



Middleton Public School NEWSLETTER

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WEEK 3 TERM 2
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Term 1 Personal Best Award Winner

Hayden Lamond - 5/6H

- ◆ Hayden Lamond is an extraordinary young person. He is the perfect example of our three great words—respectful, responsible and having a positive attitude.
- ◆ Hayden has an amazing ability to act and behave in an appropriate way according to the situation.
- ◆ On one hand is a young person that has a great deal of fun playing and mixing with his peers and on the other hand he acts with a tonne of maturity when it is called for.
- ◆ It goes without saying that Hayden's efforts and achievement academically are spot on.



Positive Behaviour for Learning -
Student on Target
Holly Duncan
Focus for the Week
"Positive Attitude"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I hope our mothers and special ladies had a lovely day yesterday with their families. It was a glorious day and I enjoyed having a special lunch with many of the mums in my family. A very big thank you also to Miss Harris and Mrs Harris for organising a special mothers' day pampering session on Friday at school – it looked like lots of ladies were receiving some special attention that afternoon.

NAPLAN Online

Year 3 & 5 will commence their assessments this week. All going well with the technology, it should be all completed by Friday. Thank you to Ms Davies for coordinating this – there is lots of work to be done beforehand to ensure everything is set up and ready to go. For the parents and children, remember there is no need to panic – your teachers already know how your child is progressing through their regular planning. This will simply be an additional source of information from this week. Like always, have a healthy breakfast and make sure you're at school on time so you are ready to do the test with the rest of the class.

Action Club Public Speaking

Congratulations to Indianna and Harrison Kennedy, who following the School Public Speaking competition on Monday, added further to their speeches to then present them at the Parkes Action Club meeting on Wednesday night as the Middleton representatives. The quality of the speeches from participants across all schools in Parkes was high and the adjudicators would have had a very difficult job ahead of them. Whilst not gaining a place, Harrison is to be commended for his efforts. Indianna was successful in gaining first place in the Year 3/4 category, receiving the perpetual trophy and \$100 prize money for the school.

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Opportunities Galore

We are so very fortunate at Middleton PS – in addition to Public Speaking competitions and experiences, last week staff and children participated in cultural activities including excursion to the theatre in Orange, sporting activities with Cross Country and girls hockey in Molong, and technology activities using STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) equipment with a visiting teacher. All of this was rounded off with Infants attending the Paint the Town REaD celebrations at the Leagues Club on Friday.

Attendance

Thank you to those parents for doing the best they can to ensure their child is at school every day they possibly can be, or explaining any absences to the class teacher within seven days. So far, Kindergarten and Year 6 have had the best attendance rate across Term 1 and Term 2 with an average of 95%, but last week Year 1 blew everyone out of the water with 98%. This is great, as every day at school matters!

Have a great week,

Paul
Principal (Rlg)

Thought for the week:

“The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.” H. Jackson Brown, Jr.



FRIDAY 17 MAY

Awards

Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their **effort last week:**

Alexi Cheney (KJ), Chayse Wirth (K/1W), Mason Tanks (1/2L), Samuel Hunt (1/2S), Tyrece Robinson (3/4D), Kiara Thornhill (3/4O), Dakota Mallison (4/5R), Shayleigh Johnson (5/6E), Justis Mallison (5/6H), Seth Stein (Mrs Butler), Bella Allen (Mrs O'Donnell) and Myla-Rose Studdert (Mrs Fisher).

MERIT CERTIFICATES - Book Work

Robert Gould, Emily Wild, Sierra Callaghan, Koan Parker-Lee, Airlie Strong, Kayos Parker, Lexi Willis, Eliza Cantrell, Amarni Reidy, Corinne Scherer, Aisea Folau, Rigby Milford, Maicey McGuire, Makayla-May Simpson, Logan Roberts, Oliver Neilsen, Charlie Sole, Indianna Kennedy, Leela Bradley, Samuel Kinsela, Hall'e King, Bayley Callaghan, Harrison Kennedy, Noah Webb, Brock Bowd, Riley McMaster, Amelia Ah-See, Hayley Arrow and Ashley Hayward .

Infant Sport: Heath Tanks

Primary Sport: Kade Ticehurst

Assembly Item: K/1W - Mrs Westgarth

GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The school leaders that are attending the Grip Leadership conference on Monday 20 May, have received details on travel arrangements over to Dubbo. Could these arrangements please be confirmed with Miss Ehsman as soon as possible.

IMPORTANT DATES!

Tuesday, 14 May	NAPLAN Starts
Wednesday, 15 May	NAPLAN
Thursday, 16 May	NAPLAN
Friday, 17 May	Walk Safely to School Day
Friday, 17 May	P&C Trivia Night
Wednesday, 22 May	Dad is Schools Day with Kindergarten
Thursday, 23 May	Kindergarten Information Night at 5.30pm
Wednesday, 29 May	Athletics Carnival
Thursday, 30 May	Owl & The Pussycat school performance

Our school Assembly is every Thursday commencing at 2.10pm

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Last Wednesday evening at the Parkes Action Club, Harrison and Indianna Kennedy represented our school in their Public Speaking competition.

Congratulations to Indianna who took out first place with her speech 'It wasn't my idea'.



STAGE 3 MILSON ISLAND

The \$50 deposit and note to secure a place on the Milson Island excursion for Year 5/6 students was due last Friday. The full cost of the excursion is due next term on Friday, 23 August. Please feel free to make weekly or fortnightly payments at the office.

We raised approximately \$750 from the disco in Term 1 that will go towards the cost of the bus. Shortly we will be sending home details about our raffle fundraiser that should get us the rest of the way to Milson Island. The prize should cause a little excitement so stay tuned!

PEER SUPPORT Lesson 1

We are commencing our Peer support lessons this week. The whole school participates in 30 minute lessons that take place on Monday afternoons.

Year 5 and 6 leaders facilitate a small group of younger students, who work together through a number of structured activities. Teachers supervise 2-3 groups in their classroom. Throughout this term we will be working on a module called *Living Positively* which will allow us to explore the concept of optimism. The module will run for 8 lessons. Our first lesson enables the students to get to know everyone in the group, agreeing on how they will work together and interact cooperatively with others. They will also begin to think about what it means to be optimistic.

We encourage you to talk to your children about Peer Support every week, as it will help to reinforce the concepts learned in each session.

SAKG – Stage 2

In the garden ...

This week students will be dressing the scarecrows ready for winter, weeding and threading chillies onto strings to preserve them.

In the kitchen ...

This week we will be making handmade pasta with a spaghetti sauce and a garden salad.

HELPERS

We would really love some helpers to assist us in either kitchen or garden classes. The students do the work and helpers supervise the activity. You can come along for one week or on a more regular basis. Please see Mrs Orr if you can assist.

K-2 KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM

Our K-2 kitchen garden program will commence this Tuesday afternoon. Students will be in mixed groups and participate in a garden and kitchen rotation.

This week in the kitchen students will be making pumpkin drop biscuits and vegetable fritters. Garden groups will be watering with seasol, making seed spheres and exploring the garden.

PARENT/COMMUNITY HELPERS FOR KITCHEN/GARDEN PROGRAM

We would love helpers to assist with our kitchen and garden program on Tuesday afternoons at 2.10pm. If can assist please contact the school office. This assistance can be as a one off or as a regular helper.



Canteen News

TERM 2 WEEK 3

Monday, 13 May	Michelle Skinner
Tuesday, 14 May	Annette Whiteman
Wednesday, 15 May	Jody Swindle
Thursday, 16 May	Jody Swindle
Friday, 17 May	Tricia Trim

PLEASE NOTE:

- * Chicken Coujons 60c each **NOT** 60c a serve
- * Party pies are NO longer available

TERM 2 WEEK 4

Monday, 20 May	Michelle Skinner
Tuesday, 21 May	
Wednesday, 22 May	Jody Swindle
Thursday, 23 May	Jody Swindle
Friday, 24 May	Joanne Onley

WEEKLY SPECIAL \$6.00

Mexican Chicken Burger (cheese, sour cream, lettuce and salsa) and choice of drink (please specify drink)

Jodie Milne - Canteen Manager

SPORT

SOCCER TRAINING - BOYS AND GIRLS

Boys and Girls soccer training will be on Tuesday, 7 May from 4.30pm - 5.30pm at **Harrison Park soccer fields**. See you there with your sports clothes and shin pads.

HOCKEY TRAINING—BOYS

Training will be held at the Parkes Hockey Fields from 4pm-5pm. Please wear your mouth guard and shin pads. See you there!

PRIMARY SPORT

Primary sport will be held on Wednesday afternoons from 2.10 – 3.10pm this term. We will be having local hockey coach, Glenn Johnstone assist with hockey skills this term. Also, students will be learning how to play lawn bowls this term.

PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS ASSOCIATION (PSSA)

Last week, Joselyne Folau was successful in gaining selection in the Lachlan netball team. Congratulations, Joselyne. Congratulations also to the 24 students who were placed in our cross country event last Wednesday and will now be going to the Lachlan trials in Forbes next week.

Holly Duncan, Nell Smith and Sally Medlyn will be attending the Western trials for touch football today and we wish them all the best.

The following events are coming up. Please make sure to get all notes in to school as soon as possible if you are involved:

May 21-23	Girls State Hockey Championships
Friday 24 May	Lachlan Cross Country

School Uniforms

Uniforms can be purchased from the school office. We only accept cash and cheque.

GIRLS' WINTER UNIFORM

Navy skirt with navy stockings or navy pants with white socks, blue collared button up shirt, red school jumper, plain black shoes, navy school hat

BOYS' WINTER UNIFORM

Blue collared button up shirt, grey trousers, red school jumper, plain black shoes, grey socks, navy school hat

Optional: plain navy beanie and navy scarf and school tie



MIDDLETON
PUBLIC
SCHOOL

PRESENTS OUR

INFORMATION NIGHT

FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS AND
FAMILIES IN 2020



Thursday 23 May 2019
Guided Tour - 5:30pm
Presentation - 6pm

Medlyn Street Parkes



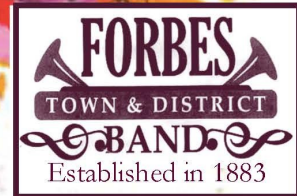
Supper Provided
from our
**STEPHANIE
ALEXANDER KITCHEN
GARDEN PROGRAM**

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New Harmonies

A concert showcasing local choral and instrumental groups.



TAPESTRY

Parkes Community Choir

 **Lachlan Regional Orchestra**
Mitchell Conservatorium
enriching lives with music

Sunday, 2nd June 2019

2.00 p.m. - "Starlight Lounge" Parkes Services Club



Concert Finale will be 2 items
by massed choirs
and instrumentalists



New Harmonies is a community music making project supported by a Parkes Shire Council Cultural Grant.

TICKETS AT THE DOOR

Adults \$10

Concession & Secondary
Students \$5

Primary Students and
younger
no charge.

It is a joint initiative of Parkes Shire Concert Band, Mitchell Conservatorium Lachlan Regional Orchestra and Parkes acapella group Tapestry, under the musical direction of Ben Macpherson and Duncan Clement.



CROSS COUNTRY



CROSS country

Our Cross country event was held on Wednesday, 8 May on the dirt track behind school. The students put in a magnificent effort and the race to the finish line caused some excitement. The following students will be attending the Lachlan cross country in forbes.

12 Years Girls: Sally Medlyn, Nell Smith & Georgie MacGregor
12 Year Boys: Riley McMaster, Ryan Snyman & Harrison Kennedy
11 Year Girls: Hayley Arrow, Josie Jennings & Amelia Ah-See
11 year Boys: Kade Ticehurst, Hayden Lamond & Natan Sadykov

10 Year Girls: Chelsea McMaster, Mackenzie Duff & Maddison Doering
10 year Boys: Oliver Neilsen, Logan Roberts & Cooper Flidner

8/9 year Girls: Marley Spedding, Aliza Roberts & Tamika Meers
8/9 year Boys: Max MacGregor, Tyrece Robinson & Jett Clarke



OPERA AUSTRALIA presents 'By the Light of the Moon'

This performance will be held on Thursday, 30 May 2019

Our first in school performance for students will be on Thursday, 30 May when Opera Australia visits our school.

'By the Light of the Moon' is a story around the poem 'The Owl and the Pussycat' and using many other children's rhymes.

Cost is \$8.00 per student

By the Light of the Moon

I give permission for:

Child: Class:

Child: Class:

Child: Class:

Child: Class:

to attend 'By the Light of the Moon' and enclose \$.....

Parent Name: Signature: