Melrose Park Public School

'Learning and Growing Together'

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Term 4, Week 9

Coming Events

Term 4 Week 9				
Thursday 13/12	Presentation Day			
Thursday 13/12	Year 6 Bowling Night			
Save the Date!				
Week 10				
Monday 17/12	Media Showcase Years 3-6 Parents Welcome			
Monday 17/12	Celebration Café for students			
Wednesday 19/12	Last day for students			

reading, reading, reading.

Clare Kristensen

Principal

Principal's Report

Each year I look back at what students have achieved and how far they have come. It was wonderful to read every report and read how much effort and progress has been achieved. I want to congratulate all students in achieving a great milestone. This milestone is the completion of a wonderful year of learning.

So while we take a well, deserved break in which to relax, recharge and re-energise, remember to keep

Successful Students

Reports

The key purpose of reporting is to support student learning by providing information to students and parents about student achievement and progress. We provide parents/carers, throughout the school year, with formal and informal opportunities to receive information about and discuss their child's learning. This term teachers have prepared a written report for parents, whilst students have prepared a self-assessment of their own learning. Semester 2 reports will be sent home with students this Friday, 14th December.

Year 6 Farewell

As part of Presentation Assembly we present the Year 6 students with their graduation certificates, reports and a Year 6 Year Book. We thank PAYCE for the printing of these Year books and thank Dolores (Declan's mum) for the time and energy in creating a wonderful Melrose memento for the students. On Thursday evening our students will be celebrating the Year 6 Farewell with teachers at Ten Pin Bowling. This night celebrates the end of primary school and it is always a fun night watching students take delight in beating the teachers at bowling. Students have a meal together, play two games and enjoy one

another's company. We ask all students to be there by 6.00pm. We thank the P&C for sponsoring this event.

We farewell our Year 6 students next Wednesday 19th December from 2.55pm as they walk through our student farewell arch. Please join us for this final celebration of the year.

December 11th, 2018

Presentation Assembly Arrangements

Please join us as we celebrate a year of learning at Melrose Park Public School. We celebrate and acknowledge every student, in every class, across the school for their efforts and progress. This Wednesday students will walk to and from the Marsden HS hall for a rehearsal session. Students will leave after roll call in the morning. All students are expected to be at school on time. Students will take a drink bottle with them but will be back at school in time for lunch.

On Thursday, (our Presentation Day), students walk to Marsden HS after lunch. Parents may like to take their child home on the conclusion of our special assembly. Students may like to leave their large school bag at home as we will not carry bags to the hall. Instead, students could bring their lunch in a paper bag. If bags are brought to school parents can collect them after the assembly ends or leave them overnight. Remember there is limited parking around Marsden and Ermington. We will conclude the assembly by 3.00pm to assist with the afternoon traffic flow around the area. Parents are welcome to walk with the school to the assembly.

Successful Learner Badges

On Friday at assembly, we presented the first Successful Learner badges. These badges are awarded to students who have received four Successful Learner certificates and proven themselves to embody the school's values of respectful, responsible learners.
Congratulations to the following students:
6M: Aniela, Armen, Beau, Declan, Elianna, Emma, Ewan, James, Joshua E, Kamryn, Lachlan, Marium, Oliver
4/5E: Hugo, Joel, Rabee, Ruby C, Tiffanie
4L: Addison, Gemma, Holly, Katerina, Kiana, Liesel, Milda, Natasha, Riley Wi, Taylor
3R:Khizra, Lexi, Rylie Wa, Sophie T
2/30: Florence, Sienna, Susmita
2S: Abby, Charlotte, Danika, Freya, Xanthe
1E: Alice, Beau, Blake, Emily E, Sandhya, Shuya, Triby
1KP: Emma, Harry, Hasanat, Isabelle, Matthew, Ryan P
KA: Aika, Ava, Bella, Darcy, Emily D, Harper,Jade, Rose, Sofia, Ziah

Effective Practices

Have your Say - Homework and Success Cards Survey

As the year draws to an end, we reflect on the programs and procedures at Melrose Park Public School in an effort to continually improve. We would appreciate parent input into our review of the *Success Card* Classroom Behaviour Rewards trialled this year plus our homework procedures. Simply use the link below to have your say.

https://goo.gl/forms/ROPWugxa00X16uDE2

Thanks

Miss Mee





Connected Communities

Safety First

Our focus is always to keep our students safe and secure. Please help by reminding your child of these road safety tips that will help keep them safe around school and when out and about over the holidays

Wherever possible, cross the road at a designated pedestrian crossing facility

- 1. identify risks to safety within different traffic environments.
- 2. actively supervise children at all times and hold their hand if they're under 10 years of age.

3. To help keep our students and school community safe these holidays we need to remind them to do the following:

teach children about being a safe road user by chatting, modelling and challenging them to say what they should be doing in different road user environments.

- 4. Stop Look Listen Think every time you cross the road.
- 5. remind them that the law states helmets must be worn when riding a bike in a public place.
- 6. click clack front 'n back, EVERY person for EVERY trip.

Lost Property

As the year draws to a close, I ask parents and students to look through our lost property baskets on the verandah. At the end of the year we will be donating the quality items to the second hand clothing pool. If you are cleaning out uniforms at the end of the year that your child may have grown out of, or your child is going to high school, we would happily receive the uniforms as a donation to our clothing pool.

Snapshots of Learning from our Classrooms

2/30 Newsletter item

You may have noticed there's been quite a lot of talk about the importance of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) in education lately. This is because these fields are deeply intertwined in the real world in areas such as medicine, space research, responses to climate change and a lot more! We want our students to be excited and inspired by some of the amazing advances in the STEM area so we

asked the Year 3 students in 2/3O and 3R to research a recent invention or discovery and



give an oral presentation to the class.

While some students are yet to give their presentations, the complete talks have been fantastic. Here are a few examples: Makayla informed us that scientists have discovered a chemical found in french fries could be used to grow hair follicles on mice. Kai gave a detailed report on the use of the COTSbot, an underwater robot used to control the Crown of Thorns Starfish on the Great Barrier Reef. Saahil told us about how recycled materials such as



plastics are being used for the surfaces of some of our major highways and Fadel had us amazed to think that the discovery of frozen water on Mars is a signal that life may have existed there at some time. And Ms Wall told the class about how scientists have worked out how and why wombat skat is cuboid!

The students were asked to present their information in their own words using palm cards or memorising their speeches. No visual aids were permitted and students had to be able to pronounce and explain the meaning of all the words they incorporated. The Year 2 students in 2/30 have been a wonderfully attentive audience. They can see at firsthand



just what makes a really good presentation. And they are looking forward to preparing their own oral presentations.

News from ICT

Coding activities were thoroughly enjoyed by all students from K-6, including programming using visual coding on the <u>code.org</u> website. Year 2 students have been programming robots using Blockly visual coding language.

Some students built codable Mover Kits, a small device that includes a motion sensor, compass and rainbow lights. 45E experimented with coding in a fun and interactive way using Sams Lab wireless electronic blocks.

Year 6 had special guest, David Grover, to teach coding using Micro:bit, a handheld, programmable microcomputer. They also programmed using Python and learnt how to count in binary (all computer data is represented using binary).

Mrs Grover

ICT







Community News

P & C Report Term 4 Week 9

Christmas Mufti for Charity– Monday 17th of December

Note: the date has changed from the 10th to Monday 17th of December. The penalty will be a gold coin donation.

Follow Up: Ladies Preloved Clothing Market

It is with great pleasure that we can report all ladies business clothes left from the Ladies Preloved Clothing Market and Family Fun Day were donated to Dress for Success.

Dress for Success are a local charity who aim to increase the employability of women facing challenges and barriers to employment. Our stall coordinator, Bel Roberts, was pleased to advise that Dress for Success were extremely grateful for all the donations received and were overwhelmed by our community's generosity.

Thank you again Bel for all your hard work in this area, and it's fantastic to hear that not only did Melrose Park PS benefit financially from your efforts but that our community has been able to have a positive impact on other parts of the community by empowering women through accessible professional clothing.

Dates to Remember

Monday 17/12	Christmas Mufti
Monday 25/02/2019	P and C AGM
Thursday 14/03/2019	Community Golf Day
Monday 25/03/2019	P and C Meeting

School Banking

Last day for 2018:	Wednesday 12th of December
First day back 2019:	Wednesday 6th of February

Uniform Shop

Last day for 2018: **Thursday 13th of December**

Please make your order ASAP for 2019. The uniform shop gets really busy this time of the year. The best way to make your order is via the link below.

https://mppspc.com/uniform-shop/

Email orders are welcomed & will be put in your child's bag once payment has been received. Uniform shop email is uniforms@mppspc.com

Mon	Tues	Wednesday	Thursday	Fri
		School Banking	Uniform Shop Open	
		8:20 - 9:05am in the canteen	8.45 - 9.15	

2019 Save the Date Melrose Park Community Cup Golf Day & Dinner

Melrose Park Community Cup Golf Day & Dinner will be Thursday 14th March 2019. More info to come with Tickets available next month. Join us for a wonderful community day of golf &/or a fun filled dinner.



2019 Melrose Park Community Golf Cup

Rvde Parramatta Golf Club

1156 Victoria Road, West Ryde NSW 2144 Thursday 14th March 2019 Golf from 12.00pm Dinner from 6.30pm

RSVPs for golf day are due very shortly after school holidays. We would like to have as many through, before school ends, as possible so that we can organise the table as the day is open to 5 other community groups for bookings also so we don't want to miss out!

100% of the funds raised by Melrose Park Public School will be donated back to the school!! So please book for dinner and/or a team of 4 to play golf on the day.

- Single player golf & dinner \$125
- - Includes sausage sizzle before golf, 3 course meal plus 4-hour drinks package and entertainment

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- Single player golf only
- Includes sausage sizzle before golf
- Dinner only per person \$65
- Includes 3 course meal plus 4-hour drinks package and entertainment
- Four players Golf & Dinner \$500
- Includes sausage sizzle before golf, 3 course meal plus 4-hour drinks package and entertainment
- Golf Cart Hire (2 riders) \$50
- Golf Club Hire \$15

SPONSORSHIP - 100% of the funds raised by Melrose Park Public School will be donated back to the school! If you are interested in sponsoring the event, please contact Chantel & Danielle on <u>golfday@mppspc.com</u>

**** Any prize donations for silent auctions are accepted & welcome, with logos displayed on the evening for over 200 members of the Melrose Park Community to see ****

Community sponsorship

\$1,750

- Team of four players for Golf
- Lunch before golf
- Four persons to attend fundraising dinner 3 courses plus 4 hour drinks package and entertainment
- Exclusive hole/Tee signage
- Opportunity to showcase marketing material throughout the event
- 2 x golf buggies included
- Premium Non-Play sponsorship \$1,250
- A perfect opportunity to support the local community if you are unable to attend
- Exclusive hole/Tee signage
- Opportunity to showcase marketing material throughout the event.

Please go to <u>https://mppspc.com/product/melrose-park-golf-day/</u> to RSVP & pay online via credit card or direct deposit.

To pay by cash or cheque, please email the Golf Committee. **Please RSVP by 15th February 2019** Thank You! Chantel & Danielle MPPSPC Golf Committee golfday@mppspc.com







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Community Cup Golf Day

 Exclusive hole signage Four persons to attend fundraising dinner Lunch provided before playing golf

 Opportunity to showcase marketing material throughout the event

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