



MOUNT TERRY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Growing Strong Reaching Far

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

TERM 3 WEEK 2

Term 3	
Week 3	Public Education Week
Tuesday 5 th August	*School Photos *Southern Stars 3 rd Rehearsal *Debating – Albion Park PS
Wednesday 6 th August	*School Photos
Thursday 7 th August	*PSSA Boys Soccer *Debating – Balarang PS
Friday 8 th August	*Tongarra District Athletics Carnival
Week 4	National Science Week Bully No Way -National Week of Action
Monday 11 th August	*P&C Meeting
Tuesday 12 th August	*Tongarra Legends Touch Football Gala Day – Croome Road Albion Park
Thursday 14 th August	*Book Week Parade & Open Classrooms *South Coast Rugby League Classic Shield Finals Day – Senior Boys
Friday 15 th August	*2025 NSW PSSA Boys Australian Football Knockout Competition
Week 5	Book Week
Friday 22 nd August	*Year 6 Fun Day
Week 6	
Monday 25 th August	*Senior Boys & Girls Softball - Kiama
Wednesday 27 th August	*Southern Stars
Thursday 28 th August	*Southern Stars
Friday 29 th August	*Southern Stars *P&C Father's Day Stall

Athletics Carnival

What a fabulous day it was last Thursday for the Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival. Many thanks to all the parents and friends who came along to support our students as they competed and enjoyed the activities of the day. We were super lucky with the weather and Mr Fownes did an outstanding job, as always, of organising and coordinating the carnival. Best wishes to those students who have been selected to represent the school at the District Athletics Carnival next Friday 8 August. We know you will do your best and represent the school with pride and distinction.

Kindergarten 100 Days of School

On Tuesday our wonderful Kindergarten students celebrated their first 100 days of school with a whole day of fun. They looked fabulous as they came dressed up for the occasion and their teachers really played the part too. There were lots of great activities happening throughout the day and a good time was had by all. Check out some of the photos on our Facebook page. Well done to the whole Kindergarten team for all the preparation and hard work that went into organising this special day.

NAIDOC Week Celebrations

Although the weather meant a few changes to our planned celebrations on Wednesday for NAIDOC Week, our students were still highly engaged in learning about what NAIDOC Week is all about and why it is so important. Thank you to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families who came along for the special function in the hall on Wednesday afternoon and a huge thank you to Ms Wright and Mr Fisher, along with the whole Aboriginal Education team, who did such a wonderful job coordinating our events and activities, and being so flexible and responsive when the weather wasn't kind to us.

Yr 7 Enrolment for 2026

A reminder to parents and carers that Yr 7 enrolment forms for 2026 must be submitted online by COB today. Please ensure this task is complete to ensure a smooth enrolment process. Thank you.

School Photos

A reminder that next week school photos will be taken over 2 days on Tuesday 5 August and Wednesday 6 August. A schedule has been communicated on School Bytes but if you're not sure, please contact the office to confirm when your child's photos will be taken. Please ensure that your children are wearing full school uniform on photo day. Thank you.

P&C

Thank you to all those families who supported the Pie Drive fundraiser. We hope you enjoyed your pies last weekend! The next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 11 August from 6:30pm in the staffroom. All parents, carers and interested community members are welcome to attend.

Sports News

Congratulations to our boys' soccer team who have won through to the next round of the state knockout after a very close game against Hayes Park, winning by one goal with seconds to spare. What a heart-stopper! The next game is against Shellharbour PS on 7 August. Good luck boys!

Our AFL team had a huge win on Tuesday, convincingly defeating Shell Cove PS in the state knockout. Thanks to Mr Bailey for giving our students this great opportunity. Best of luck in your next game!

Members of the Sydney Thunder cricket team will be visiting the school next Thursday 7 August to run clinics for students in years 3 – 6. Thank you to Mrs Cartwright who has been able to arrange this very special visit. There is no cost for these clinics.

Debating News

Good luck to our debating teams who have debates next Tuesday 5 August at Albion Park PS and next Thursday 7 August at Balarang PS. Thank you to Mr Livingstone who does such a great job preparing our debating teams.

Southern Stars

Southern Stars rehearsals continue next Tuesday as we get closer to the big performances at the end of August. Please note that our school photos schedule has been arranged so that none of our dancers will miss their photo day. If you haven't already got your tickets for Southern Stars, go to Ticketmaster and secure them now. It is always a spectacular show and I'm looking forward to seeing our students shine at the Friday night performance.

Author Visit

Yesterday we were so lucky to have renowned author, Sue Whiting presenting seminars for our Yrs 3-6 students about her books and writing in general. Our students were highly motivated to get back to class and practice what they had learnt from Sue which was awesome to see. Thank you to Mrs Passmore for organising this special visit.

Stage 1 Killalea Excursion

Unfortunately the Yr 1 and Yr 2 excursions to Killalea this week had to be postponed due to the bad weather. We will be in touch through School Bytes when new dates are confirmed.

AECG Meeting

The next AECG Meeting will be held next Thursday 7 August from 4pm at Warrawong PS. All interested parents, carers and community members are welcome to attend.

Professional Experience Placements

From Monday 11 August, we will welcome six interns who will be completing their final professional experience placement as part of our partnership with UoW. These pre-service teachers will be working on KW, KF, 2C, 4W, 6W and 6P. Our interns will be with us for 6 weeks. Please join me in welcoming them to our school.

Staffing News

From Week 4 this term, we welcome a new staff member to the Mount Terry team. Mrs Jayde Emmett will be joining the Intervention Team as Mrs Nash begins her maternity leave. We warmly welcome Ms Emmett to Mount Terry and wish Mrs Nash well for the safe arrival of her new baby.

Book Week, Science Week and Education Week Celebrations

This year, we are combining our celebration of Education Week, Science Week and Book Week into one with our Book Parade and Open Classrooms on Thursday 14 August. I'm sure your children have been talking about what they might do for their Book Parade costume this year and teachers have been preparing science experiments that will be conducted during the open classroom time after the parade concludes. Parents and carers are also welcome to stay behind during break 1 and have a picnic with their children. Let's hope for good weather on the day. The parade will start at 9am, followed by open classrooms at around 10am, before the Break 1 picnic time at 10:50am. All parents, carers and extended family members are welcome to attend.

Our Staff Are Learners Too

Mon 21 July: All staff completed training on managing students at school with diabetes.

Wed 30 August: Mr O'Connor, Mr Watt & Mr Hailstone attended a workshop on school marketing.

Thurs 31 August: Yr 5 teachers participated in learning about the new curriculum and how to implement it through a Curriculum and Collaboration Day.

Fri 1 August: Yr 6 teachers participated in learning about the new curriculum and how to implement it through a Curriculum and Collaboration Day.

David O'Connor
Principal

Dear parents and carers,

It's always wonderful to have our students in classrooms, ready to engage and learn. Our teachers and school staff are committed to fostering growth and opportunity, and we are here to work with you to support your child to reach their full potential.

Consistently going to school has countless benefits—from learning, to creating social connections and improving wellbeing through access to support and quality education.

Students are required to attend school every day, whether it's the first or last day of the term, Mondays, Fridays or days dedicated to sports carnivals, school excursions and incursions.

As we look ahead to the remainder of the school year, I'd like to remind our school community that we are here to work with you to support your child to thrive. We know that families experience a variety of challenging circumstances, and we are committed to working with you to address any barriers to regular attendance.

If your child is absent from school, please let us know why as soon as possible, even if it's just a few minutes at the start or end of the school day. Of course, there will be times when your child is unable to be at school, like when they are unwell. Medical appointments should take place outside school hours where possible, and family holidays should be taken in term breaks.

If your child is feeling anxious about coming to school and you need support, please reach out to your child's teacher or to me directly. There are also helpful resources for parents and carers on the [NSW Department of Education website](#).

Thank you for being a part of our school community and for partnering with us to ensure students access the endless benefits of regular school attendance.

Kind regards

Mr Hailstone

Assistant Principal

Mount Terry Boys Softball Team Secures Dominant Win Over Bomaderry

On Wednesday, June 26, the Mount Terry boys' softball team delivered a commanding performance against Bomaderry at North Nowra, finishing with a 22–3 victory. This impressive win has earned the team a place in the South Coast semi-finals.

The game got off to a strong start with Caleb leading off at bat, setting the tone for a powerful offensive display. Archer followed, showing great speed and skill around the bases. Jasper smashed a huge hit to right field, while Tex delivered a solid double to left field. Charlie made a confident debut with a hit out to third base.

Cooper ran the bases hard, crossing home plate with determination. Kash was outstanding all game, getting on base each time with consistent hits to shortstop. Ryder thrilled the crowd with a triple to right field. Braith and Eli both made excellent contact with the bat, with Eli contributing a strong, solid hit. Jacob also played a valuable role in the batting lineup.

The team's fielding was just as impressive. Logan pitched out the game efficiently, needing only 35 pitches and recording two strikeouts. Noah was reliable on first base, supported by Kash's unstoppable catching. Braith made a beautiful catch in right field to stop a potential run, while Caleb was rock-solid at second base. Tex continued his strong performance with excellent fielding at shortstop. In the outfield, Eli, Archer, Cooper, and Charlie all put in solid work. Jasper and Jacob both contributed confidently at third base.

With teamwork, energy, and skill on full display, Mount Terry has now advanced to the semi-finals. Thankyou to Gail and Milton for umpiring, Narelle for scoring and Mr Fisher for coaching. Congratulations to all the boys on their fantastic effort — go Mount Terry!

Mrs Cartwright



Mount Terry Girls Softball Team Shines in 18–0 Victory Over Bomaderry

The Mount Terry girls' softball team delivered an outstanding all-round performance against Bomaderry Public School, finishing with a dominant 18–0 win and progressing to the South Coast finals. With sharp batting, flawless fielding, and impressive teamwork, the girls played with confidence and heart.

The game opened with Rya as lead-off batter, setting the tone by getting on base every time and providing energy from the first pitch. Brooklyn worked hard and drove a solid hit to centre field, while Mia was unstoppable around the bases, scoring each time she reached. Indie impressed with her pitch awareness and hard-hit ball to shortstop, consistently getting on base throughout the game.

Charlotte made her debut in the batter's box with confidence and composure. Starlet lit up the field with her speed, scoring three runs thanks to her quick thinking and fast base running. Dakota smashed a powerful hit and played a strong role both in batting and fielding. Millie brought real power to the line-up and was a force to be reckoned with at the plate. Mia-Jayde held her ground with focus, scoring twice, while Ela read the play beautifully and made it home safely. Ruby also debuted with great determination and effort in the batter's box.

In the field, Mount Terry kept Bomaderry scoreless with fast, accurate pitching from Mia, who closed out the game with just 17 pitches and executed a brilliant double play. Brooklyn was secure and composed behind the plate, while Indie was rock-solid on first base. Millie shut down plays at third, and Rya supported the infield with great work at second base. Dakota was unbeatable at shortstop, reading and reacting to every hit.

In the outfield, Starlet covered ground quickly in left field, with Charlotte, Ela, Ruby, and Mia-Jayde working together to back up their teammates and keep the bases clear.

With an excellent team performance across the board, and a commanding 18–0 victory, the girls now move on to the South Coast finals. Thank you to Gail and Milton for umpiring, Narelle for scoring and Mr Fisher for coaching. Congratulations to the entire team on a well-deserved win — go Mount Terry!

Mount Terry Boys AFL

We are thrilled to share the fantastic news of our Boys AFL team's incredible win last Tuesday against Shell Cove PS! In what can only be described as challenging windy conditions, our talented players showcased their skills and determination, securing a remarkable victory with a score of 63-1. The boys displayed teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship throughout the match, making us all proud. We now progress to the Round of 16 of the Tony Lockett Shield AFL NSW PSSA State Knockout against Illaroo Road PS. Congratulations to our young athletes for their outstanding performance, and a special thank you to the supporters who cheered them on!

Mr Bailey

ACE AWARDS

Term 2 Week 10

KW	Emrys B & Frankie H	1L	Cole W & Frankie B
KI	Charlie O'B & Maddison A	2H	Kai M & Archie B
KF	Jackson H & Marley M	2C	Jackson M & Kenzie H
KC	Bohdi R & Eric J	2Z	Jaxon K & Lilly B
1C	Emmri R & Hunter B	2K	Kayla K & Brayson H
1D	Zac G & Sterling D	K/6S	Mason W
1J	Sophie H & Ethan S		

Term 3 Week 2

KW	Kruz L & Addison M	1J	Kobe D & Marli M
KC	Hudson J	1L	Eva Y & Korbyn S
KI	Halle T & Kingston C	2C	Eleanor B & Ella P
KF	Elise K & Daniel V	2H	Willow P & Katja S
1C	Tommy O & Ryder C	2Z	Jaxon K & Parker L
1D	Eamon J & Penelope Z	2K	Madison S & Eliah M-K

Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

Please contact me and I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Donna Anderson

Assistant Principal

Sue Whiting



Sue Whiting is an award-winning children's and YA author and editor who has worked in publishing for twenty+ years. As a storyteller and schools' performer, Sue has informed, inspired and entertained thousands of kids across the country.

Sue's latest books are Tilda, a historical novel for 10+ and Pearly and Pig and the Island of Secrets, the third in a new junior fiction series.



Order for Mount Terry by 5pm Thursday 11 August

1 Follow the link →

2 Add books to cart 

IMPORTANT!

3 View cart and add your **STUDENT NAME** and **CLASS NAME**, in the text box beneath the total.

4 Go to Check out, choose 'School Event' then choose **Mount Terry from the list.** 
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5 Check out, and **collect your book from school AFTER the event.**



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APHS ENROLMENTS

📢 Year 6 Families – Don't Miss Out! 🎓

Have you completed your child's Year 7, 2026 enrolment yet?

✅ Check your emails (and don't forget the junk folder!) for your information on completing enrolment or you can visit the Service NSW website.

This needs to be completed by 01/08/25.

Let's get everything sorted so your child is ready for a smooth start to high school in 2026! 📚🎒

Need help? Reach out to the school office, we're here to support you every step of the way! 📞✉️





TIME: 9-10:15am

WHEN? Every Tuesday
during school term

WHERE: PA Hall At Albion
Park High School

What's included?

- A simple morning tea
- Painting
- Craft
- Playdough
- Floor play
- Outdoor play

COST: \$2 Per Family

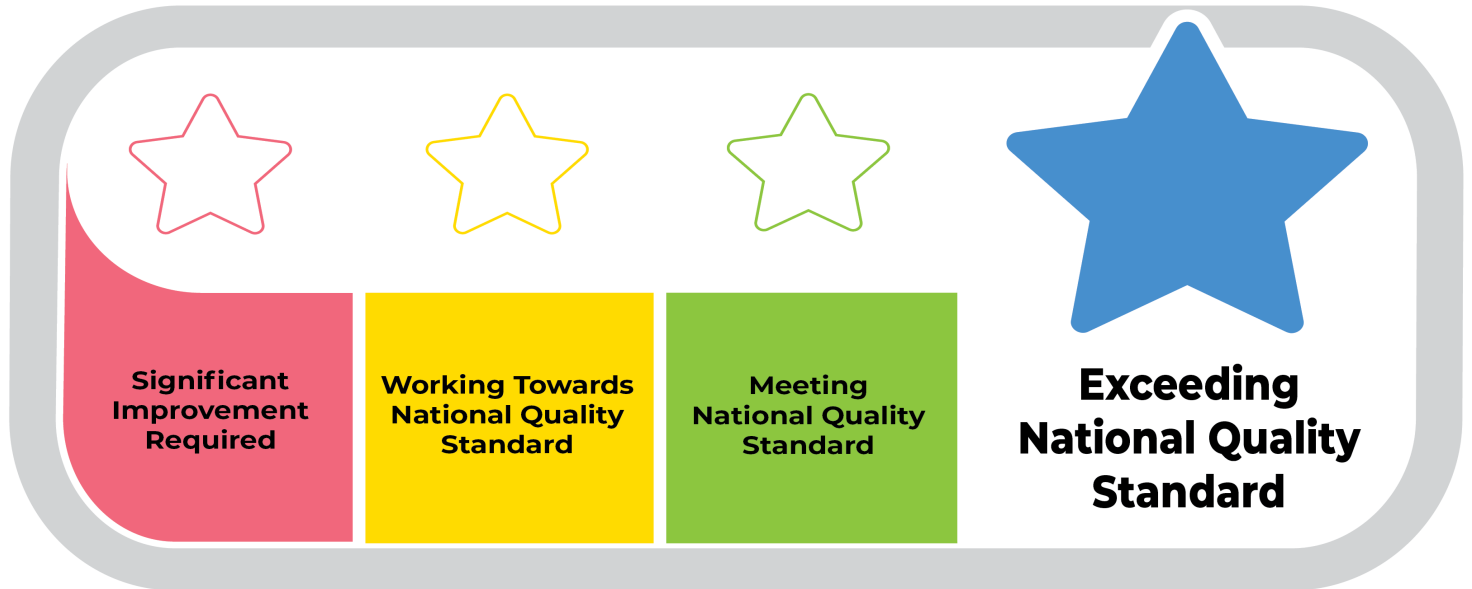
WHO? 0-5 Year olds And
their carers

Albion Park High
School
Playgroup

The NSW Department of Education Education and Care Quality Ratings

Peak Sports and Learning Mt Terry

goes beyond the requirements of the National Quality Standard in at least four of the seven quality areas.



The National Quality Standard is made up of seven quality areas

1 Educational program and practice				
2 Children's health and safety				
3 Physical environment				
4 Staffing arrangements				
5 Relationships with children				
6 Collaborative partnerships with families and communities				
7 Governance and Leadership				
	Significant Improvement Required	Working Towards National Quality	Meeting National Quality Standard	Exceeding National Quality Standard

This service was last assessed in July 2025 against the *National Quality Standard for Early Childhood Education and Care and School Age Care* and these ratings have been awarded in accordance with the *Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010* and the *Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011*.

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JAMBEROO JUNIOR TOUCH

AGES 5-13



TUESDAYS

GAME 1 4:45-5:10PM

GAME 2 5:15-5:40PM

TERM 4

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