Our vision at MPW is to foster a community of life-long learners. We strive to develop socially responsible and resilient individuals who are working towards achieving their full potential.

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Library News

OUR STAFF:

Library Co-ordinator:
Claudia Stolfo, who is available Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Library Technician:
Michele Birch, who is available Mondays to Thursdays from 8.30 – 3.30pm.

LIBRARY HOURS:
The library is open Monday to Thursday and is closed on Fridays. We are also open every Tuesdays during lunch time from 2.00 – 2.30pm. Some of the activities include DVD’s, colouring, board games or quiet reading. An announcement is usually made when the library is open.

BORROWING TIMES:

Mondays:
Rooms 7, 8, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 21

Tuesdays
Rooms 3, 4, 20, 22

Wednesdays
Rooms 10, 13, 14, 17, 18

Thursdays:
Rooms 1, 2, 5, 6

May is National Family Reading Month

What better time to start enjoying a good book!

Reading to your child is not only a wonderful way to spend quality time together, it also hones your child's own reading skills as they listen to the expression and tone you use as you read.

Reading is a very valuable skill for life and as such we actively encourage our students to practice their reading as often as possible, both at school and at home. We know that having reading role models and reading together daily is a critically important factor in a child’s learning and literacy development.

Our library is well resourced with a wonderful variety of reading materials. Come in and see our latest display and enjoy our Top 50 Best Reads. The library is open to students, not only during class times for research and borrowing, but also before and after school for quiet reading.

So…… during the month of May, come in and enjoy a good book with your child/ren.

Encourage your child to Read More in May!
BOOK BAGS:
The library encourages and supports the use of library bags. Book bags help to protect books and easily identifies lost or misplaced books. We have two types of book bags in the library for sale, both with the school logo.

- Cloth bag $1.00 (Available from library)
- Waterproof satchel $6.00 (Available from office)

Let us introduce you to author... **BELINDA MURRELL**

Belinda studied Children's Literature and Media Studies at Macquarie University, her passion for children's literature was reignited when she had her own three children. She began telling and writing stories for Nick, Emily and Lachlan.

Belinda comes from a very literary family, with a history of Australian writers stretching back 180 years. Her great-great-great-great grandfather James Atkinson published his book on Australia in 1826, while his wife Charlotte published the first Australian children's book in 1841.

The family has been writing ever since. Belinda's brother, Nick Humphrey and sister, Kate Forsyth are also both published best-selling authors.

Six Lulu Bell books out now. Next two due out June 2014.

*Lulu Bell and The Circus Pup* and *Lulu Bell and the Sea Turtle* have just been released. The new *Lulu Bell* series - written for younger kids (6 to 9) years old, is about a girl called Lulu growing up in a vet hospital so there are many adventures involving family, friends and lots of lovely animals. Some of the stories were inspired by her own childhood growing up in a vet hospital and living with so many gorgeous pets.

The first four books include *Lulu Bell and the Birthday Unicorn, Lulu Bell and the Fairy Penguin, Lulu Bell and the Cubby Fort* and *Lulu Bell and the Moon Dragon*. Amazing illustrator Serena Geddes is now drawing the illustrations for the next two books *Lulu Bell and the Pyjama Party* and *Lulu Bell and the Tiger Cub* - due out June 2014.

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**Did you know...**

*“W” is the only letter in the alphabet that does not have one syllable. It has three!*

*“Therein” contains ten words without rearranging any of the letters: there, in, the, he, her, here, ere, therein, herein, rein.*

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*Read, read, read!*

*The more you read, the more you know.*

*The more you know, the more you grow.*

*So...read, read, read!!!*