Term 3 Week 8

Thursday 12th September 2019

Friday Whole School Assembly

Congratulations to our next four students who have received 10 awards for demonstrating they are respectful, responsible and resilient students. They join 25 other students who will enjoy extra play at the end of this term.



During the assembly Kindergar-

ten performed their first assembly item. Kindy students sang 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star'. If there was an award for 'cuteness' they would have definitely won it!



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13th Sept	St3 Sustainable house display -2.00pm		
20th Sept	Whole School Assembly - 2.15pm		
23th Sept	Girls & Boys Soccer Gala Day - note to follow		
24th Sept	Dress rehearsal for School Musical		
25th Sept	School musical matinee and evening performances		
26th Sept	School musical matinee and evening performances		
27th Sept	Last day of school term 3		
Term 4			
14th Oct	Students return to school		

Mrs Sanson during the assembly recognised two students who have moved out of training band into the school's senior band. Well done to Campbell and Archie. Their practice and hard work has paid off!



Every fortnight our whole school assemblies recognise three students from each mainstream class and one from our MC class who have been achieving great things. It is always lovely to see students being proud to receive their awards. Great work to all who received an award.





Notes in Circulation

"Travel Through Time" ticket information and costume notes

School Swimming Scheme-Yrs 2 & 3

Travel Through Time

Preparation is in full swing for our school's upcoming 'Travel Through Time' extravaganza. Evening performances are currently sold out but there are still tickets available for both matinee performances. A note will come home within the next week outlining the times students are required to be at school for the performances and what classrooms children will need to be dropped off and picked up from. This is an exciting opportunity for all of our students who get to perform on stage in front of a large audience.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 25
THURSDAY, SEPT 26
MATINEE 12PM / EVENING 6PM
TICKETS ONLINE ONLY
medowie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

Working Bee

A huge thank you to the families who donated their time and equipment to lay the many rolls of turf on our school oval. The job was complete within three hours as a result of the many and willing helpers. These working bees really capture the great community we have supporting our school. Words cannot describe how grateful our school is for your assistance.

Community PBL

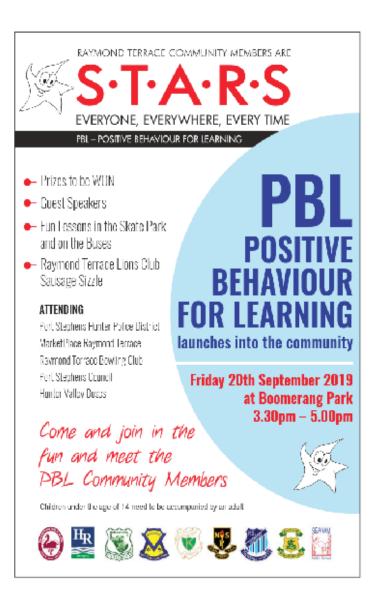
This fortnight has seen two students recognised at MarketPlace. Harry was nominated by a Medowie parent who observed him assisting a younger student who was upset. He comforted them and took them to their older sister. Cooper is being recognised this evening for assisting a teammate who was suffering from anxiety before races at the PSSA athletics carnival. Cooper stayed and comforted the student, reassuring them everything would be OK. He also displayed great sportsmanship on the day assisting his peers by helping them get ready for their events. Well done, boys!





The Community PBL team works with local businesses and the council to ensure that the PBL message can be spread among the community. The latest addition to Community PBL is behaviour matrixes being placed in the Raymond Terrace skate parks and in the local buses to explain how to behave appropriately in these two settings. The official launch of the signs in the skateparks will occur on Friday 20th September. This will be a celebatory community event with guest speakers, fun lessons, sausage sizzle as well as prizes to be won. In true PBL fashion, students who attend the event and are spotted following the expectations will be given tokens which will go into a raffle to be drawn at the conclusion of the event. It would be wonderful if families could attend this event and support our wider community as well as learning more about Community PBL.





Show Case

Last night our school performed in the Show Case concert at Irrawang High School. Our school band, choir and Stage 2 and 3 dance groups did an amazing job. They played, sang and danced brilliantly. Thank you to Mrs Sanson, Mr Haug, Mrs Winters, Mrs Murphy and Mrs Johnson who assisted in the supervision of our students throughout the evening. I am sure there are many tired children at school today!

Planned Maintenance

Over the coming months our school will have contractors on site completing planned maintenance works. Currently the covered walkways are being dismantled in preparation for the installation of new awnings. Fencing and painting work will also be occurring on our school site. All contractors on site meet working with children checks and are currently in communication with the school to minimise disruptions.

E Safety Talk

Last week Senior Constable Rob Wiley spoke to our Stage 3 students. He held an information session to assist our students in being able to keep safe online as well as outlining the legal ramifications of accessing social media at an inappropriate age. I am sure our students now have a better understanding of how to stay safe online and will even be able to teach their parents a thing or two about social media platforms.

Please remember there is an information session at Irrawang High School for parents and carers. This will be held on Thursday 26th September and provide information regarding online safety.

Invitation to Parents/Carers in the Lakeside and Hunter River Learning Communities

Help your child deal with issues in online safety, such as cyberbullying, cyber safety, sexting, gaming and unwanted contact

Irrawang High School invites parents/carers to a presentation by Snr Constable John Collins on how to understand the risks, and tackle these big issues.



When: September 26th

Where: Irrawang High School Hall

Time: 6-7pm

Please RSVP to your school by Sept 23rd

Tell Them From Me Student Surveys

Our school is currently asking students in Years 4, 5 and 6 to complete online surveys to collect data regarding their opinions about school, learning and life aspirations. If you do not want your child to participate in this survey please contact the school office.

Allison Thompson Principal

Mrs Neal's Year 2 Writing groups

Small groups of Year 2 students have been working on improving their imaginative writing and have learnt new writing techniques including planning out their stories carefully before they begin writing, beginning their stories with a sizzling start that captures the reader's attention, tightening tension within a story by making the reader feel like they are there through the use of their senses and feelings and developing problems which they can fix at the end of their story. They hope you enjoy reading some of their best pieces of writing.

Meow and hiss! The tabby cat was frightened as the water splashed her face. She lives in a really, really dark cave. She is a stray who got lost many years ago. She had made her way down to the water this morning. But she got washed away. She could see the water and it looks wobbly. She smells salt water and fresh air. She hears splashing. She can taste salt water as it washes her further out to sea. She starts to drown she is coming up and down, up and down. The cat is really, really trying to swim. The tabby cat is fluffing its legs up when BOOMM! A magic whale turns her into a merkitty.

Regan 1/2K

Growling at the people was a dog as he walks along the beach. He is a stray who lives on the beach. Through the dog's eyes was a heap of people. He smelt the salty ocean air. The dog was vengeful. He could feel the sand between his toes and his hair on his neck was on end. She could hear his own barking and the screaming of people. Someone kicked sand in his mouth and it tasted salty. The dog attacks all the people without stopping. The people all ran as fast as they could. The dog attacked someone else. I see all of this happening as I grab some dog food. I walked up to the dog, he ate it and he trusted me so he became my pet.

Oscar 1/2K

Roar! The lion was out of his cage. The lion was upset in the back playground. I hear yelling. I smell dust. I went outside and AHHH I see the lion! I was sweating, fearing for my life. I ran up to it. I was really, really spooked. I feel his furry face when I go up to it and realise it is hurt.

Abbie 1/2K

I walked very slowly into the sewer. I first saw a very furry face and glowing eyes. The monster had a big chest and 4 long arms.

Michael 1/2K

I stand in the city and see the lightning hit a tree and start a fire. Boom! The thunder rumbles through the buildings. I can smell water as it hits the road. The smoke of the fire tastes awful.

Owen 1/2G

I saw a big light coming from the washing machine so I went to touch it. It was water so I decided to dive in. I found sock fish, shirt jelly fish and even a pants shark. It started to chase me so I swam out. The pants fell out after me. I reached out my hand shaking and touched them. Suddenly someone said I think they belong to me with a grin... it was a shark.

Amelia 1/2G.

Opening his eyes he saw golden sand and woke with a key in his hand. He smelt the salt water of the beach almost tasting it on his tongue and heard the waves. He has to walk around to find where he is and the weather changes as it starts to storm, rain and lightning hit the ground.

Rvder 1/2G.

Creeping along in a dark place a castle appeared out of nowhere. Bang! Goes the lightning when I opened the gate. Crack, crack, crack went the three big bolts of lightning. I am now exploring past the gate, it is amazing with gold, silver and gems. Next to the castle sits a haunted house I decide to stay near the castle.

Luke 1/2G

While she was waiting for her washing, she saw a blue light from a machine. She went into the washing machine then imagined she was in the ocean. There were sock fish, dressfish, and she started to feel lost then after that she became horrified because she saw a SHARK!! She swam away to safety before stopping to realise that it was a beautiful view all the dazzling fish then jumped out of the machine and some pants fell out after her.

Zoe 1/2P

Across the beach the acrobatic cat did a front flip into some balloons. He came here so he can relax. He can see the beach that he was on. He smells food wafting through the air. He hears water splashing on the shore. He tastes sand and salt. He goes up and up attached to the balloons, until he reaches the sky. He pops the balloons to get down. He was falling but he was safe and soaking wet in the water.

Abby 1/2P

A girl was waiting for her washing. Then light came from one of the washing machines so she walked closer the opened the door. She held her breath then plummeted in and suddenly she felt wet and saw sock fishes, beanie jelly-fish and shirt squid swimming by. A shark made from a pair of pants was swimming towards her she was swimming away but the shark was chasing her. Then she saw the washing machine door so she dove out and the pants came out after her. A voice came from behind her and said I think that's my pants... it was a shark.

Ayden 1/2P

Josh heard a noise. He went to see what was there but he saw nothing. The monster tackles Josh and he kicked it away. Josh ran. The monster kicked him down to the ground. He rolled away. Josh wondered why he was there then he realised he was there for the omega sword. He saw the monster getting closer and closer, Josh can smell his stink. He had an idea, Josh grabbed the omega sword and ran to show it to the monster. It got angry and charged at Josh. As the monster smelt his own stink Josh kicked the monster. He had knocked the monster out, it was gone. Harley 1/2P

Smash! Bang! The mischievous dog sprinted into the toyshop. He was ripping all the plushies. He felt like the cheekiest dog in the world. He had no owner and was a stray dog. A little kid came and tied him to a bunch of balloons. As he floated into the air, he missed the smell of the perfume in the toy shop. He could hear people shout yay! He wanted to taste lollies. He wished for the soft carpet on his paws but he was also feeling awesome. Soon he was in space. He was barking loudly and suddenly very anxious. Woof! The dog sees an asteroid coming closer and closer. It hit the balloons and one by one they pop and he floated down. When he got down to earth again he was so so glad. Kendra 2R

Slowly a loveable sloth was exploring an unfamiliar alien world. The sloth's name was Jake he had come from Earth in a spaceship. He sees the ground it is red, only red. He smells hot ash as all he hears is silence. He tastes the rough ground as he crawls around and touches small hard rocks. He is feeling nothing at all. He found a potion in a hole, it was green the sloth's favourite colour. So he decided to drink it. The potion made him angry he fell in a hole. He turned red and jumped out of the hole. He tripped over a rock but got back up and ran to his spaceship. The fuel was empty so the sloth jumped out of the spaceship and started to smash the rocks. He fell into a steep hole which he couldn't get out of. He looked up and saw a pair of eyes it was a person. The person came down and gave the sloth a potion. The loveable sloth wasn't angry anymore.

Havden 2R

I went through the haunted gate and saw a bat as it went past. Then I felt a ghost fly by, I saw a haunted tower then smelt smoke. I could taste blood as I heard wolves howling, I felt frightened, I quickly went back through the haunted gate. I fell over a log, then a rock and then a big heavy box. Finally I'm back home.

Allyssa 2R

The dragon was panicking as his powers were getting weaker. The dragon's name was fire breath, as he was coming down from space he had landed in a volcano. He was getting burnt from the lava and he got so angry. People started running away but they soon realised that the dragon was just scared so they came back with rope. The dragon let them tie it to him but then it snapped. There was no other way to do it. They were too tired. The dragon was trying to fly out as the volcano exploded and then he flew into space where he met his family again.

Oscar 2R

Tournament Of Minds

Two groups of students participated in Tournament Of Minds, performing at Newcastle Grammar on Saturday 31st August.

Each group chose a challenge and developed a creative presentation, which they practiced and refined over a 6 week period. Each team had to work together as a group, with no teacher assistance, to develop their ideas, create scripts and make all props.

'The Medowie Rockets', comprising of Saraya, Indie, Ryan, Jack, Lachlan, Jessica and Breanna chose the Language Literature challenge 'TOM-munication'. They had to present their vision for the development of a new language feature.

'Aussie Mozzies', comprising of Erin, Amber, Grace, Zoe, India, Holly and Jessica (absent), chose the Arts challenge 'Wizard of Aus'. They had to rewrite The Wizard of Oz as if it was set in Australia, with the overreaching theme of persistence. They needed to include two original songs, create two backdrops and make detailed costumes.

Both groups delivered amazing performances on the day. Well Done! Congratulations to 'The Aussie Mozzies' who received an Honours award for their performance.

Thank you to the students for making the whole process an enjoyable experience, I had a lot of fun!

Thank you to the parents who gave up their Saturday to enable their child to participate.

Mrs Johnson.





Stage 3 Sustainable Houses



Students have been working hard on building models of homes with a sustainable focus. Students scrounged through recycling bins and garden sheds for their raw materials. They have come up with some wonderful creations and their efforts throughout the unit of work has been nothing short of amazing. The homes will be on exhibition this Friday from 2pm in the Stage 3 classrooms. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Mr Wells

Unroll a Roll - Working Bee

Thank you to everyone, students and parents who came along on Sunday to help roll out 1850sqm of turf. While the oval will be out of use for some time, eventually students will benefit from a great playing surface. I would like to especially thank the Goodwin family for assistance with machinery, the Gregori family from Total Eden Raymond Terrace for assistance with our water tank and irrigation, and the Southey family from Campvale Landscapes for assistance with topsoil.

Thank you also to the P&C who financially supported the project. Without your assistance the project would not have been possible.

Mr Wells









Grandparent's Day

As part of Grandparent's Day 2019, we will be holding a special day on Wednesday 30th October, where grandparents can interact with their grandchildren through a range of classroom activities. The morning will begin just outside the administration building at 9:40am with a short welcome. Following this, all classrooms will be open for grandparents to visit. There will also be light refreshments available for purchase under the COLA that have been prepared by our wonderful canteen.

Our school councillors will be available to direct grandparents to the classrooms, so parents are asked to provide this information to the attending grandparents.

The day will begin at 9:45am in classrooms and conclude at about 11:00am. If grandparents are not available on the day, parents are most welcome to take their place.

Mr Wells

Lost Property

As the weather is now warming up we have lots of unnamed jumpers/jackets in our lost property. Please label all clothing and personal belongings so they can be returned to the rightful owner.

Thank you

P & C News

Girls Night Out 2019

Our popular movie fundraiser on Saturday night was an enjoyable evening for all that attended. Lots of fantastic raffle prizes and great 80's outfits! Our preliminary calculations indicate a profit of \$980.00!

A huge thank you to all our guests, volunteers and sponsors for making Girls Night Out 2019 another great success.

Look out for Girls Night Out 2020. Coming in Term 2 - Legally Blonde 3!

Uniform Shop

Due to shortage of volunteers, our uniform shop is only open Monday afternoons and Wednesday mornings this term.

We are hoping to be open more often in term 4 but need your help! If you are able to volunteer one morning or afternoon a week, please contact Kim on 0416 261 966.

P&C Events scheduled for Term 4

Colour Fun Run

Friday, 25 October 2019.

Information packs to be sent home before the end of this term!

Christmas Raffle

More information coming soon!

Thank you for supporting Medowie Public School through P&C events. To contact P&C, email <u>pandcmedowie@hotmail.com</u>.

School Banking

As of Term 4 School Banking will be changed from Tuesday to Thursday.

Thank you



2019 Donors List

Active Diner Medowie Alex's Kazazz Ali's bra boutique (Intimo) Bunnings Heatherbrae Cakes Creations by Jodie Coles Medowie Century 21 Medowie Curtis & Blair Dan Murphy's Raymond Terrace Dee Lights in Beauty Divine Styling Makeup Artistry by Erin Enjo & Sante with Alison Forever Hair & Beauty Jenny Dubois Jen's Flowers Learn to Surf Newcastle with Miles Niddrie Lisa's Massage Therapy in Medowie Little Pantry Co Mary Kay with Rebecca Neely Mathieson Family Mayden Designs

Medowie Macadamia Farm MG Fencing Michael Hill Jewellers, Raymond Terrace Moonshadow TQC cruises Murrays Brewing Co Pacific Dunes & The Greenhouse Eatery Port Stephens 4wd Tours Postie pop - ups with Kate Pure Romance with Michelle Scotty's Cinema Centre Shimmer Scents with Leah Raymond Terrace Bowling centre Terry White Chemmart Raymond Terrace The Little Pantry Co The Pet Shed Medowie The Salt Therapy Centre Woolworths Medowie

Zeke Unique

Medowie & Raymond Terrace Vacation Care 30th September – 11th October 2019 Halley's Comet Moon Sand Space Invaders Squeezy Space Craft Friday 4th Planet Wreaths Asteroid Toss Rocket Ship **Cultural Painting** Spikey Echidnas Mask your Identity Sizzle, Coleslaw, Lamington **Dress Up:** Aussie Character and Sugar free lemonade. Special Lunch: Sausage Aussie, Aussie, Aussie Thursday 3rd Furry Pencil Topper Cooking: Damper **Colourful Creations** Rainbow Soap Foam Wednesday 2nd **Grassy Characters** Crazy Stress Balls Bead Slime Lava Lamp Fireworks Week 2 Hot Air Balloons Craft Workshop: Followed by a Picnic at Sand Boarding **Bagnalls Beach** Excursion Tuesday 1st Reserve Mini House * thrive kids. Reuse and Recycle **Builder Belt** Door Hangers Lego Man **Construction Fun** Monday 30th Clay Creations





Alien bands

Flying Saucers

Holiday

Asteroid Painting

Paddle Pop Faces

participate in water play so

If weather is hot we may

Parent Notes:

bag for wet items) each day.

change of clothes (plastic

please send towel and

Paper Planets











Tinkerbelle's Jewellery

Smee's Tattoos

X Marks the Spot 🍕

Dig for Treasure

Griffiths Park, Stockton Followed by a Picnic at

> PORT STEPHENS A community service proudly provided by

Monster and Aliens

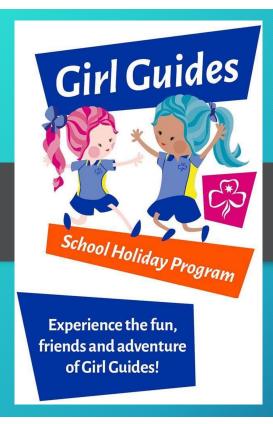
▲ Dress Up:

Email: Childcare@portstephens.nsw.gov.au

Phone: 49880308







Wednesday 9th October

School Holiday Fun for Girls

Fully supervised by qualified leaders

Medowie Community Hall 9.30am to 3.30pm \$30

for girls who are registered members of Guides NSW/ACT \$40 for girls who are non members

Everyone welcome - for girls aged between 5 & 10.

You do not need to be a member of Girl Guides.

No pressure to join - Just a fun filled school holiday activity!

Cooking, craft, games and outdoors fun!

To secure a place please return registration sheet and make payment to your Unit Money Matters Person. For Non Guiding girls please use the contact information below

Email srbaas@bigpond.com or call/message Rachael on 0429449912