

TERM 1 WEEK 11

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Deputy Principals Brief

As we come to the end of Term 1, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for attending our Parent-Teacher Evening in Week 10. We understand how busy life can be and appreciate the time you took out to meet with our teachers to discuss your child's progress. The partnership between home and school is crucial for the academic success of our students, and we are thankful for your continued support.

As we move into the cooler weather, I would like to remind you that our school hoodies are now available, along with school jackets and tracksuit pants via the Uniform Shop which is open:

Tuesday 7.30 am - 11.30 am

Thursday 12.00 pm - to 4.00 pm.

I would ask if parents could please start thinking about purchasing the appropriate warmer uniform in preparation for the colder months.

Important dates for the start of Term 2, Monday 24th April is a Staff Development Day with no students attending school, Tuesday the 25th is the Anzac Day Public Holiday, and all students recommence on Wednesday 26th April. There will be timetable changes occurring for Term 2, students will need to check their Sentral portal prior to the start of the term to see their updated timetable.

Lastly, I would like to remind all parents and guardians to have access to the Sentral parent portal. This online platform is an essential tool for keeping track of your child's academic progress, communicating with teachers, and staying up to date with school news and events. If you are having any issues accessing the portal, please reach out to our front-office staff for assistance.

Thank you once again for your support and commitment to our school community. We wish you all a safe and enjoyable Easter break and look forward to seeing you all in Term 2.

Dan O'Hara
Deputy Principal

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SRC Report

ROSE Assembly

- Our Year 7 SRC were inducted at the ROSE assembly held in Week 8. It was great to see our Year 8 SRC getting up there to support them as they took the oath. Congratulations to Dallas, Madison, Charli-Rose and Oliver.
- Our Year 11 Prefects addressed the assembly and discussed their trip to Adelaide Leadership Summit with WTAW. They did a great job!

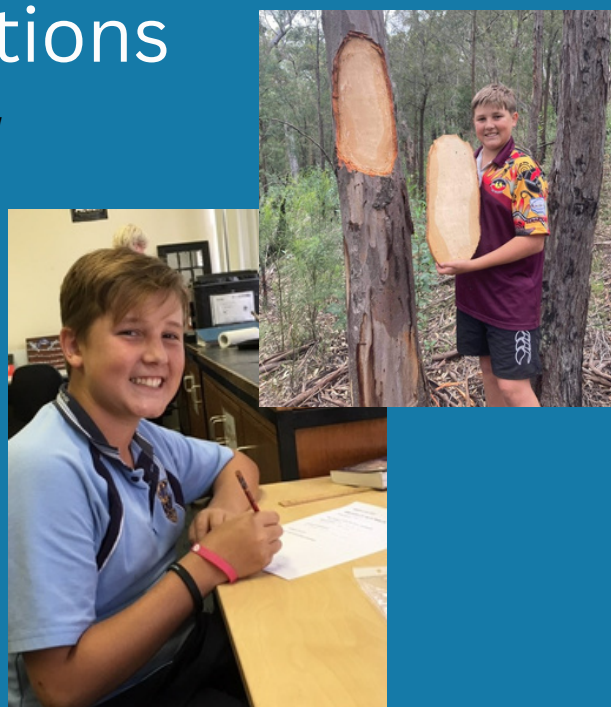


SRC Trivia Night is back again this year!!
More details to come early Term 2, we will be fundraising for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service. Please contact Mrs Farrell at the school if your business would be interested in donating prizes for either the raffle or the trivia.

Congratulations

We are excited to share this news about our Follow the Dream Polly farmer foundation alumni, Angus Williams. He has received the Motorola Solutions Foundation scholarship of \$10,000. He has also received the Charles Sturt First Nations Scholarship of \$17,000. He is currently studying a bachelor of Environmental Science and Management at Charles Sturt University.

Polly Farmer foundation and Muswellbrook High School are proud of Angus and we wish him the best for his future.





MHS Year 11 Prefects with Mrs Farrell headed off to Adelaide with students and teachers from other Upper Hunter High Schools as well as a representative from WTAW. WTAW provides this trip to students who then come back and plan a similar event for students within the local area. All students had a fantastic time at the summit which was held at St Peter's College- a beautiful historic school in Adelaide. They also took part in a scavenger hunt around the city and by the end of the trip had formed great friendships with students from other local schools. Our own Max even got roped into assisting a street performer! They meet with these students again on 5th April to start the planning for the local summit. The prefects also are tasked with planning a project within our school to lift well-being. Stay tuned for what they started planning whilst in Adelaide. Thank you to Meg from WTAW and all the teachers- Mrs Farrell and those from the other schools who got them all to Adelaide and back safely. Thank you also to Lindy and all other WTAW staff for all their hard work behind the scenes to make this trip happen again this year.



We thank you for your continued support of the SRC

POLLY FARMER

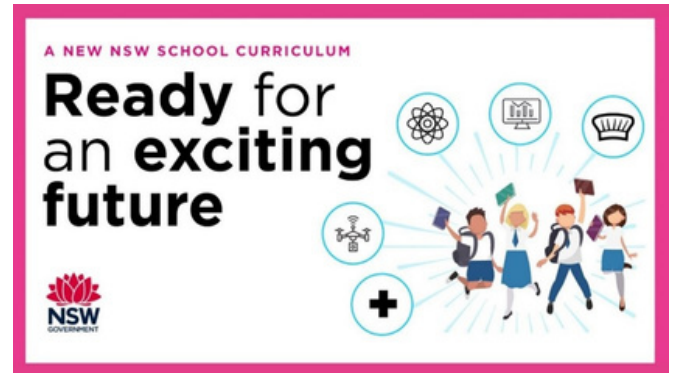
Thank you to Hunter Valley Printing, The Muswellbrook Art Gallery, and Muswellbrook Library for hosting our Polly Farmer - Follow the Dream students on an excursion as part of The Grow Programme. Students gained a sound understanding of all aspects of a small business and the dynamics of manufacturing a product from taking the initial enquiry through to the delivery of a product. The exhibition at the Art Gallery provided an opportunity to consider the cultural significance of art and how this can be reflected in the students' Grow Programme activities. A great day was had by all!



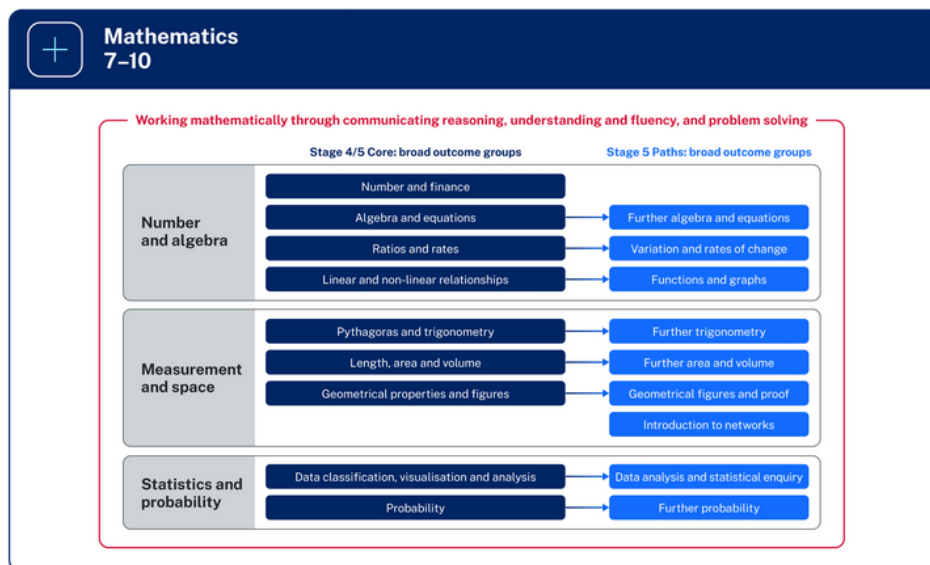
WHATS NEW IN MATHS

New Mathematics K-10 Syllabus

NSW DoE schools will be teaching the new NSW Mathematics K-10 syllabus to Year 7 and 9 students next year, while next year's Year 8 and 10 finish the old one. The following year (2025) will see all Years 7-10 on the new syllabus.



2025 will also see Year 11 commence new Senior Syllabus, to be examined for the first time in 2026. As senior changes are yet to be released, there is little detail available.



Planning for new syllabus implementation

DoE school teachers are being given 5 hours/term release time to help plan for these changes. Last term, Maths teachers from Scone High and Merriwa Central met with Muswellbrook High Maths teachers and Central Coast members of the NSW Mathematics Growth Team. This term we are meeting with Stuart Palmer from PD4Maths based in Sydney as we continue to prepare for next year.



Mr Morris

Head Teacher Mathematics
Labor Omni Vincit ~
Work Conquers all

This a reminder that we offer a number of ways to catch up, keep up, get help, and get ready. Monday afternoons – in the Prep room section of the Hub from 3:10-5 pm, Wednesday Mornings – in C24 from 8 am. Come and go as you please, Maths teachers will be there to help but students are welcome to work on other subjects as well.

REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

Swimming:

Congratulations to our School Swimming Carnival Age Champions, who were awarded at the Recognition of Student Excellence Assembly in week 8 of this term:



Age Champions:

12 years: Charli Rose Wilson

13 years: Isla Woolnough & Deegan Lidster

14 years: Lillian Smith & Riley Jeans

15 years: Caitlyn Wear & Wayde Simpson

16 years: Lillian Strong & Zac Woolnough

17+ years: Porscha Jimmieson & Jake Thompson

Regional Swimming:

On a rainy Monday in mid-March, twelve of our students travelled to the Forum Centre at Newcastle University to compete at the Hunter Secondary Swimming championships. This event housed the best swimmers across all schools in the Hunter, upper and lower. Muswellbrook High School had a wide span of events we qualified for across the day, including 50m Freestyle, 100m Freestyles, 100m Backstroke, 100m Breaststroke, 4x50m Freestyle Relay, 4x50m Medley Relay and 12x50m Age Champion Freestyle Relay. Our students swam hard against such fierce competition and had a fantastic day out. Many thanks to the parents and families who drove the swimmers to the event, and special thanks to Mrs Jeans for taking amazing photos of the students on the day.



Congratulations to Porscha Jimmieson in Year 11, who has qualified for State level in 50m backstroke, 50m breaststroke, 100m freestyle, 200m individual medley, 50m freestyle, 50m butterfly, 100m backstroke. We wish you all the best at the NSW CHS carnival.



Cross Country Age Champions & Record Breakers:

Congratulations to our Cross Country Age Champions, who also happen to be record setters! Thanks to a more consistent track beginning to be used for the event this year, we were able to record times to hold as records for future years. As a result, all of our age champions are also the new record holders for each event. These students were recently awarded at our Recognition of Student Excellence Assembly in week 8:



Age Champions/Record Holders:

12 years: Callum Frazer & Charli-Rose Wilson
13 years: Kobi Pieters & Isla Woolnough
14 years: Brodie Schmarr & Taya Solman
15 years: Marcus Pollard & Sarah Wear
16 years: Ajay Thompson & Lillian Strong
18-19 years: Isaac Hill & Erin Ryan

REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

Opens Netball:

Our open girl's netball team had a successful start to the competition for the first time in a few years, coming away victorious over Singleton High School (Scone forfeit) at the Zone level of competition. The girls played extremely well considering they had not had time to run through training sessions due to a moved-forward competition date this year. The game was close from the start with our team only leading by 2-4 points after each quarter, finally coming away with the win at the end of the day. Thank you Singleton High School for travelling up to compete against us.

In Week 9, we progressed forward to the Hunter semi-finals, where we played for a position in the top four schools in the Hunter (who then progress to finals competition), at Maitland Federation Centre. The girls came out strong with a very convincing 20-12 win over Callaghan College. Unfortunately, however, we were defeated by Hunter Sports High School in the final round. Well done to all the girls, particularly Claudia Murray who has been named Best and Fairest across the two days of competition. Special thanks to Amelia Wadwell who umpired both days for us – without umpires and officials these games can not happen! Thanks also to Hunter Sport who sponsored our new dresses through their grants program in 2022.




Hunter Regional Trials 2023

To apply for a trial, please visit the Hunter Trials page in Dash. Visit the link or scan the QR code in step 3 below to see which Hunter Trials are open for applications. Parents/caregivers must apply for a trial via an online permission form through the Dash Platform to consent to a trial.

Please follow the steps below to create an account and register your child. You will be using our consent, payment and registration system called Dash. This system allows you to provide details for your child which are safely stored for future applications.

How do I register?

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| 1. Register | If you do not already have an account. Go to https://nswschoolsportunit.dashapp.com.au/auth/login and click Register Now. If you already have an account, go to STEP 3 . | |
| 2. Add your Child | Add your child to your account. Once you log in you'll be given this option from the Dashboard. Follow the prompts to complete. | |
| 3. Follow the link | Once you have your account set up and your child added, visit the link or scan the QR code to view Hunter trials that are open for application: http://bitly.ws/zPsP |  |
| 4. Select Trial | Choose the trial that you wish to apply for and begin an application. | |
| 5. Complete | Complete all steps in the application and pay through the secure payment portal the designated levy for the trial. This form will also be sent to your child's school for approval. The form will remain incomplete until the school has approved the form. Please make sure each step is completed by the due date. No late entries will be accepted. | |

If you're having trouble processing an application,
please contact the Hunter SSA office at huntersport@det.nsw.edu.au


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Principal Mrs Kylie Fabri BHLthSc(PDHPE) DipEd



27/02/2023

Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government's Privacy Policy (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Kylie Fabri
Principal

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BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



Please save your bread tags and put them in the container below – they will be recycled to fund wheelchairs, mainly in South Africa.



Re-made in Robel



We collect bread tags Australia-wide, and recycle these in Robe, SA. All funds raised through recycling are used to supply wheelchairs.



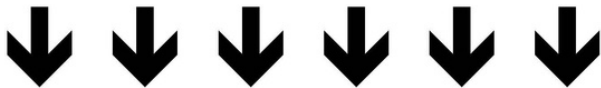
For more info:

aussiebreadtags@gmail.com

ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au

@aussiebreadtags

Your local contact is _____



HOW TO COLLECT BREAD TAGS

There are two options:

- collect at your home, work, school etc. and drop your tags off at one of our collection points – see below, or
- also host a collection point where the public can drop off the tags they have collected – see [Aussie Bread Tags Host a Collection Point](#).

Collecting

1. Decide where you are going to collect. Apart from collecting your family's tags, consider your school, workplace, sports club or church. Think of asking places where lots of bread and rolls are used such as your local café, child care centre, nursing home, hospital or school canteen.
2. Get a container such as a 1kg honey tub, 1kg yoghurt container or a jam jar.
3. You can make a moneybox type slot in the top. Put a few bread tags inside to give people the idea.
4. Attach a sign to your container and possibly one on the wall above it – see below, or use [Aussie Bread Tags Bottle Labels](#).
5. Publicise our program in your organisation by email, Facebook or word of mouth. Join the [Aussie Bread Tags Collection Info](#) group on our Facebook page to become part of the community.
6. When it suits you, drop your accumulated bread tags off at one of our collection points. Check the [map](#) (also on our website [ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au](#)) to see if there is one near you, or otherwise contact us to make alternative arrangements. You can also post tags to us at P.O. Box 1164, Kensington Gardens, SA 5068.
7. If you have any questions, visit our website [ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au](#) and read our [FAQ](#), or contact us on [aussiebreadtags@gmail.com](#) or on FB [@aussiebreadtags](#).

Suitable to stick on a container (write your name and contact number as the local contact):



You could also stick this on the lid of the container:



To the right are some pictures of different containers. If benchtop space is an issue, hang it on the wall. For busy cafés a jam jar takes less space than a honey container. Whatever works in the space! On the next page is a sign you could stick on the wall above your container to attract attention to it.



We wish all
our families a very happy
Easter

