

Newsletter

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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, 30 October 2018

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Week 3.

Yesterday we waved our excited Stage 2 students off as they headed to the Great Aussie Bush Camp. Reports thus far indicate an awesome first day filled with a range of physical and fun activities. I think tomorrow we will have happy but very tired campers returning to school. I can't wait to hear their stories and see some photos!

Today our new, modern and flexible library furniture arrived. Mr Higgins was busy yesterday and this morning removing our old furniture to make way for our bright, beautiful new items. It looks fantastic! Make sure you drop by to have a look. I look forward to seeing the great learning happening in our revamped library. You are also welcome to come and enjoy the new furniture at our next P&C meeting on 20 November.

Yesterday, we had a visit from the auditor who gave us very positive feedback about the systems and processes in place in our school. Thanks to our hard working and extremely efficient office staff who navigated this audit with flying colours.

The process for selecting our new Assistant Principal for our Support Unit began today. The position will be advertised shortly and over the next few weeks the process will be completed. We look forward to welcoming a new member of staff to MPS and will announce the successful candidate as soon as we can.

Have a wonderful week everyone,

Mrs Van Egmond ☺



<https://www.facebook.com/MarylandPublic>

Calendar

Term 4 – Week 3

Wednesday, 31 October 2018	Year 3 & Year 4 return from Great Aussie Bush Camp
Friday, 2 November 2018	2pm Kinder to Year 2 Assembly

Term 4 – Week 4

Wednesday, 7 November 2018	9.15am – 10.45am Kinder 2019 Orientation Program
Friday, 9 November 2018	2pm Remembrance Day Assembly

Important Dates for Your Diary

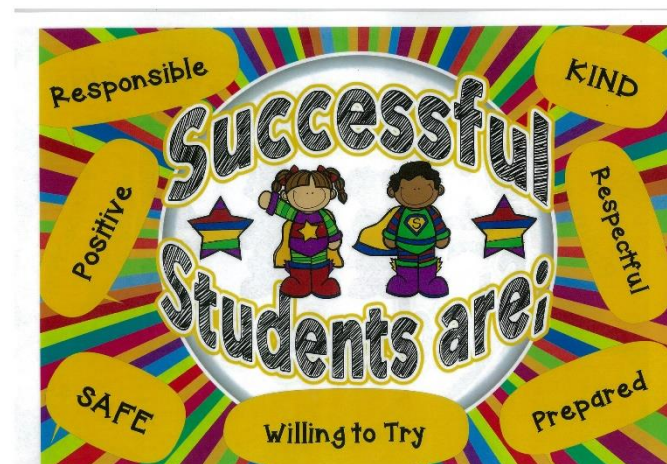
Monday, 12 November 2018	School Swimming & Water Safety Program for 60 students in Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 commences
Thursday, 15 November 2018	Stage 3 Touch Football Gala
Friday, 16 November 2018	2pm Whole School Assembly
Tuesday, 20 November 2018	6pm P&C Meeting
Thursday, 22 November 2018	9.15am – 10.45am Kinder 2019 Orientation Program
Friday, 23 November 2018	School Swimming & Water Safety Program finishes 2pm Year 3 to Year 6 Assembly
Friday, 30 November 2018	2pm Kinder to Year 2 Assembly
Friday, 7 December 2018	2pm Whole School Assembly
Tuesday, 11 December 2018	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday, 13 December 2018	Principal's Picnic
Friday, 14 December 2018	Presentation Day
Monday, 17 December 2018	Carols Evening
Tuesday, 18 December 2018	Party Day
Wednesday, 19 December 2018	Last Day of Term 4 for students

Positive Behaviour For Learning (PBL)

Our PBL Focus for this week is:

Excellence - Striving for your best at all times.

Please support us by discussing this with your child.



OFFICE NEWS

Mozzie Alert

Due to recent rain and then warmer days there has been a large number of children being bitten by mosquitoes.

Please spray your child every morning before attending school. Students may bring their own roll-on mosquito repellent. **NO SPRAY** repellents are permitted.

LIBRARY NEWS

Students will be unable to borrow from the Library from Week 5 onwards as we will be preparing for a stocktake. Could all outstanding books please be returned to the Library. Overdue notices are regularly being issued to students with outstanding book accounts. We thank you for your help and support and would like to remind all parents that books can also be borrowed for free from Wallsend Library. We look forward to celebrating the students who completed the Premiers Reading Challenge when the certificates are sent out at the end of November.

Ms Foster (Teacher / Librarian)

BAND NEWS

Bandfest Winners!

Last week our Concert Band represented our school at the annual Bandfest competition. A huge congratulations to our band members and our conductor Mr Jason Bone who came 2nd Place within their division. They competed against 7 other Hunter schools and showcased how professional and dedicated they are as a band.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who arranged alternative pick up for their child on the day, with the bus returning at 4pm.

Well done!

Mrs Shaw and Mrs Garven (Band Teachers)



SPORT NEWS

State Athletics

Good luck to Tyler F and Latesha W who head off to the State Athletics Carnival this week at Homebush.

Stage 3 Touch Football

The Stage 3 Touch Football Gala will be played on Thursday, 15 November at the Newcastle Touch Fields. Mrs Wingrove and Mrs West will coach the teams.

Mrs Wingrove (Sports Coordinator)

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen Roster Term 4

Day	Date	Name
Week 3 Wednesday	31 October	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	1 November	Sheree
Friday	2 November	Jamie, Esme, Sheree Kass
Week 4 Monday	5 November	Carmen, Lynne
Tuesday	6 November	Sheree
Wednesday	7 November	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	8 November	Kass
Friday	9 November	Jamie, Lesley
Week 5 Monday	12 November	Carmen, Lynne
Tuesday	13 November	Lynne, Danielle
Wednesday	14 November	Miyako, Lesley, Robyn
Thursday	15 November	Janelle, Lesley, Cher
Friday	16 November	Jamie, Kass, Esme, Sharna

NEW UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Normal Trading Hours

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

November / December Extended Hours

- Wednesday, 7 November 9.30am – 11.00am
- Thursday, 22 November 9.30am – 11.00am
- Tuesday, 4 December **Closed Today**
- Tuesday, 11 December 8.30am – 10.30am
- Thursday, 13 December 2.30pm – 4.30pm
- Tuesday, 18 December 8.30am – 10.30am

January 2019 Extended Hours

- Tuesday, 15 January 8.30am – 10.30am
- Tuesday, 22 January 4.00pm – 6.00pm
- Thursday, 24 January 2.30pm – 4.30pm

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

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

PRELOVED UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Opening Hours

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

Carmen & Alisa ☺☺

COMMUNITY NEWS

Good for Kids good for life

CHOOSE WATER as a drink

Water is the best drink as it does not have any added sugar. Fruit, juices, soft drink, sports drinks or cordials should not be given to your child everyday as they contain a lot of added sugar. Tap water is the best choice. In most areas, tap water contains fluoride, which helps children to develop strong teeth.

HOW MUCH SUGAR IS IN THAT DRINK?

BEST CHOICE Water, No added sugar, Plain milk

GOOD FOR STRONG BONES & TEETH 100% Fruit

NOT EVERY DAY LIMIT TO 1 CUP Cordial, Energy drink, Fruit drink, Flavoured milk, Sports drink, Soft drink

AVOID LIMIT THESE HIGH SUGAR DRINKS

TIPS TO HELP YOUR KID DRINK MORE WATER

- Show children that you enjoy drinking water
- Drink water with every meal
- Take a refillable bottle of water when you go out
- Pack water with your child's lunch
- Encourage your child to drink water when they play sports
- Limit buying sugar sweetened drinks

HOW MUCH WATER SHOULD KIDS DRINK EACH DAY?

1-5 years: 6-8 small glasses = 1.5 litres

6-12 years: 8-10 small glasses = 2 litres

Source: Western Sydney Local Health District

NSW GOVERNMENT

PHONE 49246499

Cancer Council NSW SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way

...to be a SunSmart pro!

Test yourself with these SunSmart questions!

- 1: When do I need to use sun protection?
- 2: How can I be sun safe?
- 3: How can babies stay safe?

Answers

1. We need to use sun protection whenever the UV is three or above. In most of NSW, this is 11-12 months of the year. Check the SunSmart App every day to be sure.
2. It's simple, just *Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide!*
3. Children under 12 months should be kept out of direct sunlight. Sunscreen is not recommended for children under 6 months. Remember to carry out a sunscreen usage test.

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

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