



Noticeboard

The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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Term 4 Week 2 Tuesday 17th October, 2017

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Our Friday swimming for Primary sport commenced last week and will continue throughout the term. The children are reminded to arrive at school by 9:15am so that rolls can be marked and the buses depart by 9:30am.

Year 2 swimming will commence next Monday 23rd October.

For many special school activities a parent permission note is required. Please ensure that these notes are returned by the due date so that the activity organisation can be finalised once total student numbers are known.

BUNNINGS DONATION

Two hardworking volunteers from Bunnings have been updating our murals in the infants department. Thank you Iesa & Emma, your hard work is very much appreciated and MHPS is looking amuch brighter place for the infants students to play.



Mr J Pollock,
Relieving Principal

VOLUNTEERING

Due to new department guidelines, any parent/carer volunteers must complete a new declaration and provide 100 points identification. You do not need a Working with Children Check but you must sign in at the

office every time you volunteer and have completed the departments declaration. New forms have been sent home to people who have previously filled in the older forms. **Please return these as soon as possible.**

NOTES & PAYMENTS DUE

- * Active Swim Survival Program—Balance of \$10 and permission note
- * Year 2 Swim School Scheme— payment of \$90 and permission note.
- * Yr 6 Interrelate—payment of \$37 and permission note.
- * Senior School Band Bandfest— permission note.

MONEY IN CREDIT

During the year you may allocate money into Fees in Advance in preparation for up coming events. Some families still have money in credit. Could you please check with the office if you think you may have credit and use it before the end of year on school camps etc.

K-2 SPORT

K-2 Sport will now be held on Fridays for the rest of the year. Students should wear sport uniform and appropriate footwear on Fridays.

PRESENTATION DAY

This year Presentation Day will be held on Wednesday 13th December.

Could the winners of all perpetual trophies in 2016 please return them to the school office by Monday 6th November, so that we have time to get them engraved for the 2017 students.

Important Anaphylaxis Notice

We have students who are at risk of severe allergic reaction to some food items. **This condition is potentially life threatening.** Please do not send nut-based products to school with your child's recess or lunch. Products include peanut butter, Nutella, sesame seed, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars.

JENNYS CORNER WORKING BEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will have Jenny's corner finished for the Presentation Day on Wednesday, 13th December 2017. The gabions and seating have been finished. Now we need volunteers to help prepare the garden beds, ie remove lawn and level off ground. We would greatly appreciate volunteers...

When - Saturday, 21 October

Time - 8:30am to 11:30am

Equipment - please bring gardening gloves, rake, shovel, spade and/or hoe



JENNY'S CORNER PAVERS

Jenny's Corner is starting to take shape and we are keen to place our paver order very soon. Many people have already purchased a paver and have been patiently waiting for the completion of the project. This is the last opportunity for you to design and purchase a paver for Jenny's Corner. The pavers cost \$25 and the order form and design details are attached to this edition of the Noticeboard. Please ensure you carefully follow the design instructions to ensure your paver can be recreated successfully. The final date for paver orders is Friday 3rd November 2017.

STARSTRUCK 2018

Starstruck 2018 Round One vocal auditions are now open.

It is that exciting time of the year again when we begin the search for Star Struck's featured artists and backing vocalists.

All the information you need is on the [STAR STRUCK WEBSITE](http://www.starstruck.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/round-one-vocal-auditions-open-now), link below:

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PICNIC IN THE PLAYGROUND FOR KINDY 2018

A terrific way for 2018 Kindergarten children, mums and dads to get to know each other before school starts next year. We will meet near the play equipment at 10.00 am, share a picnic and we plan to finish at 11.15 before the students come out for recess.

Dates are as follows
Thursday 26th October
Monday 13th November



BOOK CLUB

Book Club catalogues went home last week. Please return your orders and payments by Friday 20th October.

CUPCAKE DAY 6L

6L will hold its Cup Cake Day on Tuesday 24th October, 2017. Donations of cakes, slices and other goodies can be left at 6L's classroom. (No toffees or nuts please as we have students with peanut allergies.) Cup cakes are now 50 cents each for a delicious treat.



SELECTIVE SCHOOL 2019 APPLICATIONS

Some primary schools across NSW offer places in 'opportunity classes' for gifted and talented students in Years 5 and 6. To be considered for placement students must sit the Opportunity Class Placement Test. For information about applying and the placement process go to <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Selective high schools cater for the specific needs of high achieving gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. Selective schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Parents apply when the student is in Year 5. The students sit the test in March of Year 6.

To be considered for placement students must sit the Selective High School Placement Test. For information about applying and the placement process go to <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

Please refer to the intention to apply for Yr 7 entry to selective high school in 2019. Applications close 13th November 2017.

The Intention to apply form is on page 9 of this Noticeboard.

AWARDS *Congratulations to*

| | |
|---------------|--|
| Early Stage 1 | Isla C, Benjamin C, Bailey B, Adrian F, William R, Layla W, Claire C, Olivia L, |
| Stage 1 | Cameron D, Henry B, Toby H, Jenna Y, Charlie C, Cooper G, Oliver C, Oscar L, Balin P, Keira F, Erin M, Dylan W, Flynn S, Isla R, Cruz C, Ingrid S, Daniel A, Joel L, Hugo M, Byron S, Isabelle C, Joshua M, Harry Q. |
| Stage 2 | Calista C, Samson C, Harrison G, Finn M, Heidi M, Keira M, Kaitlin B, Eli M, Stephanie L, James K, Zara C, Evie R, Remi W, Deegan H, Chase M, Nash P, Finlay T, Freya M, Andrew C, Mikayla C, Shayla W, Elena H. |
| Stage 3 | Louis S, Nicholas H, Lotus S, James B, James T, Juliet M, Linus D, Charlotte H, Alex M, Alice R, Jessica Vi, Luca D, Jasmine L, Ashton M, Jay Y, Jay H, Reuben T, Conrad A, Lucy E, Oliver R, Django S. |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Max O, Kaitlin B, Tilly G, Stella B, Alex P, Sofia B, Dylan W, Emersen L, Claire C.

P&C FUNDRAISER



If you love mangoes, here's your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive. We are selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest. Cost per tray is: \$25.00. Place your order by: Friday 27th October 2017. Please note, No POP payments can be accepted.

We have elected a delivery date of week commencing 4th December. As soon as we know an exact date, we will advise you so you can collect them as they arrive. This is a fantastic, HEALTHY fundraising option for our school – please jump on board! There is no limit per family, so fill your car, and your house just in time for Christmas! Order forms are on page 8.

CLOTHING POOL

Clothing Pool is open every Tuesday morning

9 –9.30 am

School hats are available at the office, \$12 each. Please assist us and have the correct money for purchasing.



CANTEEN ROSTER

| Wed 18/10 | Thurs 19/10 | Fri 20/10 | Mon 23/10 | Tues 24/10 |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Marianne A | Brooke D | Clare C | | Closed |
| Wed 25/10 | Thurs 26/10 | Fri 27/10 | Mon 30/10 | Tues 31/10 |
| Kristen C | Atalie | Cheree M | | Closed |

DIARY DATES

| TERM 3 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| REMINDER, THE CANTEEN IS CLOSED ON TUESDAYS. STUDENT BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY. | | | | | |
| WEEK 2 | 16/10 | 17/10 | 18/10 Bandfest | 19/10 | 20/10 Yr 3-6 Active Swim 9.15am |
| WEEK 3 | 23/10 Yr 2 Swim School | 24/10 Yr 2 Swim School 6L Cupcake Day | 25/10 Yr 2 Swim School | 26/10 Yr 2 Swim School Kindy 2018 Picnic in the Playground | 27/10 Yr 3 –6 Active Swim Yr 2 Swim School Mango Orders Due |
| WEEK 4 | 30/10 Yr 2 Swim School | 31/10 Yr 2 Swim School | 1/11 Yr 2 Swim School | 2/11 Yr 2 Swim School Yr 6 Interrelate | 3/11 Yr 2 Swim School Yr 3-6 Active Swim |
| WEEK 5 | 6/11 P&C Meeting 7.00pm | 7/11 KM Cupcake Day Kindy 2018 Classroom Visit | 8/11 Performing Arts Presentation Night | 9/11 Yr 6 Interrelate | 10/11 Yr 3-6 Active Swim |
| WEEK 6 | 13/11 Picnic in the Play- ground | 14/11 Book Fair | 15/11 | 16/11 Yr 6 Interrelate | 17/11 Yr 3-6 Active Swim |
| WEEK 7 | 20/11 | 21/11 2H Cupcake Day | 22/11 Kindy 2018 Classroom Visit | 23/11 Yr 6 Interrelate | 24/11 Yr 3-6 Active Swim |
| WEEK 8 | 27/11 Yr 5&6 Camp | 28/11 Yr 5 & 6 Camp Kindy 2018 Parents Info Night | 29/11 Yr 5 & 6 Camp Yr 3 & 4 Camp | 30/11 Yr 5 & 6 Camp Yr 3 & 4 Camp | 1/12 Yr 5 & 6 Camp Yr 3 & 4 Camp |
| WEEK 9 | 4/12 | 5/12 3MC Cupcake Day | 6/12 | 7/12 | 8/12 Yr 3-6 Active Swim Yr 6 County Fair |
| WEEK 10 | 11/12 | 12/12 | 13/12 Presentation Day | 14/12 Yr 6 Farewell | 15/12 Party Day |

PAYMENTS

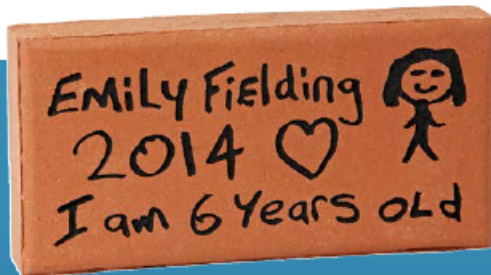
Payments can be made quite easily on our POP (Parent Online Payment) system found on our webpage, www.merewethht-p.schools.nsw.edu.au , **Please Note; when making a payment online, only fill in the boxes with a green asterisk , no need for the student number.** Or correct money or cheque in an envelope to the office, or Eftpos at the office.



HAND DRAWN TEMPLATE

Merewether Heights Public School

We are giving our community the opportunity to purchase a personalised, hand drawn paver to place in 'Jenny's Corner'. This is a unique chance to add your personal touch to a very special area of our school.



OFFER: \$25

Your donation of \$25 entitles you to have your hand drawn image engraved into a brick as a lasting record of your valued support. The paver will be permanently installed in Jenny's Corner at Merewether Heights Public School proudly showing your donation.

HAND DRAWN DETAILS

Please follow the instructions below and overleaf to ensure your drawing details are not lost during the engraving process.

1. If you do not use the template over the page, keep your drawing within the dimensions of 190mm wide x 100mm deep.
2. ONE NAME PER PAVER.
3. Artline 70 'High Performance' permanent marker is the preferred and recommended marker to use.
4. NO colour pencils, colour textas, Biro's etc will be accepted.

See over for further instructions and template.

Simply fill out this form and return along with full payment by cash to:

Merewether Heights Public School
Office

Contact Name

Phone

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Street

City

State

Post Code

Our Donation

\$

For engraving details please complete the form on the reverse.

Please copy and pass on to any friends & family.
WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

SIGNATURE
= ENGRAVING =



HAND DRAWN TEMPLATE

ENGRAVING DETAILS

PLEASE FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS WHEN CREATING YOUR IMAGE.

1. ONE NAME PER PAVER.
2. Draw your image using a good quality medium thickness black marker pen (about 2mm thick).
eg Artline 70 'High Performance' marker.
Do not use a ballpoint pen, coloured text or pencils!
3. Make sure you rub out any pencil lines as these will show up on the finished paver.
4. Do not include computer-generated or pasted pictures.
The hand drawn image engraving process is set up to engrave hand drawn images only.

SAMPLE 1



THIS IS OK ✓

- Good clean writing
- Simple illustrations

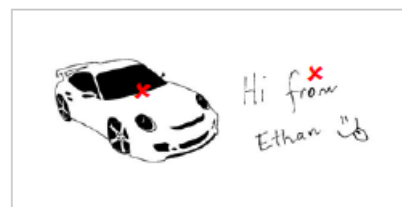
SAMPLE 2



THIS IS NOT OK ✗

- Too many names
- Illustrations too detailed
- Information gets lost

SAMPLE 3



THIS IS NOT OK ✗

- Do not include computer-generated or pasted pictures
- The process is set up to engrave hand drawn images only

Administrator note: Please photocopy this page for your records, cut out the drawing below and send the ORIGINAL to Signature Engraving.

PHOTOCOPY THIS PAGE FOR EACH HAND DRAWN PAVER.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR DRAWING DOES NOT TOUCH OR GO OUTSIDE OF THE BORDER



100mm high x 190mm wide



Days until the MHPS Fundraising

TRIVIA NIGHT

Tickets need to be booked in advance: no need to wait if you don't have a table of ten – book individual tickets now for \$25 each and make up your team on the night!

www.stickytickets.com.au/56481

Come along for a night out to remember

PRIZES TO BE WON! There will be raffles, pay to play comps, lucky ticket draw, silent auction!

PLUS WINNING TEAM WINS TEN \$50 entertainment vouchers

EVENT DETAILS:

WHERE: Charlestown Bowling Club

WHEN: FRIDAY 27th OCTOBER. Doors open 6.30 pm, trivia starts 7:30 pm.

COST: \$25 per person, OR \$200 per table of 10 purchased in advance.

Ticket includes: trivia, 1 drink voucher
tap beer, wine (still or sparkling), soft drink

FOOD: Meals and snacks from the bistro menu can be ordered at guests own expense.

Bring your family (licensed venue, event targeted at adults), friends, sporting team



CUSTOMER ORDER FORM

Merewether Heights Public School

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Name:

Class:

Email:

Phone:

Coordinator/Office use

| Coordinators Name | Price | Expected Delivery | Return form with payment by |
|-------------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Mel Carstairs | \$25.00 | W/C 4 th December | Friday 27 th October 2017 |

- The cost per tray is **\$25.00**.
- You can order as many as you like – ask your family, friends, neighbours, strangers!
- We can only accept cash (the correct amount, please not heaps of coins!). *No POP Payments can be accepted.*
- Please put the money and order form in an envelope and return to the school **NO LATER** than Friday 27th October 2017.

| CHILD'S NAME (please use your eldest child's name & include their class name) | NUMBER OF TRAYS | MONEY ENCLOSED |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
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*Please note that while every effort will be made to deliver your orders to your School/Club/Organisation on the preferred delivery date, however the occasional delivery may be delayed due to logistical difficulties beyond our control. Your coordinator will notify you of any changes.

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 15 March 2018.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2019, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 10 October 2017 in a printed application information booklet and at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> on 10 October 2017 and closes on 13 November 2017. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 10 October 2017.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: the tear-off slip below is **not an application** and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you *intend* to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in 2019

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes EITHER

I have internet access and will be applying online

☐

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application

☐

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.

This is a notice to your primary school only that you *intend* to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE.

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