Science programs and ensure that all our students have access to equipment to develop into active healthy children.

We invite you to support our school by making a Curriculum Contribution so that we can continue to provide opportunities for all our students.

Please contact the office if you would like to make a contribution or need further information.

Digital Newsletter

The School Newsletter will continue to be distributed digitally on the school Compass, the School Website and Facebook sites. If you wish to receive a hard copy of the School Newsletter, please let your classroom teacher know.



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School Assembly

Our School Assembly takes place each **Monday at 2.40pm** in the School Gym. The Grade 6 students will continue to lead the School Assembly each week. A link for our School Assembly will be posted on Compass each week for you to access if you are unable to attend.

Advertising on the School Newsletter

The school newsletter going digital has opened up the opportunity for more families with a business to advertise. If you have a business and would like to investigate the option of advertising on the school newsletter, please ring our Business Manager Chris Callipari who will be happy to outline the details and clarify any questions you may have.

Marie-Therese Milani
Principal



Family Goal Setting

Dr Justin Coulson

When I look at people who achieve the most in life, they often have goals. Why? Goals energise. Goals create clarity and focus. Goals offer opportunity; things happen to enable success when you set a goal.

But there are some problems with goals. The first problem is that they won't necessarily make you happy. Chasing the wrong kinds of goals (extrinsic) versus the right kinds of goals (intrinsic) is a sure-fire way to decrease your happiness, even while achieving the amazing.

The second problem is that goals often feel controlling. Rigid. And when we fail, we feel incompetent, and the self-castigation commences.

The third problem is that many of our goals involve other people. If they're not 'buying' the vision—if they're not all-in on the goal—not only is the goal unachievable, but relationships rupture.

The fourth problem—and perhaps the most challenging—is that many goals don't lend themselves to actually being goals.

Having a happy family is hard to nail down into the SMART goal formula. · How do you get specific on what happy means? · How do you measure happiness in your family? And when? · Is happiness all the time even achievable? Realistic? · What about the time element? Happiness today isn't happiness forever.

There is no doubt that goals help us achieve. Evidence overwhelmingly supports this. But success with goal-setting, especially in family life, is more about a combination of knowing what you want and then building the system to underpin it.

Three things will sustain success in family goal setting and system building:

1. Start from the bottom up

Facilitate this through regular family meetings and asking questions like, "What's going well? What needs improvement? What could be our focus?" By asking these questions, we empower children to contribute to family goal-setting.



2. Build a plan together

Two steps here. First, if you know you want more kindness (or better/more regular holidays), ask “how” and make the plan as simple as you can.

Next, track progress. This must be non-punitive. It’s not a reward system. Rewards feel controlling. Instead, make the accountability easy and fun with regular check-ins.

In our family, we have a weekly 15-minute family meeting to discuss progress, re-assess plans, and stay aligned.

3. Focus on being together

To a child, LOVE is spelled T-I-M-E. Systems will be followed and goals achieved when children feel involved, connected, and engaged with you as you follow the plan or system.

If the goal is to climb a mountain, training together will be more effective than training alone.

If the goal is more fun as a family, time on bikes or playing board games will be more effective than time spent in bedrooms.

When children actively participate in goal setting and experience autonomy, involvement with you, and moments of success and achievement, motivation is high, systems succeed, and your family is more likely to achieve.

Child Safety Standards



School Crossing

Last year we had the ongoing concern of adults and children not using the School Crossings when crossing Deakin Avenue and the service road (often while holding a toddler or pushing a pram and holding the hand of a student at the same time).

The mandated Child Safety Standards require that all members of our school community use the School Crossings on both roads to ensure that all of our students arrive safely to school and leave safely from school.

You may think that because you are with your child crossing Deakin Avenue and/or the service road outside of the School Crossing that you can ensure their safety - this is not the case. If a Parent chooses to cross Deakin Avenue and the service road without using the School Crossings, they are teaching their children unsafe behaviours and modelling this unsafe behaviour for other students who may follow.

I would like to thank each of you who do use the School Crossings correctly as you help me not only keep your children safe but all the children who attend Mildura South Primary.

If I observe any adult not using the School Crossings, I am obliged to speak to that person and support that person in adhering to our Child Safety Standards and use the School Crossings.

Staff Car Park



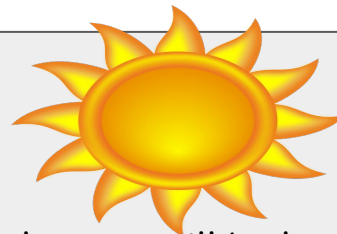
Please do not use the gates and walk through the Staff Carpark. Cars are coming and going all the time and it is not safe.

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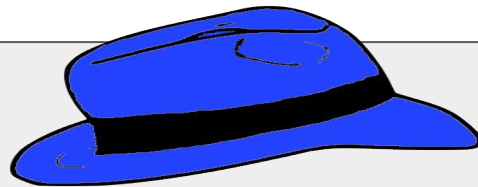
Playing on the Playground after School

No children are to play on any of the Play Equipment after school. I am grateful to the Parents who assist staff after school by asking their children to leave the Play Equipment, particularly the Grade 1/Foundation Play Equipment at the front of the school.



Hot Weather

When the temperature is 36 degrees or higher, we will be having a 'hot day timetable'. Having lunch earlier in the day sometimes allows the students to have an opportunity to get some fresh air before the heat.



Hats

Students will not be required to wear hats in the school yard during Term 2 and Term 3.

Bus Route and Fares – CDC Mildura Bus Information



For all bus route options please go to the website

<https://cdcvictoria.com.au/services/school-services/> for all school bus routes and maps.

Mildura for school routes for Victorian residents and Wentworth for school routes for NSW residents.

Mildura Bus have had a fare price rise with their 2024 bus fares as per below.

Ticket concession price

2hrs \$1.40

Daily \$2.80

Weekly \$13.10

You can purchase tickets upon boarding the bus. Please note that Mildura Buses are cash only and it is preferred to have change close to the ticket price.

Alternatively, Mildura Bus offer prepaid term passes that can be purchased from the Mildura Bus office in Bathurst Court. You will need to bring a small headshot of the child to go with the pass. If you email the photo, name of your children and the school they attend Mildura Bus can print the photo, create the pass and let you know when the pass is ready to collect save having to wait. These passes are based on the student concession prices; Prepaid options are no cheaper than purchasing tickets on the bus however, they are a more convenient options for parents.

Term 1 (30/01/2024-28/01/2024): \$110.40

Term 2 (15/04/2024-28/06/2024): \$139.40

Term 3 (15/07/2024-20/09/2024): \$131.00

Term 4 (07/10/2024-20/12/2024): \$142.20

Yearly (All terms excl school holidays): \$523.00

These passes can be used 7 days a week including weekends during the school term only, they cannot be used during the school holidays.

These passes can be used on any of the **CDC Mildura Victorian services**.

We accept payment by cash, cheque or eftpos.

If you choose this option and throughout the Term the child lose their pass, you will be required to come into our office and pay \$10.00 for a replacement card and another photo is required to make another pass.

If you require any assistance, please contact CDC Mildura on 5023 0274.



Celebration of Strengths



Creativity



Curiosity



Judgment



Zest



Honesty



Social Intelligence



Fairness



Teamwork



Forgiveness



Self-Regulation



Humility



Appreciation of Beauty



Perspective



Bravery



Perseverance



Kindness



Love



Leadership



Love of Learning



Gratitude



Spirituality



Prudence



Hope



Humor

Foundation
Foundation Purple
Elliana P.

Grade 2
2B
Disney M.

Foundation Blue
Keary R.

2C
Jordan F.

Foundation Orange
Muhammad (Moiz)
M.

2P
Keith E.

Grade 3/4
3/4H
Remi S.

Grade 1
1B
River H-F.

3/4I
Anumanat C.

1H
Zakayla M.

3/4M
SV T.

1S
Reid S.

3/4R
Gemma W.

1T
Eli K.

3/4T
Asha V.

3/4W
Billy O.



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Grade 5/6
5/6C
Vera C.

5/6H
Xavier R-G.

5/6J
Ruby C.

5/6K
Xavier M.

Specialists
ART
Harper R.
1H

PERFORMING
ARTS
No Award this
Week

PE
No Award this
Week

ITALIAN
No Award this Week

STEM
No Award this Week

DIGI TECH
Zyah R.
Foundation Purple

OUTDOOR
EDUCATION
Ivie-Mae B.
1H

HUMANITIES
Daniel J.
3/4W

HUFF & PUFF
Levi T.
5/6H



Celebration of Strengths Art Awards Grade 2



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2P

Ruby Y., Isabella B. and Athena K.

2C

Mason P., Aveie G. and Tariome T.

2B

Jim H., Mason G. and Charlie N.

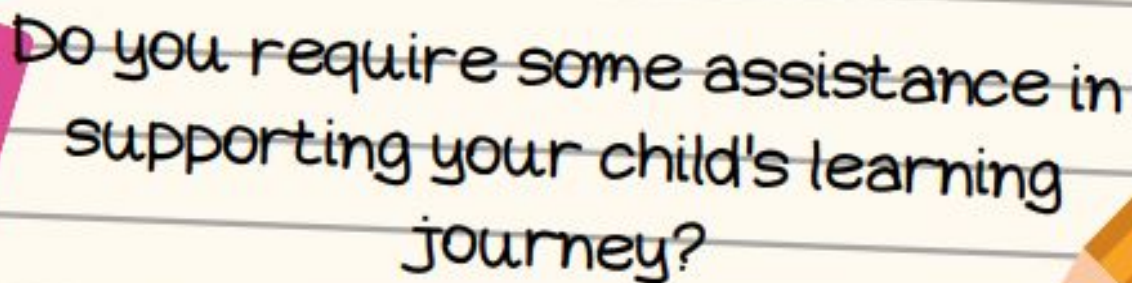


We would like to take this opportunity to say a big Thank you to Jo Chisari of Barry Plant Real Estate' for his generous donation of: Trophy and \$50.00 Book Voucher to our Aussie of the Month recipients.



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PARENTS' HOMEWORK CLUB



Do you require some assistance in supporting your child's learning journey?

Come join us for a morning tea where you can receive learning support, connect with other parents, and explore services that can assist you in supporting your children.

commencing
3rd May 2024

FRIDAYS

term time only

9:30-11:30

HomeBase

Youth Hub

89-91 Pine Ave,

Mildura



SCHS
Sunraysia Community
Health Services

**Bookings essential
contact**

**Sunraysia Regional
Consulting on
03 5023 7612**



**Children
welcome**



HOT SHOTS Tennis 4-12yrs

Where: Sacred Heart-St Andrews Tennis Club

Aero Complex 11th Street Mildura

When: Saturday Mornings 9-9.45am

Cost: \$10 Per Lesson

Match Play: 9.45-10.15am @\$3

{an opportunity to play a couple of modified sets}

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ph: Lisa Hill 0400 726824

email: lisa.joy.hill70@gmail.com

Community Play Coordinator



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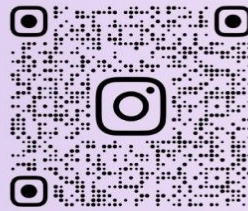
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