An Active School

At Metford Public School, we offer a variety of sporting opportunities in which students can participate. We hold weekly sports days and annual carnivals like the Swimming Carnival, Cross Country Carnival and Athletics Carnival. All of these provide opportunities for students to represent at zone, regional and state level.

Our school also offers students the opportunity to participate in a variety of PSSA teams such as Rugby League, Touch Football, Basketball, Netball and Cricket.

To acknowledge the achievement of our sporting students and teams, we hold sports assemblies and sporting team photos during the annual school photo shoot.

We are proud of all students who represent our school at sporting events and encourage all students to try their best and represent the school with a positive attitude and school spirit.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

The purpose of PBL is to provide a high standard of education through a teaching and learning system that consider and inspire every student and teacher to achieve their full potential.

This personalised approach, prioritises the quality learning environment. Positive, respectful relationships are evident amongst students, staff and parents, which promotes student wellbeing, high learning engagement and academic achievement.

An example of one of our strategies to support this system is a clear expected behaviour and reward incentive process that encourages positive student engagement through following our values of Commitment, Respect and Responsibility.

FRIDAYS 9-11AM
Starts in Term 2 of the school year

PUPSS

POPPING UP TO PRIMARY SCHOOL

PUPSS is a unique program offered to pre-school students who will attend Metford Public School the following year. PUPSS is a transition/orientation program, supporting children before they start school. The program targets school readiness, social and emotional development, gross/fine motor skills, Literacy and Numeracy activities, technology exposure and craft.

PUPSS aims to make students familiar with school routines and expectations before they start kindergarten.

In Term 4, PUPSS will engage in specialised activities in the Kindergarten rooms. This will ensure a smooth transition into Kindergarten the following year.

BOOKS for BABIES

During the year at Metford Public School, we have noticed an influx of new babies within our school family, and thought it was an ideal time to start reinforcing the value of books and reading to our youngest generation, and start a great habit for the future. So, with the generous support of Harry Hartog bookshop at Greenhills, we decided to start our Books for Babies program.

Harry Hartog have donated a number of children’s books for us to distribute to our new parents to support a love of reading in children, and we can then involve our students as brother or sisters, thus encouraging their reading and learning development.

*Congratulations on the new addition to your family. At Metford Public School, we like to encourage parents to bond with their child through reading. Reading and talking to your child every day, from a very young age has proven to develop their language and improve their understanding of books ready for school.

Here is a book for you to start this process with your newborn baby. Read to them at every opportunity. When they move into toddlerhood, use reading time as part of their settling routines for their daytime naps and night time sleeps.

If you would like to access more books, Metford Public School offers a grab bag program. Please talk to our librarian to access these books. Don’t forget to access books through East Maitland Library for an even bigger range!*

For all enquiries and registration, please contact the school administration on 4933 2655 or metford-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) provides students with engaging, hands-on, investigative challenges that are based on real world or authentic experiences. They include both independent and collaborative tasks.

Creative and Critical thinking can be and is being explicitly taught at Metford Public School. Both students and teachers are thoroughly enjoying expanding our creative and critical thinking skills through STEM challenges to ensure success for our futures in the 21st Century.

"We are currently preparing students for jobs that don’t yet exist using technologies that have not yet been invented to solve problems that haven’t even been identified as problems" Fisch & McLeod, 2007

In a world where technology is evolving at such a quick rate and robots have already been developed to help in everyday life, teachers are facing the dilemma of how to effectively prepare students for jobs that may no longer exist in the future.

To teach students to successfully navigate through our ever changing, complex changing world, it is believed that teaching students to think critically and creatively will prepare students for what we cannot prepare them for ... an unknown future of careers.

Over three performances, our school came together in Term 3 to showcase our wonderful students and their many talents. We have discovered many talented dancers and singers and enjoyed bringing this show to the MPS Community. Your enthusiasm and attendance at the shows resulted in ‘sell-out’ performances and very proud students and staff.

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Bailey, Ms Munday, Mrs Gregory, Mrs Worrall, Larry Barden, Kath Keen and the entire concert committee for their collaborative talents and wonderful support in making this happen.

The costumes, program, set, lighting and sound added to the performances immensely.

Metford Public really appreciate the support of our families for ensuring all children were at school and in costume, to be part of this FANTASTIC PRODUCTION.