



Noticeboard

The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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Term 3 Week 8 Tuesday 11 September, 2018

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

On Thursday 6th September, MHPS Train On debating team B (Rory O, Ashleigh C, Mila D and Laila A) v's Wallsend South Public School on the topic of 'That we should close zoos'. MHPS were affirmative and won the debate! Charlotte H from the Premier's did an excellent job as team mentor. Well done debaters!



STAGE 3 BUSKING BONANZA

Stage 3 will be presenting a performance based on what they have learnt in performing arts this term. The format will be similar to our Wax Museums and Science Fairs where everyone is welcome to come and be amazed by our stage 3 students. Stage 3 students will be performing in small groups and you can put some MHPS dollars in the hat of your favourite performers.

Our Busking Bonanza will be held on Tuesday 25th September in the COLA and cement areas. Students will be given some Merewether Heights (fake) money to give to our talented buskers. Parents and community members may pick up some Merewether Heights dollars at the office, on the day, if they would like to participate.

Meg Napper
Dale Lancaster
Liam Moran

SPRING FLING SHOWCASE

The Performing Arts Committee will be holding a 'Spring Fling Showcase' on Tuesday Week 10 (25th September) from 5:30pm. This concert gives Merewether Heights students the opportunity to show off their outstanding talents and helps support the performing arts programs. There will be performances from the school band, the junior and senior choirs, plus special performances from band and singing soloists. There will also be a delicious sausage sizzle, a cake stall and a lucky door prize! More details will be sent out to families shortly.

STAGE 2 AT THE WETLANDS

Stage 1 visited the Hunter Wetlands and had such an educational experience. We did dip netting, bird spotting, used the microscopes and built some habitats. These activities complemented our Science Unit on Life Cycles.



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 tomorrow, 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.

LIGHT RAIL TALKS

Representatives from Revitalising Newcastle will be here on Wednesday 19 September. Newcastle Light Rail Schools Program has been developed to equip young people with the safety knowledge and skills they need for living and moving in an environment in which light rail operates.

TERM 3 DISCO

Our Term 3 Disco will be held on Thursday 27 September.

Our infants disco for Kindies, Years 1 and 2 is on from 5.30 - 6.45 pm. The primary disco for students in Years 3 - 6 starts at 7.00 pm and finishes at 8.30 pm. To cover costs, the entry fee is \$5.00 per student. Each student receives a packet of chips and a drink as part of the \$5.00 cost.

KM is hosting the infants disco and 3H is hosting the primary disco.

Parent volunteers from both of these classes are needed. If you are a parent from KM or 3H and can help, please advise the school office. Parents, family and friends who can donate sweet treats (no toffees, no nuts) for selling on the night, please confirm you can do so and drop treats to the office on the day before 3.30pm.

The disco is for our school children only - please no pre-schoolers, high school students or parents in the hall.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rebecca V, Chloe M, Erin M, Abbie C, Occy E.



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. Cash or POP only please.

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

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.**

AWARDS *Congratulations to*

Early Stage 1	Abbey M, Mason H, Madison B, Finnan B, Lachlan E, Josie P.
Stage 1	Jacob C, Thomas B, Thomas M, Lara B, Ben C, Mia C, Tobias H, Zoey M, Ishaan R, Evie C, Youtae C, Hamish F, Sonny C.
Stage 2	Max J, Alex P, Sofia W, Felix A, Willow C, Luke M, Sophie W, Lincoln C, Emerson W, Samuel R, Samson C, Rosie A, Maeva O, Oscar L, Jacob B.
Stage 3	Corbin Y, Rory T, Eden P.

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

We need one volunteer for Friday, 21 September from 11am to 2pm. If you can help out please go to bit.ly/mhps-canteen and allocate yourself to this shift.

This week's canteen days are:

Wednesday – Subway


Thursday – Preparation day

Friday – Pizza.

Did you know you can now place your orders online at

<https://quickcliq.com.au/>



**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/>

DANCE GROUPS

For children currently in Yrs 2,3,4 & 5 who are interested in joining our Dance Group please phone Zoe Jones on 0423 698 949 between 9.00am and 12 noon.

Junior Dance Groups (Yrs 2&3) Friday mornings at 8.00am (School Hall).

Senior Dance Groups (Yrs 4&5) Tuesday mornings at 8.00am (School Hall).

The cost of the classes is \$85.00 per term. Classes will commence Week 1 of Term 4.

These classes entail learning a variety of dance steps in a fun learning environment. This is a great opportunity for children to participate in a group experience and build confidence through a love of dance whilst working towards learning a dance routine which the children perform at different events throughout the year.

It would be appreciated if all new enrolments could be to me by Friday 21 September, so I can finalise numbers in classes and confirm the above times.

Zoe Jones

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 your 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.

DIARY DATES TERM 3

TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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STUDENT BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY.

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 Student Talent Show
WEEK 9	17/9	18/9 Art Exhibition	19/9 Light Rail Talks Art Exhibition	20/9 Yr 6 Interrelate	21/9 Water Safety Talk whole school
WEEK 10	24/9	25/9 3H Cupcake Day Stg 3 Busking Bonanza Spring Fling Showcase 5.30pm	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 Primary Active Swim Kindy 2019 Picnic in the Playground
WEEK 2	22/10	23/10	24/10	25/10	26/10 Primary Active Swim
WEEK 3	29/10 Yr 2 Swim Scheme	30/10 Yr 2 Swim Scheme OBSTACOOOL	31/10 Yr 2 Swim Scheme	1/11 Yr 2 Swim Scheme	2/11 Primary Active Swim Yr 2 Swim Scheme
WEEK 4	5/11 Yr Swim Scheme Yr 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion	6/11 Yr Swim Scheme Yr 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion	7/11 Yr Swim Scheme Yr 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion	8/11 Yr Swim Scheme Yr 5 & 6 Canberra Excursion	9/11 Yr 2 Swim Scheme Yr 3 & 4 Active Swim



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



Spring Holidays

Week One

Monday 1st

**PUBLIC
HOLIDAY**

Tuesday 2nd
October

Mattara Festival

Come have some fun at the festival with rides, petting zoo and pot a plant

EXCURSION

Wednesday 3rd
October

It's Tie-Dyeing Time

Come and create some fantastic Tie Dye designs

CENTRE DAY

Thursday 4th
October

Biodiversity Day

Join us in a adventurous day at Blue Gums Park Minmi

EXCURSION

Friday 5th
October

Revolution Sports Park

Action packed day with trampolines and inflatables.

EXCURSION

Daily Cost:

- The daily fee is \$55 – Centre Day \$70 – Incursion Day \$75 – Excursion Day
- Daily fee can be reduced by CCS
 - 24 hours cancellation otherwise still charged for you position.
- Collection after 6pm incurs a fee of \$1.00 a minute.

Opening hours:

6:30am till 6.00pm

Service Locations Include:

Merewether Heights OOSH

Phone: 0412 787 605

Email: mhts@ooshnewcastle.com.au



Mount Hutton OOSH

Phone: 0431 411 758 / 4948 0276

Email: mthutton@ooshnewcastle.com.au

Glendale East OOSH

Phone: 0431 860 342

Email: geast@ooshnewcastle.com.au

Spring Holiday's

Week Two

Monday 8th October

Craft and Cubby Day

Back by popular demand, come and join us to build and construct some amazing cardboard "buildings"

CENTRE DAY

Tuesday 9th October

Event Cinemas at

Glendale

"Small Foot"

And "Alpha" for big kids club

Popcorn and Water Provided

EXCURSION

Wednesday 10th

October

Speers Point Park

Come and join us for some fun at Speers Point Park, bring a picnic lunch

CENTRE DAY

Thursday 11th

October

Bamboo Theatre

Come and see the fabulous production of "Drama Queens"

INCURSION

Friday 12th

October

Oakvale Farm

Lets have some fun at the farm with feeding the spring baby animals and learning about animal habitats

EXCURSION

How to book in:

Please email your booking with child's name and days required directly to the service you wish to use.



Glendale East is – geast@ooshnewcastle.com.au

Merewether Heights is – mhts@ooshnewcastle.com.au

Mount Hutton is – mthutton@ooshnewcastle.com.au