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Central

NEWSLETTER

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Principal

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone has had a restful break. Please ensure you stay abreast of communication from the school from newsletters, class information and our Facebook page so that you know important dates and messages. Our year 6 leaders delivered a memorable ANZAC Day service at MMCSS last week. We had around 43 students and 10 staff attend the community march and dawn service. Lest we forget.



School performance

All students will be attending a school performance on Tuesday 20th May from 9am. There will be no cost for this performance. Families are welcome.

Googabinj, the Australian Bush Turkey is Craig Kemp's spirit animal. Craig is a Ghungalu man from Central Qld who takes great pride and pleasure in passing on the traditions and culture of his family.

After teaching students' traditional greetings, Craig soon has students guessing which animals and birds he is impersonating on one of his colourful didgeridoos. It's not just Australian animals that he imitates, greetings also take on a very friendly tone through the didge. On another of his didgeridoos Craig has been known to play his didge version of happy birthday, if the occasion warrants it.

While displaying his wonderful collection of native artefacts and weapons Craig demonstrates how his hunter gatherer ancestors made very effective hunting tools like the boomerang, spear, nula nula and woomera from the natural environment. Baskets and bags were also made and used to carry the fruits and vegetables.

Of course, after a meal like that it's time for a celebration with some face painting and dancing as students eagerly learn to dance as Emus, Kangaroos and other Australian native animals. Teachers are also encouraged to join the fun.

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Attendance

We strive to provide the best possible education for all our students at Mount Morgan Central State School, but regular attendance is crucial to achieving this goal. Research tells us that when a student's attendance rate drops below 95%, it can significantly impact their learning outcomes, creating gaps in knowledge and skills that are hard to make up. 95% attendance is the equivalent of 10 school days absent per year. Currently our whole school attendance rate is 86.7%. Alarmingly, only 36 % of our student population have an attendance rate currently more than 85%. Friday is our worst day of attendance sitting at 83.5%. It's not too late to turn this around. It's a timely reminder that students who are in the running for school-based awards need to have a 90% attendance rate for the year.

Cross Country

Last Tuesday we held our annual cross-country event. This event was well received by the students, staff and community. All students who participated received points towards their house colour and the top 3 were presented with a ribbon and certificate on parade.



Farewell and Welcome

Last term we bid farewell to several staff members. Mrs Keegan Fysh has taken up a Deputy Principal role at Gladstone, Miss G is having a baby and Mr McKay is taking some well-earned leave. We welcome back Miss Col Hehir, Miss Tennent and Miss Mac to the team.



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The Smith Family

Would you like to find out more about a scholarship, free educational programs, digital access, and support with improving your child's educational outcomes?

The Smith Family will be at Mount Morgan Central State School every Thursday morning this term. If you are interested in finding out more about a **Learning for Life Scholarship** for your child, or you are an existing family already on Scholarship, please feel to meet with us.

When: Thursday
Time: 8.30am to 9.30am
Where: Parade and Admin Office

We look forward to meeting you. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact:

Karen Mulligan, Family Partnership Coordinator, The Smith Family
0481 905 240 karen.mulligan@thesmithfamily.com.au

May day Float

On Saturday 3rd May our school entered the Golden Mount Festival parade with a superhero and villain float. Our students and staff won the best non-commercial float trophy. We had a high number of students who represented our school and joined our float, and all displayed exemplary behaviour. Much fun was had by all heroes and villains as they were entertained by the batman theme song during the parade. A big thank you to Mrs Pearce and staff who worked hard in the lead up and on the day of the parade. Also a big thank you to the Curtis family for the donation of the truck and to our families who supported with the float.



Michelle Emery
Principal



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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land

Event Calendar

May 2025	
Thursday 8th	Mother's Day Stall
Tuesday 20th	School Performance
Monday 26th	Parent/Teacher interviews
June 2025	
Thursday 12th	Rockhampton Show Holiday
Monday 16th	Yrs 2013,2014,2015—field events. Half day, back oval
Friday 20th	Athletics Carnival—High School, full day.
Friday 27th	Last Day Term 2
July	
Monday 14th	First Day Term 3

Student Absences

Can all parents please ensure that the school is notified of any student absences either through a quick:



*Phone call
(4912533)*

Or

SMS (0476 811 855)

P&C Update

Uniforms

Uniforms are available to purchase from the school office Monday—Friday via cash and eftpos. Please be aware all hats are now \$10.

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



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

Mother's Day Stall and Raffle

The Mother's Day stall will be held tomorrow (Thursday 8th May) and Friday 9th of May during school hours. Gifts will range from \$2-\$10. The stall will be cash only. Please bring money in an envelope and give to the class teacher.

The Mother's Day raffle will be drawn on parade tomorrow (Thursday 8th May) at 8.50am.

SCHOLASTIC
Book Club
orders are due:

Friday, 26th May

Contact Details

Please make sure all contact details are up to date. This includes phone numbers, postal address and email address. Details can be changed by visiting or contacting the school office on Ph 49125333.



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