



Noticeboard

The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

A big thank you to the parent volunteers from 3MC who kept everyone well fed for our special Father's Day Breakfast. A well-oiled machine! It was great to see so many happy faces enjoying their time together.

The P&C raffle was drawn and the winners are:

Abbie U 5M, Lottie C KM, Sybilla W 1E. Thank you for the support.



MHPS PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION CLOSES THIS FRIDAY

MHPS photography competition closes this Friday 7 September. The competition is open for all students. We have a great theme of "People & Places". So take a photo that matches the theme 'People & Places' and enter it into the MHPS Photography Competition! More information is on page 3 of this Noticeboard. We look forward to your creative entries.

SILENT DISCO

Friday's Silent Disco was such a success! The atmosphere was electric! Students had so much fun dancing and enjoying each others company while listening to their choice of music on their headsets. We were so lucky to be given this opportunity and thank Playground Sounds for their generosity.



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.

KINDERGARTEN 2019

Our Kindy Orientation is on Wednesday 12 September. If you have a child to start Kindy next year and have not received an enrolment form, or an invitation to our Kinder Orientation Day, would you please contact the school office as soon as possible to have your details included on our 2019 database. This will ensure that you receive your invitation to Orientation Day and the Kindergarten transition program to be held in Term 4.

Should you know of anyone who has a child to enrol in Kinder next year, please ask them to contact the school office as soon as possible so they will receive an invitation.

HUNTER REGION PSSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2018

Last Friday 10 students from MHPS represented the Newcastle City Zone at the Hunter Region PSSA Athletics Carnival at Hunter Sports Centre.

Rory O'Neill won the 11yrs boys 800m and Sienna Kinder did a PB in the 11yrs girls 800m coming in second. Their excellent performances have gained them a place in the Hunter Region PSSA team to compete at the New South Wales PSSA Athletics Championships held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre at the end of October.

The senior girls relay team consisting of Laila Ali, Sienna Kinder, Lucia Masters and Annabel Moore worked beautifully as a team to also progress through to the State Championships.

Will H advanced through to the boys 8yrs 100m final, and Laila A, Rory O and Annabel M ran strongly in the 100m and 200m track events.

The boys also were strong competitors in the field events;

Max W, Louis S, Baxter C – High Jump

Christian M, Rory O – Long Jump

Louis S – Discus

Tremendous effort MHPS students.

All the best at the State Championships!

Mrs Lochrin



MHPS ART EXHIBITION

Preparations for the 2018 Art Exhibition is underway. Students have been working hard on their artworks, which will be framed and displayed in the hall.

When: Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th September, 3.30–6.00pm.

Prices: 1 artwork \$8 each, 2 artworks \$14 or 3 artworks \$18.

Purchases: You can pay for individual artworks on the day, pay on POP or send in the correct money to school.

Please bring along family and friends to see the amazing talent that MHPS has to offer.

PICNIC IN THE PLAYGROUND

This is a terrific way for 2019 Kindergarten children and parents to get to know each other in a very informal way before school starts next year.

This year's Picnic in the Playground dates are as follows:

Friday October 19

Thursday November 1

Monday November 12

BOOK CLUB

Book Club catalogues went home today. Please return orders and payments or order on the LOOP by this Friday 7 September.

CLOTHING POOL

Clothing Pool is open every Tuesday morning

9 –9.30 am

School hats are available at the office, \$15 each. Please assist us and have the correct money for purchasing.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Remi W, Mia C, Avalon P, Logan W, Chase C, Emily H, Ari J, Ari K, Dylan C Jasper R.



SKOOLBAG APP

The MHPS Skoolbag App is a great way to stay in touch and up to date with the school. We send alerts and event information as well as the Noticeboard. You can also notify the school regarding absences.



CANTEEN NEWS

The Canteen volunteer roster for term 3 is open and we still have a few days unfilled. Those who are able to volunteer on a Thursday or Friday, please go to bit.ly/mhps-canteen and allocate yourself to a shift. Listed below are the current volunteer vacancies for the Term 3:

Friday 21 September - 2 volunteers needed

Friday 28 September - 2 volunteers needed

The Canteen Subcommittee met last Thursday to review the applications received for the Casual Canteen Coordinator position. We agreed unanimously to interview all three applicants. We later received a fourth application. We have scheduled times to meet with all candidates this week and hope to make a quick decision.

We will be meeting next Monday to develop our canteen menu for Term 3 and 4. In the meantime, we will have our regular Subway day this Wednesday, a bakery item preparation day on Thursday and Sushi orders this Friday. Please note Subway and Sushi can now be ordered online at quickcliq.com.au.


We have commenced drafting policies for the induction process and gluten free/Celiac orders. We are also preparing running sheets for our special days, which will assist our volunteers and Canteen Coordinator with future events.

Our drinks fridge has a broken thermostat and needs fixing. If anyone is or knows a qualified tradesperson who can assist, we would appreciate you leaving your details with the office so we can make contact with you.

Natalie W. has kindly offered to open the canteen for the Picnic in the Playground day on Friday 19 October, so next year's kindy kids can experience purchasing from the canteen.

Calida G. has generously donated this term's volunteer draw prize which is a pamper package.

Finally, we would like to thank the community for rallying with volunteers. We are 75% full for term 3, with all minimum numbers met. Calida will open term 4 volunteers register shortly.



Canteen and P&C Noticeboard

Keep in touch with our school community on Merewether Heights Public School P&C and Canteen Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1096429923710549/>

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Photography Competition

Take a photo that matches the theme 'People & Places' and enter it into the MHPS Photography Competition!

- Each photo must be submitted as a 15 x 20cm print (approx. \$1 to print at Big W)
- One entry per child
- Colour or black and white photos allowed
- Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 categories-great prizes!
- Entry forms available from classroom teachers

Entries close Friday 7th September



**Cricket Registrations
are now open for
season 2018/19**

MEREWETHER
DISTRICT JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

Registrations online - <http://playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?id=15577>

For further details and information please email president@merewetherjuniorcricket.com.au

DIARY DATES TERM 2

TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
STUDENT BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY.					
WEEK 7	3/9 P&C Meeting 7.00pm	4/9	5/9	6/9 Yr 6 Interrelate	7/9
WEEK 8	10/9 Stage 1 Wetlands Excursion	11/9 4M Cupcake Day	12/9 Kindy 2019 Orientation Day	13/9 Yr 6 Interrelate	14/9
WEEK 9	17/9	18/9 Art Exhibition	19/9 Art Exhibition	20/9 Yr 6 Interrelate	21/9 Water Safety Talk whole school
WEEK 10	24/9	25/9 3H Cupcake Day	26/9	27/9 DISCO	28/9 Last Day of Term
TERM 4					
WEEK 1	15/10 Students commence Term 4	16/10	17/10	18/10	19/10 Kindy 2019 Picnic in the Playground

LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property cupboard is again overflowing with school and non-school items, including hats, jackets and lots of plastic containers and drink bottles. These items do not have names on them. If you child is missing any items, please check the lost property cupboard in the western foyer of the staffroom, where the home readers are kept. All items in lost property will be disposed of at the end of this term.

We ask parents to please label all items so when things go missing we can return them as soon as possible.



The MANGO FUNDRAISER
Fresh North Queensland Mangoes
Direct from the farm to you!

Support Our Mango Fundraiser

If you *love mangoes*, the Merewether Heights Public School P&C are offering you the chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive. We will be selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest.

Cost per tray is: **\$25.00**

We have elected a delivery date of **December**. **W/C 3rd**

Order forms will be sent home at the end of Term 3, so keep an eye out! Online ordering and payment will be available this year through Quickcliq to make the process easier. There is no limit per family, so fill your car, and your house just in time for Christmas!



Coming to Merewether Heights Public School in Term 4!

When: Tuesday 30th October
Time: Each class will be given 45 minutes timetabled throughout the day to enjoy the course with their classmates
How much: \$10 per child
Why: This is a fundraising activity by the P&C to enable us to contribute to furniture for an outdoor learning space!

More information to follow in the coming weeks, including other exciting activities on the day, merchandise, and permission notes

