

Mount Hunter Public School

Newsletter Week 3 Term 1 2019

Principal's Message

Welcome back to Mount Hunter Public School for 2019. We are commencing Week 3 of an eleven week term. Easter and Anzac day will fall in the school holidays this year.

At the beginning of the term, a Mount Hunter PS information booklet went home with all the students detailing current Information about our school procedures. If you did not receive one, please contact your child's teacher.

Another year of great learning – 'to Engage, Challenge and Connect with our students as learners.'

As you may be aware, we have three classes operating in the morning session for Literacy and Numeracy. Westbrook class will be taken by Mrs Powter (Stage 2). Fitzroy class will be taken by Mrs Herrmann (Stage 3). After 12:30pm, Mrs Powter will continue to teach Westbrook for the remainder of each day.

Traveller class teachers are Mrs Goraya (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) and Mrs Webb (Fridays).

Returning staff for 2019

- Mrs Webb is returning as our Teacher Librarian and RFF teacher. (Thursdays)
- Mrs Fennings (both) will continue in the office.
- Mr Leonard remains as our General Assistant.
- Mrs Tighe is our School Learning Support Officer supporting teachers and students in the classroom and playground.
- Mrs LeGood is our reading Recovery Support teacher for Semester One.
- Miss Hill is our Religious Education teacher. (Fridays)

Along with your class teachers, these people will have an impact on your child's education throughout the year.

New students

Welcome to our new Kindergarten students: **Floyd and Eloise**. Year 1 student: **Khaled**. Year 2 students: **Suki, Mylo and Tim**. Year 4 student: **Brianna**. We look forward to spending many years with you at Mount Hunter PS!!

Textbooks

Last week your child received a letter asking for parents to purchase text-books and the benefit of using them in a multi-age classroom. We intend to start using these textbooks next week and unfortunately, we cannot distribute books unless payment is received upfront. Children get very upset when their classmates have a book and they don't have one, so please support the



teachers in this matter. Thank you to the parents who have already paid their School Contributions and Textbook fees.

Early departures and late arrivals

Due to the LMBR office system, all student late arrivals or early departures MUST go to the OFFICE to register arrival/departure time as a partial absence.

If the office is unattended, please record your child's partial absence with the class teacher.

OFFICE TIMES:

Monday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

Tuesday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

Wednesday: Open on alternate Wednesdays
(Please avoid any office inquiries on this day)

Thursday: 9:00am - 12:30pm

Friday: 9:00 - 3:30pm

School Uniforms

Please note that all students at Mount Hunter PS are required to wear the correct school uniform each day. This includes black school shoes on non-sport days, white socks and a school hat. Normal uniform is required on at least three days per week. All uniforms can be purchased from the office.

School Photo day is going to be held on Thursday 21st February. The School Photographer envelope and a note outlining

uniform requirements were sent home last week.



I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mrs Helen Fenning for being named 2019 Wollondilly 'Citizen of the Year'. We are very proud to have Mrs Fenning work with us at Mount Hunter Public School.



Once again welcome to our new families and we are looking forward to another busy and productive year!
Mrs D Herrmann **Principal**

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Swimming Carnival

Last week we held our combined Primary Swimming Carnival with Cawdor PS at Picton Pools. I received great feedback about the behaviour of the students. 14 students from Mount Hunter PS competed and will be notified this week if they qualified for the Zone Swimming Carnival to be held on the 28th & 1st March. Thank you to Mrs Powter and Cawdor parents and teachers for assisting with the running of the day. Well done!

Captain Disposition is back!!

Each week the students will be learning about a new disposition to help them tackle new tasks, to enable them to be creative and critical thinkers and to transfer these skills to everyday learning.

Each week the students will focus on a new skill, which will be reinforced across the whole school.

This week's skill is **OPEN-MINDEDNESS**, which acknowledges that people hold many points of view and recognises that there is more than one solution to a problem.



P and C Update

Tonight is the Mt Hunter PS P&C Association AGM, to be held at **7pm in the School Library**.

At the AGM we will elect our Executive Committee for 2019. To be eligible to vote at the AGM you must be a financial member of the P&C. The amount to become a financial member is \$2. After the AGM the first general P & C meeting for the year will also be held. The P&C is the voice of the parents. Committee meetings are held on the **second Monday of each month** during school terms. Everyone is welcome to attend.

P & C is a great way to:

- get the inside story on what's really happening in the school (not the gossip). The principal usually is available to answer questions and teachers sometimes attend too;
- influence school policy;
- have a say in the development of school activities such



as excursions and camps and curriculum;

- guide school management in its financial planning by helping prioritise the resource wish-list;
- contribute to the school's resources through various fundraising projects; and
- meet other parents.

We look forward to seeing you all at the AGM tonight.

Check our Mount Hunter PS website and calendar:

<http://www.mthunter-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Dates to Remember

| Term 1 | Date | 2019 |
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| Week 3 | 11 th February | P & C Meeting 7pm |
| | 13 th February | School Assembly 3:00pm |
| Week 4 | 20 th February | Genius Hour commences |
| | 21 st February | School Photos |
| Week 5 | 28 th & 1 st March | Razorback Zone Swimming Carnival |
| Week 6 | 4 th March | Taste of High School day |
| | 4 th March | Newsletter |
| | 6 th March | Parent /Teacher Information interviews |

Community News

St Paul's Mt Hunter - Kids Plus

KIDS PLUS

KIDS PLUS is a fun activities program run by Mt Hunter church after school, during school term.

We are hoping to commence again this term. Children are collected from school and walk to St Paul's Mt Hunter church hall.

Times: 3:30pm to 5pm. Please collect your child from St Paul's Mt Hunter hall.

Afternoon tea is provided. Cost \$3.00 per child per week.

All leaders have working with children checks and safe ministry training.

Activities include: Craft, Games, Bible Stories and spending time with friends.

For further details contact Marilyn on 0419 441 595.



Mount Hunter PS Community Notice Board

All notices from the local community are welcome.

If you have anything to pin on our notice board, please present it to the office first.