

# Newsletter

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

### Skills for Life

Respect

Responsibility

Excellence

Safety

Tuesday, 27 March 2018

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 9.

We look forward to hosting many friends and family members here on Thursday at our annual Grandfriends and Easter celebrations day. A day of joy (dancing, parading, creating and laughing) while making lovely memories. Thanks to Mrs Groth and her team for their organisation and planning to ensure this event is a truly special one. All welcome!

A reminder that the Year 6 Student and Parent Expo is on this afternoon from 3.30pm – 5pm at Callaghan College Wallsend Campus. Please meet in the COLA area where Mrs Jenness (Head Teacher Wellbeing) will be.

All families will have received information about our Student Led Conferences beginning next week. I encourage everyone to make an appointment with the class teacher so that students can lead discussions about their learning this year at MPS. A wonderful process for you and your child / children to be involved in which will provide great insight into the learning your child is undertaking. We will be seeking your feedback about this so we can review our procedures and ensure they are meeting the needs of our students and families.

Enjoy a wonderfully relaxing Easter long weekend everyone and stay safe!

Mrs Van Egmond ☺



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### Calendar

#### Term – Week 9

Tuesday, 27 March 2018	3.30pm CCWC Year 7 2019 Student & Parent Expo 7.00pm P&C AGM & General Meeting
Thursday, 29 March 2018	Book Fair 8.30am to 9am, during Recess, following Easter Hat Parade & during Lunch 9.15am Grandfriends' Day / Easter Celebrations /
Friday, 30 March 2018	Good Friday

#### Term 1 – Week 10

Monday, 2 April 2018	Easter Monday
Tuesday, 3 April 2018	Student Led Conferences
Wednesday, 4 April 2018	Student Led Conferences
Thursday, 5 April 2018	Student Led Conferences
Friday, 6 April 2018	Student Led Conferences Variety's 'Hair with Heart' 2.00pm Whole School Assembly

#### Important Dates for Your Diary

Friday, 13 April 2018	ANZAC Day Assembly Last day of Term 1
Monday, 30 April 2018	Staff Development Day (Pupil Free)
Tuesday, 1 May 2018	Students resume for Term 2
Friday, 4 May 2018	Zone Cross Country
Tuesday, 8 May 2018	ICAS Digital Technology Competition

### OFFICE NEWS

#### Mozzies

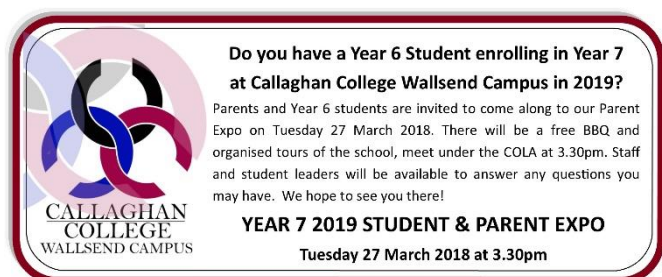
Due to the weather we currently have an infestation of mozzies. Please spray your child before school with insect repellent to prevent bites while in the playground. No insect repellent should be sent to school.

#### Reminder

When sending payments with money and notes please place everything in an envelope with name and class of child and what the payment is for written across the front of the envelope. All monies and notes to be placed in the letter box in the foyer at the front office.

#### EARLY STAGE 1 NEWS

3 Way Conference notes were sent out last week. These conferences provide time for you, your child and



their teacher to share information about school and to establish some future learning goals.

We are looking forward to welcoming visitors on Grandfriends' Day this coming Thursday. Please remember to bring along some items that may be used to decorate an Easter Hat on the day (students are provided with a template) along with a stapler. I am sure some wonderful creations will be displayed in the Hat Parade following the making.

Have a Safe and Happy Easter, students return on Tuesday, 3 April.

Mrs Williams (ES1 Leader)

## STAGE 1 NEWS

### Grandfriends' Day and Easter Eggstravaganza

On this Thursday, 29 March, Grandfriends' are warmly invited to attend our school to take part in a morning of fun and activity. Stage 1 students will be decorating an Easter hat at school, helped by their 'Grandfriends' and then wearing it in our parade for all to see. Students will be given a template of a hat, so you do not need to provide one. What you do need to provide are DECORATIONS to go on the hat, some suggestions include stickers, foam eggs, shredded paper and coloured craft feathers. Please do not bring chocolate items - especially if it's a hot day! Students may bring these in before the day. If at all possible kindly bring in your own stapler / sticky tape as we only have a few in each classroom.

Mrs Mackay (Stage 1 Leader)

## BOOK FAIR ON GRANDFRIENDS' DAY!

A Book Fair will be held on Grandfriends' Day. Grandfriends' who purchase a book for their special student will receive a small acknowledgement certificate. The certificate can be written on by Grandfriends' and glued into the front cover of the book, as a reminder of this special day.

Opening times for the Book Fair are as follows:

- 8.30am – 9.00am
- Recess
- Following the Easter hat parade
- Lunch time

EFTPOS facilities will be available at the Book Fair.

## DANCE NEWS

### Grandfriends' Day Performance

Junior and Senior Lunchtime dance groups will be performing this Thursday at the Grandfriends' Day parade after recess at 11.30am approximately. Please note that all girls will need a black leotard, ¾ black tights, black socks and black shoes. Skirts and headbands will be provided on the day. In addition, wherever possible hair needs to be up in a high ponytail. Boys are required to wear a black t-shirt and black shorts, black shoes and black socks please.

All performers, wherever possible are encouraged to wear their tights and leotards to school with their sports uniform on top. Junior lunchtime dancers will be getting skirts and headbands on in Mrs Conn's (1/2SC)

classroom during recess and Senior lunchtime dancers will get ready with skirts and headbands in 1/2DG.

## Hunter Dance Festival Audition

A selection of senior lunchtime dancers will be auditioning for the Hunter Dance Festival this year. The recording for this audition will be made this Thursday following the Easter parade performance. Please remain in tights and leotards during lunchtime so that this can be achieved.

Mrs Groth (Coordinating Teacher)

## SPORT NEWS

### Zone Cross Country

The Zone Cross Country will be held in Term 2, Friday, 4 May. A note will go home to competitors this week.

### PSSA Football

Good luck to the following boys who will trial for the Hunter Football team this Thursday - Jake T, Treay P, Brodie C and Hunter K.

## Gymnastics

The Gymnastics Program will commence in Term 2 for Kindergarten, Years 1, 2, 5 and 6. Years 3 and 4 will not participate in the program due to their overnight excursion at the end of the year.

## Coles Sports Vouchers

Don't forget to place your Coles sports vouchers in the box outside the office.

Mrs Wingrove (Sports Coordinator)

## P&C NEWS

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is on tonight from 7pm in the Library followed by a general meeting. All warmly welcome to attend.

## FUNDRAISING NEWS

### Grandfriends' Day / Easter Eggstravaganza

Thank you so much to all the families that donated Easter eggs, chocolates, bunny ears, soft toys and Easter merchandise for the Easter Eggstravaganza. We have 50 prizes to draw on Thursday at the Grandfriends' Day parade after recess. Kindly return receipt butts and money to the office as soon as you can so they can be included in the draw.

Fundraising Committee

## Coles Sports for School Promotion

This promotion ends this weekend, Sunday, 1 April 2018. Thank you for collecting them for our school and please send in any vouchers that you may have at home to support Maryland Public School. We really appreciate your assistance in this endeavour.



**P&C NEWS**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) and general meeting will be held tonight. Tuesday, 27 March at 7.00pm in the school Library. All welcome.

**FUNDRAISING NEWS****Easter Eggstravanza Tickets**

A huge thank you to the families that have already given an item or two to the Easter Eggstravanza. Donations of chocolate eggs, chocolates, bunny ears, soft toys and Easter merchandise are needed and if you would like to make a contribution please drop the item(s) off at the front office as soon as possible. Tickets and money are trickling in and if you would like an additional booklet of tickets they are available from the front office. Prizes will be drawn on Grandfriends' Day, Thursday, 29 March 2018. Please continue returning receipt butts and money to the office as soon as you can.

Fundraising Committee

**CANTEEN NEWS****Canteen Roster Term 1**

Day	Date	Name
<b>Week 9</b>		
Wednesday	28 March	Miyako, Lesley
Thursday	29 March	Katie O, Lesley
Friday	30 March	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
<b>Week 10</b>		
Monday	2 April	<b>EASTER MONDAY</b>
Tuesday	3 April	Carmen, Bree
Wednesday	4 April	Miyako, Lesley
Thursday	5 April	Janelle W, Cher
Friday	6 April	Sheree, Alicia G, Cassandra, Esme, Sharna
<b>Week 11</b>		
Monday	9 April	Carmen
Tuesday	10 April	Carmen, Sheree
Wednesday	11 April	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	12 April	Lesley, Cath, Bree
Friday	13 April	Amanda S, Bec S, Sharna

**PRELOVED UNIFORM SHOP NEWS****Opening Hours**

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

Carmen & Alisa ☺☺

**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/>

**COMMUNITY NEWS**


Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

...to reduce cancer risk with wholegrains.

New evidence shows that eating wholegrains every day significantly reduces your bowel cancer risk.\*

Delicious wholegrains you can incorporate into your family's diet include:

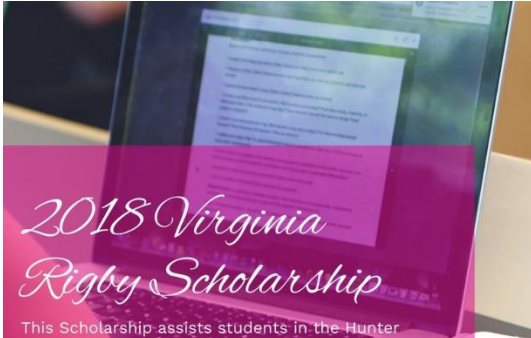
- wholemeal or multi-grain bread, muffins and crumpets;
- wholegrain or whole-wheat breakfast cereals or muesli;
- wholemeal or mixed grain crispbread;
- brown rice, rice cakes, wholemeal pasta, corn, oats, quinoa, rye, spelt, millet or amaranth;
- barley (not the pearl variety) or cracked wheat (bulgur).



We recommend at least four serves of wholegrain or wholemeal foods every day. One serve equals 1 slice of wholegrain bread or ½ cup of cooked porridge.

\*Diet, nutrition, physical activity and colorectal cancer report. Available online: [wcrf.org/colorectal-cancer-2017](http://wcrf.org/colorectal-cancer-2017).


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## 2018 Virginia Rigby Scholarship

This Scholarship assists students in the Hunter region who have a parent that has been diagnosed with breast cancer, or who have lost a parent to breast cancer, with their education expenses.

To apply or find out more visit :  
[hbcf.org.au/virginia-rigby-scholarship/](http://hbcf.org.au/virginia-rigby-scholarship/)





**Come and join us!**



## **Hair for Heart Day @ MPS**

**Brave Students to cut their hair to  
make wigs for children in need.**

**When: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018 from  
12:30pm onwards**

**Where: Maryland Public School**

**Raffle Draw Prizes- (Tickets \$2)**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Real Madrid Jersey and Soccer Ball**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: \$100 Gift Card for "The Fire Station Hotel"**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Sandwich Toaster and Coffee Plunger**

**A gold coin will get you a tattoo, cupcake or  
coloured hairspray for your hair.**



**Come and watch the big chop!**

**Join in and let's raise  
funds to support this great cause!!**