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The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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ICAS TESTS (OPTIONAL FOR YEARS 3-6)

This year there are changes to the dates of the optional ICAS tests, previously held throughout Terms 2 and 3. In 2019 the ICAS tests will be held during Weeks 7, 8 and 9 in Term 3 on Tuesdays and Thursdays (from Tuesday 3 to Thursday 19 September). We will include the application for these tests in a Noticeboard closer to Term 3. All ICAS tests this year will be conducted online, except for Years 3 and 4 Writing.

Please note that this year the ICAS tests will be conducted between 8.30 and 9.30 am BEFORE school, not during class time.

HUNTER REGION PSSA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP

The Hunter Region PSSA Swimming Championship was held at Lambton Pool last Tuesday.

Congratulations to the following seven students who will compete at the NSW Swimming Championships at Homebush on the 11th and 12th April.

Zara C - Girls 12-13yrs 50m Backstroke, Lincoln C- Boys 10yrs 50 Freestyle, Tom M - Boys 8yrs 50m Freestyle and Gabrielle S- Girls 8ys 50m Freestyle.

Junior Boys Relay Team - Will H, Balin P, Nash P and Lincoln C.

Well done to all students who represented MHPS. Your efforts and sportsmanship on the day were outstanding. Good luck and enjoy the experience.

Mrs Lochrin



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CROSS COUNTRY

School Cross Country Carnival will be held at Myambalah Crescent Oval during Week 9 of this term, on Wednesday 27th March. We are calling for parent volunteers to assist at Myambalah Crescent Oval between

9am and 12:30pm (approximately). If you are unable to be present during this entire period, please still let us know during which times you may be able to assist.

Mrs Smith

COLOUR RUN FUNDRAISER

MHPS is holding a Colour Run Fun Run fundraiser on Friday 5 April to raise funds for technology. This fun run promotes healthy and active lifestyles while helping to raise funds!

All students should have received an information sheet and prize booklet. Raising just \$10 will get you a cool prize! Additional booklets are available at the office.

How Does My Child Fundraise?

Firstly, go to schoolfundraising.com.au and create a student profile page. Everything to do with your fundraising revolves around this page. Once you have completed this, read through your Sponsorship Form, which has instructions on how to raise money and order prizes.

To start fundraising online, go to your student profile page at schoolfundraising.com.au and share your online fundraising link.



P&C AGM

The P&C AGM was held on Monday 11 March. All positions were declared vacant and Mr Beaven convened the election. Your P&C elects for 2019 are as follow:

President—Mel Carstairs, Vice President—Cale Wallace, Treasurer Nicole Brown, Secretary—Imogene Rothnie, Canteen sub-committee convenor—Hollie Tuckerman, Canteen Treasurer—Kylie Rounsley, Canteen minute taker—Imogene Rothnie, Clothing Pool leader—Natalie Walsh, Canteen committee general members—Amy Briant, Bee Corrigan and Cassie Criss.

CANTEEN

You can set up your online order at www.quickcliq.com.au or place your order paying cash the day before either in the office or canteen on Thursday for Friday's order. Remember online orders close at 8.30 am. This term is only 38% full for volunteers. You can sign up for your preferred shift via the online bit.ly/mhpscanteen2019

We need the following volunteers:

Thursday 14 March - 1 Volunteer, Friday 15 March - 1 Volunteer, Thursday 21 March—1 Volunteer, Friday 22 March 1 Volunteer.

ETHICS TEACHER NEEDED

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, being an ethics teacher may be for you. We are in need of ethics teachers to meet the current demand for ethics classes at the school.

Ethics classes can be taught by parents, carers, grandparents or other members of the family or community. Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics (the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program). Training consists of a two day workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Ethics is run on Wednesday afternoons from 2:25-3:25pm each week.

If you are interested it would be wonderful to hear from you. Please contact the Ethics coordinator Ainslie Frazer at ainslie.frazer@gmail.com - or for more information see www.primaryethics.com.au.

MARCHING KOALAS– OPEN REHEARSAL NIGHT

Students who can play a woodwind, brass or percussion instrument, or who are interested in dance/movement are invited to an Open Rehearsal Night on Tuesday 19 March at Callaghan College Wallsend Campus. For more information contact the school office.

YEAR 2 CUPCAKE DAY

Year 2 will hold its Cup Cake Day on Tuesday 26 March. Donations of cakes, slices and other goodies can be left at your child's classroom. (No toffees or nuts please as we have students with peanut allergies.) Cup cakes are 50 cents each.

STATE ELECTION BBQ

Help is needed on Saturday 23 March to help on our Election Day BBQ 8 am—1 pm.

MHPS is a polling place, if you can spare half an hour or an hour around voting please sign up here:

<http://signup.com/go/RstoROq> (case sensitive CTRL+CLICK) or email

merewether.heights@gmail.com. Spread the word to your voting public – we know sausage sizzles @MHPS!

EASTER HAT PARADE RAFFLE

The P&C are requesting donations for the annual Easter Raffle. As usual, we will re-gift a portion of the donated eggs to the residents of Carpenter Court, and the rest will be raffled off at the Easter Hat Parade 12 April. Please send in your donations as soon as possible to the school office.

Raffle tickets will be sent home this week. Please return **(with cash only, NO POP)** before Friday 12 April.

Thank you for your ongoing support of P&C fundraising.

LOWES SALE THURSDAY 14 MARCH ONLY

Lowes is having a 1 day only 20% off sale on Thursday 14 March 2019. All items including school wear are included in the sale.

DIARY DATES TERM 1

STUDENT BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY

TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 7	11/3 P&C AGM 7.00	12/3	13/3	14/3 Selective High School Test	15/3 P&C Ball Book Club Due
WEEK 8	18/3	19/3	20/3	21/3	22/3
WEEK 9	25/3	26/3 Yr 2 Cupcake Day	27/3 Cross Country	28/3	29/3
WEEK 10	1/4	2/4 Music Camp	3/4 Music Camp	4/4 Music Camp	5/4 Colour Run Fundraiser
WEEK 11	8/4	9/4	10/4	11/4 Disco	12/4 Easter Hat Parade Last Day of Term 1