

# Mandurama



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## Public School

Term 3  
Week 10



### ENROLLING FOR 2022



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Tuesday the 5th of October



#### NSW School Updates app

The NSW School Updates app allows parents and careers to receive operational status updates for NSW Public Schools.

We are encouraging parents and careers to download the free app on their phone so they can keep up to date with the latest status of their child's/ children's School

The app is available on both

iOS & Android

# Principal's Message

## Newsletter Term 3, week 10

Wow....What a term we have had. I would like to start by saying a huge thank you to all our students, families, and staff here at MPS who have made my time here an amazing experience. It has been a joy working alongside such caring, supportive, and professional colleagues and meeting families who are deeply invested in their children's learning.

This term has seen many of our organised activities cancelled or postponed indefinitely due to the COVID restrictions placed upon us. Despite this, students at MPS have worked hard and maintained a positive and resilient attitude towards their learning. Our attendance levels this term are to be commended with many of our students achieving 100% attendance. As a result of this amazing effort, the students will be awarded a special lunch and movie day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

Unfortunately, due to ongoing COVID restrictions, we are unable to hold an end of term assembly. There will be awards handed out at our special lunch on Friday and photos will be posted on our Facebook page celebrating student achievements this term.

In this week's newsletter, you will see some samples of the work that our students have been doing in class. Everyone should be proud of their efforts.

In Term 4 we will be welcoming back Mrs Brill who has had a well-earned rest during Term 3. I am sure everyone is excited to see her back and I look forward to sharing the MPS Term 3 learning journey with her when I meet with her soon.

Once again, thank you everyone for making my time here at Mandurama Public School an amazing experience. I will take a piece of Mandurama away with me when I leave. Have a safe and happy holiday, recharge the batteries, and see you all back here in October.

Mrs Harding



## Star of the week

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# Father's Day 2021

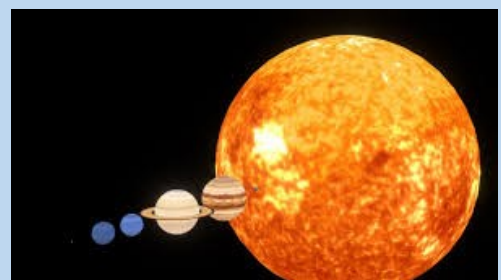
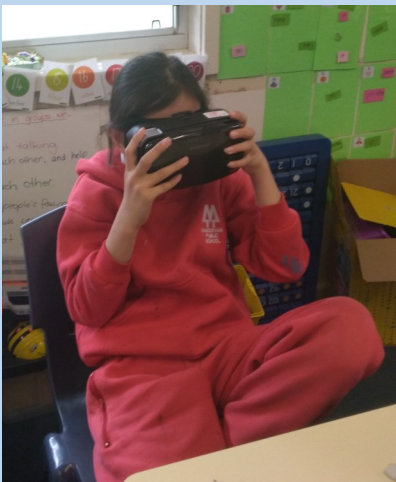
MPS students had a great afternoon with Mrs Hill & Jack making gifts for our Father's. We hope you all had a lovely day.





# Virtual reality

MPS students have had an amazing experience exploring different worlds, checking out our solar system, and taking a journey through a human brain. They had so much fun learning with the VR headsets.



# Student work

## Children should be forced to share their belongings

"Children should be forced to share their belongings!"

I strongly disagree with this statement in fact I am disgusted with the thought of it! There are multiple explanations for my opinion and I'm sure you'll agree with them too.

The first and probably most important reason would be health. When little children play with things they tend to stick in their mouth, so with that in mind what if the that child is sick? If the sick child's saliva ends up on the toy or they sneeze on it, the germs would travel on to the toy. When the teacher makes that child share the toy, germs would now travel and spread throughout the place. Eventually all the children would use that same toy and get sick too.

Secondly, what if the thing is a family heirloom or is expensive? You might be thinking their parents wouldn't let them take it but what if the child steals it or is actually allowed to bring it? Say they bring it for news or to show it to their friends. The child is showing the thing to the class for news, when at the end of their news the teacher tells the child to share it with the rest of the class because one of the children was whinging about it. At the end of the day the toy would most likely not be in the owner's possession and could be lost or worse stolen.

Lastly, what happens if the belonging gets damaged? I know some things like teddies or socks are hard to break or damage, but they still can be. For an example of a hard thing to break would be a plushie. A plushie is hard to destroy with your bear hands, but with your teeth or scissors the plushie is easily damaged. The children could definitely cut the thing with scissors by accident or on purpose during some craft activities. If the thing gets damaged there is a high chance it was not the owner's fault and the person who did it could get in a fight with the owner.

So with all those reasons I'm sure that you agree with me now that children shouldn't be forced to share their belongs.

## I Think Movies Are More Enjoyable Than Books

I think movies are better than book because books can take ages to read and movies just take around two hours and you get more information and have a better experience.

Movies can also be 3D and also in virtual reality, so you feel like you're actually there. Books can get boring after ten minutes of reading.

And in movies you don't need to read so if you can't read movies are a THING and if you have impaired vision there are audio described movies

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## Children should wear what they want

Hi, yes I'm talking to you! I'm going to explain why children should wear what they want, of course by the title. Let's get started!

I am strongly agreeing that children should wear what they want as long as it is appropriate and you're here to find out why.

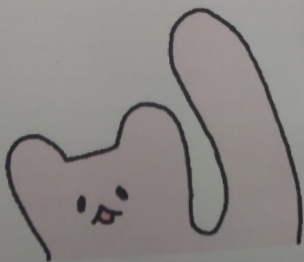
It is their choice, they control their behaviour, attitude & more but why not appearance?

Mood? Clothing is amazing in design which could change someone's mood from good to great!

Uncomfortable or comfortable? Kids should want to feel safe and happy in their clothing.

Those are three reasons why kids should wear what they want. I hope you got some tips off why kids should wear what they want.

Bye



## Ice Cream Scoop Patterning

Colour in the blank ice cream scoops to complete the patterns!





# Student work

## Sequencing

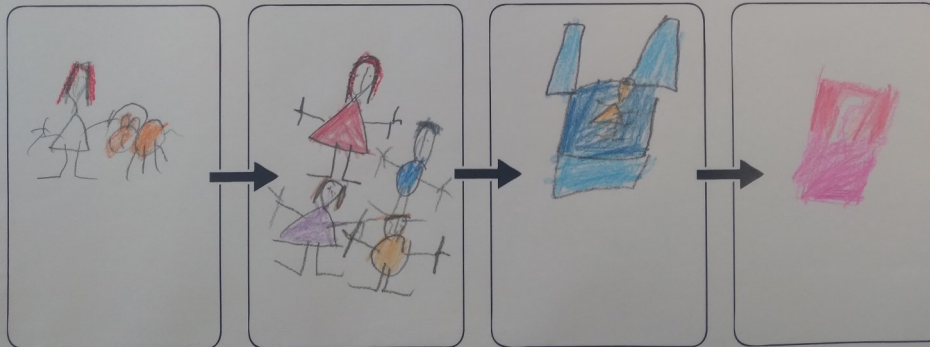
Write a sentence and draw a picture sequencing the events of a story.

First I play  
with my  
cats

Next I play  
with my  
cousins

Then I play on  
the  
trampoline

Last I have a  
nap



All children should own a pet!

I strongly believe that all children should own a pet.

Pets keep you fit because you can throw a ball to them.

Some people don't like pets because cats hiss at you and people are also allergic to them.

A dog is a man's best friend so all children should own a pet.

By Jack.

## Is city life better than country life?

Is city life better than country life? I personally disagree. Although other people would say otherwise here is why I believe in my opinion.

In the city shops can be very crowded and the roads are full of traffic. Since it's very crowded there is also a lot of noise. The cars passing by also make noise but not as loud as people on the streets. Being in a fast-food place or in most occasions most stores, the customers can make it quite loud. There are people chatting about what to get and there's people on the phone.

Living in the city can be quite expensive. Cities have higher rent cost due to population<sup>2</sup> and demand. Cafes and entertainment are also quite expensive. Going to a cafe for lunch can be a bit costly sometimes.

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Away from the city the air is fresher and cleaner. In the country at night the stars and moon are bright and clear but, in some cities, you can hardly see the moon.

Overall, I think that city life isn't always the best life.



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### Community Survey- Please help!

Thankyou for making the time to complete this brief survey which will help us to make decisions regarding MPS's future. Our school has served the Mandurama community for almost 150 years and we want to know what our community is thinking. Thankyou .



#### Question 1

1. Should Mandurama have its own Public School? YES/NO

Reasons

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2. Did you attend Mandurama PS as a child? Would you recommend it to others?

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3. If you have school age or pre-school children, we especially need your help.

Which main reasons would encourage you to send your child/ren to Mandurama Public School? (eg. higher student numbers, after/before school care, wider range of activities such as sport, music, chess etc, longer Kinder Transition time, staff stability, higher academic quality.....)

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**Thank you again for your time. It is appreciated.** Mrs Brill (Principal), families and staff



Mandurama Public School would like to invite the community to participate in a brief survey . This survey will help us to make decisions regarding Mandurama Public Schools future. Copies are available at the Mandurama Store & Greens.



**COWRA AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB**  
— Cowra Stingrays —

The Cowra Amateur Swimming Club is inviting you to **Come and Try Swimming Club** at the Cowra Aquatic Centre at 6PM on the

- 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2021
- 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2021

Join the COWRA STINGRAYS Team  
Register Through <https://cowra.swimming.org.au>

Club Nights on Tuesdays at 6PM (October to March)  
Beginner, Junior and Senior Squad Training Available (For Under 18 Year Olds)  
Active Kids Vouchers Accepted!

For More Information and Enquiries

<https://cowra.swimming.org.au>  
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## Cyber safety resources

Staying connected online is important now that many of us are physically isolated from family members, friends and support networks.

To support schools as they continue with learning from home, the department's website has information on [cyber bullying](#) and [cyber safe families](#), as well as [what to do if your child is experiencing cyberbullying](#) and [bullying](#).

The Office of the eSafety Commissioner has developed a range of tips and resources to help school leaders create safe online environments: [COVID-19: keeping schools and learning safe online](#). There is also an online safety kit for parents and carers: [COVID-19: an online safety kit for parents and carers](#).



## **COVID-19**

In accordance with advice from NSW Health [External link](#), parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms.

NSW Health has requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the [COVID-19 clinics External link](#).



Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.

Students who do not undertake a COVID-19 test result will not be permitted to return to school for a 10-day period. Additionally, they must be symptom-free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school. Students who have seasonal allergic rhinitis or another condition that presents similarly to flu-like symptoms are still required to get tested for COVID-19 and return a negative test result.

Where their symptoms continue beyond 10 days, students should provide documentation from their GP confirming their symptoms are typical for their condition. If the student develops new or changed symptoms, they should get tested for COVID-19.

COVID-19 testing for students with complex health or disability may be challenging. In these situations, schools will ask the parent or carer to have their child assessed by their medical practitioner. Where a medical practitioner determines that a COVID-19 test is not required, documentation must be provided to the school to confirm that the student does not have symptoms that warrant a COVID-19 test. The certificate must also indicate that the student is able to return to school.

## COVID Safe Check-in UPDATES

From Term 1 2021, all NSW public schools use the Service NSW COVID Safe Check In.

Look for the COVID Safe QR code posters when you enter your child's school. Be sure to sign in at the school administration building according to your school's visitor guidelines.

All schools may adopt the following changes commencing 8 March 2021:

- Parents and carers may enter the school to drop off and pick up students in accordance with local school COVID Safe arrangements.
- All visitors to a school site must comply with sign-in arrangements and must also check in using the Service NSW QR code.



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