Muswellbrook Public School

What's On

Humanity and Excellence

Term 3 Week 3

Tuesday 6th August 2019

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Everyone, Everywhere & Every Time

RESPECTFUL in our eating areas.

From the Principal:

Education Week

This week, every public school in NSW is celebrating Public Education and the theme for Education Week 2019 is 'Every Student, Every Voice'. It is a celebration of student empowerment and how the NSW public education system gives students the skills they need in order to have and express a voice during their own educational journey and as engaged global citizens.

On Wednesday 7th August, we will hold two special assemblies to recognise fine achievement. Parents of students, who are receiving an award, have already received an invitation to this event but everyone is welcome to attend. The 3-6 assembly commences at 9.30am and the K-2 assembly starts at 2.30pm.

In addition to this, on Thursday 15th August at 5pm, the Muswellbrook Schools' Education Week Committee will be hosting the Education Week awards night at MHS. This event recognises and celebrates the outstanding achievements and contribution of members of the Muswellbrook Schools' communities. I congratulate all award winners, who are being recognised at these events.

Cure Brain Cancer Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who supported this worthy cause. One of our students, Nathan F raised awareness of this terrible disease by volunteering to have his head shaved. Altogether, over $1,300 raised. Thank you for your generosity.

Before and After

Hunter Dance Festival

I also congratulate all students, staff and parents, who were involved in last week's Hunter Dance Festival performance. The positive feedback that we received from the community was wonderful. I am very excited about attending the State Dance Festival in Sydney later in the term. Well done to everyone involved!

Zone Athletics Carnival

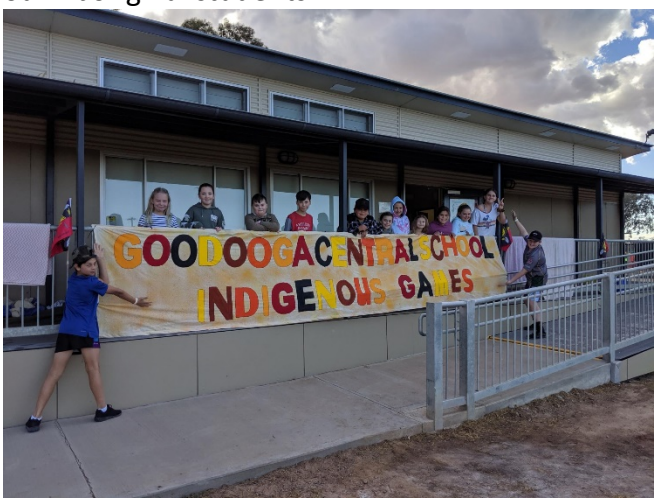
Tomorrow, many students are representing our school at the zone athletics carnival, Singleton. I congratulate all students, I look forward to watching the presentation of the ribbons in due course. Good luck everyone!

Grandparents Day/Book Fair

This wonderful community event will take place on Friday 23rd August. Please mark this day in your diary. Parents/grandparents will have the opportunity to visit classrooms, watch the book parade, purchase books from the book fair, and generally enjoy a day at school with members of the family. We look forward to meeting as many people as possible on the day. See flyer below for outline of the day.

Indigenous Games

I thank Ms Coward and Mrs Perrett, who accompanied 13 interested Aboriginal students to Goodooga CS to participate in the Indigenous games. Everyone had a great time. Thank you ladies for providing this wonderful opportunity to our Aboriginal students.



Public Speaking Competition

I would like to congratulate all students, who took part in the Public Speaking finals last Friday. The speeches were of a very high standard and the students delivered them very well. Mrs Stanford also needs to be thanked for organising the competition. These students will now move forward to the zone final later on in the term: Mason M, Emilia K, Taya S, Eva K, Macey C and Sidney M.
Well done boys and girls!

P & C Meetings

Our next P & C meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th August in the staffroom commencing at 6pm. This month we will be discussing the use of smartwatches, as well as the revised Enrolment Policy. Free babysitting is available. Everyone is welcome!

Enrolments for 2019

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all new families to MPS next year. Our school is now taking kindergarten enrolments, please see the office for an enrolment form.

Joan Stephens – Principal

KM - Jaxen S - Excellent work identifying "ed" sounds.

1M - Ebonnie H - Fantastic artwork of veggies.

5/6A - Isabella T - Excellent work in VCOP writing.

5/6J - Oshante C - Great topic sentences.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ASSEMBLY NEWS!

Education Week Assemblies will take place on Wednesday, see principal's report for details.

Please remember to enter the school via the front gates, all other gates are locked for the safety of our students.

Save the Date

Ribbons for all track events will be presented at Week 4 Assemblies and the ribbons for the field events in Week 5.

Year 5 Camp – Morisset Active Education Camp

Our Year 5 students will be attending the Morisset Active Education Camp in Term 3. The camp will take place between Tuesday 3rd September and Friday 6th September 2019.

The remaining instalments need to be paid by the following dates:
3rd payment - $100 required by Friday 16th August 2019

CANTEEN NEWS

A big thank you to our volunteers, who helped last week; Courtney, Chloe, Blu, Jenny, Tracey, Kellie and Sandra.

We would like to remind you that our canteen has an updated menu. Please see a copy of the menu attached in the What's On.

THE NEW "EAT FRESH & WIN" PROMOTION STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST 2019.

Each time a student purchases a 'healthy option', including fresh fruit and fruit cups, they will receive 1 sticker to be added to their entry form. Once the student has collect 2 stickers, the student can then return their completed entry form to our canteen, where they will receive a mini prize of a fruit stamp (there are 7 to collect), AND a card with a unique code to enter for the bonus prize draw.

This competition finishes on Friday 20th September, where we will send all the entry forms away to be entered into the draw with all other schools for major prizes. These prizes include:
1st Prize: $1000 Booktopia Voucher
2nd Prize: Strike Bowling Party Voucher
3rd Prize: 10x Bright Kids Packs
4th Prize: 20x Tupperware Lunch Packs
Bonus Prize: Nintendo Switch
Good luck to all our students.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Tuesday	8:30am – 9:30am
Wednesday	8:30am – 10:30am 2:30pm- 3:30pm
Friday	8:30am – 10:30am

Opening hours are subject to availability of volunteers.

PAYMENT DEADLINES

Parents, please adhere to payment deadlines. We now have a new financial system in place so we **are unable to accept late payments**. If anyone is experiencing financial difficulties, please talk to Mrs Stephens **before** the due date of payment.

Thank you

Library News

'Reading is my Super Power' is this year's Book Week theme. So everyone, grab your cape and celebrate Book Week with us!

In Week 5, we have a super line-up of events planned. The Book Fair will start on Monday 19th August and will be open at set times during the week. The children will also be enjoying a special storytelling performance in the hall on the Monday. The Book Parade and Grandparents Day will be held on Friday, 23rd August. I can't wait to see you all, it will be so much fun!

Mrs Rose Neal
Teacher/Librarian

News in Sport

PSSA Touch Football – Round 2

This Friday, 9th August, our boys and girls touch football teams will compete against Aberdeen Public School in Round 2 of the PSSA Touch football knockout. Both games will be held at Highbrook Park with the boys starting at 9:45am and the girls to follow at 10:45am. Good luck.

YEAR 3 CAMP

Please be reminded that camp payments are due this Friday. Late payments will not be accepted.

If you are having difficulty paying on time, please ensure you call the school prior to Friday.

Public Speaking Competition!

Last Friday students from Years 1-6 took part in Public Speaking Finals. The following students were selected to move forward to Zone later in the term: Mason M for his wonderful speech about his mum, Emilia K with her amazing speech about gymnastics, Taya S for her informative speech about Green Sea Turtles, Eva K for her speech about Henry James – Be Kind, Macey C for her speech about Bullying and Sidney M for her speech with will make your belly laugh titled "Dad Jokes".

Hunter Dance Festival

Grandparents and Elders Day

The student and staff of Muswellbrook Public School would like to extend an invitation to our Grandparents and Elders to join us in a special day of activities on Friday 23rd August 2019.

An outline of the day appears below:

9:15 – 10:15am – this is a fantastic opportunity to have a look inside your grandchild's classroom and see the wonderful work that they have been doing this year.

10:20am – Our 2019 Book Parade will be held on the top oval. Come and see our students dressed in their fantastic costumes.

11:15am – You are invited to spend time with your grandchildren in the playground during lunch time. Tea, coffee and snacks will be available to grandparents in the top quad. Food will also be available for purchase from the canteen.

12pm – Showcase: A special performance in the hall by many of our students in a show of drama, music and poetry.

1:30pm – Grandparents Day activities concluded.

Grandparents Day is always a special day at our school. We look forward to welcoming all of our visitors.

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Term Three	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
3	5 August Education Week	6 August Education Week	7 August Education Week Awards MPS Zone Athletics Carnival 9.30/10.15 3-6 Assembly 2.30/3.15 K-2 Assembly	8 August Gymnastics	9 August Education Week	10 11 Aug
4	12 August	13 August 6pm P&C	14 August Public Speaking Competition	15 August Gymnastics Education Week Awards/MHS 5pm	16 August Stage 3 – Royal Life Saving (Hall)	17 18 Aug
5	19 August Kindy Preschool (at risk) transition Book Week/ Book Fair K/6 Literacy Workshop Reading Superheroes	20 August Book Week/ Book Fair K/6 Literacy Workshop	21 August Book Week/ Book Fair K/6 Literacy Workshop	22 August Book Week/ Book Fair Gymnastics K/6 Literacy Workshop 4.30 AECG MPS	23 August Book Week /Book Parade/Book Fair Grandparents Day K/6 Literacy Workshop Programs Due	24 25 Aug
6	26 August Sports Photos Kindy Preschool (at risk) transition	27 August	28 August	29 August Fathers' Day Stall Gymnastics	30 August	31 1 Sep
7	2 September Year 5 Camp Year 3 Camp	3 September Year 5 Camp Year 3 Camp	4 September Year 5 Camp Year 3 Camp	5 September Year 5 Camp	6 September K-2 Sports day	7 8 Sep
8	9 September Year 4 Camp	10 September Year 4 Camp 6pm P&C	11 September Year 4 Camp	12 September Year 4 Camp Gymnastics	13 September	14 15 Sep
9	16 September Swimming Year 1-2	17 September VWB Celebration Swimming Year 1-2	18 September Swimming Year 1-2 Kindergarten Orientation # 1	19 September Gymnastics Swimming Year 1-2	20 September Swimming Year 1-2	21 22 Sep
10	23 September Swimming Year 1-2	24 September Swimming Year 1-2	25 September Swimming Year 1-2	26 September Swimming Year 1-2 Stage 3 – Burn Bright – Leadership Course	27 September Last day Term 3 Swimming Year 1-2 Rewards Afternoon	28 29 Sep
Hols	30 September	1 October	2 October	3 October	4 October	5 6 Oct
Hols	7 October Labour Day	8 October	9 October	10 October	11 October	12 13 Oct
50 DAYS FOR TEACHERS 49 DAYS FOR STUDENTS						

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Workers of the Week

KB - Bella E - Excellent vocabulary work.

KL - Blaine C - Fantastic work on where cool comes from.

KT - Ziva W - A fantastic recount of her weekend.

1A - Isaac S - Amazing work with time.

1K - Austin M - Excellent work in spelling.

2F - Josh E - Excellent work with sentences.

2H - Ted E - A fantastic clock made in Maths.

2W - Lysander - Great work with time, quarter and quarter past.

3D - Tahnee P & Jocelyn G - for their well organised and delivered speeches.

3M - Bridget C & Stuart B - For their entertaining well delivered speeches.

3S - Grace V - For her fantastic Kandinsky artwork.

4C - Whole class - behaved, hard workers in speeches and always being very respectful.

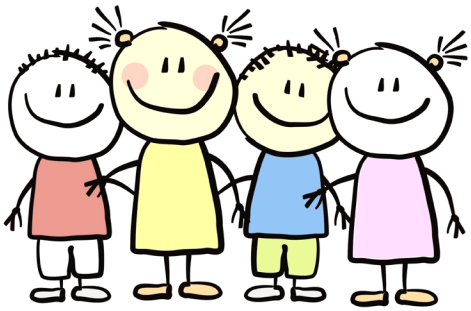
4M - Jack A - Excellent artwork featuring perspective.

5/6B - Ben P - Hard work and determination in all class work - well done!

5/6H - Macey C - Great use of complex sentences, figurative language and punctuation

5/6K - Blu S - Maths/ Shapes

5/6S - Emily M - For her consistent beautiful presentation of all work.



Gifted and Talented Camp!

Five students from Muswellbrook Public School were selected to attend the Upper Hunter Regional Gifted and Talented Camp, which was held at Point Wolstoncroft, Sport and Recreation Centre, Gwandalan.

The aim of the camp was to provide specific extension and enrichment activities for selected students, within the context of a social and recreational educational program. The camp was held from Tuesday 30th July until Friday 2nd August.

Jack G and Isaiah K were selected for Science in Action, Scarlett T for English and Dominic H and Shontayne H for the Maths elective.

We would like to congratulate these students for being selected to participate in this camp.

A report from the students will follow next week.

Janette Scowen.

JAPANESE VISIT

Last Wednesday, our school had lots of fun interacting with some Japanese students, who have been visiting Muswellbrook High school.

They spent time with Year 6 in Maths Groups, assisting them in a STEM Challenge. At lunch, they impressed all students with their sporting skills in the playground, socialising with all ages. After the break, 5/6H were lucky enough to participate in a calligraphy session, where the students wrote different names in Japanese. Then onto a friendly game of dodge ball to finish up.

We would like to thank Mrs Bronwyn Tier, as well as the Japanese teachers and students for coming to our school. It was a most enlightening and enjoyable experience for all of us!

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Kindergarten!

Countdown Calendar

5 Kindergarten enrolments are now open for 2020!

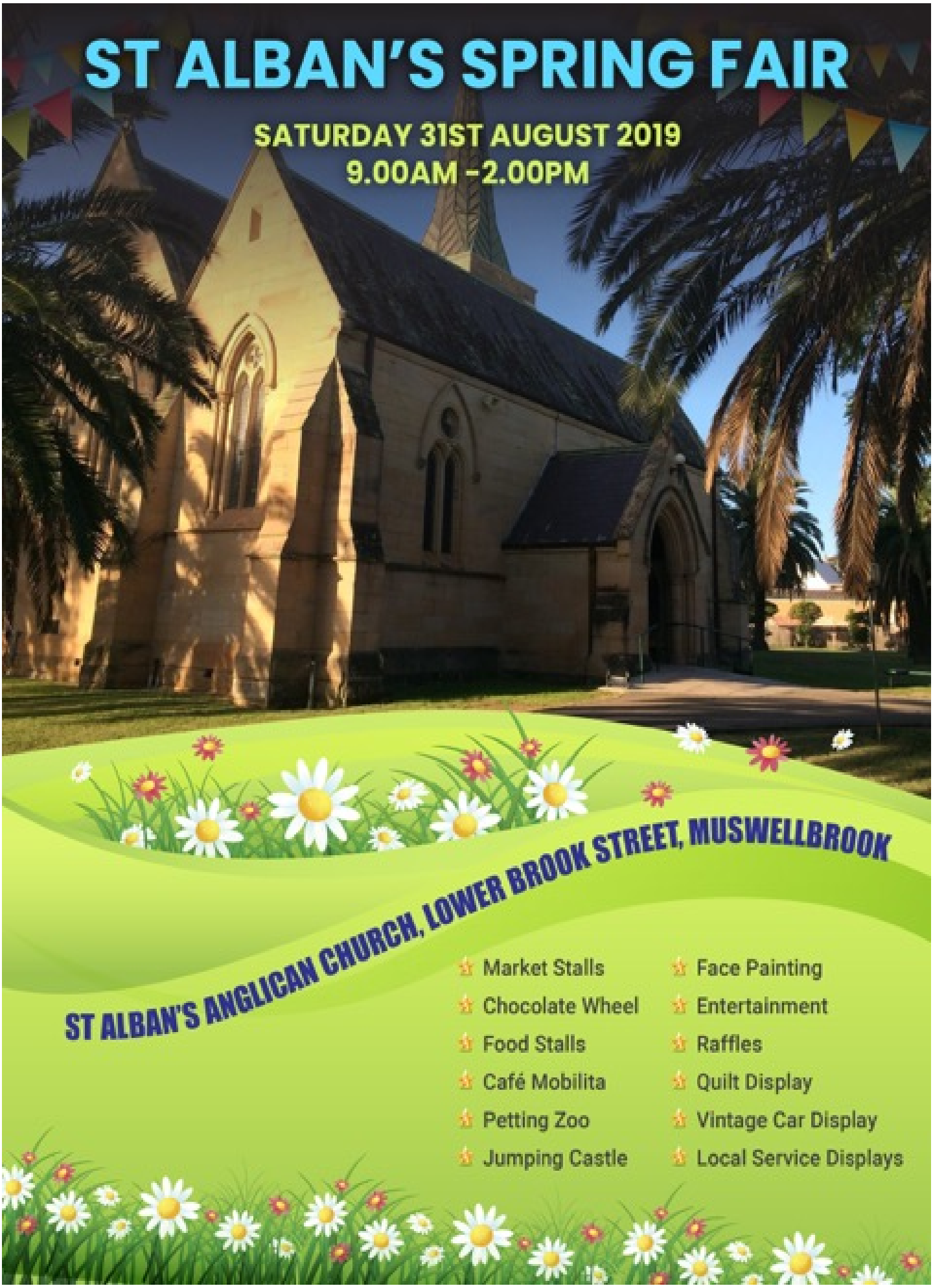
4 Orientation #1 - Wednesday 18th September 2019 in the school library.

3 Orientation #2 - Wednesday 16th October 2019 in the school library.

2 Orientation #3 - Wednesday 23rd October 2019 in the school library.

1 Transition Sessions - Monday to Thursday - commecing 28th of October 2019. Please phone the office on 6543 2500 to book in transition session.

0 FIRST DAY OF KINDERGARTEN - Monday 3rd February 2020.


ST ALBAN'S SPRING FAIR
SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST 2019
9.00AM -2.00PM
ST ALBAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, LOWER BROOK STREET, MUSWELLBROOK
Market Stalls
Chocolate Wheel
Food Stalls
Café Mobilita
Petting Zoo
Jumping Castle
Face Painting
Entertainment
Raffles
Quilt Display
Vintage Car Display
Local Service Displays

Delivering the NDIS in your community

You are invited to attend

Making the most of your NDIS Plan Paid supports - Muswellbrook

A Workshop for Participants, Family and Carers

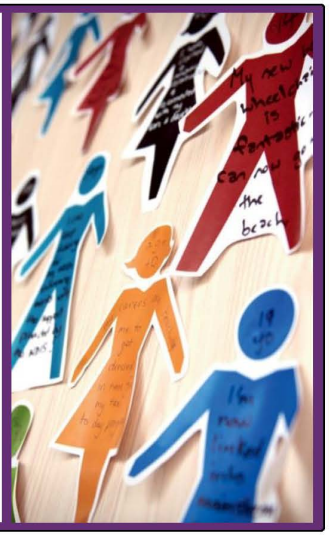
Have you received your approved plan?

Do you have some supports in place?

Do you want to know more about how your plan and your funding work?

Topics:

- Funding, budget categories, and which supports you can purchase
- Working with service providers – increasing your skills and confidence
- Your consumer rights under the NDIS
- How to make a complaint
- Learning from, and connecting with others.



When? Wednesday, 14 August, 2019
5.30pm-8.30pm; Registration at 5.15pm

Where? Muswellbrook Workers Club
15-17 Sydney St, Muswellbrook NSW 2333

RSVP: **Please contact your LAC or the LAC info line 1800 794 934**

By Thursday, 8 August 2019

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SELF-MANAGING MY SUPPORTS

ACHIEVING MORE CHOICE AND CONTROL

A WORKSHOP FOR PARTICIPANTS, FAMILY AND CARERS RUN BY THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

What does self-management of your NDIS funding mean, and how can you be an effective self-manager? This workshop will give you the tools you need to take more control of your supports and your budgets. Discover the ins and outs with our experienced St Vincent de Paul Society LAC team. You will learn through examples and practical problem-solving.

Topics

- Comparing the three plan management options
- Benefits of self-management
- Challenges of self-management
- Paying invoices through you MyPlace portal
- Recruiting and managing your own staff
- Direct employment versus using contractors

Booking essential Please reserve your place without delay
RSVP: you LAC or the Enquiry Line- 1800 794 934
Light refreshments will be served

3 Locations	Workshop Details
CESSNOCK	Tuesday 6th August 2019 5.15pm Registration for 5.30pm Start. Finish 8.30pm approx. Cessnock Leagues Club, 1 Darwin Street, Cessnock, NSW 2325.
MUSWELLBROOK	Wednesday 7th August 2019 4.45pm Registration for 5pm Start. Finish 8.30pm approx. Muswellbrook RSL, 113 Bridge Street, Muswellbrook, NSW 2333.
SINGLETON	Thursday 8th August 2019 9.45am Registration for 10am Start. Finish 1pm approx. Club Singleton, 50 Pitt Street, Singleton, NSW 2330.