



MOUNT TERRY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Growing Strong Reaching Far

Principal: Mr David O'Connor
Deputy Principal: Mr Steve Hailstone

TERM 3 WEEK 10

Term 3	
Week 10	
Friday 26 th September	*Last day of the Term 3
Term 4	
Week 1	
Monday 13 th October	*Staff Development Day
Tuesday 14 th October	*Students first day back Term 4
Week 2	
Wednesday 22 nd October	*PSSA State Athletics
Thursday 23 rd October	*PSSA State Athletics
Week 3	
Tuesday 28 th October	*Dragon Tag Gala Day Yrs 3-6 – Croome Rd *Oztag Tournament Yrs 3-6 Thomas Dalton Park
Wednesday 29 th October	*P&C Halloween Disco
Friday 31 st October	*World Teachers' Day

Over the past week and a half, I've had the privilege of stepping back into the role of Relieving Principal, and I'll continue in this role for the first week of Term 4. After that, I will be moving on to a new chapter as an Education Advisor with the Wollongong State Office.

This decision comes with very mixed emotions. Mt Terry has been my professional home for the past 14 and a half years and in that time, I've had the joy of seeing so many of our children grow — from their very first days in Kindergarten to their proud walks across the stage in Year 6. Those journeys, shared with families and staff, are some of my fondest memories and remind me of the true privilege it is to work in education. Mt Terry is much more than just a workplace; it is a community that has shaped me as both a leader and a person. It will always hold a very special place in my heart.

As we wrap up the term I have a few important reminders:

- Lost property: We have a mountain of jumpers, hats and other items. Please ensure everything is labelled so we can return lost belongings to their rightful owners.
- Holiday safety: Please take time to remind your children about road safety, sun safety and stranger danger during the break. We want all our students to return rested, refreshed and safe.

Looking ahead:

- Students return to school on Tuesday 14th October.
- Staff will be onsite on Monday 13th October for professional learning, focusing on collaborative analysis of NAPLAN results.

Thank you to families who have already completed our Parent Self-Evaluation Survey. Your feedback is so valuable and helps guide the future direction of our school. If you haven't yet, there's still time — every completed survey means your child receives a free ice block and goes into the draw for one of two \$100 gift vouchers (to be drawn at the beginning of Term 4).

As we move into the final term of the year, it is important that we continue to work together to support student wellbeing and learning. A small reminder to families: please avoid sending any nuts or nut products to school, as we have several students who experience anaphylactic reactions. Even small traces can have a serious effect. We also ask that you speak with your child about not sharing food with others — this simple step helps us keep everyone safe. Thank you for your continued support and for the trust you place in us each day.

Finally, thank you again for your support, kindness, and trust over so many years. I feel incredibly grateful to have been a part of this wonderful community and look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 4 for one more week together before I step into my new role.

Warm regards,
Nat Russell
Relieving Principal

ACE AWARDS

Week 9

3R	Lily C, Bentley M & Heath D	5C	Isabelle R & Klaylan R
3B	Charlie S & Levi P	5B	Nixon S & Jacob S
3H	Brodie D & Tanner R	5H	Jaxon C & Harlan C
4B	Kiyah H	6W	Mia G & Caleb O
4M	Amelia S & Indi P	6F	Kenzie H & Owen W
4W	Lachlan C & Lacey H	6P	Josh S & Vinnie A
K/6H	Ruben M & Mason B		

Week 10

KC	Cian C & Erin P	1C	Kyson M & Hunter B
KW	Wyntah M & Isabelle O	1J	Memphis M-L & Leeroy T
KI	Grace S & Bradley I	2C	Madi C & Amelia B
KF	Lachlan W & Lacey D	2H	Kai M & Millah R
1L	Joshua B & Austin M	2Z	Indie D & Paige B
1D	Logan H & Ziya B	2K	Myah D & Kai T

Why attendance matters



When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

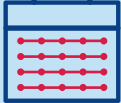
Days missed = years lost

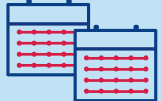
A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

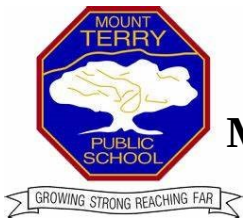
When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per **fortnight**
 = **4** weeks  = Over **1** year missed

1 day per **week**
 = **8** weeks  = Over **2.5** years missed



Mount Terry Public School P&C Mango Drive 2025



Proudly and voluntarily run by parents



The highly anticipated Mount Terry Public School P&C Mango Drive is back for 2025!!!!

Trays are approx. 7kg and the exact amount of mangoes depends entirely on the size of the mangoes harvested this season, but can be roughly between 12 and 20 per tray.

Mango Trays will be \$32.00 each.

We will continue using the online platform for this event which means NO MONEY needs to go to the office.

We are also looking to smash our last record with PRIZES for the top 3 sellers!

Simply follow these steps to order:



1. Go to www.myschoolconnect.com.au
 2. Log in to your account or create an account (*only one per household.*)
 3. Start selling to your family, neighbours, colleagues & friends!
 4. After you have collected all your orders and money, log back into your My School Connect account & click on My School Fundraiser.
- ➡ Select Mount Terry PS Fundraiser
5. Add your order/finalise your payment online.

Please note: To save on credit card fees, please allow 2-3 days before the ordering deadline if transferring money directly to your My School Connect account. Please use your eldest child's name and class to put through your order.

Important Dates and Information

All Mango Tray orders must be lodged on My School Connect no later than Tuesday 28th October 2025

Collection will be from the school hall. Delivery is expected sometime between the end of November and mid-December. Closer to the date, an accurate collection date and time will be given as soon as it is confirmed by the supplier. Please keep an eye on the School Bytes app and the Mt Terry Public School P&C Facebook page for updates.

ALL orders must be picked up on collection day or risk spoiling. No refunds can be issued if orders are not collected. If you have a larger order, it would be best to bring a spare set of hands or a beach trolley for transport to the car.

Happy selling!

Tamara Addison-Murdoch
P&C Fundraising Co-Ordinator



CUSTOMER ORDER FORM

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Coordinator/Office use

Coordinators Name	Price	Expected Delivery week beginning	Orders through My School Connect by
Tamara Addison-Murdoch	32.00	TBC	28 October

NAME	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
1.		\$	\$
2.		\$	\$
3.		\$	\$
4.		\$	\$
5.		\$	\$
6.		\$	\$
7.		\$	\$
8.		\$	\$
9.		\$	\$
10.		\$	\$
11.		\$	\$
12.		\$	\$
13.		\$	\$
14.		\$	\$
15.		\$	\$
		TOTAL	\$

*Please note that while every effort will be made to deliver your order to your School/Club/Organisation on the preferred delivery date, the occasional delivery may be delayed due to logistical difficulties beyond our control. Your coordinator will notify you of any changes. Thank you for your understanding.



Term 4 2025 P&C Fundraising Dates

Term 4 Fundraising Dates to Remember

Please pop the dates on your calendar, in your diary or your phone or take a screenshot and save to your photos for quick reference! Don't forget School Bytes also has a calendar function where all of these dates are stored!

Mango Drive is now OPEN!! All orders via My School Connect. Boxes are confirmed at 7kg and are \$32 each. Please see the accompanying note for further details.

Orders Close- Tuesday 28th October.

Collection – TBC late November or Early December. We will confirm as soon as we are advised.

Halloween Disco – Wednesday 29th October \$5 entry with Halloween merch for sale!

\$5 includes entry, drink at halftime, chips and popper on departure!

Kindy and Yr 1: 4-5pm

Year 2 and 3: 5:15-6:15pm

Years 4, 5 and 6: 6:30-7:30pm

P&C Christmas Picnic- Friday 12th December 1:25pm.

Join us for the final P&C event of 2025 to celebrate a wonderful year! Christmas attire encouraged. More details to come.



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UNLIMITED CLASSES

**2 WEEK
TRIAL \$35**

INCLUDES FREE UNIFORM

Why Choose Karate?

- Build strength, flexibility and focus
- Boost self-esteem and confidence
- Meet new friends and join a supportive community

What You'll Get:

- 2 weeks of unlimited karate classes
- Expert instruction from certified instructors
- A Complimentary Uniform (rrp \$70)

SCAN HERE TO GET STARTED
OFFER STRICTLY LIMITED

- ✓ Trial Starts from 1st booked class
- ✓ Trial must be activated within 2 weeks of purchase





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There are over 600 muscles in the human body & you will use every one of them during an average karate class.



Karate is an excellent way to improve strength and fitness with many students reporting significant weight loss.



Karate kicking engages all muscle groups in the upper and lower abdominal areas & strengthens the lower back.



Enhanced flexibility from karate training can greatly increase posture & vitality.



Children who train in karate are much less likely to be bullied as they develop greater self-confidence & respect.



Children's school work & class behaviour can be greatly improved through karate's disciplined training environment.



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Vincentia Wollongong Moss Vale Bomaderry



Kids fitness classes

focused on fun with fitness

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Albion Park Rail

athletetheory.com



teen & adult Classes also available



Disabled Surfers South Coast Presents

Thirroul 'Smiles on Dials Day'

Saturday 29th November 2025

Meet at Thirroul Beach Reserve off Cliff PDE, Thirroul



Check-in no later than 9.00am - Group-care facility participants limit of 6 per facility

A fun day surfing experience for any person with a disability, no matter how challenging, with complete water supervision.

Registration for Participants is **FREE** and all **participants** receive a bag of goodies,

Thanks to the local participating surf shops and businesses some gifts are provided.

Free registration for Volunteer Helpers and for giving up your time you will receive **FREE** Sausage Sizzle on the day.

For more information and who to contact view

disabledsurfers.org/nsw/south-coast-branch or www.disabledsurfers.org

See you there putting "Smiles on dials"