



# MOWBRAY NEWS

Term 3 Week 10  
21 September 2022

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### **A plethora of performances!**

Last week our talented Mowbray students were out and about performing in the community as well as performing at our school Open Day.

All our school dance groups performed at the Chatswood Moon Festival. I was proud to see our students performing for the local community. They were impressive and very colourful! Thank you to Tara, Heather and Ally who supported them on the day.

Our school bands competed in the Ryde East Eisteddfod. They all had a very successful day with all groups acknowledged with an award.

Training Band and Performance Band received silver awards, Concert Band received a gold award. Congratulations to Conductor Cameron and the bands!

Our school strings groups competed in the ASBOF Festival. In the Brett Dean Premier Strings Ensemble Event our Chamber Strings won silver and Camerata won gold.

Congratulations to Conductor Will and the string groups!



### **Principal for the Day**

Each year at the P&C Parent Event, they auction the opportunity for a student to be Principal for the Day. This year our principal was Yuhansa from 6S. Yuhansa and I spent the day visiting classrooms, meeting our new 2023 Kindergarten students, and even managed to have a sneaky coffee break. It was wonderful to spend the day sharing my role with Yuhansa, she has included her principal's report in this newsletter.

### **Medication**

If your child needs to take medication during the day, please bring the medication to the school office with dosage instructions. Our office team administers medication if it is needed by students during the day.

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### Open Day

Last week was our rescheduled Education Week Open Day. We had a fabulous concert showcasing a taster of our bands, string groups, choir and dance groups. It was heart-warming to see so many of our parents/carers and grandparents who came to visit students' in classrooms.

Thank you for supporting the students of Mowbray PS.

Also a thank you to the parents/carers who volunteered in the library for the book fair.





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### **School Administration and Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week**

Last week was SASS week, where we recognise the vital role our SASS staff play in the smooth running of our school as well as care and support for all our students. Our office staff of Sharlene, Jacqui, Beth and Jennie led by our School Administration Managers Sue and Annabelle. The SASS team support our teaching staff as well as being the frontline staff to help our parent/carer community. From looking after children in sick bay to answering phone and email queries they work tirelessly as the backbone of MPS.

Our School Learning and Support Officers Donna, Symone, Megan, Fariah and Karen work to support teachers and students in classrooms across the whole school.

Our General Assistants Alan, Ed and George supervise all school contractors as well as maintaining the school facilities.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank our SASS team, your contribution is greatly appreciated by the whole MPS community!

Next week is the start of our Term 3 school holidays. There is no Staff Development Day, so we look forward to welcoming all our students back on **MONDAY 10 October**.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday break.

**CAROLINE ALFORD - PRINCIPAL**

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### A day in the life of... Principal Yuhansa

I had a very enjoyable day being Principal of Mowbray, starting off with the hardest activity and ending on a great note, walking Drake and handing out stickers!

The first thing I did was help with the Kindergarten Orientation. I handed out stickers, met a few crying children (who soon were happy and lively). We did multiple activities such as reading books, playing at different stations, cutting and gluing and colouring. Luckily, I knew a lot of the children as my younger brother and his friends were all there. It was just a great experience.

After the Kindergarten Orientation I went to my classroom with Ms Alford. We observed and I got to hand out stickers there too. It felt odd watching my classmates do work when I didn't have to, but it was fun to watch. My teacher asked me a few questions and we had a laugh until recess, which I had with my friends.



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When recess was over Ms Alford, Ms Ryan, Ms Morsley, Mrs Falk and I popped over to the Café for a quick coffee and hot chocolate break. I got a large hot chocolate with a marshmallow and a cookie with giant smarties on it!



Then we went to KE, KW and 3T, who all did terrific work which meant I handed out more stickers and more people got to pat Drake. After all the visits I went to lunch where I was asked many questions about being principal by a lot of younger people who were just as curious. It was funny to see their faces when I said that I went to the café!

After lunch Drake and I ran maths bingo in 5F, everyone had a lot of fun. Next we headed down to 4L who were quietly doing DEAR and listening to Mrs Lima read aloud to the class. Drake, again was loved there too.

As a surprise, we went to KM and KH who don't get to see Drake a lot. They were all just as well behaved as all the other classes we had seen and they had a lot of fun with Drake too.

I had a wonderful day as Principal!

- **Yuhansa J, 6S**



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### CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who will receive Awards:

#### **K - 2 GOLD AWARDS –presented at Assembly on 18 October**

KE	Sebastian M
KPT	Nilani H, Sadie S
1B	Charlie L, Chloe C
1C	Eva R, Imogen Q
1R	Emerson K
1S	Aashvi D, Mikayla C

#### **STAGE 2 GOLD AWARDS – presented at Assembly on 1 November**

3T	Zehra O, William A
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#### **STAGE 3 GOLD AWARDS – presented at Assembly on October 11**

5BH	Alyka A, Lili S
5F	Mikail B, Isla T, Jay F
5FV	Olivia A, Mila G
6HB	Ayaan R, Ellie R
6S	Aisha J

### DATES TO REMEMBER – Term 4 2022

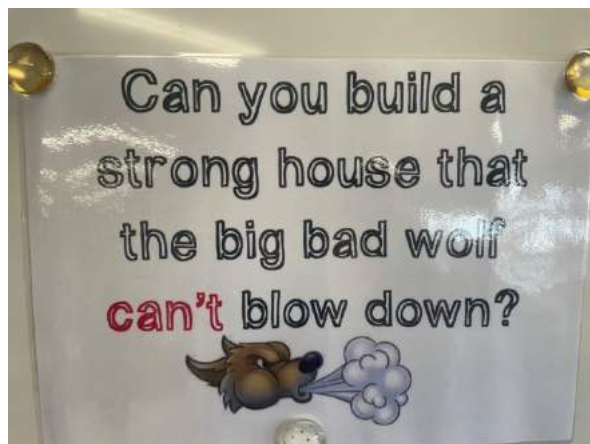
<b>WEEK 1</b>	
<b>Monday 10 October</b>	<b>Term 4 commences for all students</b>
<b>Tuesday 11 October</b>	<b>Stage 3 Assembly hosted by 6S</b>
<b>Thursday 13 October</b>	<b>Parramatta Riverside Theatre Excursion – Year 3-6</b>
<b>WEEK 2</b>	
<b>Monday 17 October</b>	<b>Festival of Choral Music concert – Stage 3 Choir</b>
<b>Tuesday 18 October</b>	<b>K – 2 Assembly hosted by KM and KPT</b>
<b>Wednesday 19 October</b>	<b>Kindergarten 2023 Orientation morning - session 2</b>

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### Kindergarten's STEM Challenge

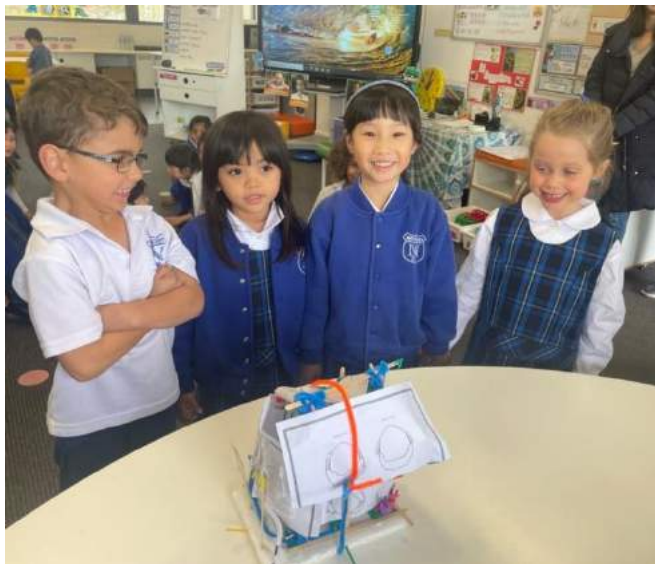
Kindergarten participated in a STEM activity linked to our Fairy Tales unit this term. During Open Day they had to design and build a strong house that the big bad wolf can't blow down.

Students and parents had a great time!





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### Reconciliation Garden – Enhancement Project Update

#### Sustainable School Grants

In 2021, Mowbray was lucky enough to be accepted for a NSW Sustainable School Grant. Thank you to all of the staff, students, parents and community members who offered their time and skills involved in the Reconciliation Garden Enhancement Project. Some highlights of the project thus far are listed below:

- Enhancing the quantity, quality and variety of the native plants throughout the school environment; enhancing biodiversity in the local area.
- Improving student awareness and understanding of Aboriginal Education.
- Providing a relevant and real sustainability project for students to work collaboratively on.
- Installation of yarning circle.
- Installation of totem poles which will be designed and painted by First Nations peoples.
- Quality teaching experiences in the garden during NAIDOC Week.
- Commencement of the whole school composting initiative in 2021.
- Increased learning opportunities included in current and future programs e.g. history, geography, science, PDHPE- healthy eating etc.
- Semi-permanent signage to be installed to support and guide quality teaching of Aboriginal Education.
- Recycled watering cans project.



#### Reconciliation Garden Presentation & Working Bee



This week, Semester 2 SRC representatives and First nations students of Mowbray were invited to learn and work alongside Adam- a First Nations (Gadigal) landscape gardener who has been working on the Reconciliation Enhancement Project throughout 2022. During the garden presentation, students had the opportunity to learn more about the pre existing and newly planted flora throughout the garden. Adam shared many valuable connections to Country and First Nations culture. Students were also guided through a

working bee where they learnt how to correctly weed and care for the garden. Students enjoyed smelling, tasting and feeling the wonderful variety of bush tucker found in the Reconciliation garden.

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### Totem Pole Design Project

The Garden Project also involved the installation of three new totem poles. First Nations students of Mowbray will have the opportunity to participate in designing and painting these totem poles in Term 4.



### Long Term Care

During Adam's presentation, the Semester 2 SRC representatives and First Nations students received training on how to care for the garden. These leaders will present their improved knowledge of the space to their class in Term 4; allowing SRC students, gardening clubs and all students to gain the knowledge and skills needed to optimise learning and long term care for the garden.

Thank you to all of the parents and community members who volunteer their time and skills in caring for all of the garden spaces at Mowbray. We are incredibly lucky to have these valuable outdoor learning spaces which connect Mowbray students to the land, local flora, fauna, sustainable practices and First nations culture.



### Water Bottle Donations

Miss Foster is asking SRC students to donate one recycled water bottle each. These water bottles will then be recycled and used as water cans for the garden spaces around the school. Thank you to those families who have already handed in a water bottle for this project.



### Parent Helper Volunteers

If you are able to assist in drilling holes in the lids of the recycled water bottles in Term 4, please contact Miss Tara Foster via email:

[tara.foster1@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tara.foster1@det.nsw.edu.au)

Thank you,

**Miss Foster and Mrs Bonic**



## LIBRARY NEWS



**WOW!** What a tremendous return to our annual **Book Fair!** It was great to welcome so many families to our fabulous library and fair. The book fair sales were a staggering \$3,855!! Thank you MPS parents, carers and grandparents for making this such a successful event. We are currently in the process of finishing the nameplates with the student names and classes. Kindergarten and Year 1 nameplates have been completed so these books will be ready for borrowing by the recipient students this week. A huge thank you to Jenny D and the other parent volunteers who helped to make this such a great event.





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Kindergarten recently completed their challenge activity which involved using the engineering design process to design and make a device to save the fairy tale character, Rapunzel, from the castle. It was great to see that students had a variety of ways to tackle the problem and many had to rethink their original designs after their first designs testing failed. Finally, it was time for the real challenge where the finished designs were dropped from the top of the ladder (saving Rapunzel from the castle tower) and timed.

The winning design saw 'Rapunzel' float and suspend in the air for the longest time. The students devised that the winning design was successful due to the area of the parachute and the joins with no air gaps. Budding engineers in the making!! Well done, Kindergarten!

***Happy Reading Adventures, Mowbray!***



***Mrs Dana Duveck-Steele, Mrs Belinda James, Miss Colleen Tringham, Mrs Jennie Neil-Smith - Library Team***

# Pyjama Day!



## Raising funds for Juvenile Arthritis

**Juvenile Arthritis** is a disease in children, that makes joints such as knees, knuckles, elbows and ankles get swollen and causes pain – mostly every day.



Help support these children and families with a gold coin donation.

Wear your pyjamas at school  
and have fun!



*thank  
you*

## Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, Wk 10



This is an SRC fundraising initiative for Juvenile Arthritis.

NOTE: Sensible pyjamas, onesies or oodles; wear sports shoes, no slippers outside the classroom.





# HAVE THE SLIME OF YOUR LIFE!™

What an amazing day we had at the Slime Spectacular last week! **We raised an incredible \$32,145.**

Congratulations to everyone for raising so much money for our school. The money is going towards four interactive play spaces. Also, for every \$20 we raised, Carbon Neutral and the Great Barrier Reef Foundation plant one coral in the Great Barrier Reef. This means thanks to us, there will soon be 1575 extra coral in the Great Barrier Reef.

Our top fundraiser was Natasha S from 4L followed by Ashton H and Noah D from 3M.

The top fundraising class was 3M with an amazing \$9030. They got to colour bomb Ms Alford and will get an early lunch and pizza this week.

Thank you to the teachers for sharing the fun with the kids and all the volunteers who helped us out with setting up the course and sliming the kids.

On behalf of the year 3 slime run committee (Duncan, Bernadette, Hannah, Debbie, Kat, Ruth, Priya and Caitlin), we'd finally like to thank you, the parents and carers. Not only for your amazing fundraising efforts, but also for supporting your children and for washing all their clothes after the slime run 🌈

**Mowbray Public School P&C Association**







# **HALLOWEEN**

## **DISCO**

### **& Dress Up Day**



**Monday 31 October**

### **DRESS UP**

Come to school in  
costume or mufti



### **DANCIN' TIME!**

**Kindy Disco**  
2.30pm – 3.10pm

(Kindergarten Disco is free  
of charge and does not  
include any snacks.  
No RSVP required)

**Year 1–6 Disco**  
3.20pm – 4.30pm

**TICKETS \$5 EACH**

(includes DJ, hot popcorn & ice block)



a fundraising event presented by  
Mowbray Public School P&C Assoc.





**Come see me shave  
my head on the last  
day of term 3!**

**Oval at 3.30pm**



**I'M SHAVING  
THE WORLD**  
**FROM BLOOD CANCER!**

**PLEASE SPONSOR ME TODAY!**

**Owen C - 5FV**

**Sponsor me via the  
link or QR code below  
– and you can give a  
dare to do with my  
hair leading up the  
SHAVE!**

**Thank you for your  
support for this  
important cause!**





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**OCT HOLIDAY**  
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This workshop includes presentations by:

- Lane Cove Council's Compliance Team
- Royal Life Saving NSW and  
a hands on CPR Awareness Training by ReVIVA First Aid

**Date:** Tuesday 18 October 2022

**Time:** 9:30am – 12:30pm

**Location:** The Cove Room, Council's Civic Centre  
48 Longueville Road, Lane Cove

Bookings essential as numbers are limited

**Bookings:** [www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au/events](http://www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au/events)



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## Open Day

### For Prospective Year 7 2024/2025 Families

On the day, there will be a Principal's Address and free school tours.

## Friday 23 September 2022

Registration by 10:00 am on  
Thursday 22 September 2022 is essential!

Register at:

<https://normanhurstboys.nsw.edu.au/open-day-2022>

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