



Megalong Public School

Newsletter

Term 4, Week 5
12th Nov, 2025

Dear Families,

What a busy and exciting start to Term 4 we've had! Students enjoyed a wonderful Musica Viva performance at Hampton Public School, and our annual Camp Yarramundi was another highlight, shared with our friends from Hampton, Capertee and Cullen Bullen Public Schools. This week, our students are also taking part in the first stage of our two weeks of intensive swimming lessons at the Katoomba Aquatic Centre, building confidence and water safety skills ahead of summer.

We were thrilled to attend 'Film By The Eucalypts', where our students' films were warmly received - well done to all involved.

Behind the scenes, we have been preparing for next year's Kindergarten enrolments and have begun our transition program to help our newest learners feel welcome and supported. We have also upgraded our school bus with new safety seats to ensure safe travel for all students.

Peter and the staff have been working hard to refresh our physical spaces and begin planning new learning areas for 2026. Meanwhile, Siobhan and I have been flat out preparing our brand-new school website, which went live in mid-November. It's looking fantastic—be sure to have a look!

A massive thank you to all my staff for such hard work and dedication and to our students who have been going above and beyond to welcome our new kindies.

Rachael Penny
Principal

Nutrition Snippet

FESTIVE FUN!

Get the kids to design their own festive season creation!



Have fun and get fruit and fibre into the day!

Our super easy banana pikelet recipe is perfect for the kids to get creative in the kitchen!

Get this recipe from

healthymadetasty.com.au/recipes/banana-pikelets/

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Healthy Made Tasty

Weeks 1-5 Highlights



Students had an amazing time at Camp Yarramundi with their friends from Hampton, Cullen Bullen and Capertee Public Schools.



Students acknowledged Remembrance day with a formal service.



Students walked the red carpet at the 2025 Film by the Eucalypts Premiere night.



In the Classroom



Students are still keeping busy this term with Halloween craft as well as extending themselves in literacy and numeracy.



Upcoming events

- **10th -21st Nov** - Intensive School Swimming
- **13th November** - Science at Capertee PS
- **19th November** - Kindy Transition
- **25th November** - P&C meeting 9:30am
- **28th November** - School Photos
- **3rd December** - Kindy Transition 4
- **12th December** - Ride to School
- **10th December** - True Ninja fun day
- **12th Dec** - Community Xmas Party
- **16th December**- Presentation Day
- **17th Dec** - Year 6 Farewell Dinner
- **19th December** - Last day of Term 4

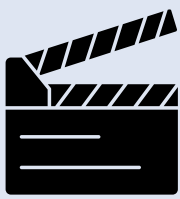
Activities calendar
fun and creative things to do in the Blue Mountains



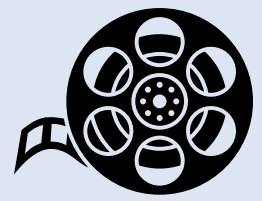
FIND OUT WHAT'S ON THESE HOLIDAYS

- Local activities and events for children, youth and families
- Affordable and free options
- Local services to support your family





Film by the Eucalypts ...Premiere night



Once again, Students enjoyed walking the red carpet at the Film By Premiere. Our films were warmly received. We are very proud of our students and the wonderful films they created.



Pottery Day – Hampton PS

We enjoyed another combined small schools day at Hampton PS, where students worked on making pottery beads for key chains and the Year 6 students worked on a tile for their schools that commemorated their time at primary school. These beautiful pieces will be installed at their respective schools.



Cooerwull School Fete



Cooerwall Public School invited us to come along to their School Fete. We had a wonderful day, playing games, going on rides, winning prizes and making friends. It was a great way to end Term 3





Camp Yarramundi



Students headed down to Camp Yarramundi in Richmond for an adventure packed 2 days. They all challenged themselves with a variety of activities such as the giant swing and high flying fox and strengthened their friendships with team building activities and fun games. It definitely was a highlight of our year.



Even the rain couldn't dampen spirits as the kids all worked together to save the minions from the apocalypse and used teamwork to pull each other up to the highest point of the flying fox.



The Cave Maze night activity, was both challenging and rewarding but was one of their favourite activities. Early morning chess was a hit too.



The giant swing was definitely everyone's favourite activity and they all would love to go back and have another turn! Even the staff braved the swing and enjoyed it.





Archery was a new discovered hobby for many. The food was delicious and meal times were another opportunity for everyone to come together for laughs and fun.



Musica Viva



Retirement Afternoon Tea for Charmaine Tully



We hope you can join us as we honour
Charmaine's years of dedication and service
to the Katoomba community

Date: Monday, 15th December 2025
Time: 3:30 PM
Venue: Burundee (Old Hall)
Katoomba High School

Please RSVP to Katoomba High School by phone: 4782 2622
or email: katoomba-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au
before November 30th

DISASTER RISK AWARENESS EXPO & FAMILY DAY

SATURDAY, 22 NOVEMBER
10AM - 4PM
PLANETARY HEALTH CENTRE
33-39 Acacia Street Katoomba

• FREE • ALL AGES WELCOME

Meet the Emergency and Hazardous Materials
teams keeping our community safe!

Register online for workshops,
talks and activities, including:

- Free plant-based community BBQ
- Free fire-retardant plants from Santa
- Drumming and pollinator workshops with Amelie Ecology and Hands, Heart and Feet
- How to make plastic-free Christmas presents
- How to retrofit your home to make it safer and healthier!
- Launch of the Bushfire Retrofit Toolkit with UTS
- Betty the Asbestos Education House
- Managing hazardous materials after extreme weather

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Around the Playground



Handball competition has been fierce this term!!



MEGALONG CAFE



Cumquat
Tea \$3



Rememberance Day



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Top 5 online safety tips for kids

1

Set up your device to protect your information.

2

Explore safely and tell an adult if you see anything online that makes you feel yuck.

3

Limit who can contact you when you're playing games.

4

Stop all contact with anyone online who asks you to do anything you don't want to do. Report and block them.

5

Ask for help if anything online is bothering you.



Community Cricket

The Megalong Valley Community came together for a hotly contested cricket match to celebrate and thank two long standing community volunteers.

Both staff and students played and used cricket skills gained from their many hours of lunchtime cricket. We shared a wonderful lunch provided by the Megalong Pony Club.

The day was enjoyed by all. A special thanks to our staff - Peter and Mr Wolffs for running the match and Siobhan for organising the day.

