



MIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Principal's Report

Welcome to all of the new students at Mian School for Term 2 2012. These students are Caleb, Patrick, Jesse, Josh, Adan, Joel, and Jerome.

Mr George Sayers is new to the teaching team at our school this term. Mr Sayers has a wealth of teaching experience in Western NSW including teaching at Walgett Community School. He has a real talent for engaging students in their education. We warmly welcome Mr Sayers to our school.

This term, we also welcome Mrs Cathy Fiddock to Mian School as our School Counsellor for 2012. Mrs Fiddock is helping students to complete nomination forms so they can be involved in weekend camps with Youth Insearch.

Some highlights of this term include Blake and Josh winning art prizes at Dubbo Show. Blake won a first prize and Josh won second. A fantastic effort boys!

Early in the term we held our ANZAC Day Ceremony. Thanks to Private Isaac Mauro representing The Royal Australian Defence Force, Delta Company 1st/19th Battalion based here in Dubbo for attending our ceremony and wreath laying.)

Making up lost time in

Literacy (Multilit) is a new program being co-ordinated by Mrs Wykes at Mian School. We look forward to this intensive literacy program providing an opportunity for students to improve their reading and decoding skills.

There is also some fantastic work going on in the junior school. In Classroom 4 Mrs Harrison's class are making some fantastic progress while interacting with the classroom 4 pets. Buddies, parrots and goldfish are all positive influences in the classroom. There has also been a fantastic display in the foyer from Classroom 4 focusing on the Anzacs.

Mrs Graves and Mrs Weber's Class had a visit to Old Dubbo Gaol and The Zoo this term. They also

have displays in the foyer.

This semester Mian School will be launching the start of Positive Behaviour for Learning. This is a program designed to explicitly teach positive behaviours. The school will be in contact when the launch is going to occur.

This term we have launched a new rewards program for students. When students make positive behaviour choices they earn points. At the end of each week students can then either bank points for the week or spend them at the Mian School Shop. Thanks to the Manly Seagulls and Paramatta Football Clubs for donating prizes to The Mian School Shop.

Thanks also to Kellogg's for donating cereal for our Breakfast Club.



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Coming Events:

- ☺ Next P&C Meeting - to be advised
- ☺ Presentation Day—
Wednesday 27th June 2012
- ☺ Next Canteen Red Day—
Wednesday 20th June 2012
- ☺ Next Family BBQ BBQ—
Monday 13th June 2012
- ☺ Last day of Term 2 2012
will be Friday 29th June
- ☺ Students return for Term 3 Tuesday 17th July 2012
- ☺ The next Newsletter will be posted on Wednesday 4th August 2012

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Mr Sayers and Caleb at the Gym

Assistant Principal's Report

Term 2 has been a very busy one for both students and staff. Our student leader Luke and I attended the Dubbo schools Anzac Day ceremony where Luke placed a wreath on the cenotaph. This was followed by a ceremony at school involving all students and staff.



Luke at the Cenotaph

A very successful Biggest Morning Tea was held recently organised by Mrs Harrison with decorating competitions for students, guessing competitions and lucky door prizes.

Mr Sayer's Report

We have had a great start to term 2 in classroom one. This term we have an all new class. The students are Caleb, Koddey, Patrick and Adan. I (Mr Sayers) am also a new inclusion to the Mian School staff and from what I can see, we are all settling quite well.

For English we have been studying the film 'Harry Potter' to which we will make comparisons to the novel. We have been using strategies to improve independent writing, spelling and comprehension. Students have also been doing

A big thankyou to all those parents, carers and community members for attending. Not only was it important for the Cancer Council but it provided an opportunity for parents, carers, students, staff and members from our community to have some fun.

This followed our very successful Harmony Day activities with parents and carers last term organised by Mrs Wykes.

More of these fun activity days are being planned for throughout the year, including the mobile climbing wall where students are able to challenge themselves.

All students are enjoying the fresh fruit that is available in all classrooms throughout the

journal entries on each day.

In Science we have been looking at 'Forces at Work', and the different machines that help make things easier. The students have been identifying the different types of levers, their parts and the different machines we use in everyday life.

In HSIE we have looked at the various cultures from around the world, in particular related to the martial arts. Students have been able to see various combat techniques, spiritual

day which is promoting healthy eating practices.



Students test their decorating Skills at The Biggest Morning Tea All students were able to visit the Dubbo Show recently and had a great day. Students submitted some artworks and hopefully next year we will be able to enter even more sections.

Students also visited the Cultural centre to view the exhibition by Lynette Riley Mundine.

ceremonies, significant historical events (both ancient and contemporary), costumes and dances.

For PDHPE the students have learned about 'Relationships and Tolerance' and the importance of effective communication has on establishing and maintaining healthy relationships.

Classroom 1, has had a positive start to the term and I will be looking forward to seeing more talents from the students as the year progresses.

Mrs Barnes' Report

Once again The Vocational Education Class have had a very busy start to term 2. The year 10 class are achieving success in their Certificate 2, Business Studies. They have successfully completed three compulsory units. The students are looking forward to the Industry visits later in the term to Dubbo City Motor Cycles and Bunnings to learn how their Certificate 2 in Business studies is contributing to their employability skills.



Craig Barlow and Jake

The students are continuing to enjoy attending the Dubbo TAFE every Thursday to continue their studies in the 'Automotive T. Vet course'. Craig Barlow the 'Auto Body Repair' teacher has this term commenced delivery of auto motive battery safety and vehicle electrical systems. They are learning to test electrical components and carry out minor wiring repairs. In the 'Spray Painting' component of the course, Rob Fahy the 'Auto Body Refinisher' teacher has taught the students design masking and special effects on panels.



Rob Fahy with year 10 students

Ms Harrison's Report

Room 4 has started a busy first Term 2 with lots already happening. The term started with our ANZAC Day ceremony. We were fortunate to have Private Isaac Mauro come and officiate.



Our unique Horse Course continues with Savannah coming to school to start Week 3. The boys are increasingly aware of the

messages they send Savannah—with or without words.

We have again begun our regular visits to the RSL Gym. A big thank you to Donna and the staff at the Gym for their creativity and enthusiasm. The boys love setting goals and achieving them! Term 2 saw all students in Year 7 across Australia participate in the NAPLAN. Our boys were very patient and participated with their best efforts. Good on you!

The menagerie in our classroom continues with a slightly changed line up. After a sad holiday break, Pinchie has been joined by Parachute. Our condolences to the boys on the loss of Theo the purple budgie.

The boys exhibited original artworks in the annual Dubbo Show. In the Painting section, Blake was judged first place in the section contested by anyone 16 years and over 12 years old.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea has again come and gone. Jack was the Mian MasterChef assisting prepare CupCakes, Ninja-Breads and a range of decorations for the cake decorating games.



Congratulations Blake

Remember to wear your school T-shirt with pride!

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"Caring and Providing"



Mian School provides alternative educational programs for students in Years 5–10 from schools in Dubbo, Narromine & Wellington.

Our Mission Statement

Staff, Students and Community endeavour to:

- Encourage all students to value learning and strive to reach their potential;
- Establish and maintain a supportive environment which recognises talents, provides professional development and encourages cooperation, interaction and communication;
- Promote and develop partnerships between school, parents / carers and community;
- Encourage all to value, maintain and enhance the school environment by promoting a positive school culture; and
- Work together to meet the needs of all students.

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*Now that the weather is getting cooler
a reminder that school Guernseys are
available for a cost of \$45.00*

Mrs Weber's & Mrs Graves' Report

Welcome Jesse to Classroom 5. Class 5 have been working hard studying "The Rabbit Proof Fence". The boys have been amazed at the tenacity and strength of Molly, Grace and Daisy. Our Classroom has an amazing display of posters made by the boys. A favourite part of this unit was making Johnny Cakes with Ms Hughes.

Our new unit of work, with Mrs Graves is Space. The boys will study the planets.

When working with Mrs Weber we will engage in a film and book study of Roald Dahl's "Fantastic Mr Fox". This should be a fun unit and will be another book that the boys have read.

Our Celebrations Unit included a behaviour reward of a trip to Dubbo Show. How pleased the boys were to see that Josh had taken out second prize with his painting.



Luke, Craig and Josh on Space Roller at Dubbo Show. Jesse with his wrapped Mothers' Day present.