Coming Events

Term 4, Week 5

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Principal’s Report

Market Day
Thank you does not seem to be enough to give to all the P&C, parents, friends, students and community who contributed to make Saturday’s Market Day such a wonderful community event.

I found some quotes that express some of my thoughts..........................

Teamwork allows common people to attain uncommon results. Anonymous - great job everyone on setting up, manning the stalls, cleaning up, baby sitting and donating.

Some people want it to happen, some wish it to happen, others make it happen. Anonymous --- thank you Sheridan, Nina, Deb, Allison, Marion, Lindsay and all in the P&C for the work over the many months leading up to the great day

Volunteers aren’t paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless. - We could not have achieved the end result without you!

Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once every four years, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in. ~Author Unknown ---- Melrose Park Public School is a great community school for your children to attend as a result of the efforts you put in. All funds raised go to making the learning environment great for your children.

Volunteers are paid in six figures... S-M-I-L-E-S. ~Gayla LeMaire There were many smiles everywhere on Saturday and while it was so hot, the school was filled with good cheer and happiness

And in the words of William Shakespeare... I can no other answer make, but, thanks, and thanks
Carpet Cleaning
The school is having its annual carpet cleaning this Friday afternoon giving our school a ‘spring clean’. OSHC will be held in the hall.

Illness
If your child becomes ill whilst at school, every effort will be made to contact you or person nominated on the student information card. In more serious cases, the child may be taken by the principal (or nominee), to the family doctor (if practical) or hospital. In extreme cases, an ambulance will be called. If your child is ill before school, please keep them at home as we do not have the facilities or staff to continually monitor sick children.

If your child needs to take medicine whilst at school, you are requested to come to the school office and provide written permission and instructions for administering of any medicines to the School Admin Manager. All medicines must be handed in at the front office.

Excursions
Year 3 are off to explore Field of Mars Education Centre, tomorrow Wednesday as part of their focus on Australian environments.

Year 1 and 2 participated enthusiastically in a video conference with Field of Mars last Friday investigating minibeasts in the school’s environment while also comparing environments with the Field of Mars in real time.

Next week a group of talented Stage 3 students will travel to the State Library of NSW to participate in a program about Antarctica. These talented students will have the opportunity to use primary sources from the vast library collections analysing and comparing the Antarctic expeditions of Mawson and Shackleton

Professional Learning
Teachers participate in professional learning opportunities throughout the year to build capacity and knowledge as part of their work.

Last year Ms Riley took part in a professional curriculum project to write a Unit of Learning for the new Science Curriculum. I would like to congratulate Ms Riley on having her work published as part of resource material for the Science Curriculum. Teachers from across NSW will have access to this resource material to use in their classrooms. The unit of learning was based around the Science area of Material World for Stage 2/3 students whereby students investigated Solids, Liquids and Gases.

Middle Years Project
Melrose Park PS is fortunate to be within a close walking distance to Marsden HS. This proximity allows both schools to work together in a Middle Years (Year 5-8) Project strengthening the learning our students and teachers in both schools.

- Working together with Marsden High School our Year 5 and Year 6 students are enjoying visits from Ms Joo as part of the Asian Language project, giving students’ awareness of Asian culture and languages in Korean.
- Ms Riley presented a workshop to Marsden HS teachers on the way comprehension strategies are taught in primary school. This is an ongoing English project for both schools.
- Year 4 and Year 5 will participate in a sport day at Marsden HS later in November giving students an introduction to the many new sport activities that are available in the high school curriculum.

Congratulations
Congratulations to Ms Roberts for gaining selection in the NSW Indoor Netball team. Miss Roberts is away this week competing in the Australian Indoor Netball Tournament in Perth, Western Australia. Mr Kelly will be on Year 1 this week.

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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Assistant Principal’s Report

Teacher Professional Development
This term, our teachers have been developing units of learning using the new NSW Board of Studies English Syllabus for the Australian Curriculum. All teachers are becoming familiar with the document so that they feel confident in implementing the new syllabus next year. The teachers will be trialling their units of learning at the end of the term and students will develop skills in responding to and composing texts. Many of the units focus on visual literacy within multimodal texts and author and illustrator intentions. We look forward to teaching these units to the students.

3-6 Drama
I had the privilege of working with all 3-6 students today. We enjoyed our drama activities and explored characterisation, setting, mood and expression. It was fantastic to perform our dramas on the performance deck. What a great, authentic learning space! Well done 3-6.

SRC Report
SRC would like to announce their next fund raising event. A Crazy Sock day will be held on Tuesday 19 November (week 6). By donating a gold coin, students can wear their most crazy and adventurous socks. During the afternoon session students will participate in a range of activities to challenge their creative thinking and problem solving skills. Money raised will be donated to children’s charity, Stewart House. Stewart House provides 1,800 public school children in need with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle each year.

Karen Young

P&C Report
Market Day
What a wonderful day Saturday was, it was a huge success overall for the P&C and the school, with a wonderful profit this year of $9,615, up $2,000 from last year.

To achieve a profit like this comes a lot of work in the lead up to the day and on the day. With so many people to thank for all the hard work and many companies that donated some wonderful prizes.
I would like to thank all the following people/companies:
• Nina, Sheridan, Marion, Nicole and Allison for all the amazing work in the lead up to the day and on the day.
• Thank you to all the volunteers for helping to make it a success and for all the donated cakes and white elephant stall goods.
• Niah Macleod for having a stall and donating all the profits to the P&C.
• Thank you to the Company for the generous donation of the iPad and to the person that donated the Mini Fridge.
• Luke Mather at Vistaclean for donating the meat, Dimitrios T for the donation of 10 cases of drink.
• Danielle D for sourcing a lot of the prizes for the day.
• Grace for the Korean food made and sold on the day.
• Mr Hubbard for the Choir group performance and Mrs Spencely for the Recorder group.
• Attached is a logo page for all the wonderful companies that donated prizes for the day – this wouldn’t of been possible without such generous companies.

We had a volunteer raffle for the day and the 3 winners of this would get a free Sausage sizzle Term Ticket. The 3 winners are Kerrie O, Cass M and Trish C. Congratulations on winning and a HUGE thank you to all the other volunteers.

Blue Volunteer Shirts – Could you please clean and return the shirts this week so they can be packed away for next year.

Tea Towels
“School” Tea Towels are going home this week. Many thanks to Peter Taing (Olympic Embroidery) for his generous donation of materials (plus time and patience). Thanks also Sally Roche for co-ordinating this project.

Calendar Art Work
The orders for the Calendars were due back today, if you have missed this deadline please contact me and let me know and then have the form in by Wednesday morning to the office, as they are being collated and sent on Thursday.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting is next Monday 11th November @ 7.30pm in the library. All are welcome to come and join us.

Sausage Sizzle
The next sausage sizzle for this term is this Friday 8th November and 5/6 will be the host. Please ensure ALL orders are in by this WEDNESDAY.

***** Please do not send orders in on the Thursday/Friday of the SS as this makes it very hard for the people co-ordinating the purchase of goods. Term ticket orders are preferred for planning where possible.

If you are able to help on this day, please leave a message in the office for Nina Mather or Mick West or email our P&C email below.

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A big thank you to all those who supported our school for Market Day!
A fantastic day at our Market Day. Fun, food, singing and dancing. What a great community we have! Thanks everyone!
Seeking Reading Volunteers

At Melrose Park PS we run a Multilit program to assist some of our low progress readers to improve their literacy skills through a structured one to one program. Thanks to our wonderful volunteers we have seen significant growth in the literacy levels of participating students.

Student benefit most from the program when they work with a volunteer for 20 minutes 3 times per week and to achieve this we are seeking to find more parents or grandparents to support the program. We would love your help for an hour a week. It could be in 20 minute time slots.

If you are interested in supporting the Multilit program or attending an Information Session please return the slip below to the school office or speak to Pam Grover, the teacher coordinator (Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday) or Lesley Slender (our parent coordinator).

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MULTILIT VOLUNTEER

☐ I would like to volunteer to support the Multilit program.

My name is: ____________________________

Contact Number: _______________________

Email: _________________________________

Best way to contact you: phone/email (please circle one)

My child’s name is: ___________________ Class: __________

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SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – ORDER FORM for FRIDAY, 8th November, 2013

Form must be returned with the money by Wednesday, 6th November, 2013. Please put order form and money in a sealed envelope.

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☐ Term Order (3 Sausage Sizzles left this term) $ __________