

Miranda North Public School Newsletter

Week 8 Term 1



Principal's Report

Congratulations must be shared with our Swimmers who attended the Regional Swimming Carnival last Tuesday. A great effort by all of you.

It has been a busy term and we still have 3 weeks to go. The school staff have been involved in a variety of Professional Learning including 4Cs training and Initialit. Our classes have had a major focus on Writing and of course the new English and Mathematics Syllabus' have started implementation in the classes. Last week I presented to the P&C, a draft student report, reflective of the changes for English/ Mathematics syllabus that provides more information about how students are performing in these subjects. This format once tweaked further, will be shared with the wider community for feedback. Training in Initialit, for all our K-2 staff will see a focused program, which will provide children with the essential core knowledge and strong foundation to become successful readers and writers. Here is a link for the foundation program <https://multilit.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/FactSheetAllInitialit.pdf> The Initialit program for Stage 1 fact sheet is https://multilit.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Initialit-1-Program-Factsheet_2019-1.pdf

Years 3 and 5 are involved in the NAPLAN assessments over the coming week. This is a snapshot at a point in time and parents will get a feedback report from the government. Results shared at the recent P&C meeting, showed the performance of our students in many other assessments through the year, results that reflected enormous growth and development. Students, throughout the year complete Check-in assessments also run by the Department of Education. Year 4 and Year 6 students will do these assessments in term 2, Year 6 will do another Check-in assessment, late term 3, where results go to their High School and Years 3,4 and 5 do a Check-in assessment in Term 4.

Many capital works around the school are coming to completion, the Netball/Basketball court should be available for use next week. The school also is having a new emergency evacuation system installed across the school. This will also run the school period bells which will allow all classes to hear bells and announcements. This will enable us to introduce music, giving the students time to walk from their play areas to lines.

Three Way Conferences

As part of your child's learning journey, student/parent/carer teacher conferences are running from Monday 20 March. Information came out last week about booking a suitable time on:

Schoolinterviews.com.au Enter the code hqyzp. <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/hqyzp>

Zone and Regional Swimming

Well done to our MNPS Zone Swimmers! Such a great achievement. We are proud of everyone. 3 students made it through to the Regional Carnival for individual events as well as our Junior Relay Swim team who came third in the event but qualified on times to go through.

On Tuesday the Regional Carnival was held at Homebush. Max won his individual event, 50 metre Freestyle. The junior girls relay team swam third, cutting 13 seconds of their time and also qualifying for the NSW State carnival. We are so proud of these outstanding competitors, an achievement by all.



NAPLAN

NAPLAN Writing commenced this week with Year 3 on a paper test and Year 5 completing a digital test. Next week the students will sit Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy assessments on laptops and Chromebooks. There are catch up sessions available, however, should students be away there is no catch-up for the Writing test. All students will use headphones for the tests.

Principal's report continued

Cross Country

The Cross Country will be held on April 6, at School in the morning. The Course will see students run around the internal grounds with staff and volunteers positioned around the course. Students, 8 years and older are competing for a position to go to the Zone Carnival. Younger students will participate on a modified course. The community are welcome to attend and purchase a sausage sandwich for lunch.

The P&C will host the BBQ lunch with pre-orders for sausage sandwiches requested for students. Families can include their order on the note if they choose. Ice blocks will also be sold at Lunch on the day. Further details will be coming in a specific note.

Easter Hat Parade

On Thursday, 6th of April, Miranda North will be celebrating the last day of term with our annual Easter Hat Parade. The parade will be held under the Cola following the Cross Country. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are encouraged to participate by creating or decorating an Easter hat at home to wear for the parade. We warmly extend an invite to any parents or family members wishing to attend to help us celebrate.

As the Easter Hat Parade will be held on the same day as Cross Country students will come to school dressed in their house colours ready for Cross Country.

RACISM NO WAY

With your support, we do the very best we can to ensure culturally inclusive, cohesive, safe and engaging learning experiences for all our students. If at any time you find that you have a concern about racism in our school, you are encouraged to come to the school and talk with a member of staff so that your concern can be resolved. The NSW Department of Education has a Complaints Handling Policy to ensure that complaints are handled fairly. In the case of complaints relating to racism in schools, you can also contact Mrs Lawson (the school Anti-Racism Contact Officer (ARCO)) on telephone 95246842 or via the school email: mirandanth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.



Mufti Day

The P&C have asked to run a Mufti Day for the Students on Friday 31st March. Students have been asked to donate Easter Eggs as prizes for the Easter Raffle. Alternatively, baskets or wrapping for the prizes can also be donated. The donation is in place of the gold coin usually collected for Mufti Days.

When students come dressed for a Mufti Day any coloured clothing may be worn. Considering sun safety, please ensure that they wear clothing to cover shoulders and closed toe shoes. School Sport will still be held.

Working Bee

The P&C are calling for helpers to support the Working Bee. Come and donate a little of your time and help beautify the school. Due to the high levels of leaf and bark litter the grounds and gardens need some tender care. If you can bring a rake, spade and some gloves we would love your help

When: Sunday 2nd April 2023

Time: Anytime between 8.00 am and 1.00 pm

Who: Any one with the desire to help. Children need to be in the care of their parents.

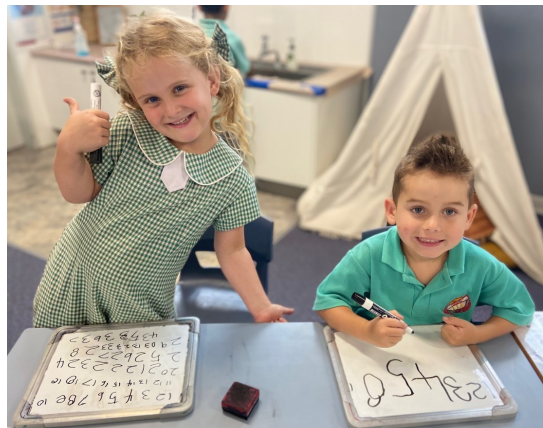


Rugby League Gala Day

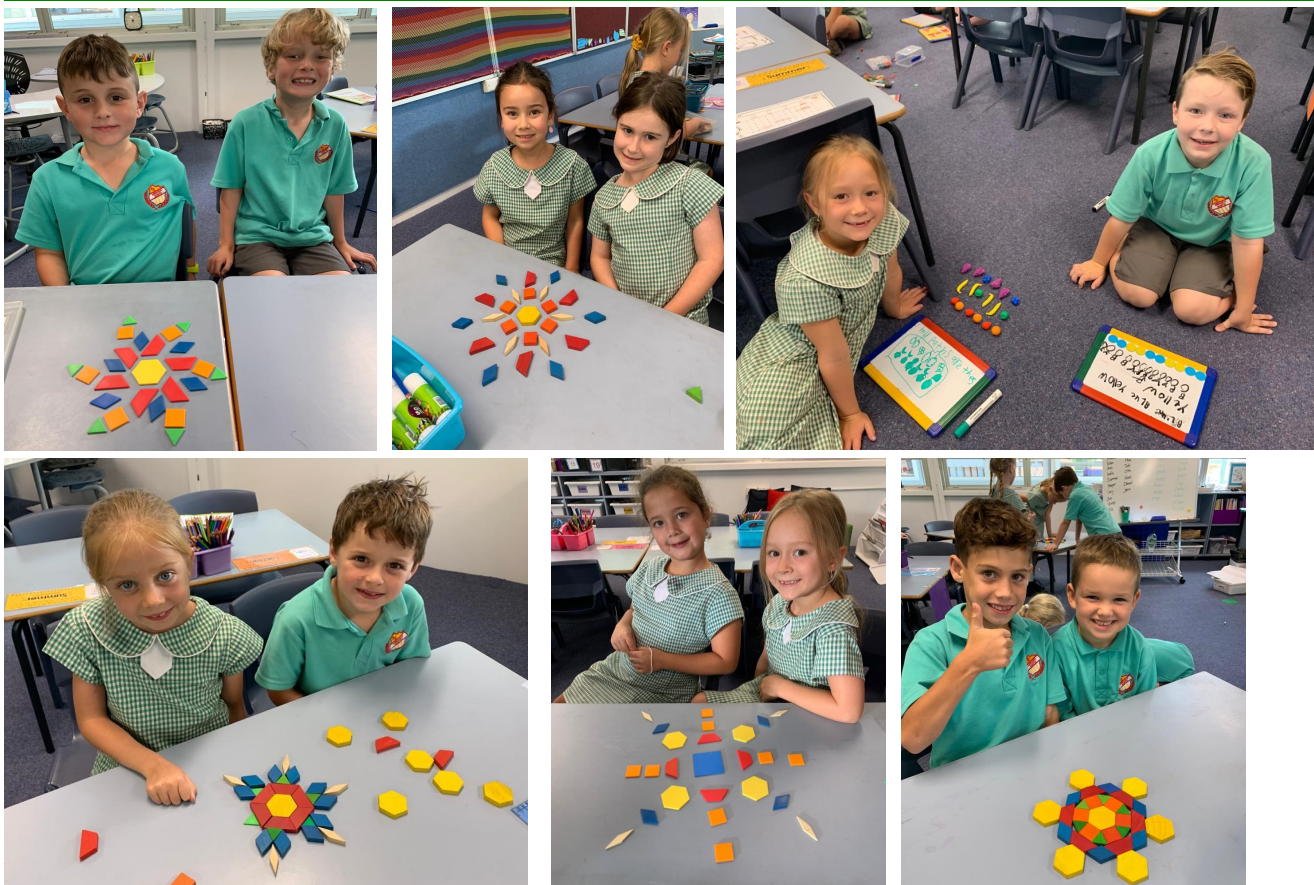


On Tuesday, 40 MNPS students participated in a Rugby League Gala Day. Despite the weather, our students had an amazing day, some trying League for the very first time. Thank you to all the parents that helped out and a special thanks to the Robinson family for loaning the jerseys and allowing our students to use the Titans clubhouse during heavy rain.

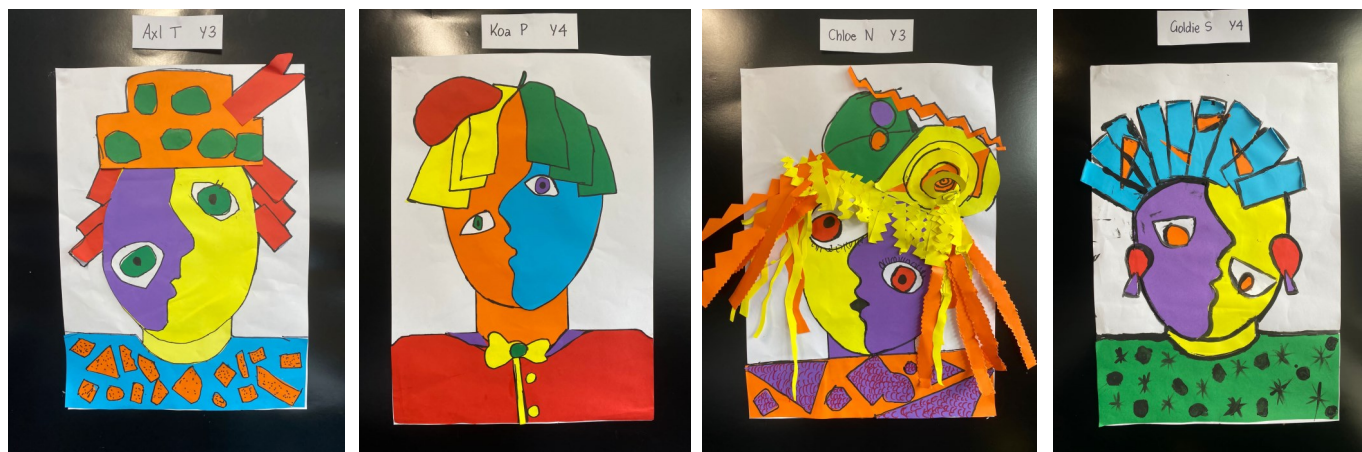
Lunna class having fun with counting!



Karda exploring properties of 2D shapes, symmetry and patterns!



Picasso inspired Cubist style portraits...



Using complementary colours for two parts of the face, students creativity is shown through their execution of hair, shirt, hat and accessories. These four artworks from Stage 2 made it to Mrs McHugh's "WOW" Work Wall! Well done!



Harmony Day at MNPS

When: Thursday 23rd of March

On this day we will be celebrating the cultural diversity at Miranda North Public School.

What to Wear: Please wear any clothing representing your cultural background or alternatively orange clothing. Children will stay in their clothing for the whole day. There will be an opportunity to share their clothing and culture at our morning assembly.

We are so excited for the children to share their diverse cultural backgrounds and to explore and appreciate music, games and art from the many cultures in our classrooms on this day. Children may like to bring in any special things from home that represent their culture to share with the class. We look forward to a wonderful day to celebrate that everyone belongs.

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www.harmony.gov.au

Miranda North PS Calendar 2023

Term 1 Week 1	School Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday	26/1 Australia Day	27 1 Staff Development Day
9 Three Way Conferences	20/3 NAPLAN Reading 1 st Day Three Way Conferences	21/3 Combined scripture	22/3 NAPLAN Conventions of Language	23/3 Harmony Day NAPLAN Numeracy	24/3
10 Three Way Conferences	27/3	28/3 Stage 1 Excursion Kamay Botany Bay NP	29/3	30/3	31/3 Mufti Day- Easter Egg Donations
11 Sunday Working Bee Three Way Conferences	3/4 Last Day 3 Way Conferences	4/4	5/4	6/4 Cross Country Easter Hat Parade	Good Friday
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Week 1 Term 2	Staff Development Day	ANZAC Day	26/4 All students return ANZAC Day Ceremony	27/4	28/4
Week 2	1/5	2/5 K-2 Gymnastics Scripture recommences	3/5	4/5	5/5
Week 3	8/5 Zone Cross Country	9/5 K-2 Gymnastics P&C Meeting 7 pm	10/5	11/5 Mother's Day Stall	12/5
Week 4	15/5	16/5 K-2 Gymnastics	17/5	18/5	19/5
Week 5	22/5	23/5 K-2 Gymnastics	24/5	25/5	26/5 National Sorry Day
Week 6 National Reconciliation Week	29/5	30/5 K-2 Gymnastics	31/5	1/6	2/6
Week 7	5/6 Bathurst Hill End Excursion Stage 3	6/6 K-2 Gymnastics Bathurst Hill End Excursion Stage 3	7/6 Bathurst Hill End Excursion Stage 3	8/6	9/6
Week 8	12/6 Kings Birthday Long Weekend	13/6 K-2 Gymnastics	14/6	15/6	16/6
Week 9 NAIDOC Week	19/6	20/6 K-2 Gymnastics last day	21/6	22/6 School External Validation	23/6