



MOUNT GEORGE Public School

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Principal's Report:

New logo Announced

Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent poll for selecting a **new logo** for our school. Your contribution in this process has been invaluable and we appreciate your time and effort in helping us make this important decision.

We are pleased to announce that the voting results from students, staff, and parents are in, and option 3 has emerged as the clear winner (see the results below in the gallery). We will phase in the new logo over a two to three-year period. During this transition period, students may continue to wear school uniforms with the old logo. This transition process will be gradual to ensure a seamless integration of the new logo into our school's identity. We believe that this new logo reflects the values and identity of our school, and we are excited to see it become a part of our community.

Once again, thank you to everyone who participated in the poll, and we look forward to your continued support in this exciting transition.

Exciting Baby News

We have some wonderful news that we are thrilled to share with you all! We have not one, not two, but three of our teaching staff expecting this year. Miss Mahar is expecting her first child in Term 2, Mrs Owens her first child in Term 3, and Mrs Mander is expecting her second child, also in Term 3. When it rains it certainly does flood here at Mount George Public School!

We hope that you will join us in congratulating Miss Mahar, Mrs Owens, Mrs Mander, and their families, and we wish them all the best as they prepare for the arrival of their little ones. We have made some adaptations and will continue to support them over the coming months.

Arrangements are being finalised for the relief of our much-valued teaching staff.

Disco and Parent Information Session

What a turn-out! A fantastic evening... dancing, learning, feasting, and collaborating. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your active participation in the recent parent session on our school's wellbeing procedures and Choice Theory. We appreciate your feedback and questions prior to and during the session, which allowed us to have a meaningful and productive discussion. Your engagement and willingness to learn about these important topics demonstrate your commitment to your child's overall well-being and success in school.

As we all know, the well-being of our students is critical to their academic and personal growth. It is wonderful to see all our families invested in creating a safe and supportive environment in which our students can thrive.

Finally, your interest in Choice Theory and its application in our school is exciting. It is important that we teach our students the skills to make responsible choices and to take ownership of their actions. With your support and involvement, we can continue to foster a positive learning culture that encourages our students to become confident, responsible learners.

Small School Swimming Carnival & Manning Zone PSSA Carnival

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Lower Manning Small School's Swimming Carnival. A wonderful effort from all, with some outstanding performances from Tom, Ruben, Olivia, and Bentley. Furthermore, Bentley was runner-up in the 11 years Boys Age Championship & Tom was Junior Boys Age Champion.

Our school's swimming relay team, consisting of Bentley, Ruben, Olivia, and Tom, qualified for and attended the Manning Zone PSSA Carnival at the Taree Swimming Complex.

The event was a big one, with over 40 schools from all around the Myall Lakes, Gloucester, and Manning areas competing. Our team gave an outstanding performance, showcasing their strength and determination. We couldn't be prouder of their effort and sportsmanship, which is a testament to their hard work and dedication.

Sporting Schools – Tennis

Our Sporting Schools Program is commencing this week, with Tennis being the focus sport for Term One. This program is an excellent opportunity for our students to develop their gross motor skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

We are thrilled to have the expert and experienced coach, Shane Ludeke from the Wingham Tennis Association, join us for this program. Shane's experience will be invaluable in teaching our students a range of skills to help them improve their tennis abilities and support their overall physical development.

Through this program, our students will learn the fundamentals of tennis, including hand-eye coordination, footwork, and racket skills. They will also develop their communication and teamwork skills through various drills and games.

The program is made possible through the hard work and dedication of Leanne, who continues to secure government grants and fantastic opportunities for our students. Thank you.

Capital Works Update

I am pleased to provide an update on the recent capital works undertaken at our school. As many of you may be aware, we have been experiencing issues with water retention on our school oval after periods of rain.

We are happy to announce that Steve from Chequered Bobcats has recently completed the task of digging drainage around the perimeter of the oval and fitting it with Ag-line. This project was undertaken in response to the issue of water sitting for extended periods, making the field inaccessible to our students.

The installation of the drainage system is expected to help with seepage off the mountain and facilitate the drying of the oval, making it more accessible to our students. We are confident that this will greatly improve the quality and usability of our school oval, providing a better experience for our students during outdoor activities and sports.

Warm regards,

Peter Falla, Principal

Other school news:

Kitchen Garden Program

Our Kitchen Garden program is off to a great start this term. Thanks to volunteers Joseph, Liannah, Meleah, Lintara, and Mr Mahar, who helped shovel mushroom compost into the beds after school last Thursday, and to Sophie and Beate who helped with the planting during Friday's gardening class. We've kick-started the gardening year with some Autumn and Winter crops for the kitchen: dwarf snow peas and beans, beetroot, rainbow chard, broccoli



brussels sprouts, red onions, loose leaf and iceberg lettuce, and red cabbage. Our asparagus has had a trim and mulching, and we some of our perennial herbs are growing strong all will be wonderful fresh ingredients for our cooking classes later in the term.

Your 2023 P&C Association Committee:

The P&C had a fantastic turnout for its 2023 AGM, with the following parents taking on specific roles within the committee:

President: Lisa Reece
Secretary: Grant Lednor
Treasurer: Zarin Barber

In welcoming in the new committee, we'd also like to acknowledge the work of previous members and thank all parents and carers who have committed to helping the P&C achieve another successful year of fundraising for our students.

The first P&C fundraising event for this year was the school disco which raised just under \$100. A special food day is currently being organised for later this term, with details to be sent home soon.

Photo Gallery:



**Kitchen Garden, Clean Up Australia, Museum tour, Gallery exhibition,
Disco, Swimming Carnivals, and much more!**

Upcoming Dates:

| Week 9 | | | |
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| Wednesday | 22 | Mar | Excursion: Are We There Yet? |
| Friday | 24 | Mar | Book Club Issue 2 orders due |
| Week 10 | | | |
| Friday | 31 | Mar | CampOut with Kids |
| Week 11 | | | |
| Thursday | 06 | Apr | Last student day for Term 1 |
| Friday | 07 | Apr | Good Friday (public holiday) |
| Term 1 school holidays. First student day Term 2 is Wednesday 26 April. | | | |

Newsletter inserts:

- Mount George Hall – Bushfire Preparedness meeting
- Term 1 canteen menu
- QuickCliq flyer

Bushfire Preparedness Event - Mount George Community Hall

Join us for a Bushfire Preparedness Program and learn how to keep yourself, your home and the community safe.

By Peter Brown - Bushfire Preparedness Officer

When and where

Date and time

Tue., 14 March 2023, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm AEDT

Location

Mount George School of Arts Hall 1532 Nowendoc Road Mount George, NSW 2424

MOUNT GEORGE PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN MENU
PROVIDED BY MELTING POT CATERING

HOT FOOD SERVED AT LUNCH ONLY (11:30)

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| • Hamburger: Lettuce, Tomato, Beetroot, Onion & BBQ | \$4.50 |
| • Cheese Burger: Cheese & Tomato Sauce | \$4.00 |
| • Chicken Burger: Lettuce & Mayo | \$4.00 |
| • Nachos: Salsa & Sour Cream | \$5.00 |
| • Loaded Mac n Cheese (Bacon & Peas) | \$5.00 |
| • BBQ Ham & Pineapple Pita Pizza | \$4.00 |
| • Homemade Chicken Nuggets (6) | \$4.00 |
| • Toasty Toasties On High Fibre Bread: | |
| Cheese | \$3.00 |
| Ham & Cheese | \$4.00 |
| Spaghetti & Cheese | \$3.50 |

AVAILABLE LUNCH & RECESS (11:30 & 1:30PM)

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| • Fruit Muffin | \$2.50 |
| • Banana Bread | \$2.50 |
| • Fruit Salad | \$3.00 |
| • Wraps: | |
| Ham & Salad | \$4.00 |
| Chicken & Salad | \$4.00 |
| Just Juice Popper (assorted) | \$1.50 |

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