



School Motto
"Reliability"

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Be Respectful



MOUNT TARCOOLA BUZZ

Be Reliable



Term 2 Week 2 2026 No: 5

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome Back

It has been great to hear everyone's holiday break stories. We certainly had some great weather, and it seems like lots of children took full advantage of it. After the holidays, we have welcomed several new families to the school community. I am sure that the children will be making friends and fitting in well in no time at all.

At the student census in Term One, we had 386 children enrolled; we are now sitting at 400 students, which is great! The only downside is that, because we have already been funded for 386 students, we won't receive any additional funding for the increased enrolment.

ANZAC Service

Well done to our Year 6 students for conducting an excellent ANZAC service for the school on Friday. Thank you also to all the children who participated in the service with respect and dignity. It was also pleasing to see our School Captains, Lachlan and Amelia Lawrie, laying a wreath on behalf of the school community at the Geraldton ANZAC service at Birdwood House on Saturday morning.

P&C Office Bearers

The P&C are still searching for a President and Secretary. These are vital positions that need to be filled in order for the P&C to function. One of the major roles of the P&C is oversight of the school canteen. If we don't get these two positions filled, then the canteen may need to close. If parents would like to know more about these roles, please contact Amy Chadbourne or Tara Mumford. The next P&C meeting has been delayed until Monday, 11 May. If you are interested, please come along to this meeting.

Parent Interviews

The Department of Education has recently amended the Reporting to Parents policy to allow schools to suspend the normal school day to conduct parent/teacher meetings. Schools are able to do this twice each year.

Following discussions with staff and the School Council, it has been decided that Mount Tarcoola will, in 2026, hold one full day of parent/teacher meetings. These meetings will be held on Thursday, 2nd July. School will be closed to students on this day.

More information on the structure and process for the interviews will be announced in due time. We are informing parents well in advance of the date to allow plenty of time for families to organise an alternative option for their children on this day.

Girls Football

Good luck to the Year 5/6 girls who are playing in the Regional Girls Football Carnival at GBSC this coming Friday.

PAUL LUXTON
PRINCIPAL



UPCOMING EVENTS

15th May 2026
Parent Assembly
Room 11 and 12
(Rescheduled from Term 1)



SCHOOL WATCH ALERT

Our school is being subjected to increasing vandalism after school and on weekends. Please report any after hours visitors to the police on **9923 4555** or School Watch on **131 444**. Please keep children out of the school grounds after hours.



At Mount Tarcoola this term, we are focusing on 'Be Reliable!'

What does a Reliable student look like?

A reliable student is someone you can trust to behave well, work hard, and do what is expected of them.

At Mount Tarcoola Primary School, reliable students follow the Four B's, and try their hardest and follow teacher instructions.



At Mount Tarcoola, we 'Be Reliable' and keep our hands and feet to ourselves.





Compass Portal Transition

Thank you for your patience with the transition to our new communication platform, Compass Portal.

Just a reminder that MTPS is moving away from the Seesaw App and will now be using Compass as our main platform for communication and updates. This means all important information, announcements, classroom news, newsletters, and excursion details will be shared through Compass moving forward.

The Seesaw App will be fully phased out by the end of April.

You can access Compass Portal by downloading the app from Apple or Google Playstore or by using the login link sent to your email, which includes your username and password for first-time access.

You will need to have access to the Compass Portal by **30 April 2026**.

If you haven't received your Compass Portal login invite or need assistance navigating the portal, please contact the Front Office on 9968 1100 or visit us in person with your phone. We're happy to guide you through logging in on your phone.

You can also refer to the following link for assistance: [Program+Kaartdijin-SOP+Parents_guardian_Login-\(KTSS-66\)-CS-L \(2\).PDF](#)

Thank you for your support during this transition!

What's in the Compass parent portal?

The Kaartdijin Solution for schools uses Compass, an online school management system, to manage student attendance and wellbeing and communicate important school information.

The Kaartdijin Solution for parents/guardians allows schools to invite parents/guardians to connect with them online through their Compass parent portal.

Your child's profile

- View attendance and behaviour/ wellbeing records
- Email your child's teachers
- Submit absent or late notes

Important reminders

- For attendance notes
- Consent for excursions

Latest school news

- Receive news updates relevant to you, such as newsletters or details of upcoming events

Calendar

- View your child's upcoming excursions and school events

Welcome to Term 2

What a great start for Term 2. All students settled in quickly to their classrooms, greeting both their teachers and friends. Everyone is looking forward to an extremely rewarding term.

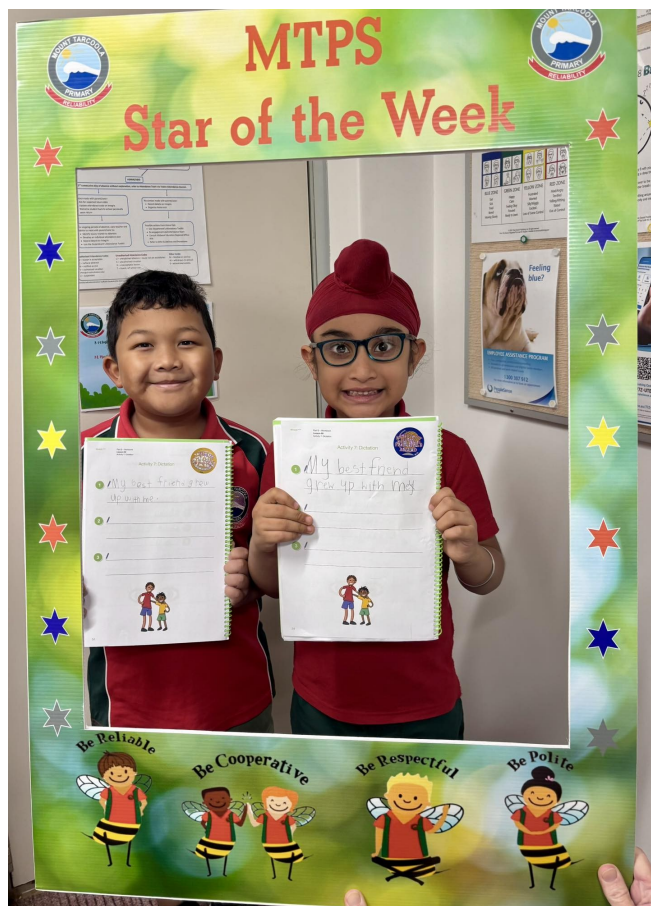


Year 6 Leavers Shirt

Our Year 6 students proudly wearing their 2026 Leavers Shirts!



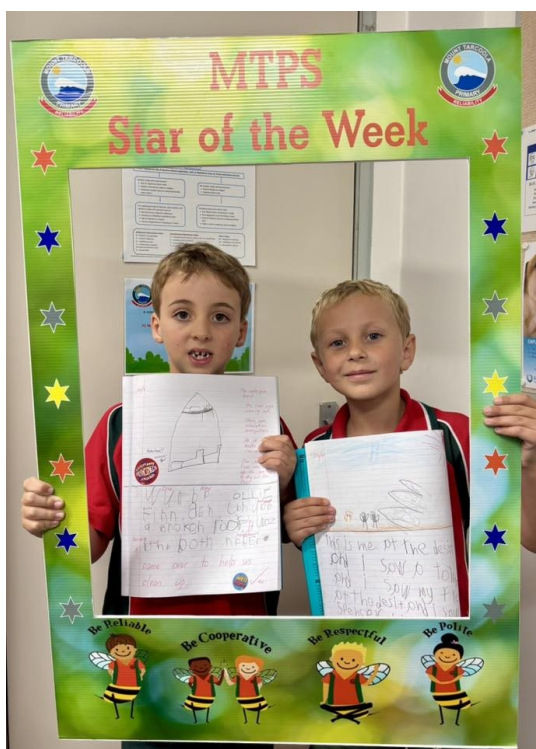
**** Stars of the Week****
Strive, Embrace, Commit



Congratulations Zaif and Karan!

A fantastic start to the term with outstanding writing in MiniLit! We are so proud of you both!

Congratulations Maverick, Hazel and Ollie for showcasing outstanding work this week. Keep shining!



PBS Mascot—Russell Respectful

Our PBS mascot, Russell Respectful, visited our library last week. He was very impressed that all the students treated the library books with care and respect, it made Mrs Morin very happy.



ANZAC Day Memorial

School Captains Lachie and Millie represented the Mt Tarcoola Primary School community by laying a wreath at the Anzac Service at Birdwood House on Saturday, 25 April 2026. Lest We Forget.



Term 2, 2026



**Premier's Telethon
Challenge starts**
Monday 20 April



Anzac Day
Saturday 25 April



Mother's Day
Sunday 10 May



**International Day
Against Homophobia,
Biphobia and
Transphobia**
Sunday 17 May



**National Road
Safety Week**
Sunday 17 May to
Sunday 24 May



**National
Volunteer Week**
Monday 18 May to
Sunday 24 May



**Outdoor
Classroom Day**
Thursday 21 May



**National Walk
Safely to
School Day**
Friday 22 May



**Parents and
Citizens'
Association
(P&C) Day WA**
Friday 22 May



**National Sorry
Day**
Tuesday 26 May



**National
Simultaneous
Storytime**
Wednesday 27 May



**Reconciliation
Week**
Wednesday 27 May
to Wednesday 3
June



WA Day
Monday 1 June



World Bicycle Day
Wednesday 3 June



**Premier's Reading
Challenge ends**
Friday 12 June



Opus 2026
Monday 29 June



**Senior High
Schools Country
Week**
Monday 29 June to
Friday 3 July



Last Day of Term 2
Friday 3 July





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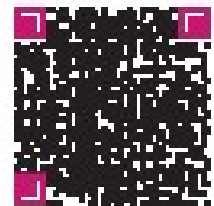
Shaping the future

Kindergarten enrolments are now open for 2027

If your child will be **4 years old**
by **30 June 2027**, enrol them
in Kindergarten now.

Visit your local public school or
community kindergarten to apply.
Apply to enrol before 24 July 2026.

Find out more:
education.wa.edu.au/enrol





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Shaping the future

School enrolments are now open for 2027

If your child is starting **Kindergarten**,
Pre-primary, **Year 7** or **changing
schools** you will need to apply
to enrol by **24 July 2026**.

Find out more:

education.wa.edu.au/enrol



REGISTER FOR THE 2026 SEASON!



Austral's Hockey Club ***Sub Juniors***

- Yr PP/1 Mixed Saturday morning
- Yr 2/3 Mixed Saturday morning
- Yr 2/3 Mixed Saturday morning
- Yr 4-6 Boys Saturday morning
- Yr 4-6 Girls Thursday afternoons

Training is Tuesdays afterschool – times to be confirmed

Register at:



<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/australshc/registration/>

For more information contact
australshockeyclub@gmail.com



starkick

all abilities footballers

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Starkick is an award-winning all-abilities football program for children 5 to 17 years of age. With modified activities, geared to each child's individual needs, Starkick seeks to support all disabilities and runs with a simple mantra... "If you want to play, we'll find a way!"

What do Parents say?

"It's incredible to be part of a community club. In the past our children had been excluded because of their Autism, but at Starkick they are welcomed and supported."

"I don't know if I get more joy seeing my own child, or the whole lot of them. It's the smiles - they all smile every week."

"Starkick is something I wish I knew about years ago! It's so cool to see other kids using walkers and other mobility aids playing a sport they love."

 starkick.com.au  starkick@waaafa.org.au  (08) 9381 5599

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Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ
to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops



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COUNTRY FOOTBALL WA

WAFL TROPHY TOUR

The 2026 Sullivan Logistics WAFL Trophy Tour brings the WAFL and WAFLW Premiership Cups to the Coral Coast of Western Australia, featuring junior clinics, player appearances, giveaways, and a free sausage sizzle.

Geraldton - WA Country Builders Stadium

Time - 4:15pm to 6:30pm, Thursday May 7th

Age - Primary school aged kids

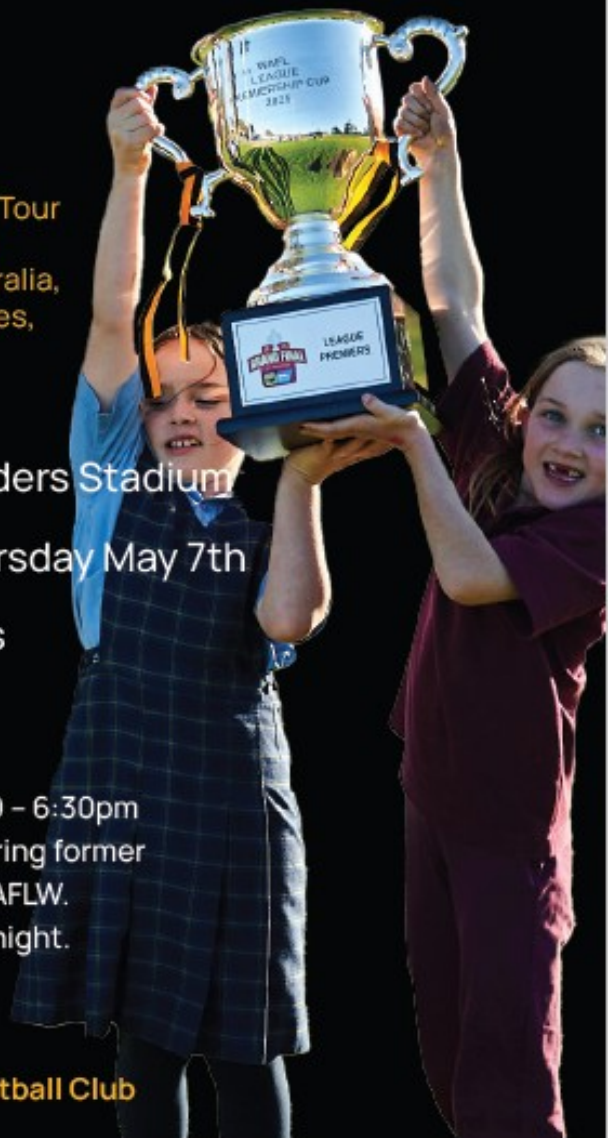
Schedule

- Junior clinic from 4:15 - 5:30pm
- Towns Football Club training from 5:30 - 6:30pm
- Sportsmen's Night from 6:45pm featuring former players from the AFL, AFLW, WAFL & WAFLW.
- Bar and food options available on the night.

*All girls only clinic also available



Supported by East Fremantle Football Club





The City of Geraldton and Lace Up Coaching would like to invite students to come along to our newest after school sports program:

Give It A Go: Mixed Netball.

This program is free for young people aged 10-17 years and designed to help students, get active, learn basic netball skills, build confidence and expand their friendship circles by participating in sports. All skill levels are welcome, with no prior experience needed. We provide a welcoming and supportive environment for all as we build physical fitness, confidence, and resilience through engaging in Mixed Netball

Sessions start Thursday 30th April at 3:30pm- 4:30pm at the Geraldton Youth Centre (next to PCYC). Sessions will run until Thursday 18th June.

Tickets available via Humanitix or clicking the link below

[Tickets for Give it a Go! Mixed Netball](#)