

The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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Term 3 Week 9 Tuesday 18 September, 2018

MHPS ART EXHIBITION COMMENCES TODAY

Come along and view MHPS students amazing artworks 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.

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.

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.

Ms N Mr L Mr M

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! Please see more information on page 4 in this newsletter.

PSSA NETBALL AND SOCCER GALA DAY

Last Tuesday junior and senior students represented MHPS at the netball and soccer PSSA Gala day.

Both soccer sides played hard all day and represented the school proudly.

The junior side finished the day with 1 draw, 1 loss and 1 win. Highlights of the day included Harrison G's 30m dribble past numerous defenders that finished with a superb shot into the back of the net along with a 4-0 victory against New Lambton PS to finish the day.



The senior side displayed excellent skill and sportsmanship throughout their 3 wins from 3 matches. Highlights included Noah S's bomb from a free kick taken way outside the penalty box and Aidan M's match winning goal on the full-time whistle to defeat Lambton PS.

Well done to all boys who competed on the day!



The junior netball team played exceptionally well and were undefeated throughout the entire day. They started the day strong against Adamstown PS and won 12-4. They continued their skilful playing in their second game against Lambton PS and won 5-1. In their last game against New Lambton they won 18-2. Fantastic effort junior team!





The senior team displayed outstanding sportsmanship and skills throughout the day and won 2 out of their 3 games. They were defeated by Adamstown PS in the first game 8-12. They found their stride as a team by the second game and won 7-5 against Lambton PS. In the final game they played with terrific

teamwork and won 12-2 against New Lambton PS. Well done senior team!

It was a fantastic day for all students who displayed perseverance and dedication. A huge thank you to all the girls who volunteered to umpire! Mr S and Ms N

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Charlie T, Christian M, Amber T, Eleanor M, Preston D, Jacob B, Isla D



3H CUPCAKE DAY 25 SEPTEMBER

3H will hold its Cup Cake Day on Tuesday 25 September, 2018. Donations of cakes, slices and other goodies can be left at 3H's classroom. (No toffees or nuts please as we have students with peanut allergies.) Cup cakes are now 50 cents each for a delicious treat.



REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to Owen L, who came 2nd at the Regional Spelling Bee Finals. A great achievement! Also a big Well Done to Nash P, Ashley B and Lucia S for also being excellent representatives of our school.

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 preschoolers, high school students or parents in the hall.

AWARDS Congratulations to

Early

Stage 1 Cameron M, Isla D, Spencer D, Hudson D, Myles H, Banjo S, Jack N, Charlotte Mc, Fletcher D.

Stage Gabriel A, Thomas H, Toby S, Riley B, Marvin De 1 R, Izaac B, Rhys J, Indi S, Zachary S.

Stage Rebecca V, Kiara D, Keira F, Cooper H, Amelia D, 2 Tully D

Stage Juliet M, Rory O'N, Aidan M, Kaitlin B-R. Maddie B, Anika R, Lilah P.

KINDERGARTEN 2019

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 .

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

STUDENT BANKING

Student banking is on Wednesdays each week. This is supervised by a parent, Marianne A. Marianne would like some additional help each week and also to replace her while she is on leave in October. Please contact the school office or Marianne A on 0402747712 if you can assist.

DANCE GROUPS

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

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

Senior Dance Group (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 J - Dance Teacher

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.

CANTEEN NEWS

The Canteen Committee would like to thank the school community for their support over the last two terms as we have journeyed to this point. We are very excited to announce Hayley B as the new Canteen Coordinator who commenced her employment this week and will be in the Canteen on Thursday and Friday of each week. Hayley comes to us with over 13 year's experience in her own café. She is a mother to three boys aged 8, 7 and 5 who have all attended Heights Kindy so she is familiar with MHPS and already knows some of our families. Hayley is excited be working with the Canteen Committee and school community to bring our canteen back to life. If you are passing the canteen please say hello and make her feel welcome to MHPS.

Over the next two weeks we will be operating a limited menu as Hayley settles into her new role. The menu will be available via the skoolbag app, Canteen Facebook Page and online at <u>www.quickcliq.com.au</u> from Tuesday afternoon. We will also continue our partnership with Subway on a Wednesday which is now available online. A copy of the canteen menu can be found on page 6 of this newsletter.

Volunteers Needed for the following Days Thursday 20 September – 1 volunteer needed Friday 21 September – 1 volunteer needed



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.





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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Tickets can be purchased at the door on the day. Please arrive early to secure your seats.

DIARY DATES TERM 3						
TERM 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
STUDENT BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY.						
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 OBSTACOOL	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 & 6Canberra 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	



If you *love mangoes*, the Merewether Heights Public School P&C are offering you the *c*hance 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**.

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!

W/C 3rd



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







MHPS TEST MENU STARTS 20TH SEPT 2018

SANDWICHES

Wrap 30c Toasted 20c Gluten Free 50c

Vegemite/Jam/Honey \$1.60 Cheese \$1.80 Cheese & Vegemite \$2 Ham \$2.60 Ham & Cheese \$2.90 Salad \$3 Ham & Salad \$4 Chicken Breast \$3 Chicken & Salad \$4 Salad includes: Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber, Beetroot & Cheese

HOT FOOD

Pasta Bolognese \$4

(optional cheese no extra)

Pizza

Cheese \$3 Ham & Cheese \$3.50 Ham, Cheese & Pineapple \$4 Chicken & Cheese \$3.50

HOT FOOD

Chicken Nugget 50c

Sausage Roll \$1.80

Small Pie \$1.80

Large Pie \$2.80

Tomato/BBQ Sauce 30c

SALAD BOXES

Salad Includes: Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber, Beetroot & Cheese

	Small	Large
Plain	\$2.50	\$3.50
Chicken	\$3.50	\$4.50
Ham	\$3.50	\$4.50
Tuna	\$3.50	\$4.50

DRINKS

Water \$1.50

Juice Bombs \$2

Flavoured Milk \$2 (Choc/Strawberry)

Warm Milo \$1.50

SNACKS

Mini Muffin 50c Bliss Balls 3 for 50c Sultanas 80c bag Curly Apple \$1 Popcorn 50c Red Rock H/Soy Chips \$1.80 Grain Waves \$1.80

FROZEN

Over counter sales only Frozen Pineapple Ring 20c Small Juice/Milk Cup 20c Large Juice/Milk Cup 40c Fruit Juice Icy Tube 60c Frozen Triangles 60c





SCA UNDER ARMOUR MOUNTAIN BIKE CAMPS

GLENROCK TRAIL - NEWCASTLE 11 - 12 OCTOBER 2018 9:00AM - 3:00PM 8 - 15 YEARS ALL SKILLS CO - ED

BIKE and FITNESS

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kid Coders

Teaching kids computer programming

Join us for some school holiday fun. Learn what it takes to code a game from start to finish.

WHEN: 8th & 9th OCTOBER (classes run for 3 hours) WHERE: MEREWETHER HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL For ages 7 - 12 yrs

WWW.KIDCODERS.COM.AU





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

How to book in:

Wednesday 10th October Speers Point Park Come and jo some fun a

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

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 11.11 Merewether Heights is - mhts@ooshnewcastle.com.au Mount Hutton is - mthutton@ooshnewcastle.com.au