Dear Parents/Caregivers

As we come to the end of a very busy term I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as I step into the Principal role for the next two terms. I have been at Mulga Street Primary School since 2006. During this time I have undertaken a variety of roles including; classroom teacher yrs 5-7, NIT provider R-7, Acting Deputy Principal, Science Facilitator and Australian Curriculum Facilitator. I have co-ordinated ‘Move It at the Helpmann’ for the past 6 years and embraced the opportunities to be part of the Mulga Street community through fund raising activities, working bees, camps and committees and in 2014 won the Deputy Principal position. I look forward to the many challenges that this new role will offer as well as the opportunity to work with the staff, students and families of the Mulga Street Primary School Community.

I would like to welcome Tamarin Condon into the Deputy Principal role, back filling myself, and look forward to working with her and James Egan as we continue to develop teacher capacity and student improvement in learning outcomes.

I’d like to thank the staff for their hard work and commitment, all volunteers who have found time in their busy lives to contribute to the learning and well-being of students, families for valuing learning and their support of their child’s educational journey and the students for their continued commitment to being the best they can be.

I wish all staff, students and families a restful and safe Term 1 break, I will see you all back on Monday, May 2nd.

Mardi McClintock
Principal

Tamarin Condon
Deputy Principal

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

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**MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGE**

A reminder that the Materials & Services Charge (school fees) is now due.

If you have not applied for School Card and believe you may be eligible, please collect a School Card form from the Front Office. School Card must be applied for every year.

Thank you to those families who have made arrangements with the school to pay the fees by instalment.

If you wish to pay by instalment please speak to Sue Shaw (Finance Officer) ASAP. Please do not hesitate to contact Sue if you have any issues in regard to the payment of school fees.

**NEW BANK DETAILS**

Please note that as of Monday 26th October 2015 the School’s new bank account details for direct debit payments will be:

- **Account Name:** Mulga Street Primary School Council Inc
- **Bank:** Commonwealth Bank of Australia
- **BSB:** 065-504
- **Account Number:** 10362131

**GENERATIONS IN JAZZ FUNDRAISER**

Please note that the dates were incorrect on the flyer sent home this week. Generations in Jazz weekend is Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th May and perishable items can be left at the school on Friday 6th May. Sorry for any inconvenience. Donations are being sought for the following items, thank you once again.

- Learning Hub 1
  - jams
  - bread
  - but
  - Flavoured milk
- Learning Hub 2
  - vegemite
  - margarine / butter
  - bacon
- Learning Hub 3
  - Flavoured milk
  - bacon
  - bread
  - margarine / butter
  - bacon
  - bacon

**NAPLAN WEEK 2, TERM 2**

Any parent who wishes to withdraw their child from the NAPLAN Assessment 2016 from years 3, 5 or 7 need to speak with leadership or classroom teacher before the end of this term, to complete a withdrawal consent form. Students with disabilities are also able to be exempt please speak with leadership or your classroom teacher to organise this exemption.
SAPSASA Athletics Day

On Thursday 31st of March Mr Renzi and I took 42 students to Mount Gambier High School to compete in the Lower South East SAPSASA Athletics Day. All of our athletes performed to the best of their ability and gained valuable experience competing with the best athletes from the other schools. It was fantastic to see so many Mulga Street parents cheering our students along. We had some tremendous individual results on the day with several of our students now having the opportunity to travel to Adelaide and compete in the State Athletics Championships later this year.

Lucy Simpson – 1st 800m 9 year old Girls
Lucy Simpson – 1st High Jump 9 year old Girls
Talon Johnson – 2nd 200m 10 year old Boys
Talon Johnson – 3rd Long Jump 10 year old Boys
Deegan Habner – 1st Shot Put 10 year old Boys
Deegan Habner – 2nd Discus 10 year old Boys
Chloe Duryea – 3rd 200m 11 year old Girls
Jack O’Connor – 3rd Long Jump 12 year old Boys
Laine Kuhl – 1st Shot Put 12 year old Boys
Sam Lock – 3rd Discus 12 year old Boys
Bonnie Camm – 3rd 200m 12 year old Girls
Bonnie Camm – 1st Long Jump 12 year old Boys
Makaylah Sanders – 2nd Discus 12 year old Girls
Jordan Freeman – 3rd 200m 13 year old Girls
Kaylee Howard – 3rd High Jump 13 year old Girls

Thanks
James Egan

WELCOME – STEPHEN WANGANEEN
ACEO

Hi my name is Stephen Wanganeen and I have been appointed as the Aboriginal Community Education Officer (ACEO) at Mulga Street Primary School. I have lived, worked and went to school here in the South East most of my life. I also previously worked in a similar role as an Aboriginal Education Worker (AEW) and an SSO at Melaleuca Park Primary School and Grant High School. One of my main roles is to engage the Aboriginal community into the school through reconciliation, NAIDOC week, indigenous garden and just helping out in the school. I will be here on Monday, Wednesday and Friday if you wish to contact me. I am also looking forward to helping support our indigenous students, parents and staff into the future.

Regards Stephen

PCW NEWS

I have been busy over the past weeks cleaning and setting up my room. I have spent time moving from class to class getting to know teachers and students and spending time in the classes. The children always look forward to their time reading to me. This has allowed me to get to know students. Please feel free to drop into the school or make contact with me by contacting the school. If you are experiencing anything at home that could affect the wellbeing of your child, I am here to assist you and your child during those times. Enjoy your holiday time.

Pam Young