



Mungindi Central School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 6 • 2025

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Mid-Term Assembly

Our Student Leadership Team lead the Mid-Term Assembly last week. We congratulated the successes of what our students have achieved in the first half of Term 1.

Achievements of special note:

- Five of our students were selected to represent Mungindi Central School at the McKechnie Shield, Moree Zone, Primary Swimming Trials. They then qualified to represent Moree Zone at the North West Regional Primary Swimming Trials in Armidale.
- For the start of 2025, 50% of students have 100% attendance and 80.3% of students have attendance equal to or greater than 90%, which is the best start to the school year in recent times.

Thank you to all the parents and community who were able to attend and help make our students feel so special.



SWIMMING REPRESENTATIVES

On Wednesday the 26th of February, Mungindi Central School sent representatives to the McKechnie Shield in Narrabri. The McKechnie Shield is the Moree Zone Primary Swimming Trials. The five representatives displayed skill and speed in the pool, and wonderful sportsmanship in the stands. The results speak for themselves!

- Ronald: 3rd 50m Freestyle, 3rd 50m Breaststroke and 3rd 50m Backstroke
- Calvin: 2nd 50m Freestyle, 1st 50m Breaststroke and 2nd 50m Backstroke
- Mirri: 2nd 50m Freestyle, 5th 50m Breaststroke and 4th 50m Backstroke
- Nahla: 1st 50m Freestyle, 4th 50m Breaststroke, 3rd 50m Backstroke and 1st 50m Butterfly
- Peyton: 5th 50m Freestyle, 4th 50m Breaststroke, 5th 50m Backstroke and 2nd 50m Butterfly



A massive congratulations goes to Calvin and Nahla who achieved aged champion. All Mungindi Central School representatives were to go on to represent both Mungindi Central School and Moree Zone at the Regional Swimming Trials in Armidale on Monday but the trials were unfortunately cancelled.

The staff, students and wider school community are incredibly proud of all five representatives.

Mrs Debbie Murphy
Assistant Principal (Relieving)

STAGE 5 HISTORY

During Week 5, Stage 5 History students enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force. After discussing the reasons why men flocked to joined the army in 1914, they underwent the 1914 physical exams to decide whether they were fit or unfit for duty. Four students passed the test, and will now head to Egypt for training. Safe travels.

Mrs Alison Picton
Head Teacher Secondary Studies (Relieving)



LAST CHANCE!

don't miss out on school photos

School photographs have been taken. If you have not yet ordered, it is not too late. Orders placed before 12/03/2025 will not attract a late fee. Orders placed after this date will incur an additional \$15



Please note: Traditional, Composite or High-Resolution Virtual Group format is chosen by your school. Sibling photos, if available, can also be ordered online and must be ordered prior to your photo day. A late fee will apply for photos purchased after ordering has closed.

how to order

Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal.

STEP 1

Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

STEP 2

Enter your school code:

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in the 'order and download' box. This will take you to your school's secure online ordering site.



STEP 3

Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and your chosen package, and then follow the payment procedures. During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sibling photos, if available.



School photographs will be returned approximately 6 weeks after the day of photography.
Please note this delivery timeframe is dependant on proofing and additional photography days at your school.

Preschool Capers

Preschool 2025 has started with the children exploring our environment and learning to be safe both at preschool and at home. We came up with ideas when we play to stay safe, such as, kind hands, kind feet and kind words. We also talked about how we stay safe in fires, as well as practised the fire drill. If something dangerous is happening outside, we also now know our lock down procedure. We also spoke about what happens when we get hurt. We talked about how we call 000 when we need help from the police, fire brigade or ambulance.

We have also looked at ways we learn by keeping healthy such as preventing germs through washing hands, teeth, body, hair.

Mrs Pauline Lawson
Preschool Educator



Evidence of our preschool Philosophy.

As Children:

- We bring our own unique and individual identity that is open to growth and development; as we gain confidence and independence while at Mungindi Central School Preschool.
- We explore and engage with our surroundings, which help us: develop an understanding of our place in the world, become active members within the community, grow an appreciation for the natural environment and respect diversity.
- We are learners! We challenge our ideas, knowledge, skills and understandings by engaging in a variety of learning activities, resourcing and designing play experiences indoor and outdoor, and being active participants in our own learning journeys.
- We continually and expansively communicate our needs, opinions, ideas and feelings through verbal, non-verbal, visual and technological means.

As Educators:

- We facilitate a welcoming environment where children feel safe, secure and supported to engage with all aspects of the Preschool on a physical, emotional, cognitive, mental and spiritual level.
- We value an inclusive practice that encompasses a respect for diversity, fairness, and the natural environment. We guide the children, families and community to embrace sustainable practices, adopt an empathetic nature and show respect for diversity. We explore and facilitate a range of opportunities to extend networking by collaborating with the wider community, especially external support and Early Childhood services.
- We embrace the understanding that the environment is the third educator, setting up a variety of learning experiences which appeal to current interest, areas of development and child choice. Our program combines planned curriculum (intentional teaching), spontaneous experiences, key learning areas and Aboriginal Education (Gamilaraay).
- We value and maintain open lines of communication with children, parents and community. We embrace a range of communication mediums to cater for a wider audience and network.

It's Artrageous!

Over the space of 2 days in Week 5, students had the absolute pleasure of welcoming Miss Janelle from It's Artrageous into the school to share her knowledge and passion for art with them. The students were able to follow simple instructions given by Miss Janelle to create their very own masterpieces.

Monday the 24th of February saw the secondary students try their hands at painting an artwork called 'Eagle'. That afternoon, Year 1 & 2 students began their artwork called 'Mr Woolly'.

Tuesday the 24th of February had the Year 3 & 4 students creating 'Pudgy the Budgie', followed by Year 5 & 6 students completing 'Macca Alpaca'. The day finished off with Year 1 & 2 students finishing their creations that they started the day before.

We'd like thank Miss Janelle and her team for their time. We enjoyed learning from you and we are very grateful for the opportunity.

Mrs Belinda Brosnan
Teacher



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



**WE ARE IN SEARCH OF
NEW VOLUNTEERS
FOR CANTEEN**

Support our students by helping in the
Canteen once a week. To discuss this
rewarding role, please contact the school.

Info & register:
0267 532 207
mungindi-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Scan the QR Code
to access the free
Food Handler Basics
training module.



Mrs. Brosnan's Bulletin

Stage 5 Science

Stage 5 Science have been learning about "Evolution" and investigating evidence around evolution through understanding comparative anatomy, comparative embryology, DNA and fossil records. In the photos, students are making their own fossils to gain an understanding of how fossils are formed. They also participated in the Great Fossil Find Activity, working in groups pretending to be palaeontologists. The activity required them to hypothesise what the animal they discovered may be, using fossil fragments and following a scenario. Each day, students were given more information and the opportunity to work as a class to try and identify the fossil remains.



Stage 3 Science

Stage 3 are learning about the Solar System and in this activity they are using toilet paper to show the relative distance of each of the planets from the sun. They have also created some amazing mnemonics to help them remember the names of the planets in order from the Sun, and enjoyed practising their public speaking skills, sharing them to the whole class.



Mrs Belinda
Brosnan
Teacher

INTERESTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT INDIGENOUS SERVICEMEN?

**20 MARCH 2025
11-1 PM**

Mungindi Central is proud to host Joe Flick who will be speaking to our students about the experiences of Indigenous servicemen during World Wars One and Two.

Joe has spent the last 15 years researching, identifying and visiting the graves of Indigenous soldiers who died in Europe, and will also speak about the experiences of George Bennet, Len Waters and Cecil Ramali.

We are inviting any community members who would be interested in knowing more about this topic to attend.

Joe will also demonstrate to those interested, how to access the service files of servicemen of World Wars One and Two.

We hope you can all attend.

If you have any questions, please contact the school on 02 6753 2207.



BATELAND BRIEF

Stage 4/5 Bateland had an eye opening excursion to the Mungindi tip last week!

Thank you to Moree Plains Shire Council's Waste Facilitator, Mrs Lila Fisher, for showing and taking them through the importance of waste management. There is definitely more that we can do here in Mungindi, and our students are determined to make change!

Watch this space.

Miss Brittany Bate
Classroom Teacher



ISSUE 2 OPEN NOW!

\$5 Earn a PROMO CODE (included with every subscription)

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Join the REGULAR READING ROLLING with a \$5 promo code. See page 15 for details.

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SCHOLASTIC Book Club

THE VALUE OF BECOMING A **REGULAR READER**

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- E** EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE
- A** ACADEMIC SUCCESS
- D** DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT
- E** EMPATHY & UNDERSTANDING
- R** REDUCES YOUR STRESS
- S** STRENGTHEN LANGUAGE SKILLS

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

We are so proud of our Mungindi Central School students who participated in Clean Up Australia Day last Friday!

Students walked in their stage groups around town, collecting general waste and recyclables, from alongside the road and river, gutters and bushes. We collected 10 full bags of rubbish, which included things like cans, glass, hard plastics, soft plastics, cardboard, old shoes, materials and toys. We especially noticed how terrible plastic materials are as they break up and disintegrate into smaller bits over time, making it very hard to pick them up.

Thank you to all students involved; we hope you enjoyed your ice blocks and were proud of your certificates!

Miss Brittany Bate
Secondary Teacher



Clean up  Day

Pre-Order Now

\$55

SIZES AVAILABLE
14,16,S,M,L,XL,
2XL,3XL,4XL,
5XL,6XL

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Available to all Staff and Senior Students

Cash Payment Only

**2025
NBSA
JERSEY**

SEE YOUR SCHOOL
FRONT OFFICE TO ORDER

FIRST BATCH WILL BE
ORDERED END OF MARCH!!

*ORDERS FOR YEAR 11 AND 12 AND STAFF ONLY.
**UPFRONT PAYMENT MAY BE REQUIRED

\$90

INCLUDES

- EMBROIDERED SCHOOL LOGO
- NUMBER ON THE BACK
- NAME ON THE BACK
- CANTERBURY LOGO ON FRONT

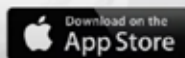
DON'T MISS OUT! ORDER YOURS TODAY!

Sentral for Parents

- Mungindi Central School is currently using the Sentral for Parents app to provide both parents and students discreet information about each students progress.
- You can access the portal by either registering via the internet or downloading the app that is available on Google Play and the Apple App Store.
- For both routes, an access key will be needed. Please contact the school if you don't know yours.



Experience the
Sentral for Parents app



- Please update your family contact details via the app to ensure school staff can contact you when the need arises.
- Your child's absences can be explained, even prior to the leave.
- Excursion permission can be completed.



PROTECTING CHILDREN IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS



NEIGHBOUR

Talk to your neighbours & take the time to build relationships with families in your street, apartment, building or community.



TEACHER

Engage students & families in school activities to create a shared space where children can learn & grow.



POLICE

Be approachable & involve yourself in community events to build trusting relationships with families, children & young people.



**AUNT/
UNCLE**

Spend time with the children in your life. Make your influence positive.



**DOCTOR/
NURSE**

Check in with parents & families on how things are going & link them to local services.

**PLAY YOUR PART
START A CONVERSATION TODAY**



NAPCAN
PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE

**TO FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR ROLE
VISIT NAPCAN.ORG.AU**

Supported By: Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Current Medical Warnings



- Head Lice -

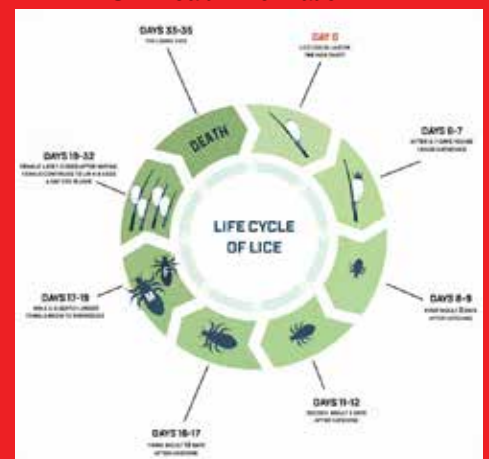
- Head lice are small, wingless insects that live, breed and feed on the human scalp.
- Head lice do not generally carry or transmit disease.
- Direct contact is required for transmission from person to person. Lice will crawl from head to head. This can happen when people play, cuddle or work closely together.
- A female louse lays 3 to 8 eggs (nits) per day. Head lice eggs are oval, and the size of a pinhead. They will be firmly attached to the hair shaft and cannot be brushed off.
- The easiest and most effective way to find head lice is to use the conditioner and comb treatment weekly. This includes:
 - Step 1- Comb hair conditioner onto dry, brushed (detangled) hair. This makes it difficult for lice to grip the hair or run around.
 - Step 2- Thoroughly comb sections of the hair with a fine tooth head lice comb.
 - Step 3- Wipe the conditioner from the comb onto a paper towel or tissue.
 - Step 4- Look on the tissue and on the comb for lice and eggs.
 - Step 5- Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least 4 or 5 times.
 - Step 6- If lice or eggs are found, the person should be treated.
- Prevention methods include tying long hair back and checking weekly for lice, using conditioner and comb method, can help to prevent spread.
- Scan the QR codes to get further information regarding head lice from both NSW Health and NSW Education.



NSW Health Information



NSW Education Information



Importance of School Attendance

Attendance at school is vital. Evidence shows that students with poor attendance are significantly more likely to have poor learning outcomes, and, as they move through school are increasingly likely to become disengaged and not complete Year 12. This disengagement stems from missing the vital foundational blocks in their learning.

Should your child be unfit for school, please notify the front office by phone 6753 2207, email mungindi-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au or by utilising the QR code on the fridge magnet included. Please remember, it is a parental responsibility to notify the school of any absence promptly and within seven (7) days of the first absence.

Mungindi Central School

Attendance Matters

Instructions

1. Scan QR Code
2. Complete form
3. Submit

Congratulations!

'Regular attendance at school is everyone's responsibility.'

Learning Matters

Questions to ask your child

1. What is something that happened at school that made you smile today?
2. What are you learning about?
3. Why are you learning about it?
4. How are you doing?
5. How do you know?
6. How can you improve?
7. Where do you go for help?

Through 'Precision in Practice', Mungindi Central School is committed to delivering an innovative, engaging education, promoting self-advocacy, within an inclusive environment.

Cadbury

FUNDRAISING



for Mungindi Central School

We are thrilled to announce our **BIG FUNDRAISER!**
Thank you to the Student Leadership Council for supporting this initiative.

Parents, come and purchase anytime from the front office! Canteen will be open at
Lunch 1 on Monday's & Friday's for students



\$1 each
OR \$60 for a
box of 60



\$1 for two
OR \$60 for a
box of 120



\$4 Easter Egg bags
OR \$80 for a box of 20



CANTEEN MENU

Mungindi Central School

SNACKS		HOT FOODS	
FRESH FRUIT SALAD Seasonal fresh fruit medley.	\$3.00	TRAVELLER MEAT PIE	\$3.50
PIECE OF FRUIT Banana, apple, pear or mandarin. Subject to availability.	\$1.00	SAUSAGE ROLL	\$3.00
POPCORN	\$1.00	CHICKEN & CORN ROLL	\$3.00
SMITHS CHIPS PACK	\$1.00	PIZZA SINGLE Ham & Pineapple Cheese & Bacon	\$3.50
RED ROCK DELI CHIPS PACK	\$1.50		
SALAD ITEMS		SANDWICHES	
CHICKEN SALAD WRAP	\$6.00	SALAD SANDWICH Ham or chicken with lettuce, tomato, cheese, cucumber, beetroot and mayonnaise.	\$7.00
CHICKEN LETTUCE & MAYO WRAP	\$6.00	CHEESE SANDWICH Fresh or Toasted	\$2.50
SALAD BOWL Lettuce, tomato, cheese, cucumber, and beetroot with dressing of choice. Add ham, chicken or fish	\$6.00 \$1.00	HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH Fresh or Toasted	\$3.00
FROZEN		HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO SANDWICH Fresh or Toasted	\$3.50
ZOOPER DOOPER	\$1.00	CHICKEN & CHEESE SANDWICH Fresh or Toasted	\$3.50
ICE CREAM CUP	\$2.50	DRINKS	
FROZEN YOGHURT Strawberry Mango	\$2.50	WATER	\$2.00
SAUCES		FRUIT POPPERS Golden Pash, Tropical Punch, Sunshine Punch	\$2.00
	TOMATO BBQ	FLAVOURED MILK Strawberry Chocolate	\$2.00
	ITALIAN DRESSING	HOT CHOCOLATE	\$2.00
	MAYONNAISE		

CANTEEN IS AVAILABLE EVERY THURSDAY
| Menu is subject to changes due to availability of stock |

Student Leadership Team Update



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PUNCTUALITY & POSITIVITY

HOW WE HOPE TO MAKE CHANGE & NEED YOUR HELP TO DO IT!

BEING PUNCTUAL MEANS WE:
SHOW RESPECT TO OUR TEACHERS AND THE TIME THAT THEY PUT IN; BUILD TRUST AND RELIABILITY; SHOWS WE CARE FOR OUR EDUCATION; AND HELPS OUR SCHOOL TO RUN SMOOTHLY.

POSITIVE VIBES ONLY



8:40AM
11:10AM
13:40PM

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CLEANERS WANTED

Joss Facility Management provides cleaning services to local Schools and other sites in this area. We are looking for local people to assist us in maintaining these sites by joining our Company as a Cleaner.

A Joss cleaner's role includes: Cleaning, stocking and supplying designated facility areas (dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, restroom cleaning etc)

Joss Facility Management provide staff with a uniform, training and a supportive work environment.

APPLY NOW:



We invite you to register your interest in working with Joss by sending an email to careers@jossgroup.com.au or call 02 6051 1900.

Joss welcome you to visit our website www.jossgroup.com.au for further information on our Company. We look forward to welcoming some new faces to our team.

ATTENDANCE REWARDS

On Friday the 7th of March, students received a real treat to reward their amazing attendance so far this year!

Congratulations to all of you and we hope you enjoyed your chips.



www.jossgroup.com.au
cleaning@jossgroup.com.au
02 6051 1900

Service NSW is coming to your community



**We're bringing NSW Government services to:
Mungindi**

Wednesday 9 April 2025

10am - 3pm

Visit our Mobile Service Centre to access services like:

- Driver Knowledge Tests
- driver licence applications and renewals
- driver licence, mobility parking and photo card applications
- Working with Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Checks
- birth, death and marriage certificates
- cost of living support and more.

Call **13 77 88** or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

Unexpected events like severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.



Find us at:

Barwon River Park
155 St George Street



MUNGINDI YOUTH FOOTY PROGRAM

Parents, bring your kids along to kick off our footy program this Wednesday, 12th March at 4:00pm at the Mungindi Town Oval.

We have sessions for all age groups: Primary (5-12 yrs) & Secondary (13-18 yrs)

It's a great opportunity for them to get active, learn new skills, and have fun in a team environment. We can't wait to see you there!

Any enquires, please contact Warrama-li Dhiiyaan on 0403607279 or warrama-li-dhiiyaan@outlook.com

Sponsored by Moree After School Activity Grants
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**MOREE PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL PRESENTS
A RICOCHET COMMUNITY RECOVERY TOUR**

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**IT'S DAMIAN
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**MUNGINDI HALL
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7PM**

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AND NIBBLES**

**RSVP TO
SANDY McNAUGHTON**

**M: 0429 596 312
Sandy.McNaughton@mpsc.nsw.gov.au**



CALENDAR

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
7	10 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm	11	12 - School Photos - K - Year 6 Swimming Lessons -NAPLAN	13 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm - Canteen -NAPLAN	14 - K - Year 12 Swimming Sport -NAPLAN	15/16 - Grazing at the Waterhole Catering
8	17 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm -NAPLAN	18 -NAPLAN	19 - K - Year 6 Swimming Lessons -NAPLAN - Mungindi Daycare Library Visit	20 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm - Canteen -NAPLAN	21 - K - Year 12 Swimming Sport -NAPLAN	22/23
9	24 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm -NAPLAN	25	26 - K - Year 6 Swimming Lessons - Book Club Orders Due	27 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm - Canteen	28 - K - Year 12 Swimming Sport	29/30
10	31 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm	1 APRIL - Cross Country	2 - K - Year 6 Swimming Lessons	3 - Homework Centre @ 3:00 pm - Canteen	4 - K - Year 12 Swimming Sport - Primary Sports Gala Day	5/6
11	7 - Year 7 & 10 Vaccinations	8	9 - K - Year 6 Swimming Lessons	10	11 - K - Year 12 Swimming Sport - Final day of Term 1	12/13

**MUNGINDI CENTRAL
SCHOOL NEWSLETTER IS
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BY**

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Mungindi NSW 2406

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SCHOOL VISION

Mungindi Central School is committed to delivering an innovative, collaborative and engaging education promoting growth within an inclusive environment.

All members of the school community are committed to promoting excellence whilst remaining focused on the needs of each and every individual child and work together to achieve our school motto of Motivation, Commitment and Success to produce proud, respectful, responsible learners who are active, productive and informed citizens.



Community Events

Take note of these events happening within our community.

MCEA PARENT GROUP PRESENTS

MUNGINDI'S

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TALENT

ADULTS ONLY

• **SAVE THE DATE!** •
SATURDAY 10TH MAY

BAR OPENS @ 6PM
MUNGINDI HALL

A fun night out for a great cause!
*All funds raised will go towards
completing the outdoor learning area*

*The new childcare is planned
to open in July*

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Mungindi
community
education
ASSOCIATION INC.