



Munno Para PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 4, Week 9 2019

"Christmas is not so much about opening presents, as opening our hearts!"

Principal's Message

Dear families and caregivers,

The end of the year has arrived with such haste and we say our goodbyes for 2019. It has been an extraordinarily busy year. I say that every year but this year has taken a significant toll on people. The holidays are well deserved and required to refresh and rejuvenate for 2020.

We have just received some final confirmations from HR for teacher placements, with only 2 more placements to go. We have some teachers who will be leaving us - Mrs Clarke, Ms Munro and Ms Kate will all be going to new schools. Ms Kelly was a late inclusion as she will be moving interstate. MPPS will be starting with an extra class due to an increase in numbers and there will be a number of new teachers across the school in 2020.

Reports will go home Thursday. With them will be a letter with student's indicative class placement for 2020. No classes or teachers are guaranteed until after day 6 census. Enrolment numbers may vary and we may need to make late changes early in the year.

Congratulations to our Year 7 graduates. They had a great night Tuesday. We wish them the very best next year at their prospective high schools.

Our End of Year Concert was a fantastic event on Wednesday. The students looked great and had a wonderful time. We had tried to video the event but with a number of people blocking the camera vision, we are working on what we can manage with the filming that we have. It was also unfortunate that issues from outside of school which did not involve our students, was brought into the school and ultimately was a distraction. All of our students should be able to enjoy their End of Year Concert without outside issues coming in to the school. This is one of the major factors why schools have moved their concerts to day time events!

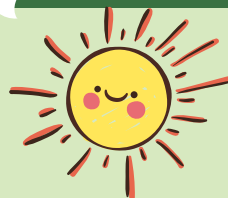
School finishes at 2pm on Friday 13th December. Please be mindful of this as this week alone we have had students at school until 4pm every day of the week. Sometimes we get a phone call to say that someone is running late which is very much appreciated.

OSHC is available over the school holidays, as well as before and after school when school resumes. Happy Haven can be contacted on 8155 5485 or munnopara@happyhaven.sa.edu.au.

A school such as Munno Para operates with an enormous amount of goodwill from everyone. A huge **thank you** to all of the staff, both teaching and ancillary, for their commitment to all students and striving for them to achieve their very best. Our staff put in many, many hours of their time for the students and community. Events such as Breakfast Club, Active After School, Children's Uni, Learning Club, SAPSASA, trainings, discos - all happen because of the extra time that staff are prepared to put in. In many schools these events occur during school hours, if at all.

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HELLO!



Diary Dates



Friday 14th December

Last day of Term 4

**Early dismissal
2:00pm**

2PM DISMISSAL!



MERRY
CHRISTMAS

Wishing everyone safe and
happy holidays.

School resumes on Tuesday
28th January 2020.

Bell Times

8:45am Teacher on duty in the yard
8:50am School day begins
11am Lunch – eating in class
11:10am Lunch play
11:40am Lunch finishes
1:10pm Recess play
1:30pm End recess play
3pm Home time



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Principal's Message (continued)

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Governing Council for your time and effort you invest in our school. If you would like to be part of Governing Council, or would like to know a little more, **the AGM will be on Tuesday 12th February at 6pm.** This will be after the Acquaintance Night which will be from 5:00pm. The AGM is open to all members of the community and will run for approximately 30 minutes. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Governing Council play an important part in all schools. If you are interested, please contact me at school and/or watch out for notes early in 2020. It is not difficult and does not require any additional qualifications, just your passion and commitment to our school.

A huge thank you to the **Fundraising Group** for going above and beyond with fundraising for our school. We appreciate their support for raising funds to finance projects for our students.

To the **Smith Family**, Carey in particular, for his tireless work with our families. He is passionate about support for families to have access to programs and resources.

A huge thank you to our **parent and family volunteers** who have helped with trainings for sporting events throughout the year as well as listening to reading and supporting classes. We are thankful for your support.

School will resume back on Tuesday 28th January 2020. The front office will be open Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd January 9-11am and 2-4pm. All staff will be involved in whole school training on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th January, and will not be available for meetings on those days.

We wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy new year. Make sure to spend time reading a good book, watching a movie, time with friends, having a picnic and generally relaxing and spending time with loved ones.

Ms Belinda Kopania, Principal

M5 & M6 Excursion

In Week 8, M5 and M6 went on an excursion to the Salisbury Cinemas to watch 'Arctic Dogs, Thunder Squad'. The students loved catching the train there and back as this was the first time catching a train for some of the students. They were extremely excited to watch the movie in reclining chairs and eating warm popcorn from the cinemas. All the students were well behaved, and we received some lovely comments from the public about how well behaved they were. It was rewarding to watch the students represent our school in a positive way.

Mrs Singlehurst & Miss Wyse



Christmas Themed Student Work

