



MUNNO PARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER WEEK 3, TERM 4

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear MPPS Community,

School Uniform Policy/Process

We've been actively reinforcing the importance of wearing the correct school uniform and following our dress code policy. School uniforms are more than just clothing – they help create a strong sense of belonging and pride in our school community. Wearing the uniform supports a positive school identity and ensures all students are dressed appropriately for learning and safety.

Uniforms also promote equality by reducing visible differences between students and removing pressure around fashion choices. This helps maintain focus on learning and encourages respectful behaviour. We ask all families to support this policy by ensuring students come to school dressed in full uniform each day. If you need assistance with uniforms, please contact the front office – we're here to help.

Thank you for your continued support in building a positive and inclusive school culture.

Yard Clean Up

As part of our commitment to a clean and welcoming school environment, each class has now been provided with cleaning equipment to help keep our yard tidy during playtimes.

This initiative supports our school values of Respect and Responsibility – showing respect for our school grounds and taking responsibility for the spaces we all share.

IMPORTANT DATES

Pupil Free Day
Friday 7/11

School Closure
Monday 10/11

End of Year Concert
Wednesday 3/12

Year 6 Graduation
Tuesday 9/12

ASSEMBLY

Week 3, 6 and 9
2:10pm in the Gym

BELL TIMES

8:45am Teacher on duty in the yard
8:50am School day begins
10:50am Lunch play
11:20am End lunch play
1:00pm Recess play
1:20pm End recess play
3:00pm Home time

GATE TIMES

Front Gate:
Open 8:43am Close 9:15am
Open 2:55pm Close 3:15pm
Other Gates:
Open 8:43am Close 9:10am
Open 2:55pm Close 3:10pm



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

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It's been wonderful to see students taking pride in our environment! Check out some great photos of our students in action, doing their part to keep our yard clean and safe for everyone.

Thank you to all students, staff, and families for supporting this initiative. Together, we're making a difference.



Pop-Up Café

It has been wonderful to see our school community come together at the fortnightly Pop-Up Café. These mornings have become a fantastic opportunity for families, students, and staff to connect, share a coffee, and enjoy each other's company before the school day begins.

A big thank you to the Playford Uniting Church for their ongoing support in running the Pop-Up Café. Their time, generosity, and commitment have been instrumental in creating a welcoming space that brings our community together.

We'd like to remind our school community about a few important points to help keep everyone safe and happy during the fortnightly Pop-up Café.

Upper Primary Playground: This area is for OSHC students only, as staff are on duty to provide supervision and ensure everyone's safety.

Hats on, please: All OSHC students are reminded to wear their OSHC hats whenever they're outdoors.

Community access: Families and visitors are asked to exit via the oval gate, which can be buzzed open by our canteen staff.

Supervision: Please remember that children must be accompanied by an adult to attend the Pop-Up Café.

Thank you to our OSHC team, canteen staff, and school community for helping us keep our playgrounds safe and enjoyable for all students.

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2026 Enrolments

If you have a child or know someone with a young child starting school in 2026 or moving to the area and need to enrol a child/ren, can you please direct them to the Front Office so that all of the necessary paperwork can be organised and set up for 2026.

Leaving MPPS

If you are aware that your child/ren will not be returning to MPPS in 2026, please make sure to let your child's class teacher and/or the Front Office know so that we can plan accordingly. Thank you.

2026 Class Planning/Parent Preferences

This is a final callout for parent preferences. If you have any preference, please put it in writing as once we have placed students in classes, it is very difficult to make any changes. Please be aware that if you put in a request, the reason for the request needs to be stated. Requests are only considered based on educational and social/wellbeing needs. We do not consider requests based on teacher preference. Please address your requests the following way:

- To the Principal
- Class Placements
- Private and Confidential

DfE Strategy for Education

On Wednesday, our team had the wonderful opportunity to visit the **Para Hills Community Hub** to share the important work we've been doing as a site around **learner dispositions** and **emotional regulation**. We were invited to present and share our practice because of the pivotal progress we've made in this space — something we are all very proud of.

This work has been a true community effort. We'd like to acknowledge the ongoing support from our families, staff, and community partners, whose collaboration has helped us strengthen our learners' skills, confidence, wellbeing and sense of belonging.

Together, we're creating a learning environment where every child can understand themselves as a learner and build the emotional tools they need to thrive.

Best Regards,
Andrew Castenetto
Principal



SPECIAL EDUCATION OPTIONS AND RECEPTION TRANSITION

Hi Everyone,

I'm really excited to share some great news with you all! Next year, we're expanding our school community by opening two new special education classes: a Primary Disability Unit and a Primary Special Class. These will join our current junior primary Disability Unit (A3) and Special Class (A2), giving even more students the chance to learn and grow with us.

We can't wait to welcome our new learners and their families to MPPS. Having these extra classes means we can support even more children and ensure that everyone gets the tailored learning experience they need.

To make this possible, A1 and A4 classrooms will be refurbished over the Christmas break to get them ready for a fresh start next year. As part of these changes, our Science and Arts lessons will be moving to different classrooms within the school.

We're also looking forward to welcoming our newest Receptions who will be starting school next year. To help make the transition from preschool, we'll be holding three transition visits on Thursdays in Weeks 5, 6, and 7. These visits are a great opportunity for children (and their families) to come along, meet their teachers, and get to know our school. We hope these sessions help our new students feel confident and excited about joining our MPPS community!

Thanks,
Sarah Mellors
Deputy Principal



PBL FOCUS FOR WEEKS 1, 2 & 3

**We follow the
school dress
code**

Responsibility



**Review
Lesson**



**We are fair
and we share**

Respect



Respect



Responsibility



Success



WORLD TEACHERS DAY- 31ST OCTOBER



Ms Arnold



Ms Wyse



Ms Knowles



Ms Kempster



Mrs Singlehurst



Ms Coulter



Ms Booth



Ms McPherson



Mrs Daff



Ms Jane



Mr Keynes



Ms Walker



Ms Chloe



Mrs Lorenz



Mr Hunter



Mr Barnett



Ms Purdy



Ms Taylor



Ms Glätzer



Ms Mellors



Mrs Mazzone



Ms Moyle



Ms Bec



Mr C



Ms McKee



Mrs G



Mrs Shields

♦ Thank You ♦

P.E UPDATE

Upper Primary

Our Upper Primary students are currently heading outside for Tee Ball! It's been fantastic to see their teamwork, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm grow each week as they develop key fielding, batting, and game awareness skills.

Junior Primary Move, Learn, Grow

Our Junior Primary students have been doing an amazing job in the Move, Learn, Grow program! This engaging program has helped them boost their balance, coordination, and stamina. Through fun and active sessions, students are strengthening their left and right brain integration, working on reflexes, and improving motor skills.

PE Reminders for Parents

☀️ Hats and Sunscreen: Since most lessons are outdoors for upper primary students, please remind your child to bring a hat. We provide sunscreen and encourage students to use it, but it's up to them to apply it. We appreciate your support in reinforcing this healthy habit!

👟 Appropriate Shoes: For PE activities like running and jumping, students need to have proper athletic shoes.

🤒 Illness or Injury: If your child is unwell or injured and unable to participate, please send us a quick message before their lesson.

Jamie Barnett
P.E & Health Teacher



CRAZY SOCK FUNDRAISER

On Friday November 21st, we will be hosting a Crazy Sock Day Fundraiser. There will be a disco in the gym to celebrate at both lunch and recess.

Socks are available for **cash only** sales from 2:45pm-3:15pm in Week 4 and 5 at the front gate. The socks are \$10 each and there are lots of sizes and designs.



HALLOWEEN THEMED COMMUNITY BREAKFAST





XMAS FETE

MUNNO PARA KINDERGARTEN

14 KARINGA CRESCENT, MUNNO PARA

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER
10AM-2PM

PLEASE JOIN US TO
SUPPORT THE KINDY

Stalls

Food

Coffee

Garage sale items

(some stalls cash only)



YAITYA TIRKANTHI PLAYGROUP



Munno Para
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Respect, Responsibility, Success



WHERE:

Munno Para Primary
School
Maltarra Road,
Munno Para



WHEN:

9:00am-10:30am
Every Friday
during school term



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Outdoor Play
Story Time
Kurna Numbers
Aboriginal Art
Sensory/Messy Play
Puzzles

Please Bring Hat
Drink Bottle

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Contact Glenice for bookings
on 8254 8322

Munno Para Pop-Up Cafe

**come for
a chat,
warm drinks
and food
Thursday's from
3pm**

**By the school
Canteen**

There are activities for
the kids



**Term 4 dates 23rd
October, 6th & 20th of
November & 4th
December**

**The Community pantry
will also be available
3 items for \$2**



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UNITING CHURCH
transforming futures

Children to be accompanied by an adult

Food and drinks are free | donations are appreciated

Respect

Responsibility

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SAFEGUARDING AT THE YMCA.

We have an unwavering focus and commitment to safeguarding children first and foremost in everything we do. We have official accreditation as a Child Safe Organisation and a strong Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy and Procedures. These frameworks are helping us to continually embed a child and young people safe culture into YMCA SA.

CULTURE

We will create a safe culture nationally which empowers children and young people through leadership and governance

OPERATIONS

We will create safe operations to ensure Y people, parents/ carers and community have the right policies, processes and practices to keep children and young people safe

ENVIRONMENT

We will create safe environments at the Y and in communities which empower children and young people to thrive

Australian
Childhood Foundation
**INDEPENDENTLY
REVIEWED**

**OUT OF SCHOOL
HOURS CARE**



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SINCE 1850 175 175 YEARS OF YMCA SA

During the October school holidays, **37 of our OSHC Services**, with over **1,350 children** attending came together to celebrate **175 years of the YMCA in South Australia!** Partnering with AFL Max, we marked this incredible milestone with two action-packed days of fun, energy, and community spirit.



KIDS TAEKWONDO

SPORTS VOUCHER APPROVED

Term 4 enrolments open now



Sport Fitness Confidence
Self Defence Leadership
Anti Bullying
Non - Contact Training
WWCC Approved Instructors

info@worldtaekwondo.com.au

Ph: 0412 909 500

worldtaekwondo.com.au

**FREE
FOR CHILDREN
WITH SENSORY
ACCESS NEEDS**



Image: Young Pom Pom artists Photo: Daniel Marks

CARCLEW

**BOOK
NOW!**

POM POM RELAXED HOUR

Pom Pom Relaxed Hour program is run within a welcoming art space exclusively for neurodivergent children, and for children with sensory access needs, along with their families.

Create, play and be inspired through hands-on creative workshops!

The program is designed to reduce anxiety and sensory stress by providing a quieter and less stimulating environment to our regular Pom Pom workshops.

To find out more contact 08 8267 5111 or carclew@carclew.org.au

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WHO: Children up to 12 years with sensory needs (children must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or carer)

WHEN: 10-11am, every Saturday during school term and every weekday during April, July, October school holidays (closed public holidays)

WHERE: Davoren Park Shopping Centre, 45 Peachey Road, Davoren Park

Children without sensory access needs are requested to wait until the 11am Pom Pom session begins.

carclew.com.au



**FREE
ALL WELCOME
NO BOOKINGS**



Image: Young Pom Pom artists Photo: Sam Roberts

CARCLEW

Pom Pom is a welcoming art space for children and their families, offering **FREE** art workshops with leading artists.
Visit, play create and be inspired!

WHO: Children up to 12 years (children must be accompanied by a parent or carer)

WHEN: 11am-3pm, every Saturday during school term and every weekday during April, July, October school holidays (closed public holidays)

WHERE: Davoren Park Shopping Centre, 45 Peachey Road, Davoren Park

Enquiries: Tel 08 8267 5111; email: carclew@carclew.org.au

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My daughter really looks forward to Pom Pom. While at school, she struggles to fit in, at Pom Pom she loves making friends and letting her imagination run wild. Pom Pom has benefitted her progress and confidence tremendously.

Karimah
Pom Pom Parent.

carclew.com.au



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THE MIX NORTH

TERM 4



THANKS TO PLAYFORD COMMUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND THE PLATFORM, WE ARE OFFERING A CREATIVE SOCIAL SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN 2025 FOR AUTISTIC YOUNGSTERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. SO COME ALONG AND ENJOY GAMES, COOKING AND OTHER FUN ACTIVITIES WHILE MEETING NEW FRIENDS IN A POSITIVE SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT.

WHILE THIS GROUP IS FOR CHILDREN ON THE AUTISM SPECTRUM, SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE FUN TOO! THIS GROUP IS FOR CHILDREN AGED 8 - 14 (NEGOTIABLE). WE ASK THAT EACH CHILD HAS A PARENT OR SUPPORT WORKER PRESENT WHILE PARTICIPATING. COFFEE, TEA, DRINKS, AND SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED.

DATES

16TH OCTOBER
30TH OCTOBER
13TH NOVEMBER
27TH NOVEMBER
11TH DECEMBER
(XMAS EVENT)



5:00PM - 6:30PM

THE PLATFORM
73 ELIZABETH WAY, ELIZABETH

THIS IS A FREE GROUP FOR THE COMMUNITY AND PLACES NEED TO BE PRE-REGISTERED

To register please contact marguerita via Email: marguerita@diverselearning.com.au or Phone: 0407074817

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LEGO CLUB TERM 4 NORTH



THANKS TO PLAYFORD COMMUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND SONDER, WE ARE OFFERING LEGO PLAY SESSIONS AGAIN IN 2025 FOR AUTISTIC YOUNGSTERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. SO COME ALONG AND SHOW YOUR CREATIVITY AND MEET OTHERS WHO ENJOY LEGO-BUILDING! WE ALSO HAVE A SPECIAL EVENT AT THE END OF EVERY TERM!

WHILE THIS GROUP IS FOR CHILDREN AGED 4 - 12 (NEGOTIABLE) ON THE DISABILITY OR AUTISM SPECTRUM, SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE FUN TOO! CHILDREN UNDER 3 YEARS CAN PLAY WITH SENSORY TOYS AND DUPLO. WE ASK THAT EACH CHILD HAS A PARENT OR SUPPORT WORKER PRESENT WHILE BUILDING. COFFEE, TEA, DRINKS, AND SNACKS ARE PROVIDED.

(VEGAN AND GLUTEN FREE SNACKS AVAILABLE)

DATES

25TH OCTOBER
8TH NOVEMBER
22ND NOVEMBER
6TH DECEMBER
(PARTY SESSION)



9:30 AM - SENSORY SESSION

10:30 AM - 12:00PM MAIN SESSION

SONDER - 2 PEACHEY RD, EDINBURGH NORTH

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YARA BASKETBALL Juniors



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Are you aged between 7 - 11yrs old and would like to join a **FREE** social basketball group with a bit of a difference?

Yara Basketball is ran by our youth mentors and supports young people to develop their social and emotional skills.

No experience necessary | All genders welcome | All cultures welcome



JMC - 182 PEACHEY RD
SMITHFIELD PLAINS



MONDAY'S - TERM 4



4.00PM - 5.00PM

Scan to register or call/SMS
0403 630 123



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MY Health
METROPOLITAN
YOUTH HEALTH

KIDSTUFF for young parents

ARE YOU PREGNANT OR A PARENT
UNDER 25 YEARS?

- Meet other young parents.
- Gain information for your health and wellbeing
- Come and have fun while discovering creative ways of caring for yourself and your child.
- Plus, lots of other cool stuff!

Free Lunch and Crèche provided.

WHERE: Elizabeth Grove Children's Centre,
20 Haynes St, Elizabeth Grove SA 5112

BOOKINGS REQUIRED

For information or to book please call

Melanie on 08 7117 0920



Elizabeth Grove
Community Campus
Children's Centre
for Early Childhood
Development and Parenting

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DEMONS DREAM

Active Minds, Stronger Futures

Are you aged between 5-12yo[^] and would like
to join a sporting club with the opportunity to
learn FOUR new sports for **FREE**?



5.00PM - 6.00PM



EVERY WEDNESDAY*

*During School Terms



**EASTERN PARK
DWIGHT RESERVE**

Yorktown Road, Elizabeth Park

**ROUND 2
CRICKET**

Starts 15 October 2025



Register Now demonsdreamrego@gmail.com

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[^] Age can be negotiable

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Languages Alive!

Experience the delights of other languages and cultures

OCTOBER 2025



WHO:

Reception to Year 6 students

WHERE / WHEN:

Languages Alive! is a program of engaging and interactive language and cultural experiences for R-6 students.

Delivered by highly proficient speakers of the relevant language, the program will run during the school holidays in metropolitan and country locations.

School of Languages (Croydon): Tues 30 Sept

Auslan, Khmer & Serbian

School of Languages (Croydon): Wed 1 Oct

Japanese, Spanish & Vietnamese

Bridgewater Primary School: Fri 3 Oct

French, Hindi & Nepali

Belair Primary School: Tues 7 Oct

Chinese, French & Hindi

Mount Barker Waldorf School: Wed 8 Oct

Auslan, Italian & Spanish

COST:

\$10 per day

FREE for School card/Healthcare card holders



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Register online at:

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Get up to \$500 for education costs

Achieve a savings goal for 10 months,
and **ANZ will match it up to \$500.**

To be eligible, you need to meet these requirements:



18 years
or older



A regular
income
(you or your
partner)



Attend
free online
financial
education
workshops



Are studying
yourself or
have a child
at school, or
starting next
year



Current
Health Care
or **Pensioner**
Concession
Card



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