



MOWBRAY NEWS

Term 4 Week 4
2 November 2023

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Chatzfest

Mowbray is part of a learning community that includes Chatswood Public School, Castle Cove Public School and Chatswood High School. It is called the *North Harbour Learning Community* and we work together to provide professional learning for staff as well as project opportunities for students.

One of our collaborative projects is a film festival called Chatzfest. This year each Stage 2 class put together a class video. Students in Stage 3 put together group videos and students were given the option to do individual videos in their own time. All videos were around a key theme 'window'.

The judging team is made up from representatives from all 4 schools and chose finalists and winners for each category.

A big congratulations to our Mowbray finalists!

Primary entries

Through the Window – 4H

Two Worlds through One Window – 3/4R

A Window of Opportunity – 4PW

Senior entries

Through the Ages – Thaizin and Bunty

Better Together - Amelia



The videos were screened at the Chatswood Westfield Cinema on Monday night at a private red-carpet event.

A big congratulations to 4PW who were the winners of their section!!

A big THANK YOU to Ms Hales and Mr Ferguson who organised the Mowbray Public School section of the competition.

World Teachers Day

Last Friday was World Teachers Day! Thank you to the P&C and the parents who provided a wonderful lunch for our staff to share. It was greatly appreciated by the teachers.

2024 Classing

At the end of every year, teachers and executive staff put many hours into forming classes for the next year. Teachers take into account educational needs, who children work best with and friendship factors. As a school community we need to remember that children are in class for the best possible education, and classroom teachers have a deep understanding of class dynamics and how the students in their classes work best.

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If you are concerned that your child has significant special needs that your 2023 classroom teacher is unaware of, or there are significant extenuating circumstances that need to be taken into account in 2024 classing, you can contact me via email or phone by Friday 17 November.

Emails should be sent to mowbray-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au with the subject line 'Attention Principal re: 2024 classing' explaining your child's significant needs or extenuating circumstances. All emails will be treated confidentially.

Any requests made will be considered, but are **not** guaranteed. Any request sent through after Friday 17 November 2023 will not be able to be considered.

Reminder: YEAR 5 PARENTS/CARERS – Selective High School 2025

Applications for Selective High School are now open for 2025. Any parent/carer of a child in Year 5 who wishes to have their child sit the entrance exam will need to fill in an application.

Applications open **9 October and close on 20 November**.

Information can be found at this website <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Applications can be made from the first page of the link above.

All applicants are expected to sit a test on Thursday 9 May 2024. Information on the test location will be provided through the Selective High School Unit next year.

Information has gone out via School Stream and email.

Reminder: Returning late or not returning in 2024?

Documentation of student movement is essential for the school executive to make 2024 classing structure decisions. There is a form to fill in (located on School Stream in the 'School Information' Section) to inform the school if:

- your family will be taking extended leave over the December/January holidays and your child will be returning to school later than Thursday 1 February 2024 (it is essential we have documentation stating your proposed date of return) or
- your child in Kindergarten – Year 5 will not be returning to MPS in 2024

I would politely request that any families who fit into these categories please fill out the form electronically via School Stream.

Thank you for your support with our 2024 planning.

CAROLINE ALFORD – PRINCIPAL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who will receive Awards:

STAGE 1 GOLD AWARDS – presented at Assembly on 21 November

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| KBC | Anastasia T, Aaryan P, Macy G, Mila R, Raphael O F, Scarlett M |
| KL | Ari P, Charlotte M, Mats O, Grace S |
| KS | Alan A L, Owen H |
| KT | Zoe D, Owen W, Michael S, Moana S-C, Lucas K |
| 1B | Jere S, Noah K |
| 1F | Yukiko L |
| 1LJ | Isabelle C, Imaan Z, Sammy W |
| 1S | Estelle G, Mira U |
| 1T | Riaan B, Olivia U |
| 2M | Isaac H, Matthew W |
| 2PE | Maria H, Imogen Q, Sara M |
| 2T | Eli R, Mikayla C, Liam L |

STAGE 2 GOLD AWARDS – presented at Assembly on 28 November

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| 3J | Aiden T |
| 3/4R | Riyaan S |
| 4F | Asher T |
| 4H | Noah W, Mongoljin C |
| 4PW | Evelyn C, Raya R |

STAGE 3 GOLD AWARDS – presented at Assembly on 7 November

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|------|------------------|
| 5/6B | Ara K |
| 5/6H | Ria R, Arielle L |
| 5/6J | Max E-B |

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

DATES TO REMEMBER – Term 4 2023

WEEK 5

Monday November 6

K – 2 Swim School commences at Ryde Aquatic Centre

Tuesday November 7

Stage 3 Assembly hosted by 5/6F

Friday November 10

K – 2 Swim School concludes

WEEK 6

Tuesday November 14

K - 6 Assembly – Meet the Choir and Dance groups 2.00-3.00pm

OFFICE NEWS

Office hours - are 8.30am to 3.30 pm. If you need to contact the Office, please do so during these hours.

Term Accounts – were emailed last week and are now due. Please pay your account promptly. If you have not received it, please check your junk mail.
Payments can now be made via the School Bytes Parent Portal.

SUE LEECE
ADMIN MANAGER

SCHOOL NEWS

Mowbray shines at Chatzfest Short Film Festival



On the evening of Monday 30 October, the finalists for the Chatzfest Short Film Festival attended a screening of their videos at Hoyts Cinemas in Chatswood.

The evening was a tremendous success and the cinema was filled with excitement as students watched their films being played on the big screen.

The students created entertaining videos that captured the theme of 'Window'. Students really enjoyed walking the red carpet and being celebrities for the night!

Congratulations to 4PW for winning the Junior Class entry category! Their silent film, "A Window of Opportunity", had the audience in giggles as we watched them attempt to return a water bottle to their classmate.

Congratulations to 4H, 3/4R, Thazin and Bunty from Stage 3 and Amelia from Stage 3 for becoming finalists of this competition as well.

The evening was a wonderful wrap-up of the Chatzfest Short Film Festival!

- **Miss Hales and Mr Ferguson**
Chatzfest Coordinators



SCHOOL NEWS





CALLING ALL KINDERGARTEN'S!

Fun drawing competition!

Draw what you think is
the best animal in the
world!!



Due November 24th
Please hand in to 5/6M

But wait! There's a PRIZE Top 3
winners get their artwork in the
Mowbray Public School Magazine/ Book!



By School Leaders:

- Trisha B
- Chloe C





Stage One Listen Up!

A competition is now
being held and we need
your artistic skills to make
it work.

**The rules are simple, draw YOUR hero.
This could vary from your plain old
Superman to even your Grandma,
whatever you desire, you can draw it!**

This activity will be set in your own
time, so what are you waiting for?

DRAW!

**Hand In to Ms Munro
by
November 24th!**



24 NOVEMBER, 2023

NATURE POEM STAGE 2

Hand to Miss Munro in 5/6M when finished

Poem could be e.g. Haiku, acrostic,
limerick, slam poetry, free verse



HEADS UP STAGE 3!

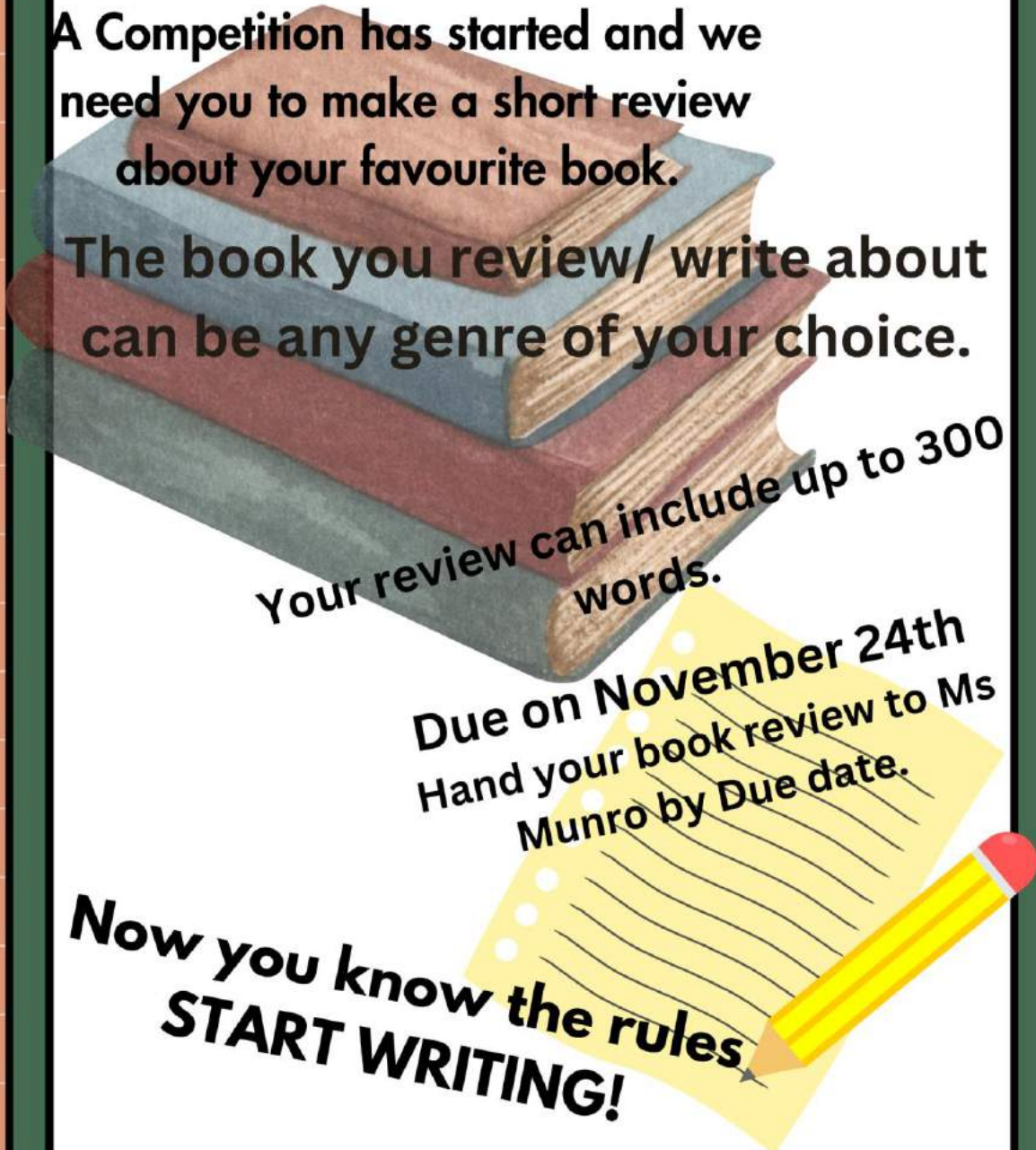
A Competition has started and we need you to make a short review about your favourite book.

The book you review/ write about can be any genre of your choice.

Your review can include up to 300 words.

Due on November 24th
Hand your book review to Ms Munro by Due date.

Now you know the rules
START WRITING!



School Student Travel

Term 4 2023

2024 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a new or replacement School Opal card or travel pass for 2024 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement because of a new shared parental arrangement (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details **before the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and travel passes remain valid for the start of the 2024 school year. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade (i.e. grade two to grade three), the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), we will send an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2024.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Changes to your bus service provider

Within Greater Sydney, a number of bus service providers have changed their names.

Parents intending to lodge an application for a School Opal card will need to visit [transportnsw.info trip planner](https://transportnsw.info/trip-planner) to obtain the correct bus operator name servicing your area prior to lodging an application.

Travel from Term 1 2024

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for 2024 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel open at the start of Term 4 2023, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a busy period for local transport operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

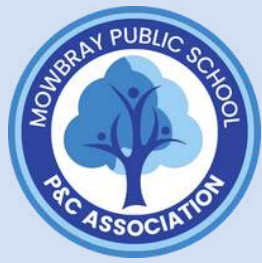
Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Students using School Opal cards are also reminded that they must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Further information can be found at [Plan your trip to school | transportnsw.info](https://transportnsw.info/plan-your-trip-to-school)

Enquiries can be submitted at [Fares, concessions, tickets & top-up feedback | transportnsw.info](https://transportnsw.info/fares-concessions-tickets-top-up-feedback)



WORKING BEE

Friday 3 November

As the fences come off the new Basketball COLA, it's time to do some tidying up! If you can assist with tidying/clearing the vegetable garden or cleaning our amazing Mulga mural, we would love your help. Meet near the veggie garden after school on Friday 3 November with your gardening gloves. Kids are very welcome but must be under adult supervision.



CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers needed!

Volunteers needed for the remainder of Term 4. No experience necessary. No food preparation. No money handling... and your kids will LOVE seeing you at school!



NEXT P&C MEETING

Tuesday 5 Dec,
7:30pm
(in the library
and online)

MUSIC PROGRAM 2024

Registrations are now open for students wishing to join the Mowbray Music Program in 2024!

**CLICK HERE
TO REGISTER FOR
STRINGS**



**CLICK HERE
TO REGISTER FOR
BAND**

Students currently in K-5 can register for the Strings program. Strings instruments available are the violin, viola, cello and double bass.

Students currently in 2-5 can register for the Band program. Band instruments include the flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, saxophone and percussion/drums.

Click the links above or contact music@mowbraypandc.org.au



Save the date

MOWBRAY CAROLS

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER

4PM-8PM

CAROLS SING-ALONG

ACCOMPANIED BY OUR CHILDREN'S CHOIR
AND MOWBRAY STUDENT ORCHESTRA

KINDY CHOIR

FOOD TRUCKS

ACTIVITIES

LUCKY DIPS, FACE PAINTING
& MORE!



WORLD TEACHER'S DAY 2023



Duncan
What a lucky bunch of kids to have Miss H!!



Like Reply 3d

Angela
Happy World Teachers Day to Mrs Bachrach from KD



Like Reply 3d

Courtney
2PE with Mrs Press on Wednesday 😊



Like Reply 3d

SHARING THE LOVE ON FACEBOOK!

Thank you to all the Class Parents who organised gifts for their teacher/s and all the parents for their contributions.

Our Mowbray staff felt very appreciated!

Joanne
Happy world teachers day to all of the wonderful staff at Mowbray public school and a very special thank you to Miss Graham for all of your support and guidance from the children and parents of 1T.



Like Reply 4d

Hollie
Happy World Teacher Day Mr Ferguson from 5/6F

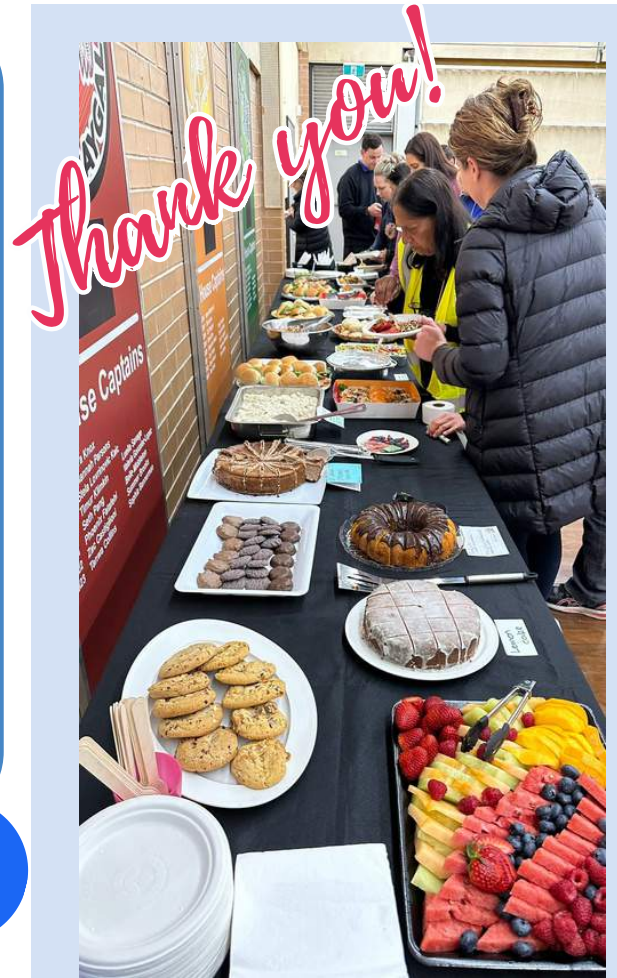


Like Reply 4d

Patricia
Mr McElhenny and his group of "bozzo's" as he likes to call his 5/6S kids - he thanks everyone for the gifts and great suggestions Faiza



Like Reply 4d



The P&C organised a lunch for all the educators, office team and teachers on Friday 27 October. to say thank you all for the work they do, many go "over and above" what is expected and we appreciate them all!

Many thanks to all the organisers and volunteers (cooking, prep, set up, cleaning, pack up etc!) once again. Many hands make light work!



WORLD TEACHER'S DAY 2023



Jane
Happy World Teacher Day Mrs Lima from KL!! We missed you this morning and hope you are not sick. Thank you for the brilliant kindy year in 2023 and for all that you do 🥰



Like Reply 4d

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Daniella
Mrs Rouessart was genuinely chuffed at receiving her gift of the lovely card, \$100 voucher and flowers this morning, surrounded by the 3S class. Thanks to everyone who contributed 🥰



Like Reply 4d



Joyce
Another one from 1LJ, Happy WTD to Ms James and all the teacher ❤️ THANK YOU



Like Reply 4d

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Joyce
Happy WTD Mrs Van Amersfort, from 1LJ ❤️



Like Reply 4d

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Gemma
KW had to deliver a day early. Our amazing teacher loved it and the kids were so proud of their individual pieces of work and how well the whole piece came together. A massive shout out to all the parents who worked with the kids at home to make the macrame leaves and to the kids for all the energy and managing to keep it a secret.



Like Reply 4d

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Ruth
Happy world teachers day to Ms Power and Mr Weber - a huge thank you from the students and parents of 4PW ❤️



Like Reply 4d Edited

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Shirani
Happy World Teachers Day and giant thank you from 5/6B to the amazing Mrs Lyons and Mrs Bonic! The kids were excited to celebrate with Mrs Lyons this morning and look forward to celebrating with Mrs Bonic on Monday 🥰



Like Reply 4d

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Jenny
Huge thank you to Ms Barnacoat (Amanda) from 2B who have loved having her as their teacher this year! Thank you for all you do Amanda, you're wonderful!



Like Reply 4d

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Bianca
KBC are lucky to have two teachers! We want to say a huge thank you to Mrs Collins and Mrs Baselgia for all the amazing work they do for our children.



Like Reply 3d

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Amy
KT are so lucky to have the superstar that is Miss Tringham 🥰 Happy World Teachers Day!!!



Like Reply 4d

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Kate
Happy World Teacher Day Miss Maher from 2M. It's been a wonderful year so far and the kids and parents are so grateful for all that you do



Like Reply 4d

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MOWBRAY MUSIC

Email: music@mowbraypandc.org.au

STRINGS RECITAL NIGHT



Join us for an evening of solo performances in the Hall, featuring our talented students from across the Strings ensembles

FREE ENTRY



TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

Session 1 (junior division) 5PM - 6:15PM

Interval for snacks & refreshments 6:15PM -

7PM Session 2 (senior division) 7PM - 8:15PM

Book your FREE ticket via the Try Booking website using the link or scan the QR code below



www.trybooking.com/CMXNC





PROGRAM INCLUDES

- 01** 9-3pm each day
- 02** Cricket, Soccer, Netball and Basketball on offer
- 03** Suitable for all ages and skill levels
- 04** Guest appearances at selected programs



THREE DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP!

\$234.50 for 3 days!
Offer ends November 19!



It was overall very positive and the kids made great connections with coaching staff and other participants

Dates

Late December and January.
See website for more details

LOCATIONS

North Ryde, Ryde, Frenchs Forest, Narrabeen

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NSW All Schools Athletics



Collette L represented Mowbray at the NSW All Schools Athletics Championships during the school holidays. She received a bronze medal for shot put, and placed 6th in discus.

Congratulations Collette!

