



NEWSLETTER

Michelago Public School

Term 3 Week 9 18 September 2025

Regional Athletics Success

On Thursday 5 September, our amazing Nigel Bagly Trophy relay team travelled to Wollongong to compete in the South Coast Regional Carnival at the Kerrie McCann Athletics Centre. Our students were a mix of nervous, keen, and excited as they lined up against other schools in their race.

Our team was made up of Jordyn M, Bailey T, Alisha D and Jessie-Lee T. Both Jessie-Lee and Alisha also qualified for the 100m dash and competed strongly, with Jessie also taking on the high jump.

The highlight of the day was our relay team, who ran brilliantly to finish 2nd place, earning a spot at the NSW State Carnival later this term. The race was thrilling—out of the blocks was Jordyn, second leg went to Bailey, Jessie-Lee powered through the third leg, and Alisha brought it home in style! There were two false starts but our team kept their resolve getting a great start out of the blocks. Our baton exchanges were impeccable and we were only beaten by a couple of metres. Great achievement!!

Our students represented Michelago Public School and the Snowy Mountains PSSA with great pride and respect. This is a fantastic achievement, and we couldn't be prouder.

Bring on the State Champs—Thursday 23 October!



Principals Message

Dear Families,

We are now heading into the final weeks of what has been an action-packed term, and I'd like to take a moment to reflect on some of the wonderful things happening at Michelago Public School.

This week we have conducted our Kindergarten 2026 enrolment interviews. Our new families are very excited to be joining this wonderful learning community, and we look forward to welcoming them as their transition sessions begin next week.

We are also delighted to welcome back Miss Gittoes on Tuesday. She has had a wonderful adventure and can't wait to share her stories with the children!

Our recent P&C meeting was a great success, with exciting plans to apply for grants, organise a school disco, hold the 2025 Colour Run, and begin fundraising for our 2026 leadership camp. A big shout-out to our P&C members who joined in these important conversations—your enthusiasm and support are what make these opportunities possible.

The run into the end of term will be just as exciting, with our UC ASPIRE visit taking place on Monday and the ever-popular Picnic Races on the last day of term.

Thank you for your continued support of our students and school community. We are proud of all that has been achieved this term and look forward to finishing on a high.

Oh and of course.....Go Raiders!



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Award Winners

Our Award winners at the Assembly last week were -

Samantha - Consistently putting in a great effort during maths while learning about angles.

Jordan - Having a positive attitude and always willing to help with jobs in the classroom.

Dixie - Fantastic effort in maths and great work when bridging to tens.

Tilda - Excellent results in spelling!

Gregory - Excellent progress in Fast Phonics

Byron - Fantastic effort in handwriting and story writing

Bronze Bee Award and a Silver Bee Award were also presented. Congratulations to Beau and Eddie.



School Captain Report

It is officially the end of Week 9 of Term 3, goodness the year is going speedily! There has been quite a bit happening in the past 9 weeks so it is my honour to tell you all about them!

In the recent weeks (Week 6) our amazing relay team has competed in regionals, and have made it into state! A brief summary from one of our competitors, Alisha, said she thought it was extremely fun and she couldn't believe she made it into state! So well done our fabulous rely team and good luck to you in state!!!

We have also been doing music lessons with Mr. Smith. He has been teaching us how to read sheet music and the different notes on different types of instruments. The 3-6 class have been experimenting with triangles, drums, xylophones and recorders! We have been making up our own songs and preforming them in front of the class!

The last year for our year sixes has been amazing (according to them). As much as they love this school, they are keen to explore the wonders of high school! A quote from Charlotte (one of our year sixes) says "I am excited for the different opportunities in high school and I love that the teachers try to prepare us for the exciting new change so we don't feel too nervous!"

There have been some cool new trends at Michelago Public School this term. These include footy cards, footy itself and some how gymnastics seeps through as well! Many people are excited about the Raiders game this weekend. Footy lovers Brax and Fergus say "we are super excited for the footy this weekend and we hope the Raiders will win!!!"



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New School Website

Coming Soon: Our New School Website!

We are excited to announce that our brand-new school website will be going live early next term! This fresh new look is designed to improve communication and make it easier for students, parents, and our community to find important information.

The new website will feature:

- **Easy Navigation:** Quickly access key information with a clean and user-friendly layout.
- **Updated Content:** Stay up to date with the latest news, events, and announcements.
- **Resource Hub:** Find learning materials, school policies, and support services all in one convenient place.
- **Photo Galleries:** Enjoy photos showcasing school activities and celebrations.
- **Mobile-Friendly Design:** Use the website seamlessly on any device, whether at home or on the go.

We encourage all families to explore the new website once it launches by visiting -

<https://michelago-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

We look forward to bringing our school community closer together online!

Permission to Publish Student Photos

As part of our commitment to celebrating our students' achievements and sharing the vibrant life of our school community, we will be featuring photos more frequently on our new school website, Facebook page and School Newsletter.

These photos will highlight classroom activities, special events, sports, and everyday moments that make our school unique. Sharing these images helps keep families connected and showcases the wonderful experiences your children enjoy each day.

Please be assured that we continue to respect privacy and follow all Department of Education guidelines regarding the use of student photos. Only students with permission will have their photos published.

What You Need to Know:

- Photos may be used on our official school website, printed newsletters, and our official Facebook page.
- Only images of students who have provided permission will be published.
- You can update or withdraw your permission at any time by contacting the school office.

We appreciate your co-operation in helping us celebrate student success while safeguarding privacy. If you have any questions or would like to update your child's photo permission status, please contact the school office on 6235 9153 or email michelago-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Thank you for your support!



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Congratulations to Miss Abby

Yesterday, Miss Abby was invited to attend the Southern Inland NSW Volunteer Awards Ceremony where she was nominated for the Emergency Services award and Adult Volunteer award.

She was successful in winning the Adult Volunteer for the region and was also named the Southern Inland Volunteer of the Year! Well done Abby.

The students and staff all congratulate you on your success and the wonderful work you do for the Michelago community.



Kindergarten Orientation Days

Do you know of anyone in the Michelago area who are already 5 or will be turning 5 next year? Please let them know that we are now taking enrolments for the 2026 Kindergarten class and that our Orientation days will be on at the end of this term and again next term.

2026 Kindergarten Orientation
September 24, 25 & 26
9 - 12pm
December 11 & 12
9am - 1pm
@ Michelago Public School



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Spell Bee Champions - Buzzing with success

In Week 5, our super spellers Archie T and Olivia A proudly represented Michelago Public School in the NSW Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals. This year, the competition was held online, bringing together students from across the entire rural South and West area.

Both students rose to the challenge with confidence and determination. Archie put in a brilliant effort, making it through to the third round – a fantastic achievement in such a tough field. Olivia went all the way to the final round, only narrowly being pipped at the post by a student from Otford Public School (led by none other than Mr Fullerton, the former Principal of Captains Flat).

Our spelling mastery masters did an amazing job, had a lot of fun, and gained so much from the experience. It was wonderful to see our small school shining so brightly on the big stage. Power to the small schools!



Attendance

At Michelago School we have a fantastic rate of attendance of 92.6% for the year with over 75% of our students attending more than 90% of the time.

Regular attendance is essential for student success. When students attend school consistently, they have more opportunities to learn, engage with their peers, and build positive relationships with teachers. Being present in the classroom helps students keep up with lessons, understand new concepts, and develop important skills that set the foundation for their future.

Missing school can lead to gaps in learning, making it harder for students to catch up and feel confident. Consistent attendance also supports good habits like punctuality and responsibility, which are valuable beyond the classroom.

At our school, we encourage every student to attend regularly and on time. Together, we can create a supportive learning environment where every student has the chance to thrive.

Well done everyone! Lets keep this great attendance going to the end of the year.

Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

5 mins per day = 3 days

30 mins per day = 18 days

Patterns of lateness can have a serious impact on your child's education.

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Community News

Holiday Activities -

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Picnic Races

To celebrate the end of Term 3 we will once again be holding our Picnic Race Day. This event was held last year after missing from the school and community calendar for many years.

The students in Years 3 - 6 had discovered that in 1906 Michelago Public School had held this social event and over 200 people attended and decided it was time to hold it again!

Get ready for a fun filled afternoon with different novelty races, laughter and the Michelago Community spirit.

Date: Friday 26 September

Time: 1:30pm to 3:00pm Races will commence at 2:15pm

What to Bring:

- A packed picnic lunch to share with family and friends
- A picnic rug or chair to sit on
- Hat and sunscreen



Please come along and join us for the afternoon.



Key Dates for Term 3

- Mon 22 Sept - ASPIRE visit
- Wed 24, Thurs 25 and Fri 26 Sept - Kindy Orientation
- Fri 26 Sept - Assembly 9:05am
 - Picnic Races 1:30pm
 - Last Day of Term 3
- Tues 14 October - first Day of Term 4 for Students

Thank you



A big thank you to Miss Hook-Davies for filling in for Miss Gittoes this term. We have all loved having you with us and look forward to having you with us for more casual days next term.