



# Mawson Lakes School

~ Cooperation - Pride - Quality - Respect ~

Week 9, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

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## 2017

15<sup>th</sup> Dec End of Term 4 2pm dismissal, Casual Day gold coin donation

25<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Day



## 2018

29<sup>th</sup> Jan Term 1 Begins

13<sup>th</sup> Apr End of Term 1

30<sup>th</sup> Apr Term 2 begins

6<sup>th</sup> Jul End of Term 2

23<sup>rd</sup> Jul Term 3 begins

28<sup>th</sup> Sep End of Term 3

15<sup>th</sup> Oct Term 4 begins

## A word from the Principal .....

Well it's the last newsletter for 2017!



It's hard to believe another year has gone by. It certainly has been a really exciting year for the school in a number of areas:

- Mawson Lakes School was first shortlisted in the SA Schools in Space Competition
- \$1M STEM building is well underway and should be open to students mid-term 1
- \$6M funding awarded to our school as part of DECD's Building Better School's Programme
- Yr. 7 students participate in STEM Camp
- Development of new Nature play areas in the school
- Yr. 7 Graduation Ceremony and Disco
- International outdoor classroom day!
- Great whole school events including: 'Dream Big, Book week, Sports Day, Walk-a-thon, End of year concert and lots of terrific gatherings!
- Lots of great sporting achievements by our school basketball and netball teams
- Lots of great fundraising and governance work done by our Governing Council members
- Great success in the Oliphant Science Awards

We wish all families a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and a safe holiday period. We look forward to seeing you all in again in 2018.

David Cowles  
*Principal*



**The first day back at school is Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of January.**



**New Stem Building is taking shape**

## Goodbye and thank you to Yvette

On behalf of the staff, students and parents of Mawson Lakes School, we would like to farewell to Yvette Percy who has decided to retire from taking keyboard/guitar lessons in schools. Yvette has been a part of our school for 11 or so years and many hundreds of students have worked with her over that time. We will all really miss her and wish her well for the next chapter in her life.

**Term 4 ends Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2pm dismissal**

**Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year**

## **AGM 2018- Calling for new Governing Council members!**

Our AGM will be held next year on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> of February. As a number of our long established Governing Council members are retiring, we are looking for new parents to come on board in 2018. Can you spare two evenings a term to help support your child's school? Governing Council (GC) only meets twice a term for a couple of hours, but the work they do in that time really does make a difference to our school and your children.

### *Why go on Governing Council?*

- Have a say in the governance of the school and decision making around policies
- Get to meet and work with other parents who are passionate about their child's school
- Gain a better understanding of the curriculum directions of the school etc.
- Have some fun on a sub-committee such as fundraising, sports, oshc etc.
- You don't need any previous experience; just a willingness to work together with the school and other members to make our school even better!

If you think you are interested in nominating for Governing Council, please email your name and contact details to Mandy Van Hees (front office) [Mandy.VanHees649@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Mandy.VanHees649@schools.sa.edu.au) or come along to the AGM. It will be held in the Mobora Rooms (Dennison Centre Gym) on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of February at 7pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

### "Wish list" to spend \$6M started!

We have met with architects to put together our ideas or a 'wish list' of how we can spend the \$6M as part of the 'Building Better Schools' grant. DECD have provided us with some guidelines on what the monies can be spent on which include: The removal of older portable buildings and replaced with new permanent classrooms, refurbishment of older areas etc. We are not sure at this stage when any formal design and building will commence, but we are hopeful that we could see some kind of action late in 2018.

## **Market Day**

The 2017 market day was held in week 8 on Wednesday in the gym. The year 7 students got into teams and collaborated ideas to then put forth a product to sell to the students. A lot of planning and research was put into this. We faced many challenges and were often put in the "learning pit", but we learnt how to overcome them and be successful. The most profitable product was slime stress balls made by Jennifer and Bowie. The money they earned made up 20% of the market day profit. It was a great experience which we learnt a lot from.



## SASTA Oliphant Science Awards

The Mawson Lakes school community would like to thank the following students for their participation in the SASTA Oliphant Science Awards:

Mai Le, Tarush, Savitha, Harry, Bhavnour, Lucas, Nate and Otis for Computer Programming & Robotics.

Samiha and Lias for Crystal Investigation.

Eugene, Stephen, Anastasia, Abhinav, Megan, Twisha, Amy, Natali, Asia, Kai, Alyssa, Sandra, Hayden, Radovan, Ruby, Isabelle, Parampreet, Chelsea, Bethany, Charlie, Jasmine, Sanya and Kira for Models & Inventions.

Harrish, Maryam, Muhammad, Erin, Zainab, Alessia, Riyaan and Alexa for Posters.

Jesse for Multimedia.

Mai Vuong for Games.

Riyaan, Inika, Jorja, MahRukh, Muhammad Abu Bakr for Science Inquiry.

Isabella, Amelia, Nicolas, Kaitlin, Harvey, Riyaan, Eenhoo, Inika, Louisa, Suri and Laura for Photography.

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September the following students received prizes for their Science project entries at an award ceremony at Brighton High school.

1st prize (6-7) Scientific Inquiry and the Nature Foundation Sponsor Prize R-7: Inika Weber.

1st prize (3-5) Models and Inventions and the Australian Institute of Physics Prize R-12: Eugene Lee.

Highly Commended (6-7) Models and Inventions: Stephen Leonen and Anastasia Georgopoulos.

1st prize (6-7) Computer Programming and Robotics: Lucas Cody, Nate Lomas and Ottis Nanding 2nd prize (R-2) Scientific Inquiry: Riyaan Dutta.

3rd prize (R-2) Computer Programming and Robotics: Mai Le

3rd prize (R-2) Games: Mai Vuong

Highly Commended (3-5) Photography: Disha Narayan.

Uni SA Sustainable Future Prize (R-7) was awarded to Ruby Blackwood and Isabella Webb.

Our school was awarded the CSIRO Education/ CREST Primary Prize for Consistently High achievement and participation in the Scientific Inquiry and Models and Inventions categories.

We were also awarded a Catholic Education SA Primary School Prize for the best primary school

with high achievement and participation across a wide range of categories.

Congratulations to all students for their wonderful projects and participation.

*Vira Wallis- Oliphant Science Awards coordinator for Mawson Lakes School.*



# The Arts with Kathryn

During Term 4 the whole school has been continuing their learning about Media Arts.

## Receptions, Year 1 and Year 2

Using the software Superstory the students have been finishing creating an electronic book about themselves.



On my first page I wrote the title of my book and drew a picture of myself.

On my second page I introduced myself and took a photo of myself using the web camera.



On my third page I wrote about my favourite thing and drew a picture of it.

On my fourth page I typed what I like to do at Lunch time and Recess. Then I used a digital camera to go outside and take a photo to match my words. Lastly I inserted the photo onto my page.



Some classes also created two other pages. On page five students created a picture that moved around the screen by designing a list of instructions. They then wrote about their moving picture. On page six students used any of the skills that they learnt to create a page of their own choice.

## Year 3 and Year 4

Using the software Powerpoint the students finished creating a slideshow based on the song Advance Australia Fair or I Am Australian. Finished products will be uploaded to the server and used at next years gatherings.



During this term we

- Typed the lyrics to a song. Classes typed the lyrics to the song Advance Australia Fair or I Am Australian.
- Added a background to each slide.
- Downloaded at least 5 images from the internet that connected to the lyrics.
- Drew and scanned at least 5 hand drawn images that connected to the lyrics.
- Used a digital camera to take at least 5 photographs and import them onto their slides.
- Upload the music of the song to their Powerpoint.
- Added transitions to each slide to match the timing of the music.

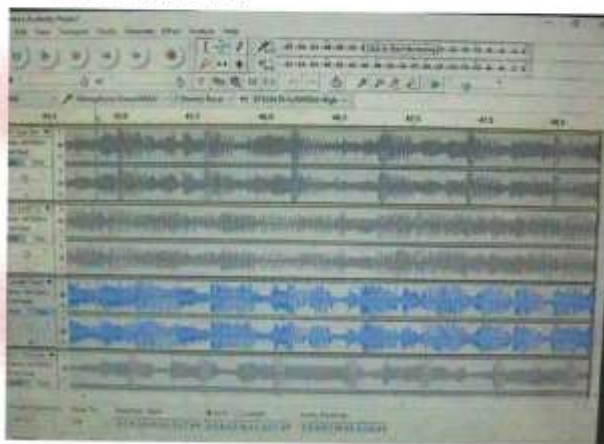


## Year 5, Year 6 and Year 7

Some of the classes have continued to complete Project 2 that they began last term. Project 2 involved them creating a radio or television advert. All classes then focussed on Project 3. This project involved students using the software Audacity to combine songs and music together into their own creation.



This term we needed to finish our second Media Arts project. In this project we worked with a partner in what Kathryn calls Learning Teams. I wrote my radio advert about raising money to help the homeless. My advert ran for 1 minute exactly. My biggest challenge was to speak loud enough for the computer speakers to record my voice.



I really liked designing Project 3 for Media Arts, in fact it was my favourite for the year. For Project 3 we worked by ourselves to create our own remix or mashup using Audacity software. I followed our success criteria which resulted in mixing 5 songs together to create a 5 minute megamix and I used 5 effects. Next year I hope we can repeat this project but have more time to complete it.



## **END OF YEAR CELEBRATION 2017**

On Thursday 30th November we presented our End Of Year Celebration for 2017. Due to the weather we performed inside the Denison Centre, with a large number of families and friends as our audience. This year all of our items were linked by a theme of Music That Inspires Us.

We started the evening by listening to students playing a variety of songs on guitar and keyboards under the guidance of Yvette (their keyboard teacher).



Our classes' items varied from singing, dance and a combination of both skills. The items represented a variety of songs that our MC DJs introduced. Our two other MCs, pretending to be on a sleepover, comments about the means of the songs and added quite a lot of humour to their performance. Students wore different costumes and some created props which added to their amazing performances. The MCs, Stage Hands and Stage Runners were exceptional at keeping the celebration running smoothly and helping us to finish early.

It was a great night full of fun and we hope to see

you  
all  
next  
year.



### Governing Council FUNdraising

The 2017 Governing Council FUNdraising team has wrapped up for the year and we would like to firstly thank everyone for their hard work throughout the year. We managed to raise over \$14,000 this year which was a phenomenal effort!

We would like to take this opportunity to advise the school community of the purchases we have made with the funds raised by the generosity of the school community and local community over this last year.

Items we have purchased from the wish list include:

- Many items and supplies for the nature play areas on Site West
- Line marker for the school oval for varying events
- Modern teaching aids such as Gears Gears Gears
- Giant Chess set
- Giant Jenga set
- Boom box
- Teaching aids and items to be used in the new STEM building

Thank you again Mawson Lakes School Community and to all the volunteers we have had this year. We couldn't do it without you all!



### SA Schools Space Mission

Mawson Lakes School has been successful in reaching Stage 3 of the SA Schools Space Mission Project. This will give our students an opportunity to participate in a STEM project working with scientists measuring the Earth's magnetic field from the Bartolomeo platform of the Space Station.

Thirteen students worked extremely hard for many months after school with Scientists from Uni SA and UCL coordinated by Ass. Professor Delene Weber. They also received industry support from a design engineer at Southcott Hydraulic and Control Systems Pty Ltd. Their multimedia presentations and reports were well received by the delegates at the International Astronautical Congress held in Adelaide on the 26th of September 2017. Delegates and Industry sponsors voted for our Magnetosphere project to proceed to the next stage.

Congratulations to Inika Weber, Lucas Cody, Parampreet Kaur, Otis Nanding, Brendon Mace, Sandra Chirathara Raji, Nate Lomas, Billy Perifanos, Jesse Weber, Harry Nielsen, Savitha Lamahewa, Tarush Srivastava and Sreya Santhosh. Thank you to all the parents who supported the project, attended the meetings and came with us to the Convention Centre.

Vira Wallis

Lead teacher Mawson Lakes SA Schools in Space Mission project.

### Pacific School Games

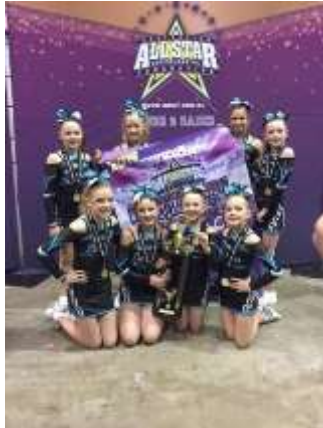
PJ competed in the Pacific School Games in December of this year. He is number 1 in Shot Putt with a distance of 15.24 metres.

This is now 2 years in a row as an Australian champion. Well done PJ, we are all very proud of you.



## National Cheerleading Competition

Kaitlin H Yr 4, recently competed in the National cheerleading competition in Melbourne on 25 November. Run by the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation (ASSCF), the competition hosts 1,200 teams/10,000 competitors over 4 days. Competing with her team mates from Dance Inc Adelaide Cheer and Dance, level 2 team, 'Luminous', achieved 3rd place.



## UMS School Uniform Supplier

School Uniform shop extended hours for back to school needs in **January 2018** are:

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> :- 9:00am to 12:00pm  
 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>:- 9:00am to 12:00pm

Their Norwood shop hours are from January 2018 will be

Monday to Friday:- 9:00am – 5:00pm  
 Saturday:- 9:00am – 12:00pm



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## Mawson Lakes JFC SEASON 2018

### JUNIOR FOOTY U6's to U11's



The Club are looking for players for teams from Under 6 through to Under 11 (born in 2006 to 2012) for season 2018.

The Mawson Lakes Junior Football Club was formed in 2015, and welcomes all existing and new families who are new or experienced to the game.

Registrations to play, or to register an expression of interest to play, are open online to all current and new players, both boys and girls, via the SANFL Juniors website, or via

<https://membership.sportstg.com/registroform.cgi?aiD=23097&pKey=idece29a43e1d9864b5f598f6330b374&cID=232988&formID=36056>

**Come and have a kick**  
**Registration Day Thursday Jan 18<sup>th</sup>, 6-7pm**  
*Mawson Lakes Oval, Corner of Mawson Lakes Blvd & Main North Rd*

### GIRLS FOOTY U8's & U10's

As we know Women's Footy is growing rapidly with the creation of an AFL competition and the Adelaide Crows creating a side. We are now looking to create a pathway so Junior Girls can play footy next year in 2018.

Please contact the Club for more details, or to provide an expression of interest, via  
 Damian [damianemery@sps.catholic.edu.au](mailto:damianemery@sps.catholic.edu.au) or 0401 361 257  
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**MAWSON LAKES STAFF WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.**

*Below is a beautiful display from the children in Karen Hoff's Reception class.*

