

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Family Mass

On Sunday, I had the privilege of attending the Family Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians, Palmerston. This was a lovely service led by Father Mick and there were many families in attendance. Family Masses will be held on the first Sunday of every month at 8:30am. It would be wonderful to see many of our families there next month.

NAIDOC Week

This week, we have been celebrating NAIDOC Week. As usual, Tearnna and Narissa, our AIEWs, have gone over and above to ensure that this week has been full of engaging activities and learning experiences. These ranged from spearing, animal incursion, screen printing and other arts and crafts. There will be more information about our NAIDOC Week Assembly and Official Opening and Blessing of the new school buildings in the next school newsletter.

Canberra Camp

On Tuesday next week, we will be taking our Year 6 students to Canberra. They will be participating in a range of learning experiences during the four days we are there. In addition, we will be having an excursion for a day full of snow play. For many of our students, this will be their first time they have ever seen snow. We look forward to sharing our many adventures on our return.

Read Write Inc

Over the past weeks, I have joined the team of Read Write Inc educators and support a group of Transition students each morning. This has very quickly become my favourite part of the day! I am now completely invested in this program having seen the research behind it and witnessed, first hand, the positive results when this is implemented with fidelity. If you ever have any questions about RWI, please do not hesitate to see your child's teacher.

Kind Regards,

Michelle Garbutt
Principal

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Front Office News



Upcoming Events

Week 5:

National Science Week

Tuesday

Year 6 Students leave for
Canberra

Friday

Science Week Event
TR Niland Assembly @2pm

Week 6: Book Week

Tuesday

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Wednesday

Parent/Teacher Interviews
NFL Flag Footy Gala Day

Friday

Book Week Parade
1/2 Haintz Assembly @2pm



2024 Term Dates

Term 1

Wednesday 31st January - Friday 5th April

Term Break

Monday 8th April - Friday 12th April

Term 2

Monday 15th April - Friday 21st June

Mid year break

Monday 24th June - Monday 15th July

Term 3

Tuesday 16th July - Friday 20th September

Term Break

Monday 23rd September - Friday 4th
October

Term 4

Monday 7th October - Thursday 12th December



Front Office Hours

MONDAY 8:00AM – 3:00PM

TUESDAY 8:00AM – 3:00PM

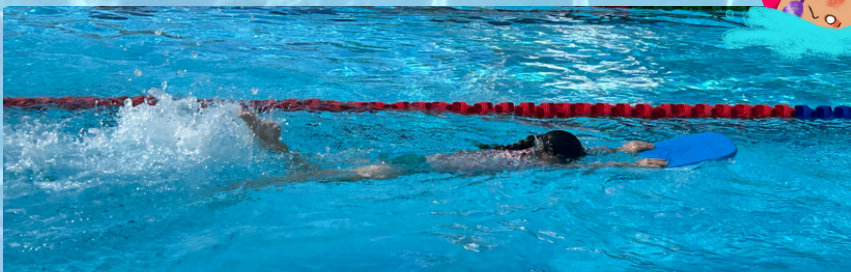
WEDNESDAY 8:00AM – 3:00PM

THURSDAY 8:00AM – 3:00PM

FRIDAY 8:00AM – 3:00PM



Years 3-6 Swimming



During the past 2 weeks, our Years 3-6 participated in their swimming lessons. Students had a lot of fun learning new skills and how to stay safe in the water.



NAIDOC Week



During Week 4, MTCPS celebrated NAIDOC Week. The theme this year was **Keep The Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud**



Students and Staff had a lot of fun participating in an arrange of activities such as; spear throwing, screen printing and animal encounters.



Gardening Club



In gardening club we have planted: lettuce, broccoli, beetroot, pumpkin, watermelon, oregano, basil, mint, snake beans, snow peas, zucchini, eggplant, ginger, sunflowers, marigolds, blue tongue (bush tucker), carrots, corn, spinach, and tomatoes.



Family Mass

Family Mass is at 8:30am on the first Sunday of every month at OLHC. There is a special emphasis and focus to support and celebrate families. Fr Mick's homily is focused on the children and has applications that are relatable to all. Families are invited to participate/volunteer with different readings/parts of the mass by contacting Fr Mick on 0414 721 384. Thank you to the Estandarte family for a warm welcome and bringing the wine to the altar on Sunday.



Mary Mackillop Liturgy

Thank you to Year 5/6 for leading our liturgy to celebrate the feast of St Mary of the Cross. Mary MacKillop is Australia's first saint and was a person of great faith, hope and courage. How can we live our lives to be more like Mary MacKillop and her well known words "never see a need without doing something about it."



Wear your Sports Teams Colours

Friday, Week 3

To help raise money for the Year 6 Canberra Trip, students and staff were encouraged to wear their favourite sports team gear and bring a cold coin for donation



Parrs Athletics Wednesday, Week 4



On Wednesday a group of 29 students from MTCPS went to represent our school at PARRS Athletics Carnival. We all had a great time and everyone gave their best at their events. We came away with many students placing in their events and are proud of everyone's efforts for the day.



Congratulations to the following students:

Jordy B: 3rd 800m, 3rd 200m, 2nd 100m

Connor F: 3rd 800m

Ayak B: 3rd 800m

John T: 3rd discus

Mackenzie R: 1st shot put

Tiwa A: 1st 200m

Rhythm L: 2nd Discus

Miranda S: 3rd 100m

Logan H: 1st 100m

Sofia L: 3rd long jump, 1st 200m, 2nd 100m

John C: 3rd 100m

Isabelle J: 2nd 100m

Zahlia S: 2nd shot put

