



# Noticeboard

## The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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**Term 4 Week 3 Tuesday 24th October, 2017**

### PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

I hope that everyone is enjoying the lovely spring weather. With our recent rain things should be starting to "green-up" quickly.

Year 2 began their swimming activities this week. It will be interesting to hear the stories of their progress as they swim on a daily basis.

We are working on our "speak nicely to your friends" at the moment. I would appreciate all parents reminding their children that it is important to use their manners and speak nicely when playing games with friends.

For our Primary students going to camp this term permission notes are due back to by Monday 6th November. If your child has special dietary needs it is essential that this information be returned to school promptly so that it can be forwarded to the camp for ordering purposes.

Mr J Pollock,  
Relieving Principal

### PARKING

When parking at school, please do not park in the Kindy Heights Early Learning Centre car park. This car park is for families of children attending the preschool only.

### 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.

### YEAR 6 STUDENTS

Kotara High School is holding a Year 6 into Year 7 information evening on Wednesday 15th November. This will be held in the Kotara HS Library commencing at 6.30 pm.

### 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.

### JENNY'S CORNER WORKING BEE

Thank you so much to the parents who gave up their time on Saturday to work on Jenny's Corner. The site is now ready for planting to complete a great outdoor learning area for 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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 FAIR TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

Our school is holding a Book Fair on Tuesday 14th November. Opening times are 8.30—9.20 am and 3.00—4.00pm.

This is a great opportunity to purchase quality books for Christmas while supporting our library. I look forward to seeing you there.

Alison Lochrin  
Teacher Librarian

**BOOK  
FAIR**  
COMING SOON!

## NOTES & PAYMENTS DUE

- Yr 6 Interrelate
- Yrs 3 & 4 Camp
- Yrs 5 & 6 Camp

## 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 talent 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.Volunteers

## STUDENT BANKING VOLUNTEER

If you have some free time on a Thursday morning, volunteers are always welcome to help with the CommBank student school banking. Please contact Marianne Allen 0402 747 712 if you can help.

## AWARDS *Congratulations to*

Early Stage 1	Mia , Griffin R, Liam G, Albie W, Jett D, Eva M, Samual W,
Stage 1	Indigo B, Lexi K, Huxley D, Riley B, Tom M, Dylan W, Toby K, Emily H, Ava S, Balin P, Marley C,
Stage 2	Tully D, Cameron H, Felix B, Bryson H, Holly C, Amelia D, Matilda G, Christian M, Tyler S, Nina W, Josephine W.
Stage 3	Lucy E, Tye W, Annabel M, Maddie B, River P, Jaydon E, Oliver R.

## 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 9.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Leila B, Josh D, Finlay T, Halle S, Kieran F, George E, Ryder N, William W.



## 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 25/10	Thurs 26/10	Fri 27/10	Mon 30/10	Tues 31/10
Kristen C	Atalie	Cheree M		<b>Closed</b>
Wed 1/11	Thurs 2/11	Fri 3/11	Mon 6/11	Tues 7/11
Felicity T	Brooke D	Jane M Justine C		<b>Closed</b>

## DIARY DATES

TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>REMINDER, THE CANTEEN IS CLOSED ON TUESDAYS. STUDENT BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY.</b>					
<b>WEEK 3</b>	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
<b>WEEK 4</b>	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
<b>WEEK 5</b>	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
<b>WEEK 6</b>	13/11 Picnic in the Play-ground	14/11 Book Fair	15/11 Year 6 Kotara HS Orientation	16/11 Yr 6 Interrelate	17/11 Yr 3-6 Active Swim
<b>WEEK 7</b>	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
<b>WEEK 8</b>	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
<b>WEEK 9</b>	4/12	5/12 3MC Cupcake Day	6/12	7/12	8/12 Yr 3-6 Active Swim Yr 6 County Fair
<b>WEEK 10</b>	11/12	12/12	13/12 <b>Presentation Day</b>	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](http://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.



**THIS FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

**CALLING ALL PARENTS!!!!**

We're working hard to put on a wonderful Trivia night with awesome prizes to raise funds for our school.

We have 90 tickets sold and though that is exciting we would love to have at least 12 teams competing on the night. ...

Please if you are free this Friday night, grab some friends, jump on the link and join us for a fun filled evening of trivia.

[www.stickytickets.com.au/56481](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/56481)

Heaps of information and FAQs about what will happen on the night on the MHPS P&C & Canteen Facebook Events page, or contact Imogene Rothnie at [imogenerothnie@gmail.com](mailto:imogenerothnie@gmail.com).



## TRIVIA NIGHT

**Q: What will happen on the night?**

**A:** Doors open 6:30pm, trivia starts at about 7:30pm. Hosts are planning 6 rounds of trivia questions with a break after every 2 rounds. There will be some hilarious competitions for you to enter and win big. Some will require a gold coin entry, some you just need to stand up and be counted! There will be a cut-price raffle!

There will be a **SILENT AUCTION** running all night for you to bid on AWESOME goods and services donated by our generous community. Some will have reserve prices. Auction will close at 10pm. Successful bidders will be notified and payment must be made by bank transfer or cash before leaving the venue (ATM at club). Auction item list after FAQs.

We expect the festivities to finish by 10/10:30pm at the latest. Feel free to stay 'til the venue closes.

**Q: Is there a trivia competition prize?**

**A:** Sure is. The winning trivia comp team will share 5 \* \$50 Reading cinema gift cards AND 5 \* Reserve wine bar vouchers (bring your A game)

**Q: What do I get with my ticket?**

**A:** Each individual ticket provides entry to trivia and each ticket holder is entitled to 1 drink from the bar on arrival (tap beer, house wine or sparkling, soft drink). It also puts you in the running for the lucky ticket prize/s, so hang on to it!

**Q: Does it include food or other drinks?**

**A:** No. We recommend you order a meal or snacks at the bar to eat in the function room at your leisure. The bar will be open for you to purchase drinks.

**Q: Is there parking on site?**

**A:** There is, undercover parking beneath the Club. Charlestown Square across the road has plenty of space too, or there is nearby street parking.

**Q: How much are tickets? Why are there different prices?**

\$25 for an individual ticket. Or buy a bulk discount 'table' or 10 pack for \$200. No refunds on 10 pack tickets unfortunately, but if you can't fill your quota you can still use the drink voucher and lucky ticket draw for them.

**Q: Do I need to have a team table of 10 people?**

**A:** No. This is a discount sale option. You can make a table for whatever size team you are comfortable with. You can make a team up to 12 people, but any additional past 10 will need to purchase individual tickets. The prize remains the same for the winning team.

**At the moment we don't have any 'individuals' in the system, so if you don't have a few people you can line up to make a team, please contact Imogene: [imogenerothnie@gmail.com](mailto:imogenerothnie@gmail.com) and we will sort you out.**

**Q: Is it only for MHPS people?**

**A:** No, bring your people! Workmates, family, sporting team ..while we haven't opened it to the general public MHPS connections are most welcome, especially as they are helping us raise money for the school! Please remember it's a licensed venue and an event primarily targeted at adults.

**Q: Do I need to book in advance?**

**A: YES PLEASE.** It will be MUCH easier to plan and run the night if you purchase your ticket online in advance. If you have a last minute long lost relative calling to catch up at 7pm, bring them along and we will manage.

**Q: How do I book?**

**A:** Go [here](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/56481) with your credit card:

**MHPS TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER SILENT AUCTION**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 6:30pm – 10:30pm**

**Lincoln room, Charlestown Bowling Club**

**ITEMS FOR BIDDING.** The values below are retail values. Reserve auction prices will apply on some items.

Little Kite Family Photography Photoshoot Voucher. Value \$1000.

Original framed ~ 60cm \*80cm artwork by local artist Aimee Dobb. Value: \$350

Voucher for 1-hour personal Mountain Bike training session with "Momentum is Your Friend" mountain bike gurus. Value \$200

Salty Shades super light 50+ SPF "Marrakech" beach umbrella. Value \$180

Large Bamboo Gracilis plant donated by Zen Bamboo. Value \$150

**FITNESS PACK:** Individual run analysis by "The Good Physio" and fitness junction vouchers. Value \$300.

Merewether Vet gift pack. Value \$200

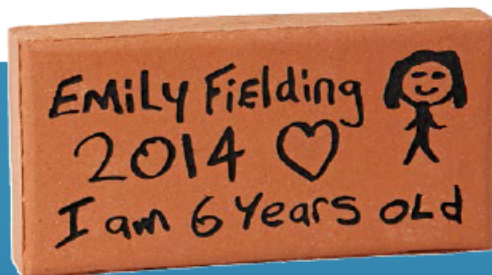
More being added everyday..



# 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

( )

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

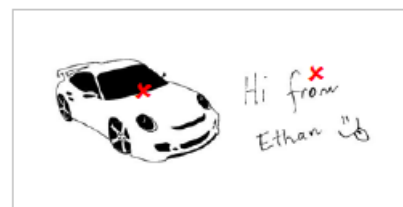
SAMPLE 2



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





## CUSTOMER ORDER FORM

### Merewether Heights Public School

Corrick Plains Pty Ltd • ABN 21 685 452 996 • PO Box 28, Giru QLD 4809

Name: .....

Class: .....

Email: .....

Phone: .....

#### Coordinator/Office use

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

CHILD'S NAME (please use your eldest child's name & include their class name)	NUMBER OF TRAYS	MONEY ENCLOSED

\*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>

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## 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.**

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



# Explore the future and win with School Banking.



Term 4 is here and the Future Games competition is in full swing, with two exciting prize draws to enter. Get started by making three or more School Banking deposits during the competition period – from **Monday 14 August 2017 to Friday 10 November 2017**.

## Play the Future Savers app for a chance to win a Nintendo Switch

The Future Savers app is an amazing adventure in augmented reality that brings the future and the Dollarmites to life, teaching fun money lessons along the journey.

After playing three exciting games, unlocked week by week, students need to complete the online entry form at [commbank.com.au/futuregames](http://commbank.com.au/futuregames) by Friday 10 November 2017 to go in the draw for a Nintendo Switch.

### HIGH TECH PRIZES

**60x**  
Sphero 3-illie Racing Robots

**80x**  
Garmin Kids' Activity Trackers

**90x**  
3Doodler 3D Pen Sets

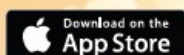
**HOW TO ENTER**  
Make 3 or more School Banking deposits for a chance to win one of these High Tech Prizes.

### GAME MASTER PRIZE

**50x**  
Nintendo Switch Neon Console Packs

**HOW TO ENTER**  
Make 3 or more School Banking deposits + play the Future Savers app + complete the online entry form for a chance to win a Game Master Prize.

Download and play the Future Savers app from **Monday 16 October 2017**. Simply search Future Savers in the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android). For more information about the app and the Future Games competition, visit [commbank.com.au/futuregames](http://commbank.com.au/futuregames)



Things you should know: Conditions apply, see [commbank.com.au/futuregames](http://commbank.com.au/futuregames). Promotion starts 9am AEST on 14/8/17 and ends 11:59pm AEST on 10/11/17. Entry is open to Australian residents aged between 5–13yrs with parental/guardian consent who, open or hold an active CommBank Youthsaver account until 11:59pm AEST 21/11/17, and participate in the CommBank School Banking program via the entrant's school of enrolment. Max. 1 entry per person per draw. 2 types of draws conducted: Game Master Draw and High Tech Draw, each with different entry criteria. Entries divided into State/Territory groups (for each draw): NSW/ACT, VIC, TAS, SA/NT, QLD & WA. The draw will take place at: L3, 11 Harbour St, Sydney NSW 2000 at 12pm AEST on 21/11/17. The winners' names will be published at [commbank.com.au/futuregames](http://commbank.com.au/futuregames) from 28/11/17. SA/NT winners (prizes over \$250) in The Australian 28/11/17. Game Master Draw Prize: Nintendo Switch Neon Pack valued at \$627 (16xNSW/ACT, 13xQLD, 10xVIC, 3xSA/NT, 5xWA, 3xTAS). High Tech Draw Prizes (awarded in descending order of value): Ollie by Sphero valued at \$159 (18xNSW/ACT, 15xQLD, 12xVIC, 4xSA/NT, 7xWA, 4xTAS). Garmin vivofit jr valued at \$99 (26xNSW/ACT, 20xQLD, 15xVIC, 5xSA/NT, 9xWA, 5xTAS). 3Doodler 3D Pen Set valued at \$70 (29xNSW/ACT, 23xQLD, 18xVIC, 5xSA/NT, 10xWA, 5xTAS). Promoter: Commonwealth Bank of Australia, ABN 48 123 123 124, of L3, 11 Harbour St, Sydney NSW 2000. Permits: NSW Permit No. LTPS/17/14677; ACT Permit No. TP17/01038; SA Permit No. T17/971.