



MOUNT TERRY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Growing Strong Reaching Far

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

TERM 3 WEEK 8

Term 3	
Week 9	
Tuesday 16 th September	*NSW PSSA Rugby League-Classic Shield Grand Final
Wednesday 17 th September	*AUSKICK After School Program
Week 10	
Wednesday 24 th September	*AUSKICK After School Program *Girls Cricket PSSA v Woonona
Friday 26 th September	*Last day of the Term 3
Term 4	
Week 1	
Monday 13 th October	*First day of Term 4

Life Education

The Life Education visit concluded today and we say farewell to Healthy Harold for another year. We look forward to having Harold back again next year to continue the important health and safety messages. Class teachers will be following the visit up with post visit activities and discussions to ensure the learning is ongoing.

Southern Stars

Congratulations to all our Southern Stars performers on what was an outstanding display of public school talent and fun with the performances this year. The show was one of the best I've seen and I was so proud to once again see Mount Terry students part of the action. To Ms Cosgrove and all the staff involved in making our participation possible, thank you, thank you, thank you!

Father's Day Picnic

Thank you to all those parents and carers who came up to the school last Friday for the Father's Day picnic. Special thanks to the P&C for coordinating the afternoon, especially the wonderful picnic boxes. I hope all the dads and grandads in our school community had a wonderful day on Sunday.

School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS)

Last week was SASS Appreciation Week. I would like to send a big shout out to all our amazing SASS Staff which includes our office staff, our general assistant and all our School Learning and Support Officers who work in classrooms across our school. Thank you for the fabulous work you do each and every day!

Annual School Self-Evaluation Process

As most of you know, each year here at Mount Terry we go through a very comprehensive process to evaluate our performance and look ahead to see how we can make our school even better in the future. As part of this process, we do a comprehensive survey of all our school community to gather information and feedback. Hopefully you've seen the notification in School Bytes about the annual school self-evaluation survey for parents and carers. Can I please encourage you to take some time to complete the survey because your feedback has a direct impact on what we do moving forward as a school. Thank you to all those who have already completed the survey. We will be in touch to let you know about the evaluation when it is complete.

Road Safety

At school, we are constantly talking to the students about how to be safe as they come and leave the school, especially as they cross roads at busy intersections either by foot or on their bikes and scooters. Can I please ask you to have a conversation with your children about this to reinforce all the important safety messages. We have had community reports of students being unsafe as they cross the road, especially at the big roundabout on Ashburton Dr and Terry St. Thank you.

Sports News

Congratulations to our Rugby League team who have now been crowned Southern NSW Champions and will play the grand final of the State Rugby League Knockout against Ballina PS at Cessnock next Tuesday. We wish the team well as they take on the final hurdle in this state-wide competition. Special thanks to their coach, Mr Fownes who has now reached 'supercoach' status! Congratulations to the boys softball team for progressing to the state quarter finals of their knockout competition after defeating Bombala PS. The date for the next game is still to be decided but will be played locally this time in Kiama. Well done boys and good luck in the next game.

Well done to all the students who represented the school and Tongarra District at the South Coast Athletics Carnival last Friday. Special mention to Knox Stevenson who won his shot put event, breaking the South Coast record by some distance. Good luck, Knox at the State Athletics Carnival!

RUOK Day

Yesterday was R U OK Day. At school, many classrooms would have had age-appropriate discussions about this day and what it's all about. It's important to acknowledge that some days, weeks and months can be difficult and challenging for many in our community, so I encourage you to reach out to those who might need it, ask if they are OK and be prepared to listen, which can be so powerful in giving someone what they need to get through.

Staffing News

In staffing news, Ms Natalie Russell has been successful through merit selection in achieving a new position with the Assisted Transport team. Although Ms Russell has right of return to Mount Terry for 3 years, it is very unlikely that she will be returning to our school. We wish Ms Russell well after almost 15 years as a teacher and Assistant Principal at Mount Terry, and thank her for her many contributions to our school community over that extended period of time. I'm sure many past and present students, as well as parents and carers will want to wish Ms Russell well in her new role.

I will be taking leave from next Thursday 18 September and returning on Monday 20 October. Ms Russell will be the Relieving Principal during that time and will then move directly to her new role in the Wollongong State Office.

SRC Mufti Day

On Friday 19 September, the SRC have organised a mufti day where our students can come dressed in their favourite footy jersey or footy colours for a gold coin donation. All money raised will go towards our 30th Anniversary celebrations later this year.

Term Dates

The last day of Term 3 for all students is Friday 26 September. Term 1 resumes for all students on Tuesday 14 October. Staff return a day earlier for a School Development Day to do some professional learning and preparation for the term ahead. As always, PEAK will operate a holiday program throughout the school break and parents/carers can book their children into their program at any time.

Our Staff Are Learners Too

Tues 2 September: Mrs Lancuba completed a workshop on the teaching and learning of mathematics.

Thurs 4 September: Kindergarten teachers participated in learning about the new curriculum and how to implement it through a Curriculum and Collaboration Day. Ms Russell & Ms Brooks also attended a Network Meeting for those leading the implementation of new curriculum.

Fri 5 September: Yr 3 & 4 teachers participated in learning about the new curriculum and how to implement it through a Curriculum and Collaboration Day.

Tuesday 9 September: Ms Russell and Ms Brooks attended another workshop on leading the implementation of new curriculum.

Thurs 11 September: SLC teachers participated in learning about the new curriculum and how to implement it through a Curriculum and Collaboration Day.

Fri 12 September: Yr 1 teachers participated in learning about the new curriculum and how to implement it through a Curriculum and Collaboration Day.

Dave O'Connor
Principal

Tony Lockett Shield AFL NSW PSSA State Knockout

We are excited to share the latest updates from our AFL team's recent matches in the Tony Lockett Shield AFL NSW PSSA State Knockout. Our team showed great skill and determination in the Round of 16, securing a strong victory against Illaroo Road Public School.

In the quarter-final, we faced a tough challenge against Merimbula Public School. Despite a hard-fought game and giving our best effort, we unfortunately lost this match. This means our team finished equal fifth in the Tony Lockett Shield AFL NSW PSSA State Knockout. A massive achievement for a team made up of mostly soccer and rugby league players.

We want to thank all the players for their commitment and enthusiasm throughout the competition.

Ryan Bailey
Classroom Teacher



Knox Stevenson's Outstanding Shot Put Achievements

We are thrilled to celebrate the remarkable achievements of Knox Stevenson, a junior boy representing Mount Terry Public School, in the shot put events this term.

At the District Athletics competition, Knox delivered an outstanding performance by throwing a personal best of 10.94 metres. This incredible throw not only marked a new personal milestone but also shattered the long-standing district record of 9.43 metres, which had stood since 1986.

Knox continued his success at the Regional Athletics, representing Tongarra. He secured first place with a throw of 10.90 metres, setting a new regional record and surpassing the previous mark of 10.20 metres.

With these extraordinary accomplishments, Knox is now advancing to the State Athletics competition at Olympic Park, proudly representing the South Coast region.

We congratulate Knox on his dedication, skill, and record-breaking performances and wish him the very best as he competes at the State level!

Ryan Bailey
Classroom Teacher



PSSA South Coast Boys Softball Final

It was a perfect day for softball in Kiama, with the sun shining brightly and the waves glistening in the background as Mt Terry faced Jerrabomberra in the PSSA South Coast Boys Final.

Captain Kash won the toss and put Mt Terry in to bat first. In a brilliant start, the team scored the maximum 9 runs, with every batter making it home. Kash set the tone with a huge hit to left field, followed by Braith's safe hit to short stop. Caleb came in strong with a double to centre field, and Charlie and Eli also delivered safe hits to left field.

Jerrabomberra stepped up to bat with equal determination and also scored 9 runs in their first innings. Despite a strikeout from our pitcher Ryder and a great flyball catch by Jasper at first base, the opposition's strong hitting kept the score even.

Back at the plate, Mt Terry looked to break the deadlock and did just that, hitting well to add another 9 runs. Braith smashed another hit to left field, while Jacob and Cooper showcased excellent base running. In the field, Mt Terry brought the pressure. Ryder pitched superbly with two strikeouts, Kash provided excellent catching, and the whole team's defence shone — Tex made sharp plays at short stop, Caleb was rock-solid at 2nd base, and Eli covered left field with precision. The opposition was restricted to just 1 run.

Mt Terry went into their last batting opportunity hoping to extend their lead, but couldn't add any more runs, meaning they needed to hold Jerrabomberra to fewer than 7 runs for victory. Jerrabomberra managed to sneak 2 runs on the board, but Mt Terry's defence stood firm. With the bases loaded and tension high, Jacob at 3rd base took a spectacular catch to end the game and seal the win for Mt Terry.

Final score: Mt Terry – 18, Jerrabomberra – 12.

A big thank you to Gain and Milton for umpiring our game, Narelle for scoring, and Mr Fisher for his spectacular coaching. The boys are now South Coast Champions and have made the quarter finals of the State Knockout, where they will face the top 8 teams in NSW for a chance to play in the state finals. Special thanks also to Jack, who came along to cheer and support the team.

Brooke Cartwright
Classroom Teacher



ACE AWARDS

Week 7

3R	Dallas A-M & Lily C	5B	Willow K & Austin H
3H	Ruby P & Bella K	5C	Marley N & Xavier K
K/6H	Miah P	5H	Kristjan B & Calum D
K/6C	Phoebe D	6W	Tex B & Gemma D
4B	Tyjana W & Mia H	6F	Christian D & Indy S
4M	Kendrick S & Henley C	6P	Zoe C & Mayar K
4W	Kendall H & Oliver P		

Week 8

KW	Macie D & Ashton P	1J	Jack F & Sophie H
KI	Koby D & Oliver S	1L	Everly L & Alaska L
KF	Elsie K & Jack N	2H	Zarli P & Willow H
KC	Jax S & Gabrielle H	2C	Allayah W & Penny S
1C	Ivy C & Diezel M	2Z	Isabelle M & Kallie I
1D	Xander P & Nikolai F	2K	Samayah T & Ethan W

MTPS Library

Family Borrowing Time

Mondays
2:50-3:30pm



Want to choose your next reading adventure together?
Are there brothers or sisters in your house who would love
to borrow a book?

Want a book you can enjoy as a family?
Come to the library together, every Monday afternoon!

Students must be accompanied by an adult to attend.

What I Wish Every Parent Knew

Child protection presentation with Child Safety Warrior
Kristi McVee

Monday 29th September
UOW Wollongong UniHall



FREE EVENT - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL



A photograph of four children (two boys and two girls) sitting together and looking at electronic devices. The boy on the far left is wearing glasses and an orange shirt. The boy next to him is also wearing glasses and a light green shirt, looking at a tablet. The girl next to him has long brown hair and is wearing a blue shirt, smiling while holding a smartphone. The girl on the far right is wearing a red shirt and holding a blue smartphone, also smiling. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

Technology Training-Wheels for Tweens

Take control of your children's technology use and support their mental health and wellbeing with practical skills to encourage safe use!

**MON 15th Sept,
6:30pm
SHOALHAVEN HEADS
BOWLING CLUB**

Designed & delivered
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Jocelyn Brewer

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SEP/OCT 2025 VACATION CARE PROGRAM

7:00AM - 6:00PM
CCS APPLIES TO FEES

MT TERRY

Monday 29th September

GAME ON

Bring along your game face as the Games 2 U mobile gaming theatre and giant yard games visits Peak today!

In Service Activity:

Games 2 U

Cost: Session Fee + \$16



Tuesday 30th September

RIDE & ROLL

Get ready for a day of bike safety fun at PCYC! Learn the rules of the road, smart riding tips, and how to keep yourself and others safe while you ride.

Excursion:

PCYC Lake Illawarra

Cost: Session Fee + \$20



Wednesday 1st October

TIME TRAVELERS

We're off on a trip through time! One moment you might be in the age of dinosaurs, the next you could be zooming into the future.

Programmed Activities:

Time Machines + Cricket

Cost: Session Fee



Thursday 2nd October

LITTLE LIFESAVERS

Become a hero for a day! Learn first aid skills, race through a scavenger hunt and compete in our lifesaver game show.

Programmed Activities:

First Aid Kits + Minor Games

Cost: Session Fee



Friday 3rd October

WORLD CHEF EXPLORERS

Grab your apron and get ready for a tasty adventure! Be a chef for the day as we make and eat yummy food from around the world.

Programmed Activities:

Wooden Keyrings + Yulunga Games

Cost: Session Fee



CLOSED

Monday 6th October

Labour Day



Tuesday 7th October

UNDERWATER WONDERS

Splash into an ocean adventure! Explore the amazing ocean world, meet mysterious sea creatures, and uncover the wonders beneath the waves.

Programmed Activities:

Octopus Graffiti Painting + Touch Footy

Cost: Session Fee



Wednesday 8th October

LASER TAG

Battle against your friends and the Peak staff to claim bragging rights in the ultimate Laser Tag challenge!

Programmed Activities:

Animal Plates + Minor Games

Cost: Session Fee + \$10



Thursday 9th October

GLOW CRAZY

Wear your brightest clothes and GLOW! From glowing creations to an epic disco, this day's all about light, colour, and fun.

Programmed Activities:

Glow Art Designs + Glow Bowling

Cost: Session Fee



Friday 10th October

INCREDIBLE INVENTORS

Become an inventor for a day! Join us for a day of hands-on activities. Exploring the fun side of science!

Programmed Activities:

Solar Powered Cars + Basketball

Cost: Session Fee + \$8



Monday 13th October

THAT'S MY TEAM

Show off your team spirit and wear your favourite jersey! Take on fun challenges and see if you can win against the Peak Educators.

Programmed Activities:

Minute To Win It Games + Oztog

Cost: Session Fee



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SEP/OCT 2025 VACATION CARE PROGRAM

MT TERRY

7:00AM - 6:00PM
CCS APPLIES TO FEES

ENROLMENTS AND FEES

Existing Enrolments

- Where places are available, online bookings can be made via your FullyBooked account up to the session commencement time,
<https://peak.fullybookedccms.com.au/family/login>.

New Enrolments

- Enrolment is completed online via our website,
<https://peak.fullybookedccms.com.au/family/login>.
- Once you have completed the online enrolment form, our administration team will contact you to discuss your enrolment.

Session Fee: \$75 per day (less subsidies where eligible).

Additional Costs: Will be added to the daily session fee and paid via weekly statements (less subsidies where eligible).

BOOKINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

Bookings

- Early Booking (more than 7 days notice):
Session Fee
- Week of Booking (less than 7 days notice):
Session Fee + \$5
- Late Booking (less than 24 hours notice):
Session Fee + 10
- Emergency (no booking prior to session commencing):
Session Fee + \$15

Cancellations

- Cancellations made with more than 7 days notice:
Session Fee removed.
- Cancellations made with less than 7 days notice:
Session Fee charged (less subsidies where eligible).

ON THE DAY OF CARE

Where to Find Us

- Located in the school hall at Mt Terry Public School.

What to Pack

- Lunch and snacks, hat, labelled drink bottle and jumper. A reminder that Peak is a nut aware service. Please ensure your child is wearing enclosed shoes.

What We Provide

- Breakfast, morning tea and afternoon tea.

Permission for Excursions

- Bookings for excursions will require an Authorisation Form to be accepted online through FullyBooked. Full permission details are available in FullyBooked.



FREE FAMILY FUN DAY

AT THE PARLIAMENT OF NSW

Free activities
for children
up to 12 years
at the
Parliament
of NSW

Friday
10 October
9.30am – 3pm

Visit Australia's oldest
Parliament, step inside
history and get creative in
workshops and role plays.

- Visit our heritage rooms
- Make craft animals and objects
- Play music and draw with Blak Douglas
- Have your say in a committee role play
- Learn how to vote
- Enjoy live music and more...



FREE ENTRY

Activities 9.30am to 3pm

LOCATION

Parliament of New South Wales,
6 Macquarie Street
Opposite Martin Place

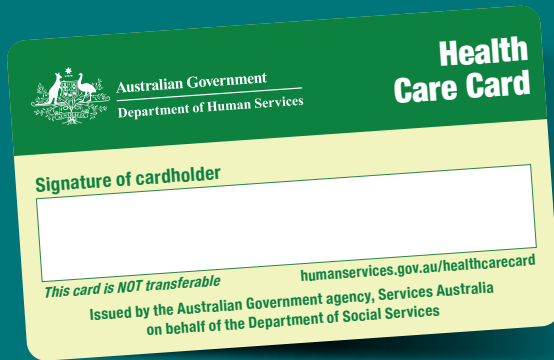
The public café will be open.

**BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL**

P: (02) 9230 2047 or

E: dps.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au





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Croom Rd Cricket Ground

11am Saturday 13Th September

Woolworths Bast for Kids aged 6-12 years

Under 11's & Under 13's Mixed Team

Tea for Change



You're warmly invited to a delightful Spring High Tea, a special fundraising event dedicated to supporting Illawarra Advocacy's vital work. As a disability advocacy organisation deeply rooted in the Illawarra and South Coast regions we're proud to stand alongside individuals with disabilities, ensuring their voices are heard and their rights upheld.

SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

FROM 10:30AM TO 1:30PM

**THE WOOLSHED,
601 PRINCES HWY, YALLAH**

Raffle Prizes

Silent Auction



Join us for delectable treats, sparkling company, and a shared commitment to making a difference



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Albion Park RFS

Get Ready Weekend Open Day
Saturday 20 September 2025
10.00am – 2.00pm.
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