Principal’s Report

Education Week
Open Morning
Thursday 1st August 2013

You are invited to spend the morning of Thursday 1st August at Melrose Park Public School and join in a celebration of learning and education.

9.15 – 10.00 Visit your child’s classroom where you will see learning in action. Spend the morning with your child as they lead you on a journey of their learning in a Student Led Conference.

10.00 11.15 Assembly Find a seat in the hall and enjoy an assembly showcasing what classes are learning in music with Mr Hubbard.

11.15 – 11.30 Stopover at the library where students will officially present the School Blog with Mrs Grover.

11.15 – 12.00 Share a picnic lunch with your child and friends in the playground (if weather permits).

Parent Information Evening
Kindergarten 2014
Tuesday 30th July
6.30 – 7.30 pm
In the library

An invitation is extended to families who are enrolling their child in Kindergarten 2014.

Come along and find out why it is important to prepare your child for ‘big school’. Meet new families and begin the journey of preparing for Kindergarten.

RSVP to Karen Price – 9874 4669 or melrosepk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Clare Kristensen
Principal

Assistant Principal's Report
Marsden Learning Alliance - Sport Project
Year 11 students from Marsden High School will be working with some of our 3-6 students each Friday to further develop their sports skills. The Year 11 students will practise their coaching skills by supporting younger students. We are looking forward to having the students join us.

Resilience Doughnut
This term, we will be holding a Resilience Workshop for parents on Wednesday 7th August from 4pm-5pm and another session from 530pm-630pm. We will be exploring what resilience is and how we can support our children to make their resilience stronger. Further information about the workshop will be distributed on Friday.

Jen Riley

Athletics Carnival
Thursday 25th July
Dunbar Park Marsfield

Let’s hope for sunny weather. Bring a blanket, a chair and good voice and cheer on students as they participate in the annual athletics carnival. Thank you to the volunteers who have volunteered to help run the carnival and support the P&C with the BBQ and cake stall.

We are seeking donations of cakes and biscuits for the Athletics Carnival.
Assistant Principal

Coming Events

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Music and Melrose Park

Hi Everyone!

It is so great to be back at Melrose Park Public School. It is wonderful to see all the children again and to work with an incredibly dedicated and brilliant staff. I feel so lucky to be able to be one half our Release from Face to Face program and to share my passion and enthusiasm for music. Term 2 music was action packed with students learning and experiencing the musical concept of **duration**, exploring such areas as **beat**, **rhythm**, **formal and informal notation**, **time signatures**, **composing** and most importantly **playing** percussion instruments.

In Term 3 we continue our musical journey by focussing on **pitch** – **high**, **medium** and **low** sounds. Throughout this term students will again have the opportunity to practice and consolidate the skills they learned last term as well as to explore new areas of music appreciation, composing and playing.

Week 3 of this term is Education Week and we will be having our Open Day on Thursday the 1st of August. All students will be involved in our first ever music assembly, where they will be playing songs performing compositions, as well as great performances by our K-2 Choir and our Ryde School Spectacular Choir. I hope that you will be able to see our talented students in action.

Tony Hubbard
Music Co-ordinator

P&C Report

Family Photo Day

The P&C is having a family photo day on the 11th August with Advanced Life Photography. The cost of the sitting will be $20.00 which is donated straight to the school. For your $20 you will receive a choice of 10x13” family portrait, or pencil sketch PLUS a bonus keyring with your family portrait inside. With an optional complete package additional to this cost for only $199.00. Flyers were sent home end of last term with more information. Please encourage family and friends to also come along; it is not limited to Melrose Park families.

To place a booking please contact me on the P&C email or my mobile number and payment of $20.00 is required upon booking to secure your time slot. Payment can be sent to the school or directly into our P&C account.

School Banking

Banking has moved to a new location, now in the library.

Banking is a great way for the school to earn money. In terms 3 & 4 2011 we raised $370.00, the whole of 2012 we raised $809.00 and so far for the first half of 2013 we have already raised $789.00 in commission.

If your child does not have a bank account yet, come along on a Wednesday morning and ask the ladies how to begin.

Sausage Sizzle

The next sausage sizzle for this term is next Friday 2nd August and Class 4/5, will be the host. Please ensure ALL orders are in by next WEDNESDAY.

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

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting will be next Monday 19th August 7.30pm; all are welcome to come along.

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### Term 3, Week 2

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**Bingo Night**  
Date to be confirmed (when election date has been announced)

**Election Day BBQ**  
Awaiting date confirmation

**Tea Towel Fundraiser**  
Date to be confirmed (when election date has been announced)

**Uniform Shop – Help Needed**  
Due to work commitments, we are looking for someone to assist in the Uniform Shop on a Monday morning. If you are able to help, please see us as soon as possible.

Thank you.

**Danielle Davis and Thea Gange**

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**20 MACARTNEY ST. ERMINGTON, ☏ 9638-3607**

7AM – 6PM

**Ermington Rainbow Cottage**

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SCHOOL READINESS PROGRAM

Do you have a 0-6 year old child who you would like to attend a quality long day-care centre, which has creative, educational indoor and outdoor programs in a loving, caring and affectionate atmosphere. Then enrol at Ermington Rainbow Cottage! Limited vacancies are available now.

Ermington Rainbow Cottage is well established and has well qualified, dedicated & hardworking staff and management who endeavour to do their best to take care with and explore the talent of each child. Each child is observed individually and planned for according to their developmental and learning needs. Nutritious hot meals are served daily. Fruit, Milk and Juice is provided during the day. Babies are individually attended.

**SPECIAL:** For a limited time Enrol Now and get 4 weeks FREE. Terms and Conditions apply

**ENROL NOW ☏ 9638-3607**

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Ryde-Macquarie Teachers Association warmly invites parents, teachers and community to attend our

**Bennelong Public Education Forum**

**Thursday 1st August, 2013**

at the Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, 117 Ryde Road, West Ryde

A short walk from West Ryde Railway Station

5.45 pm for 6 pm start

**Agenda**

Moderated by Suzann Naphahi, Federation Councillor and Life Member

1. Welcome to Country
2. Introduction by Janine Kitson, President, Ryde-Macquarie Teachers Association
3. Bennelong Candidates talk about their education policies for the upcoming Federal election
   - Mr John Alexander, Liberal Party of Australia
   - Australian Labor Party Candidate
   - Mr Lindsay Peters, Australian Greens
4. Questions
5. Conclusion

Please RSVP to the NSW Teachers Federation’s Blacktown Office (details below) by Tuesday 30 July for catering purposes

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**SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – ORDER FORM** for **FRIDAY, 2nd August, 2013**

Form must be returned with the money by **Wednesday, 31st July, 2013**. Please put order form and money in a sealed envelope.

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☐ Term Order (4 Sausage Sizzles this term) $ ___________
Athletics Carnival

*****CAKE DONATION – ATHLETICS CARNIVAL*****

Thursday, 25th July

The P&C is running the cake stall at the Athletics Carnival this Thursday 25th, on this day donations of Muffins / Cup cakes / Biscuits / Slices / Cakes etc would be greatly appreciated. These donations can either be dropped at the office before 9am on the morning of the Carnival and where possible it is preferred if you could bring along to the carnival.

*Cakes will be sold for between 20c – 50c* – so if parents cannot attend the carnival they can send money with children to purchase items from the cake stall and extra drinks for $2.00. We will also have Tea, Coffee and Hot Chocolate available for adults to purchase.

If you are able to help at the Athletics Carnival please return the note to the office as people will be allocated to help on the field and on the P&C stalls.

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Parent Helpers Required

Athletics Carnival

To ensure the success of the athletics carnival, it is vital to have the help of parents and community. If you are able to provide assistance at the carnival with such jobs as time keeping, recording, etc, please complete the slip below and return it to school as soon as possible.

Name: ________________________________________________

Contact No.: _________________________________________
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Stewart House Used Clothing Appeal

We are sending home Smith Family / Stewart House Used Clothing bags for our families to donate unwanted, used clothing etc. These bags will be collected from our school on Wednesday 14th August. Additional bags are available from the school office.

As storage is a problem, we ask that filled bags be returned Only AFTER Monday 12th August.

Thank you!