## Coming Events

### Term 1, Week 6

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<td>Parent Literacy Workshop – 2.15-3.00pm</td>
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| Wednesday, 5/3 | School Banking  
|             | World of Maths                                    |
| Thursday, 6/3   | Zone Swimming Carnival  
|                | Tuckertime – Class 4/5 to host                   |
| Friday, 7/3    | Zone Swimming Carnival  
|                | No PSSA                                           |

### Term 1, Week 7

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| Tuesday, 11/3 | Life Education Program  
|             | Years 5/6 Excursion – BirdLife – Bicentennial Park |
| Wednesday, 12/3 | Life Education Program  
|                | School Banking                                    |
|              | 2015 Kindergarten – Open Information Session 2-3pm |
| Thursday, 13/3 | Assembly – 2.05pm – 4/5 to host                   |
| Friday, 14/3    | Sausage Sizzle – Class 2/3  
|                | parents required to assist                        |
|                | PSSA v’s Eastwood Heights PS – Meadowbank Park    |
| Sunday, 16/3    | Working Bee – 9am-12noon                          |

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<td>Wednesday, 19/3</td>
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<td>Thursday, 20/3</td>
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### Principal’s Report

#### Enrolments 2015

Enrolments are for 2015 are now being accepted. If you have a child ready to start school next year or know of young children who are of school age, please come into the office and pick up an enrolment form.

An Open Afternoon for new families is being planned for next Wednesday 12th March from 2.00 – 2.45pm. Our senior students will guide our visitors on a tour of our wonderful school.

#### Community Use Of Facilities

As part of the Department of Education and Communities (DEC) provision of making schools accessible to the community the school has taken the opportunity to rent some of the school’s facilities to a Korean Church Group each Sunday. Thank you to the members of the P&C who discussed this issue at the last P&C meeting and gave valuable input into the process. The church group will hold 2 services and Sunday School with the hall, OSHC room and T2 (music) in use each week.

#### School Photos

There has been a change to the times of our school photos this year. The school is now having school photos taken on Tuesday 18th March. An advantage of having photos taken in Term 1 includes having students look fresh and engaging in new uniforms and clean shoes. With a new photography company engaged we hope to have wonderful school photos taken of each student in the school. Please see attached information regarding the photography package from棋牌photography.

#### Talented Writers Project

We welcome Mrs Yvonne Louis to the staff of Melrose Park PS. Mrs Louis will join us each Monday to deliver a Talented Writers program to selected students across the school. Each session will focus on intensive writing and language activities and last between 45 – 60 minutes. Mrs Louis herself is a published author and retired librarian and she is keen to develop the writing skills of our students.
Optus Rockcorp
This Thursday 6th March our school will be buzzing with the volunteers from Optus and Rockcorp who are keen to enhance the school environment in an exciting working bee project. Tasks include some painting and gardening (weather permitting). There is no cost to the school with Optus Rockcorp supplying the equipment. We thank Optus and Rockcorp for the opportunity to develop new community partnerships to enhance the learning environment of students.

School Working Bee
The annual school working bee will be made much easier this year as Optus Rockcorp may have achieved many of the larger projects around the school. There are still many areas of the school that need maintenance. Jobs include:
- mulching underneath the play equipment,
- refilling the sand pit,
- pruning gardens, picking up sticks,
- painting lines and numbers on the playground,
- repainting the yellow safety strips on steps
- water blasting seats
- working in the kitchen garden

Come along on Sunday 16th March from 9.00am and lend a helping hand. Many hands make light work, even for an hour. Morning tea will be provided and this gives parents a chance to meet other great families in the school. Children are welcome but remain under parent supervision. Please bring your own tools as the school has a limited supply.

SRC News
Hot Cross Bun Drive
In the weeks leading up to Easter, the SRC will be running a hot cross bun drive. So start asking neighbours, family and friends if they would like to order some delicious hot cross buns.

Have you seen ABC Splash?
*Splash* is the ABC’s education website where your children can search over one thousand educational videos and games, all mapped to the Australian Curriculum.
http://splash.abc.net.au/home

They are currently running the following competition that could benefit your family and our school:

WIN! One Samsung Galaxy tablet for you, and 10 for your school.
To enter, subscribe to their newsletter or update your details before 4 April 2014 and you'll go into the draw for your chance to win one tablet for you and 10 for our school.

Please note: Entrants must be primary and secondary school students or parents and teachers of secondary and primary school students. If an entrant is under 18 years of age, they must obtain the permission of their parent or guardian before entering this competition.

P&C Report
Cookie Dough Fundraiser
This term we are running the Cookie Dough fundraiser. Order forms were sent home last week; if you need another one please see the office. Orders are due back by next Thursday 13th March.

Sausage Sizzle
Thank you to Avril, Stuart B, Raeleigh and Michelle S for helping out at last week’s sausage sizzle.
The next Sausage Sizzle will be next Friday 14th March and 2/3 will be the host.

*****If you have not placed a term order please contact me via email *****
If you are able to help on this day, please leave a message in the office for Yasmin Adami or Mick West or email our P&C email below.

Ten Pin Bowling Afternoon
This was a great success with 88 bowlers using 19 lanes. Next year's date is already booked for 1st March 2015 @ 4.00pm. The P&C raised just over $500.00 for the day.
Uniform Shop
Due to recent price increase from one of our suppliers we have had to increase 7 items in the uniform shop. 3 items have increased by $2 and 4 items by $1.
*** There has also been a decrease in the price of the Girls Winter Ponte Pants.

School Banking
Don’t forget this is on Wednesday Morning from 8.30am.

Dates to Remember for Term 1:
13th March – Cookie Dough Order forms due back
16th March Sunday - School Working Bee
7th April Monday – Mufti Day, Easter hamper donation as penalty more info to come
11th April Friday – Easter Raffle
12th April Saturday – West Ryde Street Fair

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Co-Presidents

Mrs Piper and her new daughter visited us last week for the first time. How lovely!
Major fundraising initiative on behalf of the Melrose Park Public School P&C

We are conducting a Billy G’s Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser as a major fundraiser for this term so we do ask for your support. Family support is most appreciated.

There are new exciting flavours in 2014 which include Gluten Free Choc Chunk, Lower sugar/fat/salt Choc Chunk, Caramel Fudge, Triple and wait for it….. Doggie Dough!!

Students have received a Billy’s Gourmet Cookie Dough. An individual prize program has been included for every student/family that sells one or more tubs. The more tubs you sell the better the prize! There is a selection of over 55 prizes to choose from such as Britz ‘n’ Pieces, Wahoo, Kazoom and much, much, more. If you have misplaced your order form, please see the staff at the office.

Please take the order form to your family, friends and work colleagues and even take the order form to your child’s sporting activities. Students who sell one or more tubs will be entitled to a prize of their choice.

**WIN A FAMILY HOLIDAY** - You also have the chance to win a 7 night family holiday for 2 adults and 2 children, staying at either the Gold Coast or Hamilton Island or Fiji including a Virgin Australia airfare voucher and $1,000 spending money. So don’t forget to enter. For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view the inside of the order form.

Once the fundraiser is complete, please detach the order form with your orders and don’t forget to select a prize! Please return the order form along with your monies to the school on or before the **Thursday 13th March**. We will advise a date of when the cookie dough and prizes will be delivered to the school. Please ensure that you make arrangements to collect your cookie dough order on the day of delivery as the product is frozen and we do not have enough storage to store your order when the cookie dough arrives.

Happy fundraising!

Deborah Riley