

MHS Newsletter

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Monday
18 March
Week 8 Term 1
2024

Principal's message

Testing Times

This past week, Years 7 and 9 have completed statewide literacy and numeracy testing.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) runs earlier these days and provides the school with a snapshot of student performance that can be compared with the performance of students across the state and indeed the country.

Mrs Burke, our Head Teacher Wellbeing, had oversight of this huge undertaking. Nearly 300 of our students were involved. Mrs Burke was impressed with the serious and thoughtful manner in which the students approached the tests, so much so that she made a point of telling the whole school at our whole-school assembly on Wednesday.

114 of our Year 10 students undertook the Minimum Standards literacy and numeracy test on Wednesday. This test was introduced by Adrian Piccoli when he was the Minister for Education (2011 to 2017). The test allows students planning to leave school before achieving their HSC an online means by which to gain a record of their level of literacy and numeracy. A pass in the test is also necessary to achieve a Higher School Certificate. All but three of our students achieved the standard this week. All students from Year 10 onwards are afforded a number of opportunities to complete the test, as well as assistance in the Learning Centre to master its demands.

Mrs Burke was also full of praise for our Year 10 students and the way in which the students conducted themselves in this test.

Student Representative Council Induction

The world is truly run by those who turn up.

It was good to see so many students nominate for Student Representative Council this year. Young people prepared to "turn up" and take on the challenges of student service and leadership.

It was great to have all the successful candidates inducted into the Student Representative Council on Tuesday.

The members of the Student Representative Council have their own roll call. Each member of the Council serves as conduit for their respective Year group, channelling concerns and suggestions to the Council's patron, Mrs Zhang, and schools captains, who meet with me every Tuesday at recess.

*Mudgee High School
is a member of the
Cudgegong Learning
Community*



Next P&C meeting
Monday 25 March
**7 pm in the Learning
Centre**
Entry via Douro Street
All welcome.

This issue

- Principal's message
- House Championship tally
- Events calendar
- Weekly P&C awards
- MHS Garage Sale
- Mathematics news
- Link news
- Rock Camp Western NSW
- SRC Easter raffle
- Premier's Reading Challenge
- NSW Education Parent App
- Attendance matters
- Advertisements
- Sponsorship



Education

Well done to them all for being prepared to take on these important roles.

Until next week...

Wayne Eade
Principal

Below: SRC Induction

Bottom: Mudgee High from the air



House Championship Tally 2024



Blaxland

19 591



Cunningham

18 661



Lawson

17 024



Wentworth

18 023

Events calendar






- **Monday 25 March** - P&C meeting
- **Friday 29 March** - Good Friday
- **Monday 1 April** - Easter Monday
- **Thursday 4 April** - Parent/teacher night for Years 7 to 12
- **Thursday 4 April** - SRC Leadership Development Day
- **Thursday 11 April** - Japan Trip departs
- **Friday 12 April** - last day of Term 1

Breaking news from the English faculty

From Week 7, English tutoring will occur on Wednesdays at lunchtime in K06. Tutoring is no longer available on Tuesday after school. Students who would like assistance with their work, need only turn up at K06 at lunchtime on a Wednesday.

Please note: Tutoring is to assist students with work they currently possess. Teachers will not have work prepared for tutoring.

P&C awards

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| | <p>Mollie Wallace</p> <p>Year 7</p> <p>For her positive and diligent approach to learning and always thinking of others.</p> |
|  | <p>Seth Morrison</p> <p>Year 8</p> <p>For his outstanding effort in History.</p> |
|  | <p>Toby Dawson</p> <p>Year 9</p> <p>For the good start he has made to 2024.</p> |
|  | <p>Nevaeh Beckwith</p> <p>Year 10</p> <p>For her outstanding work ethic and for being a supportive peer.</p> |
|  | <p>Braydon Hopkins</p> <p>Year 11</p> <p>For his successful and productive start to the year.</p> |
|  | <p>Natalie Carrier</p> <p>Year 12</p> <p>For great work in English.</p> |





Mudgee High School Garage Sale

Year 12 Rainbow Day Fundraiser
All proceeds go to CanAssist Mudgee



Come and make an offer, lots of bargains to be had.

Desks, chairs, stools, metal shelving, whiteboards, lounge suite, stage stairs, other assorted items.

EFTPOS available.

Saturday 23/03/2024
8am-12pm
Mudgee High School Bus
Shed
Cnr Denison and Perry St

Mathematics news

Pi Day – There's a day for that.

On Thursday 14 March, the Mathematics faculty celebrated Pi Day. Students participated in classroom activities and all students were given an opportunity to participate in a Pi Day challenge. Congratulations to Phoenix Jones, Hannah Gail, Hannah Riley, Wailen Barrass and Daniel Stone for their participation and enthusiasm in the challenges, earning themselves each a delicious custard pie.

This day is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant π . Pi Day is observed on March 14 because 3, 1, and 4 are the first three significant figures of π .



Mrs Bennett, Mr Lynn, Mrs Cini, Mr Laurie, Mrs Best, Ms Zhang and Mr San - the Mathematics Faculty



Pi Day - Mrs Cini, Mrs Best and Ms Zhang

Be prepared

At Mudgee High School, the mathematics staff are keen for students to arrive to class well prepared with the necessary equipment. NESA approved scientific calculators can be purchased from the front office at cost price. The school offers two options, an Abacus calculator for \$20 and a Casio calculator for \$30.

Students in all years are encouraged to attend each day with a well-equipped pencil case, including a calculator, multiple pens (including blue/black and red), pencil, eraser, sharpener and a 30 cm rule.

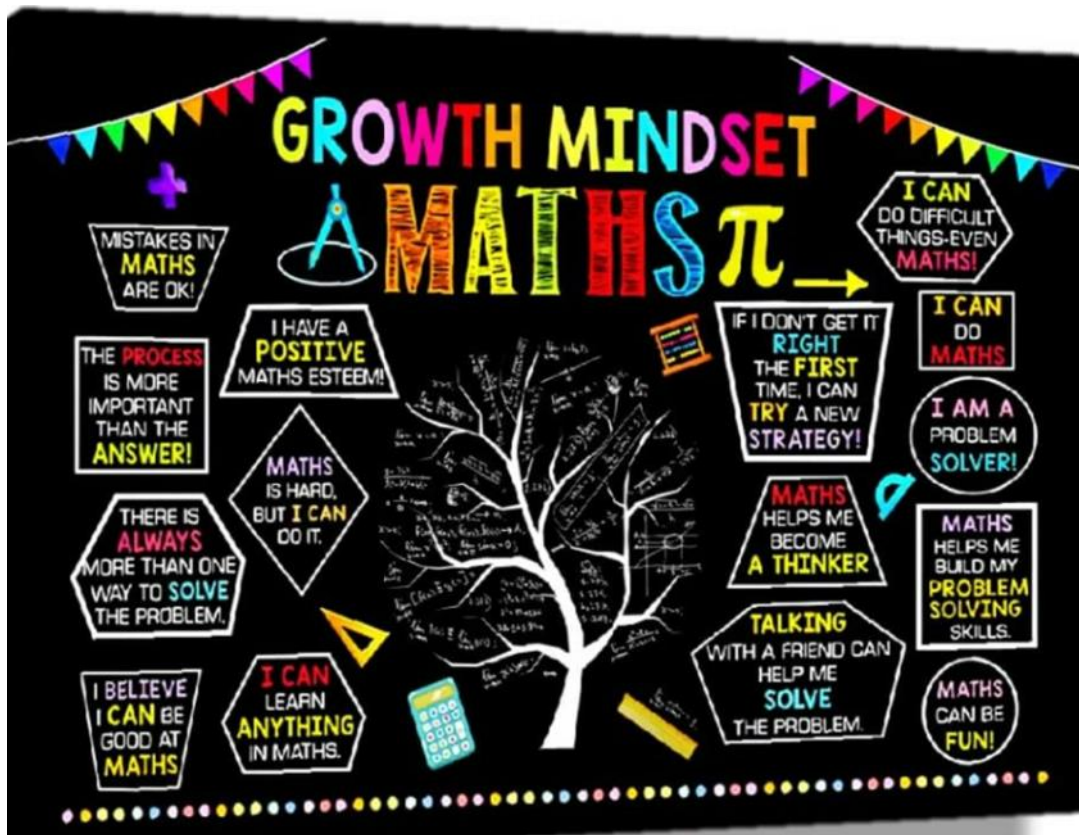
Maths assistance

The mathematics staff continue to offer their time after school every Monday afternoon. Students from any Year/Class are welcome to attend to help prepare for upcoming tests, catch up missed work, or to be one step ahead. Students are welcome to come up to B9/B10 from 3:25 pm to ask a few questions or stay for up to an hour to further develop their skills.

Problem

Rashan keeps alpacas and chickens in the same field. He counts 54 legs and 14 wings in the field. How many alpacas does he have?

Answer: Found by calculating the highest common factor of 40 and 70.



Link news

Catherine Mottershead: Work experience at Mudgee Public School.

Catherine is enjoying her work experience in a Kindergarten class at Mudgee Public School. Pictured here with Logan, she has been assisting Mrs Neil and Mrs Hobson.

Catherine is making the most of the Link Program and the opportunities it provides. Catherine attended TAFE with the RIEP program for automotive in Week 6 and is hoping to join Double R in Term 2 to try heavy diesel mechanics.

The Link Program is an alternative education program for students in Year 10. The program caters for up to 24 students who may experience difficulty in engaging with the traditional delivery of school curriculum. The program is flexible, practical, stimulating, and relevant. It provides pathway options into Years 11 and 12 at Mudgee High School, TAFE, an apprenticeship/traineeship or traditional employment.





SCAN ME

ROCK CAMP WESTERN NSW

The Western NSW Rock Camp is a residential camp for public school students in Years 6 to 12 from rural south and west areas of NSW. Join us to perform with other like-minded peers in smaller rock ensembles and instrument groups under the guidance of teachers and professional musicians.

Instruments to nominate for are vocals, electric guitar, bass guitar, drums, keyboard, acoustic guitar, trumpet, trombone and saxophone.

WHAT'S NEW IN 2024?

This year's camp has a new venue. We also have 2 new ensembles, an **acoustic guitar group** and a **rock choir!!**

ENQUIRIES

Liesel Meers
Camp coordinator
liesel.meers@det.nsw.edu.au

Cheryl Walker
Arts Coordination Officer
Wagga Wagga Education Office
cheryl.j.walker@det.nsw.edu.au
0428 550 202

DATE: 2 JUNE - 7 JUNE 2024

COST: \$480

VENUE: KCC KATOOMBA

For further details go to The Arts Unit
Website or scan the QR Code.



ENTER IN OUR

YEAR 12 CHOCOLATE RAFFLE

DRAWN
WEDNESDAY,
27 MARCH



**TICKETS= \$2
OR 3 FOR \$5**

Enter to get your chance at
winning a 4.5kg Toblerone
chocolate valued at \$195

Tickets are available to buy at the
front office during breaks. All proceeds
will go towards Year 12 fundraising in
support of local organisation Can Assist.





The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is now open and Mudgee High School is excited to be participating!

Monday 26 February 2024: Challenge opens

Friday 23 August 2024: Challenge closes for student entries

What is the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge?

The PRC is a statewide Challenge that encourages students to develop a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students and enables them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition, but a challenge to encourage each student to read, to read more, and to read more widely.

All students who complete the challenge, and have their reading record validated by the school's PRC coordinator, will receive a certificate signed by the Premier of NSW.

How many books do students need to read?

Students in Years 3 to 10 are challenged to read 20 books independently. At least 10 of these books must be from the relevant Challenge booklists, and up to 10 books can be personal choice books.

If a book is from an approved PRC series, students can enter up to 5 books as Challenge books, and can read up to 10 other books from the same series as Personal Choice books. More information on the rules of the Challenge can be found on the [PRC website](#).

Books must be added to a student's online reading record by **Friday 23 August 2024** in order for their reading record to be validated and receive a certificate.

How do students log their reading?

Students can access the PRC's [Student Experience site](#) using their DoE username and password, or can log into the site via the Student Portal. A video guide explaining how to use the Student Experience site can be found [here](#).

Students may also record their reading on the Personal Reading Log and submit it to the PRC Coordinator, Ms Tetley, by 23 August 2024. Ms Tetley will complete the reading log on the students' behalf.

How can students find books on the NSW PRC challenge lists?

Ms Tetley can provide students with a printout of the list so that they can do a search in the School's Library to locate any copies. All of the relevant book lists for this year's competition have been set up on Google classroom.

Midwestern Regional Council – Mudgee Library also has a system organised for easy identification of books on the list. They have a PRC sticker on them and are identified in their online catalogue.

Ms Tetley is the PRC Coordinator for Mudgee High School's entrants this year.

A quick guide for logging books:

- Log into the [Student experience site](#) using your DoE student username and password.
- Use the blue search bar to search for books you have read.



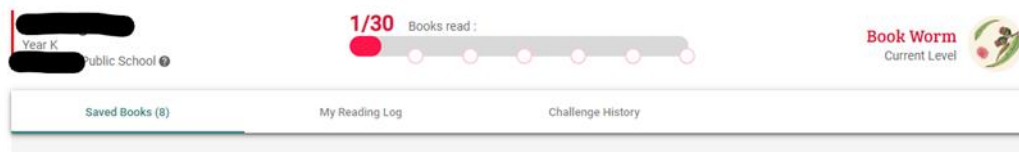
- If the title appears, click “Add to Reading Log” to add it as a PRC book.



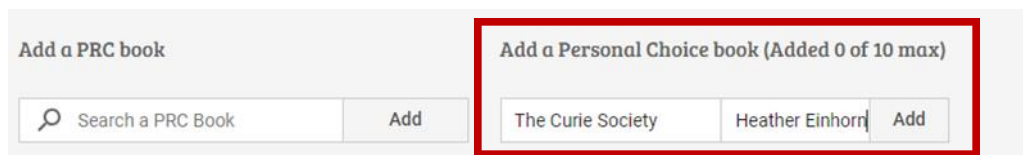
- If the title does not appear, you will need to enter it as a personal choice book.

To enter a personal choice book:

- Click on the icon in the top right-hand corner.
- Click on “My reading log”.



- Fill in the book details under the “Add a Personal Choice book” field and click “add”.



If you have any issues with logging books, please speak to Ms Tetley.

Ms Tetley has set up a google classroom for the participants. There are lots of helpful areas on it.

The classroom code is: **76xurfw**.

NSW Department of Education

2024 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

Start reading now!

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au

Key dates for students in K-10:

Challenge opens
Monday 26 February

Challenge closes
for student entries
Friday 23 August

NSW Education Parent App

The NSW Education Parent App has several new features making it even easier for parents and carers to stay in touch with the latest news, access learning resources, and get emergency updates from their child's school.

The new-look app is designed to streamline communication between schools and parents and carers with features such as push notifications to your phone so you never miss any important news or an upcoming event. Users will also now be able to receive emergency updates such as school closures, and access learning and enrolment resources.

The app was developed and is endorsed by the department, free for schools and parents and carers to use, and is synced with the School Website Service (SWS).

Key features of the app for parents and carers include:

- newsletters
- news
- feature carousel
- upcoming events and calendar notifications
- emergency notifications including school closures
- enrolment resources such as School Finder and Start a new enrolment application
- learning resources such as Everyday Maths and Parents and Carers Toolkit
- quick access to call or email the school
- ability to translate default language
- tailored news feed based on year group
- information from multiple schools in one place.

Download the app in the [Apple Store](#) or [Google Play](#).

NSW Department of Education

Never miss an important school update or event.

The **NSW Education Parent App** makes it easier than ever to stay up-to-date with the latest information from your child's school. Featuring latest news, newsletters, personalised feeds by year group, events calendar, push notifications, instant updates and alerts, advanced security and more.



Download the
NSW Education
Parent App



Every Day Matters

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:

Learning



Strengthening friendships



Emotional development



When it comes to attending school, every day matters.

Scan the
QR code to
learn more



Advertisements

Canteen Price List as of AUGUST 2023

HOT FOOD

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Chicken and Corn Roll | 3.00 |
| Pizza Rounders | 4.00 |
| Sausage Roll | 4.00 |
| Beef Traveller Pie | 5.00 |
| Potato Pie | 6.00 |
| Beef and Gravy Roll | 7.50 |
| Hot Dog | 4.50 |
| Hot Dog with Cheese | 5.00 |
| Beef Pie Gluten Free (ORDER ONLY) | 7.00 |
| Sauce/Mayonnaise portions | 0.50 |

ROLLS, WRAPS and SANDWICHES

Can be made on gluten free rolls by request – order only.

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| Ham and salad | 7.00/6.50 |
| Chicken and salad | 7.00/6.50 |
| Egg and Lettuce | 7.00/6.50 |
| Cheese and salad | 7.00/6.50 |
| Chicken, mayo and shallots | 7.00/6.50 |
| Chicken Caesar | 7.00/6.50 |
| Sweet chilli chicken and avocado | 7.00/6.50 |

SNACK FOOD

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| Red Rock Deli chips | 1.50 |
| Grain Waves | 1.50 |
| Chip Roll | 2.70 |
| Blueberry Muffin | 1.50 |
| Watermelon tubs | 4.00 |
| Trail mix pots | 3.00 |
| Fruit salad | 5.50 |
| Jelly Cups | 3.00 |
| Seasonal fruit | 1.00 |

MILK

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| 300ml Flavoured milk | 3.00 |
| 500ml Flavoured milk | 5.00 |
| 1litre Plain milk | 3.50 |
| 600ml Flavoured milk | 5.50 |
| 375ml Nippy's flavoured milk | 4.00 |

COLD DRINKS

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| 750ml Cool Ridge Spring Water | 4.00 |
| 600ml Spring water | 2.50 |
| Juice Bombs | 3.00 |
| Berri Pop Tops | 3.00 |
| Lipton's Peach Iced Tea | 5.00 |
| 375ml Coke No Sugar | 3.00 |
| 375ml Sprite No Sugar | 3.00 |

SALAD OF THE DAY

Availability varies day to day.

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|-------------------------------------|------|
| Garden Salad | 6.50 |
| Chicken Caesar Salad | 6.50 |
| Greek Salad | 6.50 |
| Pasta Salad | 6.50 |
| Buddha Bowl | 8.00 |
| Sushi | 6.00 |
| Curried Chicken Potato Salad | 8.00 |
| Mexican Chicken and Guacamole Salad | 8.00 |

ICE CREAMS

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|--------------------------------------|------|
| Paddle Pop | 3.00 |
| (Chocolate, Rainbow, Banana) | |
| Twisted Frozen Yoghurt | 3.00 |
| (Choc/Van, Straw/Van, Mango/W melon) | |
| Quech Icy Tubes | 1.00 |

EVERY DAY SPECIALS

MONDAY

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| Garlic Bread | 3.00 |
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WEDNESDAY

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| Oven Baked Potato Wedges | 5.00 |
| Sour Cream, Sweet Chilli Sauce | .50 |

THURSDAY

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| Chicken Burgers | 6.00 |
| (Gluten Free available, Order Only) | |

FRIDAY

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| Garlic Bread | 3.00 |
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TERMS 2 AND 3

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| Hot Milo | 3.00 |
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Nuts may be used in some specials. If you have an allergy, check with canteen staff before ordering.

Check our daily menu board or student notices for other specials which may include:

Soup – Pasta – Focaccia – Curries – Sliders

ALSO, PLEASE REFER TO OUR "WEEKLY SPECIALS"

Carp Muster

A free event for all ages
and fishing abilities

Sunday 24 March 2024

8am to 2pm, Putta Bucca Wetlands, Mudgee
FREE Sausage Sizzle from 12pm

Register on the day*
**REGISTRATION
IS FREE!**

Prizes will be presented at 12pm for the following categories:

*Must return carp by 12pm to be eligible for prizes

- ★ Junior under 12 yrs
- ★ Junior 13-18 yrs
- ★ Adult male
- ★ Adult female
- ★ Most fish caught
- ★ Smallest fish
- ★ Lucky Door Prize (donated by Mudgee Camping and 4WD)

COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN!

Fisheries will also be attending the event with their educational trailer

For more information contact McKenzie Redfern on 6378 2850

* Entrants over 18 years must have a fishing license and comply with the NSW fishing rules. Further details can be found at <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/recreational/recreational-fishing-fee> , (02) 4424 7499.
License or receipt of license must be presented upon entry. All native fish caught on the day must be released.



**Local Land
Services**
Central Tablelands



**Department of
Primary Industries**



Junior Rego is OPEN

Come and play rugby for the Wombats in season 150

No sign of inflation here at the Wombats as registration fees for the season are once again the same as last year.

Register via Rugby Xplorer: <https://myaccount.rugbyexplorer.com.au/>

Juniors (search and select "Mudgee Wombats JRUFC" as your club):

Junior rego fees:

- Under 12s, 14s and 16s: \$165

Sub-Juniors (search and select "Mudgee Wombats JRUFC" as your club):

- Sub Junior Rego Fees
- Under 6s: \$100
- Under 8s: \$125
- Under 10s: \$145

In addition, there is a \$15 training-only registration available for players who would like to try rugby training without committing to playing games. If you choose to upgrade a training-only registration to a full season registration, the \$15 already paid will be deducted from the season fees.

Rego
IN OUR 150TH YEAR
IS NOW OPEN

Junior Age Groups
Under 16s, 14s and 12s

Sub Juniors
(Friday nights in Mudgee)
Under 10s, 8s and 6s

REGISTER AT
<https://myaccount.rugbyexplorer.com.au/>

Enquiries
registrar@mudgeerugby.com

Not sure if rugby is the sport for you?
Come and try with a train only rego and see if it's the right
fit for you - only \$15

JOIN THE WOLFPACK IN 2024

MUDGE GULGONG WOLVES FC
REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN FOR 2024 SEASON

Registrations close Friday 5 April

MINI ROOS (turning 3 to 4 in 2024)

JUNIORS (turning 5 to 14 in 2024)

SENIORS (turning 15+ in 2024)

FOR MORE INFO:

Visit www.mgwfc.com.au (QR code)

Follow on Facebook

Email registrar@mgwfc.com.au



All junior games played locally.
No travel required for junior players.
Players of all ages are welcome.
Active Kids vouchers are accepted.
Senior and Junior Representative teams available.



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Discover the world, become a Rotary Youth Exchange Student.

Gain new perspectives, make lifelong connections, and foster peace.

- **Short Term Exchange** - 3 months to Germany. Depart Oct 2024
- **Long Term Exchange** - 12 months to multiple country options. Depart Jan 2025

How to find out more

- Visit our website - ryea.org.au to submit your Expression of Interest...
- Email Nikki - assistchairyepd9660@gmail.com
- Call Nikki - 0439 249 574
- or contact your local Rotary Club





Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



laptops & tablets



uniforms & shoes



books & supplies



sports fees & gear



lessons & activities



camps & excursion

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:



NSW/Act - Saver Plus Team



SaverPlusNSWACT@thesmithfamily.com.au



1300 610 355

DELIVERED BY



Learn today, change tomorrow.

Find out more
at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.



CLEANERS REQUIRED

Joss Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact Joss Facility Management via email on careers@jossgroup.com.au



Check us out on Facebook [Joss Cleaning](#)

or visit our webpage
www.jossgroup.com.au



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Mudgee High School - Link Program

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