Principal’s Report

Wonderful News
Congratulations to Mrs Christina Price who gave birth to a baby boy early on Sunday morning. We welcome to the world Mason Price and wish him a happy and healthy life. Christina and Mason are doing well.

Mrs Christina Price will definitely not be at work this Friday and hopefully will enjoy maternity leave for the remainder of 2013!

Special Visitor
This Thursday 11th April, Mr John Alexander OAM, MP, will be our special guest at assembly. We look forward to his visit and we invite our parent community to join students at the last assembly of term from 2.05 pm.

Cross Country – Wednesday, 10th May
Weather permitting, students will participate in the cross country carnival commencing at 12.00 pm this Wednesday. Students have been preparing for this event in fitness time. Students wear their house coloured t/shirt with sports shorts. Parents and carers are invited to join the students out on the back oval and share afternoon tea with their child and friends once the carnival is completed. All students need a bottle of water (named) on the day.

Ride 2 School
Mrs Spenceley is coordinating Ride2School day planned for this Thursday. Students can cycle to school as a way of becoming fitter and reduce traffic on the road.

Road Safety Tips
- Think of our neighbours and leave the driveways free for residents to get out of their property.
- The speed limit around school is 40km/h. Be careful to drive slowly and be prepared to stop quickly.
- Observe the parking signs. NO Stopping means do not park and walk your child into the school.

ANZAC DAY
ANZAC Day is commemorated on 25th April which falls into the school holidays. Our school will observe ANZAC Day this Friday at 10.50 am in the hall. Our community is welcome to attend our service.

Drama Classes
In Term 2 all classes will participate in weekly drama lessons through an external provider, Let It Shine Productions. Specialist drama teachers will lead students each week. These lessons will be held on Mondays during the term. A permission note with more information is being sent home today.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back! This community program enables schools to earn educational resources simply through the school community shopping at Woolworths.

From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent, excluding cigarettes, liquor and gift cards. Collect these Woolworths Earn & Learn Points and bring them into school At the end of the promotion we can redeem them for school resources.
From last year’s promotion we chose a set of Bee Bots to use in the technology room. Bee Bots are small programmable Bees which students program to perform tasks. Our students are developing their ICT skills, developing collaboration skills as well as enjoying the little Bees.

I wish all our students and families a happy and safe holiday period and look forward to everyone returning fresh in Term 2.

School returns Wednesday 1st May
Students wear winter uniform in Terms 2 and 3

Clare Kristensen
Principal

Principal’s Award for Book Work
The following children will be receiving a Principal Award at this week’s assembly:

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P&C Report
School Banking
School banking is on this Wednesday, children can deposit on behalf of their siblings. Fill in their Dollarmite booklet like normal and send with your child that attends school. For every new child registered the school receives $5. If you need any further information please see Cathy or Marion on a Wednesday morning.

Sausage Sizzle
The last sausage sizzle for this term is this Friday 12th April and Class 1/2 will be the host. Please ensure ALL orders are in by this WEDNESDAY.

If you are able to help on this day, please see Nina Mather or leave a message for her in the office.

Dates to Remember - Term 2
Friday 10th May – Mother’s Day Stall
Monday 13th May 7.30pm – P&C Meeting

Deborah Riley
President
0414 540 430
melroseparkpc@hotmail.com

At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners
ICAS Competitions – Open to students in Years 3 to 6

Student's Name: ________________________________  Class: ____________

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You can go online and prepare for ICAS at www.ess.unsw.edu.au

SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – ORDER FORM for FRIDAY, 12th April, 2013

Form must be returned with the money by WEDNESDAY, 10th April, 2013. Please put order form and money in a sealed envelope.

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**Ride to School Update**
This Thursday 11 April, Melrose Park Public School is hosting National Ride2School Day. We would like to see as many families as possible leaving the car at home and giving walking, riding, skating or scooting a go. If your child already walks or wheels to school then we would like to take this opportunity to thank you and celebrate your child’s efforts on event day. If you live a long way from school, you may like to drive part of the way and bike/walk/scooter the remaining distance.

Our local federal member for Bennelong, John Alexander OAM MP, will be attending our afternoon assembly, to hand out certificates to those students who participate in Ride2School Day.

We would greatly value your involvement and contribution to our Ride2School Day. If you are available to assist on the day please contact Jennie Spenceley or the office at school. Volunteers are mainly needed to help with the storage and labelling of bikes and helmets at school.

A safety brochure from Transport for NSW brochure has been sent home with this newsletter. Please refer to this brochure for information about riding a bike, scooter, skateboard or rollerblades safely to school.

**Kitchen Garden Update**
On Friday there will be a Kitchen Garden stall held in the Kitchen Garden. At 8:40 a.m., KE students and the Green Team will be selling eggplants, pumpkin, capsicums and herbs. Please come and join us in the garden in the morning if you want to purchase some of the wonderfully fresh Melrose Park produce.

We are also after volunteer families to come and help look after our Kitchen Garden during the April holidays. If you are interested, please return the slip below back to your class teacher.

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We are interested in helping to look after the Kitchen Garden during the April holidays.

Names: _________________________________________________________
Contact Numbers: _____________________________________________
Contact Email: _______________________________________________
Signed: ___________________________ Date: ________________
Parenting Programs
Child & Adolescent Parenting

WHAT’S ON IN TERM 2 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Tuning in to Kids Course (3-10yrs)
Help your child develop emotional intelligence, manage emotions & deal with conflict.
Chatswood 5 wks/2.5hrs (28/5-25/6, 7.00-9.30pm)

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Course (3-8yrs)
Strategies to encourage desirable behaviour and manage persistent misbehaviour.
Chatswood 7 sessions over 8 wks – 5 group & 2 telephone (8/5-26/6)

Communicating with Kids Course (based on PET) (4-12 yrs)
Communication skills for building effective long term relationships with your children & family.
Chatswood 6 wks/2.5hrs (23/5 - 27/6, 7.00-9.30pm)

Communicating with Teens Course
Aims to increase your understanding of your adolescent’s needs & behaviour with skills to relate to them.
Chatswood 5 wks/2.5hrs (20/5 - 24/6, 7.00-9.30pm)

Toddlers Workshops (1-3yrs)
Series of 3 workshops on Discipline, Tucker & Toilet Training, Speech & Sleep
Cremorne 16/5-30/5 & Chatswood 5/6-19/6 (3 wks/2.5hrs (7.00-9.30pm)

Resilient Kids Workshop
Strategies to accept & express feelings, develop optimistic thinking & coping skills
Chatswood (21/5, 7.00-9.30pm)

Dealing with Teen’s Backchat Workshop
Learn how to restore a respectful & positive relationship between you & your teenager
Chatswood (13/5, 7.00-9.30pm)

WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST - PHONE 9887 5830 (2-2.5 hours)
★ Understanding Your Toddler/Discipline & Tantrums
★ Tucker without Tantrums/Toilet Training
★ Speech & Language Development/Sleep
★ Older Sibling – New Baby
★ Bully Busting
★ Resilient Kids
★ Transition to School
★ Transition to High School
★ Triple P (PPP) Seminar Series
★ 1-12 years & Teens
★ Dealing with Teen’s Back Chat
★ NEW ★ Grand Parenting

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting 9887 5830

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**MELROSE PARK OSHC STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY**
**MONDAY 29TH APRIL AND TUESDAY 30TH APRIL**

*If you would like to book your children in for these dates please let OSHC staff know.*

Email melroseparkoshc@gmail.com or call 0411 526 238 during OSHC hours.

**Monday - $40**

- Jumping castles
- Science experiments
- Arts and Craft
  - Xbox
- Pizza lunch
- Playdough
- Clay Painting
  + more

**Tuesday - $40**

- Movie day
- Science experiments
- Arts and Crafts
- Doughnut bopping
- Cooking
- Meat pies and sausage rolls.
- Disco
  + More

All meals provided except morning tea. We ask you don’t supply foods containing nuts for their morning tea.