Principal’s Report

Bingo
Thank you to the families who came together and enjoyed a night of BINGO last Saturday night. It was great fun with many prizes going home with many happy children and parents. Thank you P&C for organising a wonderful family night. It was great to have such community spirit at Melrose Park PS. See you there next year!

Uniform
The beautiful spring weather is here and it has been quite warm during the day. During the last few weeks of Term 3, girls may wear short white sleeved collared shirts under their winter uniform and boys may wear their short blue shirts with long pants. All Students wear summer uniform in Term 4.

The uniform shop is open on Monday and Thursday mornings and staffed by helpful parent volunteers who give their time to support the school community.

Election Day BBQ
Thank you to the volunteers who have signed up to help on the Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall.

Remember to make a cake for the cake stall. Funds raised will go towards P&C projects in the school.

Walkathon
Students will wear sports uniform (including hat) and sports shoes tomorrow as they participate in the Walkathon tomorrow, Wednesday 4th September. We will commence at 12.15pm and spend a session walking laps around the school creating an awareness of fitness and fun at the same time. We welcome families to join in and walk with students.

PSSA T-Shirts
Reminder: To those students who have a School Athletics Shirt please send it back clean to Mrs Price in the office.

PSSA
The summer PSSA competition of softball and t-ball will recommence this Friday. Teams remain the same from Term 1. Training will commence at 8.20 each Friday morning. Ms Davey will coach the t-ball team while Mr Kelly will coach the softball team. This week’s game is an away game against Kent Road PS. Remember to bring an extra water bottle and apply sunscreen before the game.

Term Invoices
Thank you to the many families who have been prompt in paying the Term Invoices.

As the school is a not-for-profit organisation we rely on all families to pay their term invoice that include Yoga, Book Week activities, buses for excursions, Musica Viva and activities that are organised to enhance student learning.

If you are having difficulty in paying, please contact the office if there are issues that we can support you to meet payment.

ICAS
Congratulations to the students who participated in the 2013 International Competitions and Assessments for schools.

Rebecca, Patrick D, Amy Jesse, Bejaie, Leon Casey, Matthew L, Chloe, Jasmin, Kieran, Brodie, Ericka, Harrison, Tamsin, Kaelan, Aidan, Siobhan, Jemma, Celine, Valeria, Niah.

These students have earned Participation, Credits, Distinctions and High Distinction Awards amongst them in a variety of subjects including Computing, Science, English, Mathematics and Spelling. Well done to these students who have excelled and challenged themselves in their learning.

Clare Kristensen
Principal
Term 3, Week 8

At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners

Volunteers from Optus have been participating in the “Sparks” program at Melrose Park. Here are some of our students who have enjoyed working with the Optus team.

Assistant Principal’s Report

Athletics
Congratulations to all the students who represented MPPS at zone athletics last week. Aidan and Leon will be representing the zone at the Sydney North area final on Monday, 9th September. We wish them the best of luck!

Camp
Next week, Year 5 and 6 will be visiting Canberra to further develop their understanding of government. The students have two action packed days where they will visit many places including Parliament House and the Australian War Memorial.

Jen Riley

Coming Events

Term 3, Week 8

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<td>• WALK-A-THON – 12.15pm-1.40pm – Sports uniform</td>
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<td>• Tuckertime – Class 1/2 hosts</td>
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<td>• PSSA – Softball and T/ Ball @ Kent Rd PS</td>
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Term 3, Week 9

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<td>• Assembly – 2.05pm – KE to host</td>
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Term 3, Week 10

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STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY, 7TH OCTOBER

Summer uniform

School Photos – Tuesday, 15th October

P&C Report

Fathers’ Day & Raffle
Congratulations to the following families that won prizes in the Raffle - Guiroyan, Valenta, Wilde, Tasiovasilis and Michel. We raised $1068 for the raffle and $320 for the Fathers’ Day stall. Thank you to all the helpers last Friday that helped sell and wrap presents, it wouldn't have happened without you. I hope all the dads/grandpas enjoyed Sunday.
Bingo Night
A great night was had by all, with over 100 people attending. We raised almost $600 on the night and one lucky Kindy family won 2 of the big prizes. Hope all the families that won enjoy their prizes.

Election Day BBQ – 7th September
With Election Day now this weekend, we are in need of helpers for the middle time slot 10am-12pm. We will be open from approx 8am through to about 2-3pm (depending on voters).

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A roster is located at the office with Mrs Price; please volunteer some time on the day. This is a great way to raise money for the school.

Tea Towel Fundraiser
Attached is the flyer for our Tea Towel Fundraiser that we will be running this term for delivery early Term 4. These tea towels can be kept as a keepsake for your children when they are older, to use at home on a daily basis, or given to Grandparents/Family members as a gift eg Xmas. Please ensure all orders are back to the school by next Wednesday 11th September, so you don’t miss out.

School Banking
Don’t forget this is on tomorrow Wednesday in the library. Children can bank on behalf of siblings.

Sausage Sizzle
Thank you to Thea G, Patrick Perlson and Lyn for helping out at last week sausage sizzle.

The next sausage sizzle for this term is next Friday 13th September and Class 10, 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 Nina Mather or Mick West or email our P&C email below.

Term 3
6th September - Cake donations brought in
7th September – Election Day BBQ/Cake Stall
11th September – Tea Towel orders due
16th September – P&C Meeting

Deborah Riley & Nina Mather
 Presidents
0414 540 430 melroseparkpc@hotmail.com
Like us on Facebook: Melrose Park PS P&C

Uniform Shop
A huge thank you to the wonderful ladies that helped with the uniform shop stocktake last Thursday morning. Thea, Jane, Kate and Julie made the task of counting and sorting the school uniforms much quicker and much more pleasant. A reminder that the uniform shop is open on Monday and Thursday mornings and students return to school in term 4 wearing their Summer uniforms.

Danielle.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – ORDER FORM for FRIDAY, 13th September
Form must be returned with the money by Wednesday, 11th September, 2013. Please put order form and money in a sealed envelope.

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NORTHERN SYDNEY GIRLS CRICKET ASSOCIATION

Want to be the next Ellyse Perry or Alex Blackwell? For those girls still deciding what sport to play in the summer, why not give girls cricket a go? Join a team in the Northern Sydney Girls Cricket Association, learn new skills and make new friends! All games are Saturday afternoons, Twenty/20, played in coloured clothing and everyone gets to bat, bowl and field. If you still aren't convinced, why not come along to our free cricket clinic on Sunday 8th September? For more information, visit our website http://nsgca.nsw.cricket.com.au or email nsgcacricket@gmail.com.

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Dear Parents / Carer,

This term the P&C has decided to run something a little different as a fundraiser and all the children and teachers will be creating a commemorative tea towel, similar to that pictured. The tea towels will be white linen, with blue printing. We chose this project because it is something everyone can be involved in and creates a wonderful memento or useful gift for parents, relatives and friends.

These tea towels will be selling for the price of $10.00 for one, with discounts for multiple orders, see below.

Make sure you don't miss out on this unique opportunity to preserve your child's artwork, to remember their friends and teachers forever and to support our wonderful school at the same time.

All orders to be in by Wednesday 11th September 2013 and tea towels will be ready towards the beginning of term 4.

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**TEA TOWEL ORDER FORM**

Child's name: __________________________________       Class: _____________________

Tea towels: 1 @ $10  2 @ $16  3 @ $20

Number of Tea Towels Ordered: ___________  Amount enclosed: ___________

Please enclose payment with your order.
Cash or cheques made payable to *Melrose Park Public School P&C*
Direct Deposit: BSB: 062271 Account: 900288 (please put family name and TT as reference)