



Munno Para PRIMARY SCHOOL

Respect, Responsibility, Success

NEWSLETTER ISSUE 1
Term 1, Week 3 2018

"You're off to great places! Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!"
- Dr. Seuss

Hello to Everyone,

Dear Families and Carers,

To our new families we welcome you to Munno Para Primary School. To all of our returning families, welcome back. My name is Belinda Kopania and I am very honoured to have the role of Principal at Munno Para PS. I have taught across the school from Reception to Year 7 and have worked in various roles across the school prior to winning this position. Many ex-students will know me as 'Ms K.' I am extremely passionate about our great school and will continue to promote and acknowledge that we are a super school because we are great.

My Leadership team consists of Amanda Smith as Assistant Principal. Amanda works in the Reception class in M6 two and a half days, and in the front office the other two and a half days. Amanda's foci is Early Years, enrolments and Literacy. Pauline Huckstepp is our second Assistant Principal. Pauline works full time in the office with students with disabilities, special education and guardianship children as her foci. Pauline coordinates SSO support across the school. Ryan Hunter works full time in the front office as our Well Being Leader. Ryan works with students to support them with their wellbeing and behaviour as well as a number of programs across the school including Children's Uni and Breakfast Club. Andrew Castenetto works full time in the front office as Curriculum Coordinator, with a Numeracy Focus and Well Being support with Ryan Hunter. Andrew also coordinates applications for additional support with a behaviour focus and supports staff with planning and implementation of DECD strategic directions. All Leadership assist with behaviour management and support. There are a number of additional roles that each leader also conducts, with far too many to name here.

The start to the year has indeed been very busy with around 80 new enrolments across the school. We currently have 384 students, which is a significant growth over the last few years. We started with 2 additional classes along with 54 Reception students.

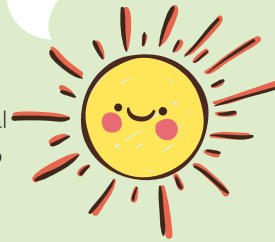
The classes across the school are as follows:

- M1 Ms Leonie Wyse with Year 1
- M2 Ms Sharde Woodforde with Reception/Year 1
- M3 Ms Rachele Soar with Reception
- M4 Ms Sarah Mellors with Reception
- M5 Mrs Lydia Singlehurst with Year 1/2
- M6 Mrs Amanda Smith and Mrs Angela Alberton with Reception
- M7 Ms Sabrina Stallon-Gibbs with JP Health R-3

- A1 Mrs Penny Daff provides Science across the school with R-7 and Health Year 4-7
- A2 Ms Nicole Clark with Year 4/5
- A3 Ms Sam Munro with Year 5
- A4 Mr Bryan Decelis and Ms Deb Heading with Year 4. Mr D provides PE R-5 and Ms Heading provides PE with Year 6/7.

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HELLO!



Diary Dates

Wednesday 21 February

Acquaintance Night
Governing Council AGM



Friday 9 March

PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 12 March

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Adelaide Cup Day

Friday 30 March

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Good Friday

Monday 2 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Easter Monday

Week 10 (3-6 April)

R-5 Swimming at Starplex

Week 11 (9-12 April)

Mini Sports Day
& Sports Day

(Dates to be confirmed)



Friday 13 April

Last day of Term 1

**BREAKFAST
CLUB**

Breakfast Club runs
daily in the Art room
8:15-8:45am - all
students welcome



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Principal's Message (continued)

K1 Ms Kyle Kempster is now working in the Language and Communication class R-2

K2 Ms Kate Welsby with Year 3

K3 Ms Olivia Snook with Year 3

K4 Ms Jemma Lorenz with Year 3

K5 Mrs Alison Perre with Year 2

K6 Ms Amy Legedza with Year 2

D1 Mr Aaron Keynes with Year 6/7

D2 Ms Jess Moyle with Year 6/7

D3 Ms Sonya Rattley with Year 6/7

D4 Ms Nycole Kelly prides German R-7 and Health 3-7



Mrs Serena Boberic is our AET (Aboriginal Education Teacher). The school receives 0.5 funding for this role. Mrs Boberic works half day Monday, and all day Tuesday and Wednesday in M7. Mrs Boberic will support our Aboriginal students as well as work with teachers with the implementation of the Australian Curriculum Cross-Curriculum priority of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures provides opportunities for all students to deepen their knowledge of Australia by engaging with the world's oldest continuous living cultures.

Glenice Wanganeen is our ACEO (Aboriginal Community Education Officer). Glenice can be contacted in the front office if required. Glenice will work with our Aboriginal families to support them as required. Through the Australian Curriculum, students will understand that contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities are strong, resilient, rich and diverse.

Lisa Preston will continue to work in the library providing support and programs for all classes across the school.

We will continue with our fantastic ancillary support staff across the school, with a number of new staff. Due to our increase in complexities across the school, there are a number of students requiring additional support. Our classroom SSOs (Student Support Officers) work alongside teaching staff to support these students.

The front office has also had some changes. Karen Hobbs was very fortunate in winning a one term position at another school for Term 1. We had Betty Smith work across the administration and finance for two weeks until Clare Macdonald was able to move across from another school. Clare will be with us during Term 1. Please make her feel welcome. Clare will be your contact for school fees, excursions and all issues relating to school finances. Heather Glynn-Roe began working in the front office last term as Terri Young took some personal leave. Heather will continue as front office administration and will be your first port of call at school. Heather had been thrown in the deep end but has come through shining at the end. Rhonda Tilbury has provided additional support in the front office as we have had the changes along with the increase in enrolments to work through. They have worked above and beyond and we are grateful for their time and effort.

Acquaintance Night

Wednesday 21st February will be our Acquaintance Night. Notes have been sent home. Please return these to school with the number of attendees so we can cater for all. The Acquaintance Night is an opportunity to visit other teachers and classes across the school. It is an informal opportunity to get to know the school. If you require a meeting to discuss your child/ren, please make a time with their classroom teacher for another date.



Governing Council AGM

The AGM will be on after the Acquaintance Night, in the library. This give families an opportunity to know what is happening across the school and to come and join our Governing Council. It is at Governing Council that detailed information is shared and decisions are investigated and made. This is where you have a chance to make an impact across the school. Governing Council is for whole school decisions.



This newsletter has a lot of information that will help with questions that you may have in regards to many of the procedures across the school. If you have any concerns, please ring the front office to make a time to speak with Leadership.

We look forward to a fantastic year ahead filled with lots of laughter and learning.

Yours sincerely,

Belinda Kopania, Principal



Swimming

R-5 swimming will be at Starplex in Week 10 of this term. We moved to Starplex as we have been able to have the lessons at a better time of the year. All medical forms must be complete for students to participate in swimming. If you have indicated that your child is asthmatic, an asthma health care plan that is signed off by a GP will be required for your child to get into the water. More information will be sent home shortly.



Mini Sports Day and Sports Day

Mini Sports Day may be held in Week 11 of this term. On this day students that have been selected through their classes with Ms Heading and Mr Decelis, will participate in long jump, high jump and long distance run. They will accumulate points for championship medals at our whole school Sports Day. Sport Day is the day that the whole school is involved in various team sports. The day finishes with year level sprints and relays.



Pupil Free Day

Friday 9th March will be a Pupil Free day. No students will be at school as all staff will be at training off site. This is a whole Partnership directive with a number of schools in the area closed on this day for staff to attend.

Choir

Choir will resume in Week 4 with Carol Lee as our Choir Trainer.



Nut Awareness Policy

PURPOSE

We have a growing number of students with severe anaphylaxis and request that **no nut products** be brought to school.

The Nut awareness policy will be managed through:

- Parents and caregivers being requested **NOT** to send food to school that contains nuts (especially peanuts). This includes peanut paste, nutella, all nuts and cooking oil containing peanut oil, as well as foods containing nuts. (This is especially important in classes where we are of students with an anaphylaxis condition.)
- Parents/carers of children affected by nut allergies having an annual anaphylaxis medical plan, signed by the child's doctor, lodged at the school. Epi-pens and medication are supplied by the parent/carer.
- Staff supervising eating at lunch in classes.
- Students being encouraged to wash hands after eating.
- Staff participating in training from St John or Red Cross to assist in understanding and dealing with anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions) as the need arises. (All staff are first aid trained)
- The School Canteen complying with the Nut awareness Policy.



Materials and services fees

Materials and services fees are now due.

Invoices have been sent home to all families along with school card applications. If you believe that you are entitled to school card, please collect the form and return it to school.

If you have any questions, please contact Clare Macdonald at school on 8254 8322.

M&S FEES
ARE NOW DUE



Facebook and Class Dojo

 **Munno Para Primary School**

The school has a Facebook page and Class Dojo in which information is shared. Your child's class teacher will have the Class Dojo login details. This is a quick and easy way to relay messages to your child's class teacher. Teachers are not able to respond to these messages immediately as they will be in class.



Late arrivals/early pick up

Most students do this very well, but just a reminder that late arrivals and early pickups, requires students to sign in at the front office. It can be distressing when a text message goes home to say your child is away and you know that you have dropped them off. Please remind students when they come in late to go directly to the front office to obtain a late slip.



Waiting for students at the end of the day

It is important that when waiting for students, that **parents and carers need to wait outside of the buildings**. Staff are often still working with students when families arrive. When parents/carers come in to classes to give messages, get school bags and generally chat with students, this disrupts the learning for all. When teachers are dismissing students, corridors get very busy. This is why classes are generally dismissed via their outside doors. This is a WH&S issue for all and thank you for your support and consideration.



Community Notices



WORLD
TAEKWONDO
Oriental Sports Academy

KIDS TAEKWONDO

MUNNO PARA

Munno Para Primary School
Maltarra Rd, Munno Para
Mondays 6.00 pm to 6.45 pm

YOUTH AND ADULTS 7pm to 8pm

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