



NEWSLETTER

Michelago Public School

May 20, 2021 | Week 5 Term 2 | Issue 6

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear parents and carers,

What's been happening at MPS?

The year is flying by! May 19 May already! At Michelago Public School we are charging toward the conclusion of Semester 1 2021!

Since my last letter there has been so much happening at our amazing school.

Thank you for all of your support with our book fair! The school has raised \$250 to be spent on new books for our library. Thank you to Mrs Tillack for her hard work and for demonstrating such an aptitude for retail! Thank you to our parents who have been so generous and patient during shopping hours. Your commitment to raising money for our school is appreciated by all.

The P&C met in Week 3 and the community was well represented with many parents and carers attending. We discussed uniforms, fundraising, community events, after hours lighting and much more. Thank you to those who attended, it would be amazing to get a few more at the next meeting on the 9 June at 5.00pm. The P&C's Mother's Day High Tea was a massive success with many mums, grandmums, dads, grandads and many more rolling up on Friday afternoon. The food was amazing, the tea was tasty and the chats and catch ups were cherished. I personally left that afternoon feeling part of an amazing community. Thank you again P&C for making it happen!

The District Athletics Carnival was due to run in Week 3, however, due to bad weather it's been rescheduled for the 27 May. A quick reminder to parents of students attending that the minibus will be leaving at 8.30am. Please ensure your children have food, a hat, running shoes, sunscreen and a water bottle for the day.

Last week Years 3 and 5 students sat the NAPLAN tests. Each morning the students celebrated with hot milos and headed in for a morning of academic activity. All students met the tests with a wonderful attitude, most claiming that it was really fun and asking to do it all again next year! Thank you to parents who supported your children during this disruptive period of the year. I will notify parents when results are expected to arrive in the coming weeks.

Last Friday I was asked to speak on the school's behalf at a NSW Education Before and After School Care conference via zoom. I was proud to speak about our school's journey and the establishment of our OSHC. Please continue to support this service as it's incredible to provide this service in a rural community. Let's keep them in business!



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What's coming up?

On the 2 June students are heading south down the Monaro to Bredbo PS for a day of arts and crafts. Bredbo staff have put together a series of workshops which will provide students with opportunities to develop key skills in visual arts. Please return your notes and lunch order forms to the office before Friday 21 May .

On the 8 June the Parliamentary Education unit are visiting our school to host a mock parliamentary sitting. Students from 3-6 will engage in meaningful conversation and get first hand experiences on democratic processes. The incursion is free, keep an eye on our Facebook page for photos of red faced students engaging debate!

On the 11 June students from K-6 will be going to the National Zoo and Aquarium! Students will get the chance to get up close and personal with some of their favourite exotic animals. This excursion will provide our students with lots of knowledge to apply to next term's writing focus of 'Informative Texts' and will be a lot of fun. We are joining Captain's Flat Public School on the day and meeting up with some old friends who we will be going on camp with us in Week 10, Term 3. Look out for camp notes in students bags in the next few days!

I hope that the mothers, grandmas and carers enjoyed the wonderful tea towels that the children created for their gifts.

Well that's about it from me this 3 week cycle! I look forward to updating you all in Week 7's newsletter.

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Mothers Day Afternoon Tea

Thank you to all our friends and families who attended and baked for our high tea.

We would like to announce that the P&C raised \$286. Thank you for supporting our school and helping the P&C to raise funds which will go towards the cost of school camp this year and other exciting items we plan to purchase for our students. Most of all it was great to see our kids having fun.

Notes will be sent home this week about the upcoming Pie Drive Fundraiser and the Wonder Recycling Rewards Program.

A huge thank you to Sarah McKay and her troops for organising such a lovely event for our mothers, grandmothers and carers.



Term two - Key Dates

District Athletics	27 May
Bredbo Art Day	2 June
Assembly	4 June
Zoo excursion w/ Captain's Flat	11 June
School reports	Week 10
Last day & Assembly	25 June

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The SRC

- The SRC will be holding a toastie and milo morning on Friday 4 June. More details to follow.
- A big discussion was held re: Toilet beautification project.



Year 3-6 Class Report

We have been doing lots of learning in the 3-6 class in the last couple of weeks!

In maths we have been working on our mathematical reasoning through our number talks program. We have been discussing multiple solutions to addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and whole number problems. We have been working on our problem solving skills on Fridays by using Newman's problem analysis. This week we have started fractions, percentages and decimals! Always a tricky thing to master!

Our unit on persuasive writing has been a lot of fun. We have engaged in word wars, debates and looked at what words and structures make pieces of writing more persuasive than others. Thanks to some of the students who tried to argue that school hours should be extended by two hours each day! We are working toward putting together a letter to Cooma Council to forward some of our ideas for the potential development in Michelago.

Mrs Cavanagh continues to provide high quality teaching in music. Students have been looking at pieces of music and responding on a variety of different instruments. Some of our students creations certainly were amazing! Thanks for your support parents!

Geography and Science: This term we are looking at sustainability and materials. In 3-6 we have moved onto looking at what design components are needed to build a sustainable house. For the remainder of the term we will be planning designing, building and explaining our design choices.

What a term!

If you would like to arrange a meeting to discuss your child's learning, please don't hesitate to contact the office to arrange a meeting with Mr Smith.

K-2 Class Report

In K-2 we have been busy, busy, busy. This week we have practiced our reading strategies and sight words to make reading easier! We are learning to count backwards from higher numbers and kindergarten are able to now count all the way to 30. In maths we are using rulers and blocks to measure objects and we are learning to divide numbers by sharing.

Now that it is Autumn we have decorated pictures of leaves in lots of colours to make an Autumn artwork. Beautiful!

This term in science we are learning about materials and buildings. We have explored different materials describing how they feel and what they could be used for, which was lots of fun. We have also drawn different types of buildings that we see in cities and in the country.



P&C Meeting

The P&C will meet on Wednesday 9 June at 5.00pm. Come along and get involved in the exciting new initiatives for 2021. Also, there will be opportunity to have your say on some key issues at school and find out what's planned for the future! We hope to



It's party time! Celebrate the end of school term at our community disco!

Friday 25 June, 5-8pm at Michelago Hall

Tickets are \$15 each or \$40 for a family ticket of up to 4 children (plus booking fees).

IMPORTANT - Tickets are limited to comply with COVID-19 restrictions, so make sure to get yours asap.

Tickets are available online via [Humantix.com](https://www.humantix.com)

Search 'Michelago Disco' or use the link below:

<https://events.humantix.com/michelago-disco>

You can use your **\$25 Service NSW Discover** voucher towards the ticket price. Please get it here: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au...> if you don't already have it. Use it at the checkout to pay.

Entry fees include a hotdog, a packet of chips, fruit & a drink. Please advise of any specific dietary requirements so we can cater for you.

We'll have music, dancing, games & lots of fun!!

For ages up to 14 years old. A parent or guardian must stay with any child under 7 years old. If you are staying with your child, please book an adult ticket so we know numbers to comply with COVID-19 requirements.

Please let us know your favourite songs so we can try to play them on the night :)

All profits from the disco will be split between the Michelago Public School P&C and the Michelago Hall. Thank you for supporting your local community.

If any parents would like to volunteer to assist the P&C on the night, please speak to Sarah McKay or Hope Barnes.

Help us turn **BREAD BAGS** into **SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT**



Our school is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.

Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school earns!

Collections close 25th June.

Tip for collecting:

Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

Did you know

Our school is now in the drawer to **WIN 1 of 5** exercise circuits made from the soft plastic we collect!

LET'S GET COLLECTING!



Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling** to share all your recycling champion stories!





Michelago Public School P&C Association

PIE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Supplied by  NIMMITABEL BAKERY

ORDERS DUE BACK BY:

Tuesday 25 May

CUSTOMER DETAILS

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Collection of orders from Michelago Public School on
Thursday 3rd June from 2.30pm until 4.00pm

(Alternative arrangements can be made for collection by
contacting Sarah McKay on 0432 387 238 or
email sjmckay83@gmail.com)

FAMILY MEAT PIES	Price Per Pie	Quantity to Order	Sub-total \$
Chunky Steak Pie	\$ 22.00		
Chicken Pie	\$ 22.00		
Curry Chicken Pie	\$ 22.00		
Steak & Kidney Pie	\$ 22.00		
Steak Bacon Cheese Pie	\$ 22.00		
Steak & Bacon Pie	\$ 22.00		
Steak & Mushroom Pie	\$ 22.00		
Curry Steak Pie	\$ 22.00		
Pepper Steak Pie	\$ 22.00		
Cheese & Spinach Pie	\$ 22.00		
Curry Vegetable Pie	\$ 22.00		

TOTAL DUE: \$

Direct Deposit payment is the preferred option

Please select payment option chosen:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Direct Deposit-	Michelago Parents and Citizens Association BSB: 062 908 Account: 00912471 Reference: 'Your Name' Pie Drive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheque-	Cheques can be made payable to 'Michelago Parents and Citizens Association' in an envelope addressed to Michelago P&C Assoc.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cash-	Please enclose cash in an envelope addressed to Michelago P&C Assoc. Contact Hope Barnes on 0414 204 425 or leave in the secure box at Michelago General Store.

FAMILY FRUIT PIES	Price Per Pie	Quantity to Order	Sub-total \$
Apple Pie	\$ 22.00		
Sour Cherry Pie	\$ 22.00		
Pear & Ginger Pie	\$ 22.00		

INDIVIDUAL PIE PACKS	Price	Quantity to Order	Sub-total \$
The (Not So) Plain Pack 8 Chunky Steak Pies	\$ 45.00		
The Spice Pack 2 Pepper Steak, 2 Curry Steak, 2 Curry Chicken, 2 Curry Vegetable	\$ 45.00		
The Variety Pack 2 Chunky Steak, 1 Steak Bacon Cheese, 1 Steak & Bacon, 1 Steak & Pea, 1 Steak & Mushroom, 1 Spinach & Cheese, 1 Chicken & Corn	\$ 45.00		
Sausage Roll Pack 6 x Sausage Rolls	\$ 35.00		

*Thank you for supporting our
P&C School fundraiser.*

*Next time you visit Nimmitabel or
Jindabyne be sure to stop in at
the bakery.*

Please note: all pies will be transported to Michelago from
Nimmitabel in a refrigerated van. If you are unable to
collect at the time specified we can arrange for fridge
storage or delivery to the local area.

Please contact Sarah directly to arrange this.
0432 387 238 or email sjmckay83@gmail.com

