

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible



Muttaborra Saw Us

Muttaborra State School Monthly Newsletter

November 2021

Welcome to the first newsletter for Term 4. I would like to welcome back Miss Donna as a casual teacher aide working Monday and Wednesday at our school. We have also welcomed back Leenah to our learning community. I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work that Troy and Jane have made to ensure Muttaborra State School is a wonderful place for students to learn.

In the classroom, we have been working on analysing poetry in English to discover how poet's use of poetic devices makes poems humorous. Further learning this term includes student's using recycled materials, clay and plaster to design designing and create sculptures for Visual Arts. Students are strengthening their swimming skills in PE ready for the annual Aramac swimming carnival. Exploring chemical changes to properties is occurring in Science and building their knowledge on how to keep safe is the focus in Health. Lastly, in mathematics there has been a focus on the concept of money and fractions. We will continue to develop students' reading and writing skills aligned to their writing goals for this term. Students are certainly busy with their learning and have assessments scheduled from Week 5.

During Friday of Week 4, students participated in Day for Daniel. Students were allowed to wear a red shirt for the day. All students participated in activities that were developed to The Daniel Morcombe Foundation that provides personal child safety education to yo+'ung people to prevent abuse and promote lifelong health and wellbeing. We decorated cupcakes with red icing, ate red jelly with ice-cream and made shirts. Unfortunately, due to the rain we were unable to have our walk for Daniel or our swimming lesson in Week 4. A make up lesson may occur, so watch this space.

Behaviour and Learning Rewards

Mutty Money is now part of our rewards program. Students earn Muttaborrasaurus points for their learning activities and behaviour which can then be exchanged for Mutty Money to buy books and other rewards.

100 points = \$1

Students have enjoyed selecting books with their Mutty Money. The student with the most points each week receives a certificate of recognition on Assembly.

Attendance

We continue to display great attendance, above the region and like schools in the state. Attendance is presently 97%. Keep up the great work!

Rumble Quest – Outback Futures

Our students in Years 1 to 6 participated in Rumble's Quest during week 2. This was an online game that has been designed to measure student wellbeing.

Thank you to all the parents for retuning the signed permission forms. Outback Futures will provide the school with a report later this term that will assist us to plan further learning to develop our students' wellbeing.

Assembly Awards

	Student of the Week	Weekly Mutty Award
Week 1	Sarah	Tyzac
Week 2	Leenah	Sarah Tyzac
Week 3	Riley	Tyzac
Week 4	Dustin	Tyson

We have introduced a weekly Leadership Award. Our first recipients were Sarah and Arthur. Both students displayed great leadership skills when working with their peers.

Kindy

Kindy transition days are being offered in Term 4 for parents and students attending Muttaborra State Delivered Kindergarten in 2022. This is an opportunity for parents and prospective Kindy students to have a look at our programs and familiarise themselves with staff, students and learning spaces. If you have any questions about Kindergarten or have a child who is of Kindy age in 2022 please call the school.

Key Dates Term 4

2 November - Holiday
5 November - Swimming
8 November - Transition to Kindy Day One (9:00 to 1:15 pm)
11 November - Remembrance Day
12 November - Swimming
15 November - Transition from Kindy to Prep Day One (all day)
17 November - Transition to Kindy Day Two (9:00 to 1:15 pm)
19 November - Possible catch up day for swimming
25 November - Playgroup at Muttaborra State School
26 November - Transition from Kindy to Prep Day Two (all day)
29 November - Swimming Carnival at Aramac SS for students in year 1 to year 6
30 November - Awards night at the Muttaborra Hall
2 December - Student report cards mailed home
3 December - Last day of school and party day.



Students wearing “red” for Day for Daniel.

Parent Information

Positive relationships between parents and children: why they’re important

Children learn and develop best when they have strong, loving, positive relationships with parents and other carers.

That’s because positive relationships with parents and carers help children learn about the world—whether their world is safe and secure, whether they’re loved, who loves them, what happens when they cry, laugh or make a face, and much more.

You can build a positive relationship with your child by:

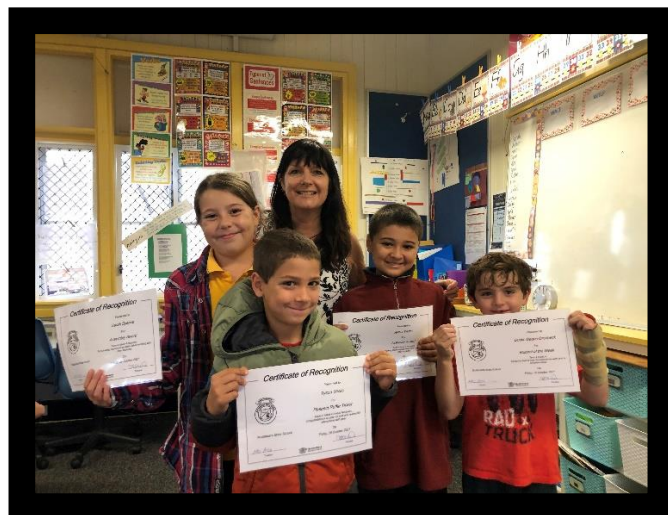
- Being in the moment with your child.
- Spending quality time with your child.
- Creating a caring environment of trust and respect.

Being in the moment: how it supports positive relationships

Being in the moment is about tuning in and thinking about what’s going on with the child.

Here are some tips:

1. Try not to give` directions all the time. If the child wants to pretend the building blocks are people, that’s OK. You don’t have to get the child to use them the “right” way.
2. Notice what the child is doing and comment on or encourage it without judgment. For example, “Are the big blue blocks the shopkeepers? And is the little red block going shopping?”
3. Stop and think about what the child’s behaviour is telling you. For example, if a child is hanging around you, they may just need reassurance before they decide to explore a different environment or activity.



Term 4 Week 4 Assembly recipients