



Noticeboard

The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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PSSA ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday 23 students proudly represented M.H.P.S at the PSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival. All students put in a tremendous effort and displayed wonderful support and sportsmanship towards the students not only from our school, but also other local schools. The following students finished in the top 6 of their age category race and will progress to the Hunter Regional Cross Country Carnival: William H, Emerson W, Matilda T, Ari J, Owen L and Zara C.

Well done to all students, and congratulations and good luck to those who will be attending the Regional Carnival!



PSSA KNOCKOUT SOCCER

Last Wednesday our Open boys and girls soccer teams competed against Belair PS in the first round of the state knockout competition.

The boys were the first game for the day and began the game with great intensity and teamwork. Charlie H made many great saves throughout the game whilst Brady K controlled the game through the middle of the ground. A brilliant goal from Rory O levelled the scores at 1-1 at halftime. The boys created many scoring opportunities in the second half but couldn't quite finish in front of goals whilst Belair scored two late goals to

walk away with a 3-1 victory. Well done to the boys for the manner in which they represented the school with pride and great sportsmanship!

Last week the girls' football (soccer) team played their Round 1 NSWPSA Knockout match against Belair at Lugar Park, Kotara. After fighting hard in the first half to keep the score close at halftime, the Belair girls started to find their rhythm and were able to slot a few more goals in the second half to end the match as convincing winners. All girls involved in the team should be commended on their dedication and willingness to muscle up against a very physical and highly-skilled opposition.



MHPS #WARONWASTE SINGLE USE PLASTIC

We are asking if families and any friends could send along their bread tags or similar tags off fruit etc. These will be sent to the Breadtag Project to be used as artworks. Boxes will be in each class for collection.



SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken for the whole school on Wednesday, 22 May 2019. This year all school photos will be ordered online. Please see the notice for more information regarding ordering.

It is preferable for students to wear the full new school winter uniform on the day, red shirts and grey bottoms. For the girls this can also include the red and grey tartan tunic and white long sleeve blouse with regular collar. Black shoes.

The old uniform is to be phased out in 2020.

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OPPORTUNITY CLASS YEAR 5 2020

Online application for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2020 are now open and **close on Friday 17 May**. Late applications will not be accepted. An information note was sent home last week with Yr 4 students.

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without 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 opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 31 July 2019.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2020, 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 are now available at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5/information-for-applicants>

NAPLAN YR 3 & 5 2019 TIMETABLE

Please be advised this timetable is subject to change at any time.

WEEK 3			
Monday 13/5	Tuesday 14/5	Wednesday 15/5	Thursday 16/5
	Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN Assessment	Year 3 NAPLAN Assessment	Year 5 NAPLAN Assessment
WEEK 4			
Monday 20/5	Tuesday 21/5	Wednesday 22/5	Thursday 23/5
Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN Assessment	Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN Assessment	School Photos	

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen is now open on a Wednesday. Orders can be placed online from 5 pm Tuesday 7 March and will be open for the rest of term and beyond hopefully.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered so far for canteen duty. We have broken the days up into hour time slots to allow for more flexibility. So far only 56 of the 241 hour time slots have been allocated. Please sign up today as there are days we will have to close if we cannot get volunteers. Sign up at <https://signup.com/go/Rfnxfge>

Volunteers Needed

Thursday 9 May - 1 Volunteer
Friday 10 May - 1 Volunteer
Wednesday 15 May 1 Volunteer
Thursday 16 May 2 Volunteers
Friday 17 May 2 Volunteers

HELP NEEDED SATURDAY 18 MAY ELECTION DAY BBQ

Do you have half an hour to help run our election day BBQ fundraiser, between 8 am and 2 pm?

MHPS is a polling place, if you can spare half an hour or an hour around voting please sign up on the link in Canteen P&C Page (Facebook) or email merewether.heights@gmail.com.

If you can't help out on the day donations of items for sale most welcome (lollies for lolly bags, slices, glamorous cakes..etc)

Spread the word to your voting public – we know sausage sizzles @MHPS!

STUDENT BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY

TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
TERM 2					
WEEK 2	6/5	7/5	8/5 Choralfest	9/5 Mother's Day Stall	10/5
WEEK 3	13/5	14/5 NAPLAN	15/5 NAPLAN Book Club Due	16/5 NAPLAN	17/5
WEEK 4	20/5 NAPLAN	21/5 NAPLAN Yr 6 Cupcake Day	22/5 School Photos	23/5	24/5
WEEK 5	27/5	28/5	29/5	30/5 Starstruck Major Rehearsal	31/5
WEEK 6	3/6	4/6	5/6	6/6 Yr 2 Excursion Dungog Farm	7/6

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.**



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.



WOOLWORTHS LEARN AND EARN

Merewether Heights Public School is taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion. You can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it to the school office. Anyone from our school community – staff, parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends – who shop at Woolworths can collect stickers for our students.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources, including Mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! The filled in cards can be sent into the classroom. Cards can be collected from the school office. Collection boxes for our school can be found at Woolworths Marketown and Westfield Kotara.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at the school office.