

Newsletter

Maryland Public School

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Our P & C Association meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7.00pm
All parents and community members are welcome to attend
Our School Council meets the 3rd Tuesday at 6.00pm

Skills for Life

Respect

Responsibility

Excellence

Safety

Tuesday, 5 December 2017

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 9!

As we race toward the end of this incredible year I urge you to keep an eye on our calendar to ensure no events are missed.

Congratulations to all students who received awards at our final Recognition Assembly for 2017, last Friday. Thank you to all the family members and friends who supported through their attendance. It is always a pleasure to recognise students for their efforts and achievements across the wide range of experiences and opportunities school offers. I look forward to accompanying our 2017 Gold Award winners on our annual Principal's Picnic this Friday. Let's hope the weather is kind.

Works have begun to ensure our new classroom is ready for action in 2018. We have the section next to S1G classroom fenced off as the workers prepare the area so we can take delivery of the new classroom. Students are to stay away from the fenced area so that they stay safe.

We are also undergoing the staffing process for the new support class teacher position. Hopefully I will be able to advise who our new teacher will be before we break for the holidays.

Please join us for our Christmas Carols evening on Thursday. Children have been practising their items for you to enjoy on the night! Bring your singing voices and much Christmas cheer!

Next week we have our annual Presentation Day assembly on Monday. I look forward to this event which acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of our students and offers an opportunity to celebrate these successes. School Captains and the Student Executive team will also be announced at this special assembly. All welcome.

Following Presentation Day staff will be hosting a morning tea to say THANKS to our wonderful parent volunteers. This will be held in the library.

Also next week we have our Year 6 Farewell on Tuesday night. A very nostalgic and happy event as we say good luck and best wishes to our Year 6 students as they head towards the next chapter of their schooling life!

Wednesday next week is PARTY day! Please ensure you have read any notes about your child's day so that everyone gets the chance to enjoy these events.

Have a fabulous week everyone,

Mrs Van Egmond ☺

Calendar

Term 4 – Week 9

Wednesday, 6 December 2017	Payment due for Stage 2 & Stage 3 Movie Day
Thursday, 7 December 2017	Stage 1 Nobbys Beach / King Edward Park Excursion Stage 2 Swimming Program Finishes 5pm Carols Evening
Friday, 8 December 2017	Stage 3 Swimming Program Finishes Principal's Picnic

Term 4 – Week 10

Monday, 11 December 2017	Presentation Day
Tuesday, 12 December 2017	Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday, 13 December 2017	Party Day
Friday, 15 December 2017	Last day of Term 4

Important Dates for Your Diary

Term 1 2018

Monday, 29 January 2018	Staff resume for 2018
Tuesday, 30 January 2018	Year 1 to Year 6 resume for 2018
Friday, 2 February 2018	Kindergarten commence for 2018
Wednesday, 14 February 2018	Swimming Carnival
Monday, 19 February 2018	Individual and Class Photos
Thursday, 15 March 2018	2019 Selective High School Placement Test



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OFFICE NEWS

PRESENTATION DAY

Emails were sent on Friday, 24 November to parents of children receiving an award on Presentation Day.

Please check you inbox and junk / spam folders.

Stage 2 & Stage 3 Movie Day Permission Note

Please note there was an error with the due date on the return slip of the permission note. Permission notes and payment are due on **WEDNESDAY, 6 DECEMBER**.

Mozzies

Due to the warmer weather we currently have an infestation of mozzies. Please spray your child before school with insect repellent to prevent bites while in the playground. No insect repellent should be sent to school.

EARLY STAGE 1 NEWS

Presentation Day

All kindergarten students are recognised at this assembly. Each class will have the opportunity to stand on the stage and their names will be read out...they might even give you a wave if you are able to attend. You are welcome to join us on this day.

Carols Evening

Kindergarten students will be presenting a couple of songs during the evening. We would love to see students wearing Christmas colours or Christmas t shirts, shorts, dresses etc to celebrate the festive season. Santa hats, reindeer ears etc can also be worn. We are looking forward to this event and seeing you there.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Williams (Early Stage 1 Leader)

Carols Evening - Thursday 7 December 2017

The evening kicks off from 5pm with the opportunity for a barbeque tea organised by the P&C Committee and supported by the local Men's Shed. A program outline of the evening is attached to the newsletter. The evening of events should conclude at approximately 7.30pm.

Junior and Senior Dance participants are reminded to wear Christmas colours; red, white, green, gold or silver clothing and dance shoes or sensible closed in footwear. Come along and be entertained by the very talented students at Maryland Public School. We hope to see you there!

Mrs Garven & Mrs Groth (Organising Teachers)

CHOIR NEWS

As the end of the year approaches, the choir will have two more opportunities to perform in front of the whole school.

Upcoming performances:

Monday, 11 December – The choir will be leading the Australian National Anthem at the beginning of our

Presentation Day assembly. Full school uniform will be worn for the performance.

Friday, 15 December – We will be singing our new song at the beginning of the Year 6 clap out which will begin at approximately 2:30pm in the hall. Full school uniform will also be worn for this performance.

We will be rehearsing this Thursday morning at the usual time, as well as next Thursday morning in preparation for our performances. We may need to have a few extra lunch time rehearsals to practise our new song for the Year 6 clap out. Choir members have been made aware of this. Announcements will be made at the beginning of lunch to let students know of extra rehearsals.

As full school uniform will be worn for both performances, could you please ensure that school choir shirts are returned ASAP so that they can be ready for choir members next year.

Mrs Brooks and I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank members who have maintained their commitment to the Maryland Public School Choir throughout the year. It has been wonderful to see the development of singing skills in all members and to see the many talented singers who joined up this year.

The Maryland Public School Choir will start up again early next term and we are looking forward to seeing our continuing members again, as well as new members who wish to join. A note will be distributed early Term 1, inviting students from Stages 1, 2 and 3 to join for 2018.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mrs King and Mrs Brooks (Choir Co-ordinators)

SPORT NEWS

Knights Knockout

Mr Blyth and Ms Daly have begun to train the Stage 2 and Stage 3 players in readiness for next year.

2018 Swimming Carnival

The annual swimming carnival for 2018 will be held on Wednesday 14 December 2018.

Mrs Wingrove (Sports Coordinator)

Whole School Assembly

Stage 2 students who were awarded their Award For Excellence at last Friday's Whole School Assembly will receive their pens as soon as they arrive at school.

BRONZE AWARDS

Mujahed A, Nikkye H, Lial A, Ella M, Rima B, Tahlayah D, Kye M, Aidan H, Mia W, Ryder B, Ava H, Maddi K O'B, Nicholas T, Cleo C, Khoby D-H, Jai K, Dakoda K, Jadah McP, Joseph M, Kyla J, Luke M, Prian S, Ellis A, Sanjith D, Jasper G, Tully W, Nyima D, Nicholas R, Nehamaria Y, Travis G, Emelia P, Seth W, Savannah D, Rosamond Z, Mitchell F, Morgan G, Avril F, Lyla Blu L, Mercyne J, Abby S, Riley R-C, Daneby H, Dillan B.

SILVER AWARDS

Aidan H, Mujahed A, Tai G W, Daisy J, Rose F, Jordan Q, Clarissa McF, Declan R, Abbie R, Breeanna C, Lial A, Isabellah P, Mackenzie T, Ethan T, Chelsye McN, Declan R, Abbie R, Breeanna C, Lial A, Isabellah P, Mackenzie T, Ethan T, Chelsye McN, Cleo C, Tyler P, Jordan R, Charlee J, Ava VDL, Ava H, Thomas S, Connor S, Bella A, Shianne F, Luke M, Ellis A, Dilan B, Larissa W, Jasper G, William P, James N, Ryder B, Jordan B, Mackenzie VDL, Stephanie K, Carley A, Koby D, Cooper M, Ava R, Max D, Austin F, Claudia B, Sophira F-M, Addison C, Bella B, Natalia O'D, Nehamaria Y, Jadah McP, Brock M, Graeme B, Taj McK, Kira D, Isabella L, Prian S, Bentley T, Daniel McR, Layla Blu L, Mercyne J, Dillan B.

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Shijin N, Madi B, Archie R, Harivansh S, Fiona L, Skylah N, Lucas B, Mackenzie T, Linkin S, Samantha H, Chloe D, Chloe M, Lyla C, Emelyn K, Darcy S, Layla M, Isabellah P, Max U, Isaac C, Luke M, Khye G, Cloe C, Penelope O, Bella A, Larissa W, Jasper H, Tai G W, Dustin C, Callam H, Memphis O, Jhan R, Lacey B, Anelia R, Kaicey M, Ben B, Hunter K, Ava VDL, Matilda I, Lachlan B-S, Reuben C, Kira D, Arabella T, Caerwyn B, Jake S, Joshua D, Mia McK, Isabella L, Prian S, Noah P, Kahlee D.

P&C NEWS

Thoughts that Count Campaign - Fletcher Village Shopping Centre

Maryland Public School are finalists in this campaign and please support the school by voting on line at <https://fletchervillage.com.au/whatson/thoughts-count-vote-now/>



Please ensure that you select Maryland Public School from the drop down box, so that we get the vote. Voting

opened from 27 November 2017 and will close on 14 January 2018. Share this information with family and friends to maximise our votes and improve our share of the prize money. Receipts over \$10 within these dates can be used in the campaign.

Carols Evening - Thursday 7 December 2017

HELP NEEDED!!! Volunteers are required to help out on the night with serving. In an effort to spread the load, thirty minute periods would spread the joy among the community. If you are available to assist, please leave your details at the office.

Items available on the night from 5pm will include:

Sausage Sandwich \$2.50
Steak Sandwich \$4
Soft Drinks \$2
Bottled Water \$1.50

Plus an assortment of snacks including chocolates, confectionary and chips will be available.

Christmas Raffle

Tickets have been sent home and are \$2 each. The winners will be drawn at the Carols Evening, this Thursday. Prizes include: 1st - iPad, 2nd - Mechanical Service from Scott Forbes Automotive, 3rd / 4th - Boys / Girls Bike, plus, too many more to mention. If you would like to make a contribution please drop the item(s) off at the front office as soon as possible.

Kindly return receipt butts and money to the office as soon as you can. If you would like another book or two please ask at the school office.

P&C Committee

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen Roster Term 4

Day	Date	Name
Week 9		
Wednesday	6 December	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	7 December	Susan B, Helen
Friday	8 December	Jamie, Bec S, Amanda S
Week 10		
Monday	11 December	Carmen, Lynne M
Tuesday	12 December	Carmen, Sarah J
Wednesday	13 December	CANTEEN CLOSED HELPERS NEEDED ***PARTY DAY***
Thursday	14 December	CANTEEN CLOSED HELPERS NEEDED ***CLEANING***
Friday	15 December	CANTEEN CLOSED HELPERS NEEDED ***CLEANING***

PRELOVED UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Opening Hours

- Tuesday Mornings 8.30am until 9.00am
- Thursday Afternoons 2.45pm until 3.15pm

Cindy & Carmen ☺☺

NEW UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Opening Hours

- Tuesday 8.30am - 9.30am
- Thursday 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Visit the website by clicking on the link below to order uniforms online.

<http://www.countryfeelinguniforms.com.au/>

MESSAGE FROM THE SRE TEACHERS (SCRIPTURE)

Some of the themes from our bible lessons this year have been

- “the golden rule” ie treat others the way you want to be treated
- “kids can make a difference” – we’re never to do great things to benefit others
- and finishing off with Christmas and what it means.

So as we come to the end of the year, we want to wish all families, both of students and school staff, a blessed Christmas and New Year.

The Scripture Teachers

COMMUNITY NEWS



Activate your sporty self

WHEN
January 17th–19th 2017
8:30am - 3:00pm

WHERE
The Junction Public School
Union St, Merewether

WHAT
A 3-day summer camp where children play a variety of modified sports with the guidance of expert coaches in a safe, positive and supportive environment

BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME FROM AGES 6 TO 12

PRICES
3 days: \$190pp
2 days: \$130pp
1 day: \$70pp
See website for details

EASY ONLINE BOOKINGS
Just visit our website activatesportscamps.com fill out the registration form, and safely pay online via PayPal!

ONLY 100 spots available!

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Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make tasty tabouli.

Serves: 6 | Preparation: 10mins | Cooking: 30-60mins

Ingredients

- ½ cup uncooked bulgar*
- 2 cups reduced-salt chicken or vegetable stock, hot
- 2 bunches Italian flat leaf parsley, chopped
- 1 bunch mint, chopped
- 3 shallots, chopped
- 3 Roma tomatoes, chopped
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp lemon juice



Method

- In a large bowl, pour the boiling stock over the bulgur. Let sit for 30-60 minutes until softened and then strain through a fine mesh sieve. Cool.
- Combine the bulgur, parsley, mint, shallots and tomatoes in a large bowl. In a small bowl, combine the olive oil, lemon juice and pinch of salt. Pour over the bulgur mix and toss to mix well.

* Bulgar is a cereal made from whole wheat partially boiled then dried. It can be substituted with couscous or quinoa.

For more information visit

www.eatittobeatit.com.au

or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)



SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

...to be a good role model!

Did you know?

Researchers, parents and teachers know that children imitate adult behaviour. That's why role modelling sun protection is so important!

How you can be a role model:

- Slip** on clothing which covers as much skin as possible.
- Slop** on 30+ broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen.
- Slap** on a broad brimmed, legionnaires or bucket hat.
- Slide** on some wrap-around sunglasses.
- Seek** shade when outdoors.



Don't forget – when the UV reaches 3, we protect against UV! You and your kids can check the UV level together by downloading the SunSmart app!

Set a positive example and your kids will follow your lead!

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



Maryland Public School Carols Evening



Thursday
7th December 2017

Program of Events

Emcee: Megan Blanch

5.30	Purchase and enjoy BBQ tea from Men's Shed
	Band plays
	Dance Groups
	ES1 Carols
<i>1st instalment of Christmas Raffle tickets drawn</i>	
	S1 Carols
<i>2nd instalment of Christmas Raffle tickets drawn</i>	
	S2 Carols
<i>Last of Christmas Raffle prize winners drawn</i>	
	S3 Carols



Soft drinks,
chips and
snacks
available for
purchase