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This Week At Mittagong - Mr G Mansfield

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## School News

### Stage One
Welcome back to the new term. I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break. This term is going to be very busy and we have some wonderful learning activities planned for our students. I would like to say a very special thank you to Miss Thompson who has been teaching 1C in Mr Christodoulopoulos’ absence. Mr Christodoulopoulos has been on leave and will return to school next week. I would also like to welcome Mrs Santos to Stage 1 who will be teaching 2B for the first 3 weeks back.

Our first assembly will be held tomorrow, Friday 9 October, in the hall at 12.20pm. Miss Noakes and KN will be leading the assembly and KS will be presenting the class item. Our assemblies this term will be held in weeks 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9.

Mr Shannon Egan

### Stage Two News
Welcome to Term 4. It’s hard to believe the year is almost over! This term the students are working on a unit of work which looks into being money wise and sensible with money. In keeping with this, Miss Michael has arranged an ‘incursion’. A visiting speaker from the Commonwealth Bank will attend the school and workshop the students in moneywise activities. Later in the term she has arranged a market day where the students will become entrepreneurs and devise goods and services to sell. In line with this event, Stage 2 will acknowledge Grandfriends Day. Grandparents will be invited to our market day to participate in the fun activities. More information will be sent home later in the term.

Mrs Penn

### Stage Three
A reminder that any outstanding money for the year 5&6 excursion to Canberra and any other outstanding fees should be paid immediately. Please see the ladies in the front office.

Any parents who would be interested in helping out at the year 6 farewell night are invited to attend a meeting to begin planning this fun evening! The meeting will be on Tuesday 13th October after school (say 3.15) in Mrs Anderson’s classroom.

If you are unable to attend, but would still like to help in some way, please send a note with your child to Ms Buchanan or Mrs Anderson and they will gladly include you in planning preparations.

Mr Murray

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**No Hat**

**Play in the shade!**
School Banking News
The Lunar Light Band reward will not be available this term. Instead, there is a new reward item available for redemption while stocks last. Students can test their skills with a game of frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider! Once students have collected 10 tokens, they can simply include a note, along with their 10 tokens in their deposit wallet on banking day to advise that they would like to redeem their tokens for the Galaxy Glider reward item. Don’t forget the new Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4, as well as the following rewards from previous terms: ET DVD, Intergalactic Rocket and Invisible Ink Pens."

P&C NEWS
Family Fun (draiser)
Night: Save the date!
Sunday 8th November from 4.30pm to 6.30pm in the school hall & playground. There will be sausage sizzle, santa photos, family games, scavenger hunt and trivia. Flyer coming out soon with full details!

Canteen: Don’t forget, Cindy is open to parents AND GRANDPARENTS volunteering for half days. Then the opportunity to volunteer is available to more people and it lightens the load on the small crew of volunteers we have. Half days would be 9 am to 11.30 am and 11.30 am to 2 pm. Have a look at your calendar and see if you have a free couple of hours next term to work on canteen! Your kids/grandkids will love it. We appreciate every effort to volunteer in the busy lives we all have. Please contact Cindy on 0435 842 035 or fill in the slip in this newsletter.

Email: We now have a P&C email address mittagongpublicpan dc@gmail.com

SCHOOL SHADES
Medical research has now recognised that primary aged children not only should have a hat while in the sun, but eye protection. The P&C is placing a one off order of SCHOOL SHADES sunglasses to protect students against long term harm of ultraviolet rays. These will be green with MPS on the side and come in Small Medium and Large sizes. They have a name place inside to write your child’s name on and come with a matching case which also has a name place inside and a microfiber cleaning cloth. The glasses are made from high quality polycarbonate making them light and comfortable but also shatterproof. If you are interested in ordering please fill out the order form in this newsletter and return by Friday 30th October. Drop into the front office to see samples of the sunglasses.

School hats are available to purchase from the front office
Caps $6 or $15
Wide Brim $13
Bucket $11

SCHOOL SHADES SUNGLASSES ORDER
Please return this order form with money to school no later than 30 October.

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Congratulations to the students who received an award at the Assembly on Friday 18/09/2015

**IRON LION**
1L: Sophie
2S: Seth

**BRONZE LION**
1E: Hugo, Amelia, Caleb, Isabelle
1/2F: James, Hayley
2B: William W
2S: William T

**SILVER LION**
KH: Edmund
KN: Caitlin, Aaron
1E: Klara, Grace
1/2F: Michael, Ben
2B: Jimmy
GiB: Bam

**GOLD AWARD**
1C: Owen, Chloe
1L: Jayashruthi, Michael

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[ ] CANTEEN and or [ ] FRIDAY BBQ VOLUNTEER SLIP

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Hours: Canteen (All day, 9-11.30am or 11.30-2.00pm) BBQ (7.30-9.30)am
All children from Kindy – Year 5 are welcome at Kids@MAC. We begin Tuesday 14th October 3.30-5pm at Mittagong Anglican Church, main street.

Fun with games, craft, songs, Bible input, afternoon tea, and drama. This term we look at messages from some favourite movies, and preparation for Christmas.

Cost: $3 per child per day; $20 per child per term. Discounts for siblings.

For more info contact; Jono Mills/church office Ph 4871 1947; office@mittang.com.au, or check out our website; www.mittang.com.au

LIGHT PARTY!
Come one, come all!
Friday 30th October 4pm-6pm at Mittagong Anglican Church, main street, Mittagong.

This is an event open to all ages for a Puppet Show, games, craft, songs and lots of fun. A LIGHT meal will be served during the party, and children will leave with party bags. Please pre-buy tickets for catering purposes; Family = $5, Individual = $2. The church office will have tickets for sale from 12th October; Office hours 9am-1pm Monday-Friday. (There will also be some tickets available at the door.)

For more information: Ph 4871 1947 Church office, email office@mittang.com.au

Year 6 Sausage Sizzle tomorrow morning $2 each