

# Melrose Park Public School

*'Learning and Growing Together'*

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Term 4, Week 8

December 4th, 2018

## Coming Events

Term 4 Week 8	
Monday 3/12	• Swim Scheme continues
Thursday 6/12	• Volunteer Morning Tea 11am
Friday 7/12	• Kindy transition activity 2pm
Save the Date!	
Week 9	
Thursday 13/12	Presentation Day 1pm – 3pm
Week 10	
Monday 17/12	Celebration Café for students
Wednesday 19/12	Last day for students

Our photo depicts our Year 6 as Kindergarten students, it remind us how the years pass very quickly and we wish our graduating class of 2018 a wonderful high school experience and thank them for being part of our Melrose family.

We wish Mrs Jenny Zappavigna a wonderful Long Service Leave and we sadly say farewell to her as part of the teaching team at Melrose Park PS. Mrs Zappavigna came to the school on loan from Auburn PS and has now has secured a transfer to Wentworth Point PS. We thank Jenny for her contributions to the school over the last two years and for sharing her expertise as an early childhood educator. We wish her every success in her new posting.

## Principal's Report

As part of Presentation Day we present the Year 6 class for graduation.



## Successful Students

### Principal's Book Award

Congratulations to these students who will be receiving a book award at assembly this week.

6M	Beau	2S	Sophie
4/5E	Ava	1E	Emily
4L	Riley	1K/P	Matthew
3R	Olivia	KA	Emily
2/30	Chloe		

## Effective Practices

### Transition to School

There are several transition points for students in their school journey. Today students in Year 6 who are attending a public high school spent the day immersed in their high school orientation day. Here at Melrose Park we welcome our 2019 students on Friday when they will participate in fitness activities. I am sure several will wear their sport uniforms as a way of preparing themselves for big school. Students from Year 4 will act as their buddies to help them feel 'at home' at Melrose. While our young students are busy running around, our new parents will be welcome to spend the afternoon meeting other new parents and enjoying an afternoon tea provided by the P&C.

### Student Invoices

As you are aware all activities are provided to students on a cost recovery basis. As we are a not for profit organisation we rely on parent support and contributions when providing learning activities and programs for students.

We thank families for their continuing support by having paid their students invoices in a timely manner. We ask families with outstanding student invoices to contact the office to make arrangements to bring their account up to date before the end of the school year.

### Celebration Café Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Celebration Café is a day for students and teachers to celebrate a wonderful year of learning. During the day students will participate in activities including craft making, a talent show, movie and a celebration lunch. All students were given a note yesterday with more information.

Wear Mufti: with sun safe hat, covered shoulders and covered footwear.

### Uniforms

Melrose Park Public School Uniforms

The image displays the school uniform options for Melrose Park Public School. It includes the school crest on the left and right, which features a shield with 'PS' and 'MELROSE PARK' and a banner below with 'FOREVER FORWARD'. The central section shows three main uniform categories: Summer (a boy in a light blue shirt and grey shorts, and a girl in a blue checkered dress), Sports (a group of four children in white and blue sportswear on a playground), and Winter (a boy in a light blue shirt and grey trousers, and a girl in a blue dress over a white shirt). Below these are three smaller items: a yellow Library Bag, a white Wet Weather Poncho, and a blue School Bag.

Summer

Sports

Library Bag

Wet Weather Poncho

School Bag

Winter

## Uniform policy

This year the Department of Education has published a new uniform policy. You may find the policy on this link; <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/school-uniform-policy>

Schools have three years to implement any changes needed. One focus is to ensure that girls must have the option to wear shorts and pants. In the new year the P&C will begin discussions on the review of the school uniform. In the meantime if girls wish to purchase sport shorts to wear on sport days they may purchase the school shorts from the uniform shop.

### **Order your uniforms for 2019 now!**

We thank our wonderful uniform committee who have given their time freely this year to provide our school with a uniform service. Our uniform shop coordinators are also volunteers and also have work commitments to manage. They are willing to help all students and welcome any new volunteers to the committee. As you can understand, the Uniform Shop is open during limited hours, currently on Thursdays. Online orders are welcome. Online orders are paid for and then delivered to the student to take home. It is appreciated that you look at your child's uniform and order new items if necessary. At the start of the year there is always a big rush for uniforms.

### **Hats**

Many students are in need of a new school hat. They are expected to wear the official sun safe hat to and from school each day, as well as during outside activities. Please check the condition of your child's hat and order a new hat before the end of the year.

### **Shoes**

In preparation for next year please note all students need two pairs of shoes: black leather school shoes are required for daily use and white or black sneakers for sports day. These are to be worn with white socks (girls) grey socks (boys). Coloured shoes or shoelaces are not part of the school uniform and must not be worn.

### **Second Hand Uniforms**

As we come to the end of the year you may find that your children have grown out of their uniform but it is still in good condition. Such items can be sent in for sale at the second hand rack with proceeds going to the P & C. Please send these to the canteen/ uniform shop.

**Clare Kristensen**

**Principal**

## Connected Communities

### Tales from the Library

Well done to students who completed the **Premiers Reading Challenge 2018!** More than 67% of our students completed the challenge and will receive their Completion Certificates at the end of the year.

**Congratulations to 19 of our students who qualified for Gold Awards this year.**

Students who achieve four years of Premiers Reading Challenge awards receive a Gold Award in recognition of their commitment to the State-wide initiative.



The following students receive Gold Awards: Year 3 - Fadel, Maddison, Tyson, Makayla, Sophie P, Chiara R, Kai, Fox, Bella, Sophie T, Saahil; Year 5 - Logan, Tiffanie, Ned; Year 6 - Declan, Oliver, Ewan, Marium, Ruby.

Keep reading over the holidays and don't forget to check in to our Street Library or your local library for new books to read.

**A reminder all books must now be returned to the Library.**

Happy reading!  
Mrs Piper

### School & Community Helpers – Thank you Morning Tea Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents and Community members,  
We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for the hard work that you do to support the staff and students at Melrose Park Public School. Those who have helped the teachers in or out of the classroom or at school events are invited to a thank you morning tea. Did you receive your invitation? Come along on Thursday 6 December, 11am – 12pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

## MPPS Robocup

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018  
1.00 to 4.00pm in the library

**Google Rescue**

**SUMO Challenge**

**Dash maze challenge**

**Demonstration of EV3 robots**

All students and parents welcome!



## Snapshots of Learning from our Classrooms

### News from 2S

In 2S we have been busy having fun! Some of us even enjoy tests! The Year 6 mini-fete was so much fun, only rivalled by the colour activities on the same day. In pairs, we have made scenes with Lego to match our story boards. It's such a fun way to work together and hear other people's ideas. We enjoyed observing living things in the mangroves and collecting materials on the ground while on the K-2 walking excursion. The best part though, was playing on the playground equipment. We are enjoying reflecting on the year and what we have learned. We are getting ready to be out of infants and into Year 3!



### 6M's MasterChef STEM Project

As a part of their STEM project, 6M enthusiastically participated in a Master Chef Challenge on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. It was an innovative way to increase student participation and also involve a wider school community. A little competition mixed with teamwork led to a great learning environment. The judges were particularly impressed by the presentation and taste of the dishes. 6M will now design, draft, edit and then publish their own cook book with their chosen recipes. We can't wait to see the published cookbook.

Mrs Wahan



## SRC Update

There have been a lot of fun activities organised by your SRC in Term 4. We had a successful Colour Explosion Event and raised over \$4000. Thank you to all families who donated and participated in such a great event.

This week the SRC have placed the Santa Sacks outside the Year 4 Classroom. If you have cards you would like to give out, please place them in the Santa Sacks and they will be delivered daily by our Year 4 SRC representatives.

A note went home on Monday about our annual Celebration Cafe. This is a lunch hosted by the SRC to celebrate a great year of learning. Be sure to get your lunch order in on time so you don't miss out. Orders must be in by Thursday 13th December with a \$10 cash payment.

The SRC are also hosting the MPPS Talent Show on Monday 17th December. Auditions are being held this week in 1E classroom. Good Luck to all our talented students entering the show.

Thank you from your SRC team.

## Toys'N'Tucker

Thank you for all the donations of food and toys! We have one more week to bring in new toys and non-perishable Christmas food for Toys'N'Tucker before Anglicare collects our donations and makes them into hampers for those doing it tough this Christmas. Donations can be dropped off at the school office or given to your class teacher.



# THE HOUR OF CODE IS COMING!

It's a one-hour introduction to computer science, designed to demystify "code" and show that anyone can learn the basics to be a maker, a creator, an innovator.

The Hour of Code takes place around the world every year in December.

We live in a world surrounded by technology. Whatever field our students choose to explore as adults, their ability to succeed will hinge increasingly on understanding technology. The importance of experiencing coding (programming) is being recognised as a vital skill for 21st century learners.

These are the reasons Melrose Park is participating in the largest learning event in history! During December, tens of millions of students in more than 180 countries will take part in the Hour of Code.

<https://hourofcode.com/au> offers hundreds of one-hour activities in over 48 languages for kindergarten and older.

Over the next two weeks all students will be introduced to age appropriate coding activities at school. They can then extend this experience by logging on at home. Our goal is to have students think, create and have fun, all while learning computer programming.

On Wednesday December 5, Year 6 students will have a special coding experience: *Imbedded Programming* with David Grover using Microbits, a tiny programmable computer.

Students should use the web address provided below to sign in. They then use their allocated password (a picture) that will be given to them at school.

Kindergarten: <https://studio.code.org/sections/RSXJQS>

Year 1: <https://studio.code.org/sections/GZPYSC>

Year 2: <https://studio.code.org/sections/NPGXPR>

Year 3: <https://studio.code.org/sections/CGPBJY>



Year 4: <https://studio.code.org/sections/RKDBVT>

Year 5: <https://studio.code.org/sections/RVCCCT>

Year 6: <https://studio.code.org/sections/VPBKDZ>

By logging into their student account on their class page we can keep a record of their progress. It will also automatically save their work so they can return to where they left off (even in 12 months time).

They can also access these links at home via their Student Portal:

G-suite – Google Classroom – ICT links

Why not get involved in the 'Hour of Code' by sitting with your child and working together on problem solving and writing code? Parents can also try out Hour of code at <http://hourofcode.com/au>

Pam Grover

ICT teacher/coordinator

## Community News

# P & C Report

## Term 4 Week 8

**Christmas Mufti for Charity– Monday 17<sup>th</sup> of December**

**Note: the date has changed from the 10<sup>th</sup> to Monday 17<sup>th</sup> of December.**

The penalty will be a gold coin donation.

### 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://mppspsc.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@mppspsc.com](mailto:uniforms@mppspsc.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.

**Expression of Interest – Looking for OSHC staff**

If you know of anyone who would be keen to join our OSHC and be part of our community, Please email us at [committee@mppspc.com](mailto:committee@mppspc.com) . We'd love to have the best people looking after our children!



**2019 Melrose Park Community Golf Cup**

**Ryde 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
- **Single player – golf only** **\$100**
- 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 [golfday@mppspc.com](mailto:golfday@mppspc.com)**

**\*\*\*\* 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 <https://mppspsc.com/product/melrose-park-golf-day/> 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@mppspsc.com](mailto:golfday@mppspsc.com)



# MELROSE PARK COMMUNITY CUP GOLF DAY AND DINNER

## Ryde Parramatta Golf Club

### Thursday 14th March 2019

### Golf from 12.00pm | Dinner from 6.00pm

The Melrose Park Community Cup aims to raise funds and create awareness for community groups serving the Melrose Park area.

All funds raised will be distributed to all participating community groups.

### TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

- Four players – GOLF & DINNER **\$500**
- Single player – GOLF & DINNER **\$125**
- Single player – GOLF ONLY **\$100**
- Dinner only – per person **\$65**

Support your community group today!



The Golf Committee - Chantel & Danielle  
golfday@mppspc.com



# MELROSE PARK COMMUNITY CUP GOLF DAY AND DINNER

Thursday 14th March 2019 Ryde Parramatta Golf Club

## An exclusive partnership opportunity

### Community Sponsorship: \$1,750

- Team of four players to compete in the Melrose Park Community Cup Golf Day
- Lunch provided before playing golf
- Four persons to attend fundraising dinner
- Exclusive hole signage
- Opportunity to showcase marketing material throughout the event
- 2 x golf buggies included
- Social Media posts and opportunities

### Non-Play Sponsorship: \$1,250

- A perfect opportunity to support the local community if you are unable to attend
  - Exclusive hole signage
  - Opportunity to showcase marketing material throughout the event.
  - Social Media posts and opportunities

The Melrose Park Community Cup Committee is delighted to announce their third Golf Day and Dinner. This community focused event will be held at the Ryde Parramatta Golf Club, Thursday 14th March 2019, where organisations will enjoy an afternoon game of golf followed by a fundraising dinner.

The purpose of The Melrose Park Community Cup is to deliver funds and create awareness for community groups serving the Melrose Park area. All funds that are generated through the sale of sponsorships are shared between the six community groups.

**Don't miss the opportunity to support your local community!**



# TIPS TO GET YOUR KIDS EATING VEGGIES

**ADD TO EVERY MEAL**

-  Salad on sandwiches/wraps
-  Offer cut up veggies as snacks
-  Fill half the plate with veggies

**ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD**

-  Show them you enjoy eating veggies
-  Offer veggies with foods they already enjoy
-  Be positive and patient – it takes 10-15 times to like a new food

**TRY A VARIETY**

-  Fresh, Frozen, canned, raw or cooked
-  Different colours
-  Buy in season

# EAT MORE VEGETABLES and fruit

Vegetables and Fruit taste great and keep us healthy. Everyone should eat Fruit and veggies every day. While most children eat at least 1 serve of Fruit each day, the majority don't eat enough veggies\*.



This resource has been developed by Western Sydney Local Health District, published October 2017