

# Mount Isa State Special School



## 'Moving Beyond Expectations'

Newsletter 30<sup>th</sup> April 2015

### Important Dates

#### MAY

School Sports day 6<sup>th</sup>  
TuckShop 14<sup>th</sup>  
TuckShop 28<sup>th</sup>

#### JUNE

Public Holiday 8<sup>th</sup>  
TuckShop 11<sup>th</sup>  
Show Holiday 19<sup>th</sup>  
TuckShop 25<sup>th</sup>  
Last Day of Term 26<sup>th</sup>

### School Hours

Breakfast club  
7.30 – 8.30am

School begins  
8:30am

Morning Tea  
10:30

First Recess  
10:45– 11:15

Lunch  
12:30

Second Recess  
1:00– 1:30

School finishes  
2:30pm

### Message from the Principal



#### Mount Isa State Special School ANZAC Ceremony

Last Friday, our school community conducted a respectful and solemn ANZAC ceremony to remember the sacrifices of the many military personnel who helped forge the identity of Australia.

Peter Smith was our honoured invited guest for our ANZAC ceremony. Pictured in one of the photos below is School Captain Jean Sam with Peter Smith as they lay a wreath on the school's plaque.

The Lions Club of Mount Isa recently donated \$3000 to our school. This kind donation was a result of the dissolution of the Mount Isa Lions Club. The funds, presented by Mr Ronald Sparks, have been used to purchase blinds for the school which now ensures that students can learn in a safe environment without the glare from the sun.

Please feel free to contact me on 47450888 if I can be of any further assistance to you.

Reno Tieppo  
Principal



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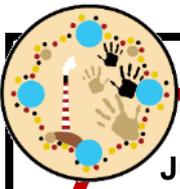
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## Junior Class

Mrs Alex Miller is currently absent from school until next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

Ms Maria Metu will be the classroom teacher on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week.



## Junior Secondary 1 Class

We have had a great start to Term 2.

Last week at school we had discussions and did some work on ANZAC Day. The students were engaged in learning about this topic. On Friday we had a special ANZAC Day assembly, where a Vietnam Veteran Mr Peter Smith came and talked to us. We made a poppy wreath and laid it down in front of our ANZAC plaque and flag pole. Also, on Friday in the kitchen we made ANZAC biscuits. Lots of the students enjoyed them and would say "they are wonderful." In Smart Moves we are getting ready for Sports Day next Wednesday. The students are divided into houses – yellow or green. We have been practising relays, egg and spoon races, tunnel ball and an obstacles course. This term is very busy with testing coming up shortly, ready for reports so we are working really hard on all our learning.

Ms Alicia Scott and Ms Andrea





## Junior Secondary 2 Class

Welcome back to Term 2.

We have had a good start to the term with all students working really hard and trying their best at their goals. We commenced with our Science Day last week and the students are thoroughly enjoying being back in the kitchen and garden. The students enjoyed eating ANZAC biscuits and watched some videos about life of the ANZACS. All students in the school were very busy colouring in poppies for our wreath that was laid on our new plaque at the school and also at the ANZAC Day March.

Regards

Miss Rhi, Ms Jodie and Ms Geri



## Senior Class

Miss Robyn and I hope all families have had a relaxing holiday.

This is set to be a busy term with students participating in many activities including Work Experience, TAFE, Community Access and our very first Sports Day. Last Thursday we were lucky enough to have a visit from Lilly the Cat Whisperer and her feline friend who was found in the school roof. Last Friday Jean continued to fulfil her leadership role at the school by laying the wreath at the ANZAC Day Ceremony. Once the ceremony was finished Jean returned to her Work Experience Program at Best and Less. Kai has started Work Experience as assistant groundsman at the school and has enjoyed helping Mr David with the mowing, watering and leave blowing.

The students have been practising their ball and relay skills in preparation for school's Sports Day which will be held next Wednesday 6th May. Please send your child to school wearing an item of clothing in the colour of their team.

Yellow Team	Green Team
Georgina McPherson Anthony Lucas Raquel Mullins John Norman Inez DeSatge	Jean Sam Kai Williams



Looking forward to seeing you at the sports day,  
Miss Jacquelyn, Ms Robyn, Ms Suni and Miss Kandice

## Showcasing Student's Work



Fishbowl by Raquel



Artwork by John

## Message from the P&C President

Welcome back to second term.  
I hope everyone had a great break and is well rested. The year is just flying by. We are back into the swing of things already. So much has been happening we are just run off our feet. We have already had been and represented the school at our ANZAC march, we have already had TuckShop, we still have a few Smencils left for purchase.

Sue McBride  
P & C President



## Message from the school Chaplain

### Duke of Edinburgh Awards Program

Welcome back to all our students, parents and staff for term 2. We have a lot of things going on this term, especially with our Duke of Edinburgh Awards program. Parents are invited to attend an information session about this program on 20 May 2015 at 4pm-5pm. If your child is enrolled in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards program, or if you would like to help out as a volunteer, please don't miss out on this session. An afternoon tea will be provided.

### 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Well-being

Sometimes we find it difficult to talk to someone. We often go through tough times on our own and eventually we end up in a world where everything is just too much. As a school chaplain, I want to let every parent, student and staff member know that you are not alone and that I am there to help.

There is a mailbox in the office where you can mail your letters to me, if you find it easier to write than to talk. You can send it to school with your children and they can put it in my mailbox. I will reply on every letter and do my best to help where possible.

Please see attached flyer for more information. We want to encourage our parents to attend this program to learn how to control difficult behaviour in children. There are 3 sessions and it is free. You just need a referral from the school. Please talk to Reno or myself if you want to attend these sessions.

If you have any prayer requests, please send me a text message on 0435 600 875. I would love to pray for you.

Corlia Pienaar  
School Chaplain (0435 600 875)

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