



# Miling Primary School

'Together we learn and achieve'

AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

23 October 2019

## Message From The Principal

This newsletter is a combination of School & Community news and as a result some content may not reflect Miling Primary School's attitudes or values.



### MORAL PURPOSE:

to provide the opportunity for our students to become well informed, actively involved, positive citizens through: developing life long learners and maximizing the potential of every student.

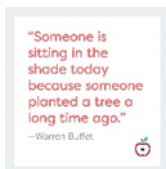


Dear Parents, Carers and Community

### Term 4 Week 2

*Welcome back everyone to the last term of the year. Term 4 is already looking busy and full of opportunities for our students.*

*I would appreciate a reminder to all our students from our families that we are only in week 2 and have eight weeks of this year to complete. Consistent focus on their learning and keeping up the terrific attitude that Miling students are known for will support a successful end to 2019.*



### Principal and Staff Professional Learning

I attended a Level 3 Principal Network Meeting in Northam last Wednesday examining Level 3 school improvement. Miss Huggins and Mrs Lehmann attended an Early Learning Education network meeting in Moora on Tuesday. This provided an opportunity to share teaching and learning and expand our profile within the region. Ms Murray and Mrs Dennis will be attending Analysis of NAPLAN Data training on 30<sup>th</sup> October in Perth.

### Quiz Night

Congratulations to the fantastic P & C who hosted the annual Quiz Night on Friday. What a fantastic night for everyone involved. It was lovely to see so many people laughing, joking and pushing their general knowledge to the limits.

### Indonesian Excursion

Our Year 3/4 Students attended an Indonesian Excursion at Wongan

Hills on Tuesday. Mrs Dennis and Mrs Douglas attended with the students and the feedback was very positive about the activities the students engaged with during the day. Congratulations to all the students involved as your conduct was exemplary.

### School Board Parent Representative

The School Board are calling for nominations for a parent representative. As a Board member you are required to understand your responsibilities and act in accordance with the Terms of Reference and Code of Conduct (these can be issued from the Front Office if you would like to understand your responsibilities prior to nominating). You are required to attend up to eight meetings a year and participate in readings and trainings outside of meeting times. Meetings are generally held on Tuesdays from 3.30—5.00pm and tenures are up to three years. All Board members are required to undergo a Screening Clearance and receive a Screening Clearance Number from the Department of Education's Screening Unit prior to their appointment. If you would like to nominate, please collect and return your nomination form to the Front Office before 4pm on Wednesday 27 November. If you require any further information please contact me via email, by phone or via our Chairman, Paul White.

### Northam Health Incursion

On the 28th of October the Wheatbelt Health Network will be visiting our school to conduct a Disability Inclusion in Schools and

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Respect

Cooperation

Kindness

Perseverance

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Communities (DISCO) workshop with our students. This session is designed to broaden student knowledge and acceptance of other community members who may have some sort of physical or non-physical disability.

### **Filming Experience**

The Year 3/4 students attended filming of the 'The DoubleXCross' being made in Milng on Monday and the rest of the school observed on Tuesday. Students were able to observe filming of takes, watch sound production and look at the props being used for filming. This was a terrific opportunity to watch a range of skills that are required when producing short film media. The film makers and Films West have offered a workshop day to demonstrate a wide range of practical skills and knowledge that will be inclusive of each child's ability to the school in the coming weeks.

### **Cricket Clinic**

Mike Hind conducted another Cricket Clinic for our students last Wednesday. As usual our students were fully engaged and enjoyed the opportunities to further develop their skills and knowledge about the game of cricket.

Our Years P, 1 and 2 are participating in a Cricket Clinic session today and I have no doubt, will thoroughly enjoy the day.

### **Department Maintenance**

As part of the McGowan government funding our school has been given monies to upgrade a variety of school infrastructure and student facilities. This work will be started during Term 4 and continue on with major upgrades into 2020.

### **Attendance**

Our attendance is currently standing at 92.7%. This is an acceptable level but a reminder to families that if your child/children are absent from school please let us know as soon as possible so that it can be recorded on the system with an explanation.

*Regards*

*Ms Murray,  
Principal*

PRIDE - EFFORT - PROGRESS

### **SunSmart**

During sun protection times (when UV levels are 3 or higher), Cancer Council recommends people:

- Slip** on clothing that covers as much skin as possible
- Slop** on SPF30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen
- Slap** on a Broad-brimmed hat that shades the face, ears and neck
- Seek** Shade and
- Slide** on sunglasses that meet the Australian Standard for UV protection



**ISSUE 7 IS OUR BUMPER  
CHRISTMAS EDITION**



**ISSUE 7 OUT NOW!**

**Don't forget your Issue 7  
Book Club orders which are due:**

Monday 28th October.

**Issue 7 is a BUMPER Christmas catalogue that  
is sure to have something for everyone!**

**SCHOLASTIC**



# Classroom Learning Focus

## Senior Room



Yesterday the Year 3/4 students went to Wongan Hills for an ILN Indonesian day.

They did lots of fun activities such as cooking, craft, music and dancing.

A great day was had by all.



## Junior Room



The Junior Room kids are very excited to have received some brand new shiny toys for the sandpit. They loved making big sandcastles, shifting sand and making towns. We discussed what machines we have at home and there was a bit of a debate about whether green or red is better!

## Ms Murray



Our students observing the making of the short film centred in our town of Miling. 'The Double X' has involved some of the students and created very interested and budding film makers in the filming process.

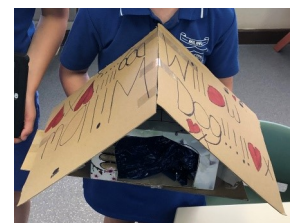


## Mrs Seymour

In STEM the Junior room designed and built a "home" for their chosen pet.

Their home included all the needs they thought their animal needed.

Animals in different situations have different needs.



# Health and Well Being



We understand our lives are busy and most parents feel exhausted by the time it gets to dinner. Shopping, deciding what to cook, preparing the meal and setting the table, can all seem overwhelming by the end of a long day.

Because our lifestyles are so busy, families are moving away from eating meals together at the table, although 3 in 4 Australians still believe that dinner time is the greatest family connector\*. We are committed to driving family connections, by empowering families with the resources and strategies to enjoy re-connecting at dinnertime.

## Why is it important to eat meals together?

Eating meals together as a family is more important than you may believe.

In fact, we believe it is one of the most important gifts you can give a child.

Did you know, that by eating together as a family, as little as 3 nights a week, you will be increasing your child's resilience levels and self esteem?

Or that by having engaging conversations over dinner you will be lowering the risk of your child having depression, or an eating disorder? All that, whilst also increasing their vocabulary and communication skills.

It is hard to believe, so much is happening over a meal, but it is all true.

Research shows that children who eat regular family meals together (a minimum of 3 per week) show evidence of the following\*:

- Higher self-esteem
- Higher grades :
- Higher vocabulary levels (above just reading)
- Higher levels of resilience
- Lower rates of depression
- Lower rates of obesity and eating disorders.





# Communication Protocols

## School Communities Working Together

In Western Australia, parents/carers, school staff and students share responsibility for public schools providing safe, supportive and productive learning environments.

We achieve this through our relationships, good communication and working together.

### Creating positive environments

Our public schools provide positive environments for students to learn and for staff to work.

This is achieved by school staff, parent/carers and students:

- valuing and supporting every member of the school community and appreciating their contributions
- celebrating diversity and individuality; cooperation and acceptance are welcomed and encouraged
- forming positive connections
- creating friendly, supportive and cohesive communities.

### Promoting respectful relationships

Every student, staff member and parent/carer has the right to feel safe and be safe at school.

This is achieved by:

- teaching students about respect and appropriate relationships as part of the Western Australian Curriculum and students are expected to maintain positive behaviour in their school community
- principals working with their school community to create positive behaviour models and deal appropriately with students who violate the rights of other students and staff
- parents/carers encouraging, promoting and modelling good behaviour and respect for others at home, school and in their communities.

### Communicating well

School communities thrive on open communication wherein staff, students, and parents/carers have opportunities to share good news, discuss issues and maintain an ongoing dialogue.

Principals and school staff communicate with parents/carers in a variety of inclusive ways that are reflective of the school community. They may provide information in writing and/or speak with parents/carers in person. This will generally occur during the school day.

Parents/carers have opportunities to speak with or write to a member of staff to raise any issue of concern, provide feedback or make suggestions.

Teachers and school staff may not be available to respond immediately, however they will make every effort to respond, generally during school hours, within a reasonable timeframe.

Teaching staff, including principals, are not required to respond to communications outside of their normal working hours.

There is an expectation that communication and all interaction between school staff and parents/carers is mutually respectful.

Verbal and/or physical aggression or threats, offensive language and derogatory comments, whether face to face, over the phone, via email or on social media is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

School staff are not expected to respond to communication that is unacceptable and these will be referred to the principal or regional office.





### **Working together**

Student learning is strengthened when staff and parents/carers are actively and positively involved in their education.

By working together, we support the health and wellbeing of our students and help them develop resilience and confidence.

Our collective efforts are aimed at providing safe environments for all and promoting respectful relationships.

### **Role of school staff**

School staff play a key role in fostering good relationships with parents/carers.

They do this by:

- welcoming and encouraging parents/carers to participate in their children's education
- communicating information and responding to enquiries in a variety of inclusive ways, reflective of the school community
- maintaining professional relationships that are open, honest and respectful
- valuing every family and respecting their differences
- working with parents/carers to identify and promote the individual needs of their children.

### **Role of parents/carers**

Parents/carers have an important role in helping to create positive learning environments for students.

They do this by:

- treating all members of the school community with respect and dignity
- respecting differences and preferences of others
- supporting school policies and values
- being respectful in their relationships and reinforcing their children's good behaviour
- supporting the activities of their school and getting involved where they are able to
- encouraging their children to respect other students and school staff.

### **Role of students**

Students also play their part so they can have positive learning experiences.

They do this by:

- engaging in classroom activities
- being respectful to and supportive of others
- maintaining positive behaviour.

By everyone playing a part in providing safe, positive learning environments and opportunities for our students, we enable them to be the best they can be.

## **Together we make a difference.**





Department of  
Education

# VACSWIM 2019-20

Enrol your children in  
swimming lessons during  
the summer holidays.

Choose from three programs:

## 8 Days      10 Days

### Program 1

31 Dec – 10 January

45 minute lessons

Enrolments close

10 November

### Program 2

13 – 24 January

35 minute lessons

Enrolments close

17 November

## 5 Days

### Short program

6 – 10 January

35 minute lessons

Enrolments close

10 November

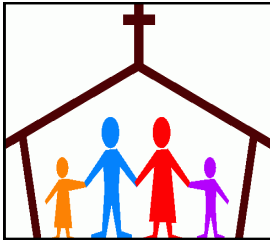
\$30 per child / \$20 concession  
\$81 for a family of three or more /  
\$54 concession  
(plus pool entry).

\$16 per child / \$10.50 concession  
\$41 for a family of three or more /  
\$27.50 concession  
(plus pool entry).

## Enrol now

Visit [education.wa.edu.au/swimming](http://education.wa.edu.au/swimming) or call 9402 6412.

# Miling Community News



## MILING COMMUNITY CHURCH

Services Held:-  
2nd Sunday @ 9.30am & 4th Sunday @ 8am  
Followed By Morning Tea!  
**ALL WELCOME !**



*Miling and Communities*

*Christmas Tree AGM*

*Thursday 7th November, 2019*

*Miling Primary School Library*

*After P&C Meeting*

*All welcome*

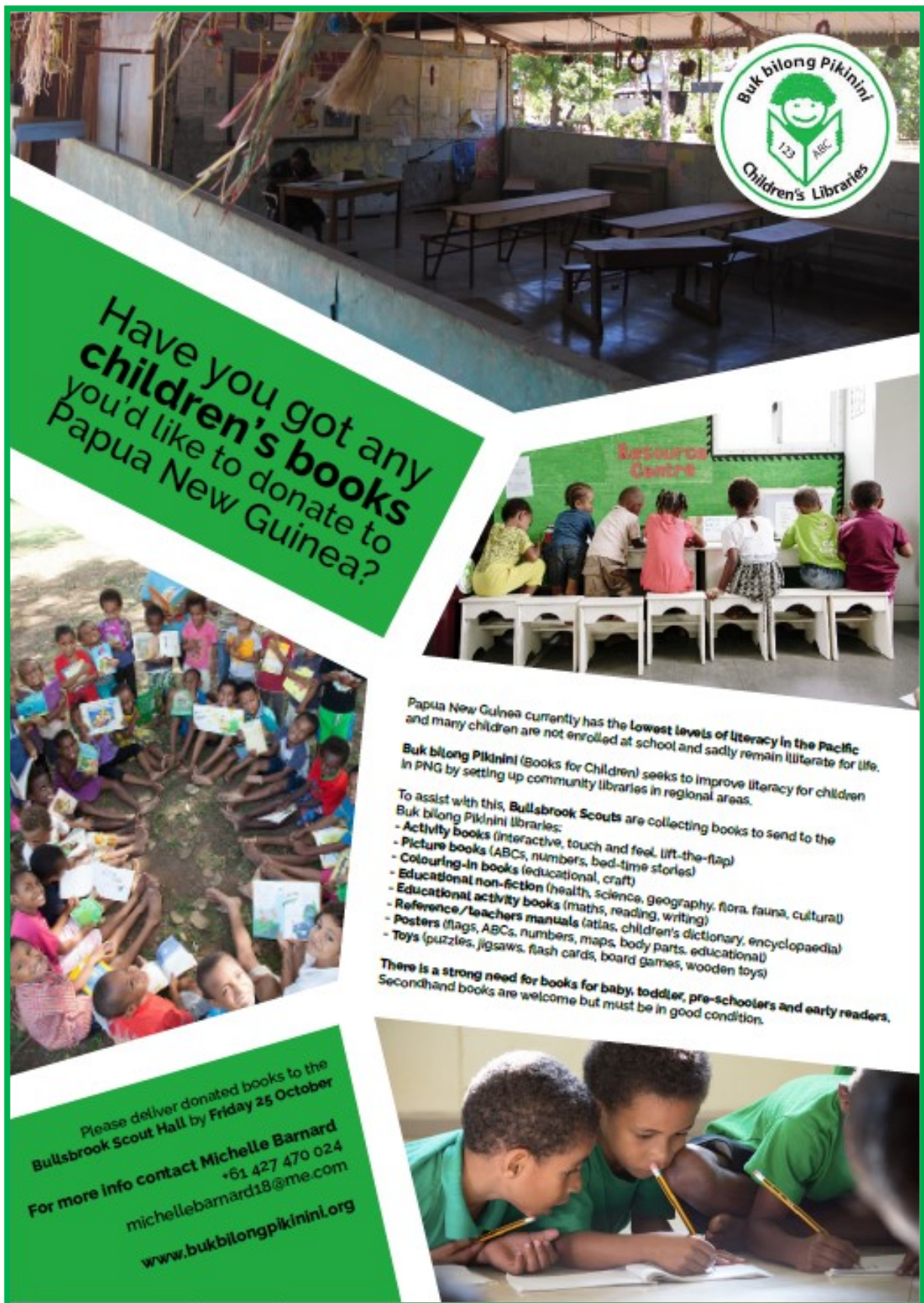


## Found



A pair of Specsavers reading glasses have been left at the Miling Post Office. They have a dark frame with a floral design on the inside of the arms. If you think these could be yours, please contact Vikki on 9654 1001





**Buk bilong Pikinini  
Children's Libraries**

Have you got any  
**children's books**  
you'd like to donate to  
Papua New Guinea?

Papua New Guinea currently has the **lowest levels of literacy in the Pacific** and many children are not enrolled at school and sadly remain illiterate for life. Buk bilong Pikinini (Books for Children) seeks to improve literacy for children in PNG by setting up community libraries in regional areas.

To assist with this, **Bullsbrook Scouts** are collecting books to send to the Buk bilong Pikinini Libraries:

- Activity books (interactive, touch and feel, lift-the-flap)
- Picture books (ABCs, numbers, bed-time stories)
- Colouring-in books (educational, craft)
- Educational non-fiction (health, science, geography, flora, fauna, cultural)
- Educational activity books (maths, reading, writing)
- Reference/teachers manuals (atlas, children's dictionary, encyclopaedia)
- Posters (flags, ABCs, numbers, maps, body parts, educational)
- Toys (puzzles, jigsaws, flash cards, board games, wooden toys)

**There is a strong need for books for baby, toddler, pre-schoolers and early readers.** Secondhand books are welcome but must be in good condition.

Please deliver donated books to the  
**Bullsbrook Scout Hall** by **Friday 25 October**  
For more info contact **Michelle Barnard**  
+61 427 470 024  
michellebarnard18@me.com  
[www.bukbilongpikinini.org](http://www.bukbilongpikinini.org)

**Please note that local donations will be collected by Michelle till Thursday, 31 October.**

*Whenever you read a good book, somewhere in the world a door opens to allow in more light.*

—Vera Nazarian

# Lids4Kids

Leave us the plastic lids from your milk, water, juice and soft drink bottles and they'll be converted into prosthetic hands for kids.

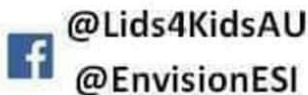
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To this



For more information check out:



<https://envision.org.au/envision-hands/>

## LIDS FOR KIDS

Lids4Kids volunteer groups collect plastic milk, juice, water, UHT and soft drink lids and send them to Envision, a non profit organization in Victoria.

Envision has the aim of integrating disadvantaged job seekers into the working community and supports and assists community not for profit organizations. One of its projects,

Envision Hands, processes the plastic lids into 3-D filament and uses that to produce mobility and disability aids, STEM training tools, and aged care gadgets.

The Lids4Kids project focusses specifically on prosthetic limbs for children in need in Australia and globally across under-serviced countries.

Lids4Kids was created to enable community groups, schools, early learning centres and other interested individuals and organisations to recycle these plastic lids, becoming involved in a sustainability through active citizenship project to collect lids, clean and sort them, and ship them to Envision Hands for processing.

Lids4Kids is a great opportunity to help the environment, help our local and broader community, help this wonderful cause and in-turn help disabled children "get a new



Be sure all your lids are compatible: Type 2 or 4 plastics, and the correct size for processing - milk and juice lids, water bottle lids, UHT lids and plastic soft drink bottle lids only. Confirm the type number (2,4) on the inside of the cap.

*If the lids do not have a number, provided it is a milk, water or juice lid, Envision has said that they can be included.*





# GARDEN WITH THE GURUS



*A fun day out with a focus on soil health and sustainability*



## *Featuring:*

**Tanvier Fowler | Permaculture West**

*"Soil building with permaculture"*

**Nancy Scade | Australian Native Nursery**

*"Native trees to suit your soil type"*

**Garden Tour with Joey Seymour**

*Plus plenty of unique stalls to check out!*

*When:* 25 October 2019 | 10am - 3pm

*Where:* Joey & Ian Seymour's beautiful  
Miling home garden.

## *Tickets:*

**Members: \$20**

**Non Members: \$40**

Morning tea provided | BYO Picnic and Rug  
Or purchase lunch for \$15 with your ticket!

Book your tickets online now:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BFEDJ>

Presented by the West  
Midlands Group's Women  
in Agriculture committee  
and supported by:





# NAMBUNG COUNTRY MUSIC MUSTER 2019

OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup> TO 27<sup>TH</sup>



MARIE HODSON



Brian Letton



BAND OF MATES Ginger, Evan & Terry



TERRY BENNETTS

## AUSTRALIA'S FINEST COUNTRY ARTISTS

LUCKY OCEANS  
IAN SIMPSON  
LEE FORSTER  
CONNIE KIS ANDERSEN    BILLY  
HIGGINSON  
MARK DONOHUE  
KATHY CARVER  
KATE LINKE    KATE HINDLE  
SARAH BROOME  
WARWICK TRANT  
COUNTRY HORIZON (Larry &  
Wendy Woods)  
CAMPFIRE COUNTRY (David &  
Therese)  
MOIRA SCOTT  
KEVIN LANSDELL



SANDIE DODD

**\$100 per  
person  
includes 4  
days free  
camping**

**Food vans on  
site**

**Day tickets  
available**



## Poets' Breakfast Sunday morning

**Featuring:**

Keith (Cobber)  
Lethbridge

Bill Gordon & Friends

**Tickets available  
from**

**Trybooking    or**

[www.nambungstation.com.au](http://www.nambungstation.com.au)

## ***Thoughts to Ponder ...***

- Everyone goes to a **music festival** ready to have fun.
- The feeling you get when watching a live performance is unmatched.
- You can never regret the amazing experience of a **music festival**.
- It's more than **music**!
- Feel alive!
- Nothing else matters when you are in a **music festival**.





JOIN US FOR A SPOOKY DRESS UP

# HALLOWEEN DISCO

25 OCT  
2019

## ADDRESS:

Dalwallinu Rec  
Centre

## TIME:

K - Yr 4: 5pm-6:30pm

Yr 5 - Yr 12: 7pm- 9pm

FOOD AND  
DRINKS  
AVAILABLE TO  
PURCHASE



PRIZES TO BE  
WON FOR  
BEST DRESSED  
DANCING  
GAMES



MOORA PRIMARY  
SCHOOL

**PRESENTS**

# RUN4FUN

## COLOUR EXPLOSION

**Sunday 27th October, 2019**  
Moora Football Oval

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- Macs Burgers Food van
  - Moora Rotary Club Doughnuts
  - Air brush tattoos
  - Obstacle course
  - Colouring in comp
  - Raffle prizes
  - Face painting

**Registrations from 8am**  
**Run kicks off @ 9am**

**CONTACT: Jen - 0400 207 647 or Zoe 0487 426 977**



# THE COLOUR CRAZE THAT'S SWEEPING THE NATION™



## MPS Run4Fun Colour Explosion 2019 Registration Form

- 27<sup>th</sup> October 2019 @ Moora Football Oval
- Pack Collections & registrations open at 8am
- Run begins at 9am
- Prams welcome. Sorry strictly NO dogs
- Bring a towel and/or a change of clothes!
- Early registration is advised so you do not miss out on a pack
- Please tick which pack option you would like, quantity and payment type
- Payment types accepted are cash, cheque or direct debit
- Bank details are; Moora Primary School Parents and Citizens Association  
BSB: 066 519  
Acc: 0090 0838

Pack Option 1 – Includes 1 entry, sunglasses, wristband, powder and registration number

Pack Option 2 – Includes 1 entry, wristband, powder and registration number

## MPS Run4Fun Colour Explosion 2019 Registration Form

Name(s)				
Payment type;	Cash <input type="checkbox"/>	Cheque <input type="checkbox"/>	Direct Debit <input type="checkbox"/>	
Pack Option	Qty		Total \$ amount per pack	
Pack Option 1 - \$22			\$	
Pack Option 2 - \$17			\$	
	TOTAL		\$	

Please complete and return your registration form to either Jen Andrews (0400 207 647) or Zoe Taylor (0487 426 977) by 20<sup>th</sup> October.

**CENTRAL MIDLANDS SHS SCHOOL COUNCIL**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**When: 02 December 2019, 4.45 pm.**

**Where: CMSHS Library**

Everyone welcome.

This is a fabulous opportunity for new parents in 2020 to meet School Council members, the School Principal and other members of the Central Midlands SHS Community.

**WONGAN ARTS SOCIETY  
EXPO**

**SAVE THE DATES**

**friday 25<sup>th</sup> of october  
to  
sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of november**

**THIS EXPO THEME IS  
RECYCLE-REUSE & RE-PURPOSE**

**ENTER  
THE GAME AND  
PUZZLE CHALLENGE**

**open 10am to 4pm daily  
open late friday 1st of  
november**

**contact**

**Robyn Asphar on 0427003359**

**Terry Bloxsome on 0409207180**

***Quotes of the Week***

- \* People whose main concern is their own happiness seldom find it. (unknown)
- \* The shortest distance between two people is a smile. (unknown)
- \* What you are becoming is more important than what you are getting. (unknown)
- \* The most important thing in communication is to hear what isn't being said.  
*Peter F. Drucker*



# TERM PLANNER – TERM 4 - 2019

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ONE	Oct 14  SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	15	16  Mike Hind Cricket	17	18  QUIZ NIGHT
TWO	21	22  Indonesian Excursion Yr 3 / 4 Wongan Hills	23  Newsletter Yr P / 2 Cricket  Early Close 2.30pm	24	25
THREE	28  Northam Health Workshop Incursion	29  BOARD MEETING	30  Early Close 2.30pm	31	Nov 1  Yr 3 / 6 Cricket
FOUR	4	5	6  Newsletter  Early Close 2.30pm	7  ASSEMBLY	8
FIVE	11  Remembrance Day	12  Golf Clinic	13  Early Close 2.30pm	14	15
SIX	18	19  Golf Clinic	20  Newsletter  Early Close 2.30pm	21	22
SEVEN	25	26	27  Early Close 2.30pm	28  Scitech Incursion 8.45—1.00	29
EIGHT	Dec 2	3	4  Newsletter  Early Close 2.30pm	5	6
NINE	9	10	11  Early Close 2.30pm	12	13  GRADUATION & CONCERT NIGHT
TEN	16  Reports Home	17	18  Newsletter  Presentation Assembly  Early Close 2.30pm	19  LAST DAY OF TERM	