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Learning and Growing Together

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Principal’s Report

Father’s Day
To all the dads, step dads, foster dads, grandparents, uncles and male carers in our school community I would like to wish you a HAPPY FATHERS DAY for this Sunday. May you yet again be spoilt and acknowledged by your kids for being ‘the best’ in the world.

Concert
Two more sleeps to our special night of celebration as we highlight every student performing on stage in our concert, “Around the World”. A note explaining the organisational aspects of the night is attached. Students need to be at the hall no later than 6.15pm. The concert commences at 6.30pm

Truck Day
Thank you to Formula Chemicals who are organising a wonderful “Truck Day” and a free sausage sizzle for students this Thursday 4th September. This is in conjunction with the National Safety Truck Awareness Week. The big rigs will be sited in front of C Block so that students can explore the big trucks safely with their teachers.

Thank you P&C
I would like to congratulate the members of the P&C for the organisation and the fun that was had at the Family Bingo night. Unfortunately I had double booked and could not go. I attended Father Chris Riley’s Youth off the Street Fundraising event but I will be there next year.

The next activity that the P&C coordinate is the Father’s Day Stall this Friday. All students have the opportunity to visit the hall to buy a present for their dad (grandfather, stepdad, uncle or significant male) in their life. Items range in price from $2 to $10 and will be lovingly wrapped by parent volunteers. Our students really appreciate this opportunity to make their dads happy.

With Market Day, Saturday 25th October, fast approaching, the P&C needs everyone on board to make Market Day a success. Please give your time freely and help support the P&C who support the learning programs of the school. This year the fundraising efforts target permanent shade areas at the kitchen garden and in the back playground.

There will be no assembly this Thursday
SPORT
The PSSA summer competition of t-ball and softball resumes this Friday with an away game against Kent Rd PS. All team members need to bring a water bottle, their hat and sunscreen each week to the game. Training commences at 8.20am each Friday morning.

Now that the sun has come out it is a great opportunity to head to the park for some throwing and catching games.

I would like to thank Ms Roberts for organising our students and coordinating the Zone Athletics Event last week. Ms Roberts was very proud that all students gave ‘personal best’ and behaved so wonderfully. Thanks also to Mrs Sheehy for her work with the relay teams and taking on the role of team manager throughout the day.

Parent Interviews
Parent Teacher interview notes were sent home last week. Interview times are scheduled for Monday 8th and Tuesday 16th September. If you request an interview time please send back your information to your class teacher.

NAPLAN
Naplan results for 2014 are due at the school and hopefully the reports will be sent home by the end of the week. The report will be given to Year 3 and Year 5 students to give to parents. If you need to discuss your child’s results please make an interview time to speak to me.

Newsletter
Your weekly newsletter not arriving home? Then look on the school’s website and that is where you will find an e-copy. Alternatively email the school at Melrosepk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and organise for the newsletter to be emailed directly to your mail box.

Safety Project Survey
A survey is being sent home today in the hope that you will provide feedback on the safety issues of sending your child to Melrose Park PS. The more we know about the issues facing families the more council will be aware of how to address the issues.

FREE
A very old drum kit
If interested ......
See Mr Hubbard (Wed, Thur, Fri)

Clare Kristensen
Principal

Zone Athletics Carnival

It was wonderful to see Melrose Park students demonstrating fantastic sportsmanship during the day!

By Will and Dean

Stage 2 had a great time on their excursion to Cockatoo Island.

At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners
Nude Food
CONGRATULATIONS to 1/KS who has won the nude food challenge. 1/KS will now be treated to a pizza, movie and popcorn this week. Nude food has benefited the school by producing less rubbish and helped the children build an understanding of how rubbish affects the environment. Now we are going to aim for nude food every day. Let’s see how we go 😊

P & C Report
Bingo Night
This was a great night and a great venue. Vikings Club was very accommodating to what we needed on the night and is a club that is now focusing on families with activities coming up in the next school holidays if you're interested.

On Saturday night we had over 130 people attend and some great prizes won by many families, we raised over $469 which is a great effort. Thank you to the helpers on the night.

Father's Day Stall
See attached information.

**** Helpers needed on the day to sell and wrap presents – Friday 5th September from 9am in the hall. Send money with your kids as per separate info supplied in newsletter.

Father's Day Raffle
Each year we run a Father's Day Raffle, this raffle will be held this Friday 5th September. The prizes for the raffle are:

- North Ryde Golf Course – 4 rounds of golf and cart hire
- KFC T20 Big Bash League, Round 2 Match 27th December x 4 tickets (ANZ Stadium)
- La Perla Restaurant Gladesville $150 Meal Voucher (donated via Yvonne/Alex Howard Yr5)
- Stephanie's Beauty – 1hr Facial and head, hand and foot massage
- Ryde Eastwood Leagues $120 Dinner Voucher
- Bayview Hotel - $50 Bottle Shop Voucher

All tickets will need to be returned by tomorrow Wednesday 3rd September. If you did not receive your tickets or need more, please go to the office to collect them.

Please ensure you write your name and children class/name on each ticket and return unused tickets (as some ticket numbers will duplicate).

****Thank you to all the companies that have donated for this Raffle.

Fete/Market Day Meeting
Wednesday 10th September 7pm at Deb Riley's house. All welcome to come along and help out with preparations for the day. Please contact me via email below or 0414 540 430 for the address – all welcome.

Sausage Sizzle
The next sausage sizzle for this term is this Friday 5th September and Class 1/KS will be the host. If you are able to help on this day, please leave a message in the office for Yasmin Adami/Mick West or contact - Yasmin on 0432 420 628.

School Banking
This is on Wednesday Morning from 8.30am.

Dates to remember
5/9/14 – Father’s Day Stall & Raffle – Volunteers needed
10/9/14 – Fete/Market Day Meeting Deb’s House
25/10/14 – Fete/Market Day

Deborah Riley
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Father’s Day Stall – Friday 5th September 2014

Every year we hold a stall for Father’s Day on the Friday before. On the day each class is brought to the hall to purchase Father’s Day Gifts that are purchased new by the P&C with a great variety on offer. This is a great way to spoil the dads at a great price and let your kids surprise you with a gift picked by them.

The gifts are then wrapped by the volunteers for each child before leaving the hall. The gifts cost between $2 - $6 and cards for $1. Each child is permitted to buy 2-3 items plus a card the first time they come to the hall between 9-11am. If they have any money left over they are allowed to come back at lunch to purchase whatever is left.

On Friday 5th September send some money with your children, so they can purchase a present for their Father/Grandfather for Father’s Day.

*** Helpers Needed:*** Helpers will be needed on the day from 9am in the hall to help sell and wrap the presents for the kids.

Father’s Day Raffle

The Raffle will be drawn at 9am in lines before the stall begins (Tickets are going home with today’s newsletter)

**Tickets are due back by Wednesday 3rd September.**

If you wish to clarify anything please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Regards

Deb Riley
Dear Parents and Carers

Our concert night is almost here and I would like to give you some organisational pointers that will help make the evening a success.

- As it is a busy week, there will be no formal homework for students to complete. I hear students cheering already; however reading is always for pleasure.

- If you have not yet purchased your ticket please do ASAP as there will be no ticket sales on the night.

- The parking outside Marden HS is quite limited so take care and be respectful not to park across a driveway. Parking at Putt Putt is often the closest available.

- The Concert commences at 6.30pm in the hall at Marsden High School. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Marsden HS for their support in putting on the concert. We are using several High School students for sound, lighting and stage management for rehearsal and on the night.

- Students come to the concert dressed in their costume. Class teachers have organised what is expected for their class item.

- All students need to be at the hall **no later than 6.15pm**.

- Students will say their goodbyes to you outside the hall; walk in and onto the stage where they will wait for the first opening number.

- The doors to the hall will remain closed until 6.15pm. Doors will open for seating from 6.15pm with the concert starting at 6.30pm.

- Students will not be able to leave the hall until the Finale has been completed.

- At the end of the concert, classes from Year 1 to 6 will be given a designated meeting place in which to find their parent and go home. Kindergarten students will remain on the stage and parents of Kindergarten will come to the stage to collect their child.

- Photos and filming opportunities are to be taken from your seat or from the back of the hall. All photos are for personal use only. We encourage you to respect other students’ privacy and not place photos on open social media sites.

Our teachers and students have been working extremely hard to deliver a great concert for you. I am sure that you will be delighted and proud of their efforts as we go “Around the World” in an hour.

**Clare Kristensen**
Principal