Head Lice are out and about

We've had a reported case this week at our school.

The facts

- head lice are one of the most commonly reported health complaints from parents and teachers
- anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is
- head lice move from one person's head to another via direct contact with the hair
- head lice do not survive long when they are off a human head
- head lice do not live on furniture, hats, bedding or carpet
- head lice have built up some resistance to head lice treatments

Tips for parents in reducing the spread of head lice

As infestations are particularly common in primary schools, it is best to choose a treatment that can be used over time. There is no single solution to eradication, only persistence.

- regularly check your children's hair ٠
- teach older children to check their own hair
- tie back and braid long hair
- keep a fine tooth head lice comb in the bathroom and encourage all family members to use it when they wash their hair

This information is from the Department of Education website, information on treating head lice can also be found there.

Please be vigilant and help us all to stop further spreading of HEAD LICE- Check your children's hair daily.



For Your Calendar; FEBRUARY/MARCH Assembly Held three times a term-Friday (wks 3, 6 and 9) First one week 6 Thu 9th Feb Meet & Greet Afternoon Fri 10th Feb Small Schools Swimming Fri 24th Feb Zone Swimming Fri 3rd Mar First Assembly Day

Skoolbag (please see over p3)

Year 6 Fundraisers

ICE BLOCKS for purchase every FRIDAY- \$1 each Starting Week 4

BIRTHDAY BOX ICE BLOCKS \$20

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MULBRING PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTE

Welcome to 2023 at Mulbring Public School. We are currently a school of 53 from K-6.

We welcome our kindergarten students in 2023; Remi, James, Alice, Matthew, Harrison and Latavia.

Sam Year 6.

Staff for 2023;

School text books: Text book fee this year is \$120 per student. Payment can be made by cash, online (website) or card. Part payments with ongoing payments are also very welcome. If you need assistance with payment, please contact the school.

Attendance—if your child is absent, please advise the school. If we haven't been notified, we send a text message daily, if you receive a text, you can respond (it will be a different number each time). This is an automated attendance notification.

General Permission Notes-these will come home next week. "Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful and Always Do Your Best".

6th February 2023



We also have a number of new families/students to our school;

Ivy Year 1, Patrick, Abel, Hannah and Charlotte all Year 3, Eva Year 4, and

- Miss Donna Lennard—Principal
- Mrs Kylie Pinchen—Years K/1
- Mr Lachlan Hemsworth—Years 2/3/4
- Mr Kieran O'Connor—Years 4/5/6
- Mr Tom Budden—Year 2/3/4 (Tues), Year K/1 (Wed)
- Mrs Sharon Troy—School Admin Manager
- Mrs Tammy Reed School Admin Officer (Tuesday)
- Mrs Kerri Robertson—School Learning Support Officer (Wed/Thur)
- Miss Emma Bailey—School Learning Support Officer (Mon-Fri)
- Mr Isaac Nyman—School Learning Support Officer (Mon-Wed part time)
- Mr Tony Paul—General Assistant (Monday)

Our student leaders are;

- Grace, Quinn Captains
- Mia C, Mia I, Natalie, Isabelle Prefects



Parent-Teacher Meet and Greet Sessions:

1 Feb 2023

One of the ways to ensure a successful and productive school year for your children is for parents and teachers to have a very good, shared understanding about student needs, school programs and class operations. To develop this shared understanding our **Parent-Teacher Meet and Greet Sessions** will be held on **Thursday afternoon**, **9**th **February**.

These meetings will outline in more detail the class and stage arrangements for the year, major events your child will participate in, syllabus requirements and homework expectations among other topics. It is important that parents establish early contact with the class teacher to ensure effective communication and a smooth start to the new school year. In circumstances where parents or teachers need to share personal information, an additional time should be arranged early in the term to do this.

All meetings will be held in your child's 2023 classroom.

To cater for families with children in different classes, two identical sessions will be run for each class, with the first session for each class commencing at 3:15pm and the second option commencing at 4:00pm.

Mrs Robertson and I will be available to supervise children in the COLA, whilst parents attend the session/s. We will have a range of sporting equipment on hand for activities/games.

At the meetings, this week the teachers will ask you to complete a short questionnaire about Parent Teacher Interview sessions. We want to know when you think is the best time of year to conduct personalised interviews about your child. Last year the interviews were held at the beginning of Term 2, prior to the publication of the Semester 1 Student Report and again in Term 3, Week 8. Some parents and staff believe that another time would be more productive. What do you think?

Please let us know by completing the sheet next week and handing it to the teacher. If you can't make it to the meetings, you can let me know your views about interviews by sending an email to; <u>mulbring-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> and including the heading Parent Teacher Interviews in the subject line.

Of course, regardless of when the formal interviews are conducted you can always request an interview with a teacher or myself by making a request by an email to; <u>mulbring-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> or by making an appointment through the office on 49380135.

Yours Sincerely, Donna Lennard Principal We are fortunate to have great parent help at our school. If you would like to assist in any way, please advise the office.

Parent Helpers—Reading helpers

P&C Meeting—the first P&C meeting will be very soon, dates will be confirmed

Afternoon—please remember to advise the school if any changes to afternoon pick up. Sometimes after a long day, children can forget if plans have been changed.

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Kurri Kurri OOSH—Kurri Kurri OOSH are willing to increase our days for morning services, if the demand is there. The OOSH currently operates before school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Phone Aimee 4936 2030 for further details.

Hunter Mobile Preschool operates on a Wednesday and Friday (9 a.m to 3 p.m) at Mulbring Community Hall. There is a one off joining fee (\$55) then preschool is free as it is a community preschool. Plenty of places available. Call Helen 0447 504 978.

SCHOOL APP—Skoolbag: - Existing families—you may need to log out and back in

At the end of last year, Skoolbag did a major overhaul of their app. Unfortunately this has logged out most users (without you being aware). Please log out and log back in to ensure you get up-to-date messages. We will continue to email copies of the info from the app where possible.

For new users, our school currently has a School Communication App, available either on Google/Android Store or the Apple Store. To download this, just type Skoolbag and select Mulbring Public School. Download, as per all APPS.

Once downloaded, you will need to enter an email, username and password to gain access.

You will then be able to receive reminders and instant notifications, and submit absence notifications.



