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Central

NEWSLETTER

Always Responsible Safe & Respectful

Principal

Over this term I have felt immense pride as the Mount Morgan Central State School Principal. Our school leaders have showed strength, resilience and overcome personal barriers to ensure our school is consistently displaying our school mantra "always our best".

This term we have engaged in Wednesday morning reading led by many of our year 6 students, attended ANZAC day parades and marches within our school and community, and a day trip to Beef Australia led by Miss Piuko, Mr Chan, Mrs Ireland and Miss Cookie. Students were educated about the origins of their food and fibre, engaging them with a wealth of primary production and agricultural sectors and raise the profile of careers and career paths available in the agricultural industry. Our students received positive feedback for showing responsible, safe and respectful actions while on the excursion.

Mrs Jo Pearce and the many staff and community helpers who transformed our float into "far, far away". Endless hours and commitment from the staff, parents and students contributed to taking out "Best Overall Float" with the Shrek themed display. The Gingerbread man is displayed in our office for photos.

A big thankyou to Melissa from the Rainbow Café for her donations towards the P&C lucky dip prizes, Kodie-Rae Dodd for her ongoing communication around May Day and our amazing P&C who supported in raising funds for our school. A huge thanks also goes to the Lorikeets Rugby Club for supporting our fundraising, P&C for the Mother's Day gift shop and all our families who step up consistently to support our school.

Share the Dignity Machine

It is with great disappointment that we have had to remove the products from the vending machine as last week there has been wastage, flushing items down the toilets, throwing sanitary items around the bathroom and not using the products in a manner that is useful to support young women and girls. We will keep a stock of items with our office staff, female teachers and teacher aides so that female students know there is still access to these products. Our other alternative is to close toilets and students checking in and out of the office to use the ablutions. Please chat with your students around the importance of access to these products and how wastage is money flushed down the drain.

Water Bottles

It is highly encouraged that students bring named water bottles to school. Teachers provide spaces in their classrooms for easy access. It reminds students to drink water regularly throughout the day to keep them healthy and hydrated.

Shoes

Several of our students have been taking off their shoes to play sport at lunchtime. While our staff take every care in keeping an eye on our grounds we have had instances of glass, rocks and undesirable objects left on our grounds. Enclosed shoes that protect soles are recommended.

Lunches

Staff are encouraging students to eat their healthy food first. Ideas for lunchboxes include sandwiches, wraps, pasta, homemade pizza/ Vegemite scrolls, fruit, cheese, veggie sticks, yoghurt. Good food nourishes the body and reduces behaviours. We ask families to support us by packing a couple of healthy options every day.

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Head Lice

These little critters are often out and about. Please regularly check your child's hair and treat ASAP. Wash all bed linen, towels, bed coverings in hot water. Our lovely hairdressers can also provide advice of how to minimise the ongoing cycle. Head lice can be very upsetting for students and impact on their learning due to the constant scratching.

Hygiene

As our seniors start maturing, we are encouraging families to speak to their children about personal hygiene. If parents could try and support this by purchasing a roll-on deodorant to place in their child's bag that they can use after play and before re-entering the class. The school has purchased a couple of spray deodorants to ensure no student is disadvantaged and can be accessed in the classroom.

HAIR	ARMPITS	CLOTHES
<p>Point out the Pirate's greasy, dirty hair. Ask HARD questions: "Does that look attractive?" "How do you think it smells?" Point out the fact that if they used shampoo how amazing their hair would look. Casually say, "using shampoo is key to great looking hair."</p>	<p>Sweat stains are not attractive! Does your tween know this? SHARE with them that because they are growing their bodies are working hard to produce more hormones. Let them know Deodorant is their friend and they should apply it liberally every day to avoid "pirate" like sweat stains and smells.</p>	<p>The pirates are always wearing the same dirty clothes. REMIND your kids that they should wear clean clothes every day, which includes clean underwear! REMIND them that the place to find these clothes is in closet and in drawers, not on the floor or in the dirty clothes basket.</p>

Michelle Emery
Principal

Sports News

Athletics Carnival

On **Tuesday 11th June**, we will hold our Athletics half day carnival at MMCSS from 9.30am. This is for students born in 2012, 2013, and 2014 only. Students will be competing in long jump, shot put and high jump.

Wednesday 12th June will see our full school attend Mount Morgan State High School for our full day athletics carnival from 8.50 am. This is around strengthening our commitment to building stronger community and school relationships. Parents are required to drop students off at the high school. The school buses will be dropping off and picking up from the high school. Please ensure students bring hats, water bottles, and enclosed shoes. House colours can be worn on this day. The P&C and the high school will be catering the event. Please note the school will be **CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE** as all staff will be attending the athletics carnival at the high school.

Hats

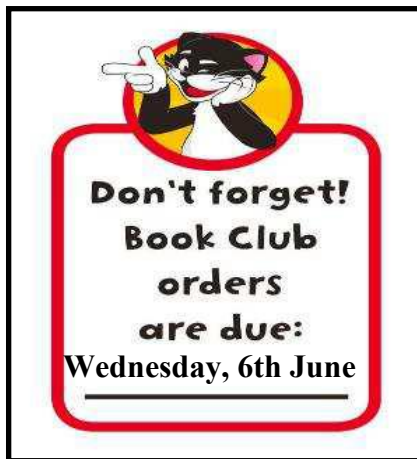
It is concerning that a large number of students are attending without hats. We are a sun safe school and enforce our rule of 'no hat - no play'. As we are currently preparing for our school athletics carnival, many of the activities involve practise in the sun. This becomes difficult when we have students who are not prepared adequately to participate. Please check with your child each day to make sure they have a hat daily and are therefore sun safe and able to participate in designated school activities. Please make sure all hats are named.



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Event Calendar

May	
Wednesday 29th	State of Origin lunch orders due
June	
Wednesday 5th	State of Origin Free Dress Gold coin donation
Friday 7th	Athletics Carnival tuckshop orders due
Tuesday 11th	Half day Athletics Students born 2012, 2013, 2014
Wednesday 12th	Athletics Carnival Mount Morgan High School Oval SCHOOL CLOSED
Thursday 13th	Rockhampton Show Holiday
Monday 17th	NAIDOC activities
Friday 21st	Last Day Term 2
July	
Monday 8th	First Day Term 3



P&C Update

Thankyou to all who supported our May Day Cookie Stall at the Golden Mount Festival. We really appreciate it, and on behalf of our committee, thanks to our hard-working volunteers. Ongoing from the success of the cookie stall, we will be sending out order forms for these delicious, ready-made cookies and cookie dough. Please return forms by Wednesday 12th June, for delivery 19th June.

P&C will also be running the canteen at our annual Sports Day. Remember to get your orders in by Friday 7th June, and if you are able to assist with prep on the day, please get in touch!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, 21st May @ 3:15pm in the Staffroom, new Members and new ideas always welcome.

Uniforms

Uniforms will be available to purchase from the school office Monday—Friday via cash and eftpos. Please be aware there have been price increases for shirts and jackets.

Shirts (size 4-16)	\$30.00
Shirts (size S-M)	\$33.00
Shorts	\$15.00
Jackets	\$30.00
Bucket Hats	\$ 8.00
Wide Brim Hats	\$10.00



We do have 2nd hand shirts available for \$5.00 (limited sizes) please enquire at the school office.

Beef Week

Year 5 and 6 ventured to Beef Week on Tuesday 7th May to consolidate their learning about farming technologies and practises. They had a wonderful time listening to various talks and seeing machinery and cows up close. We can't wait to use this new knowledge in design technologies and English in the coming weeks!



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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land

May Day Festival



Year 6 News

It has been great to see all the Year 6 students out and about showing off their new senior shirts, which arrived last week. The students took ownership of this process from the beginning, when they voted on the design in 2023. These shirts make a great addition to our school uniform.

Fundraising:

The Year 6 cohort and teachers have been working hard to continue fundraising to reduce costs of the Year 6 camp in November. On Saturday 11th May, we attended another Lorikeets rugby union home game and collected patron's donations at the gate. We will attend a final rugby game on the 25th May.

We will be holding a free dress day to dress in your team colours for State of Origin on **Wednesday 5th June**, as well as an option to purchase hot dogs, poppers and frog in a pond for lunch. The free dress day is a gold coin donation and can include any sporting teams. Notes have gone home regarding orders for lunch. Orders are due by **Wednesday 29th May, no late orders will be accepted.**



FREE DRESS DAY
DRESS IN YOUR TEAM COLOURS

HOT DOGS AVAILABLE FOR PRE-ORDER
\$5 per hot dog
\$2 per popper
\$1 Per frog in a pond

Support our fundraising!



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