Melrose Park Public School

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Term 4, Week 2  12 October, 2015

Coming Events

**Term 4, Week 2**

- **Monday, 12/10**
  - Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn

- **Tuesday, 13/10**
  - K-1 Calmsley Hill Farm Excursion

- **Thursday, 15/10**
  - Assembly – 4/5 to host

- **Friday, 16/10**
  - Sausage Sizzle – Class KE parents to assist
  - PSSA – vs Meadowbank PS @ Meadowbank Park

**Term 4, Week 3**

- **Monday, 19/10**
  - Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn
  - P&C Meeting – 7.30pm

- **Thursday, 22/10**
  - Tuckertime – Amber/Green – Class 2/1 O to host

- **Friday, 23/10**
  - Market Day Drop Off Day – Volunteers required
  - PSSA – vs Truscott Street @ Meadowbank Park

- **Saturday, 24/10**
  - MARKET DAY

**Term 4, Week 4**

- **Monday, 26/10**
  - Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn

- **Wednesday, 28/10**
  - Kinder 2016 - Transition 2 – Teddy Bears’ Picnic – 9.15-11.00am

- **Thursday, 29/10**
  - Assembly – 2.05pm – KP to host

- **Friday, 30/10**
  - Sausage Sizzle – Class KP parents to assist
  - PSSA – vs Eastwood Heights PS
  - Halloween Disco – P&C Organised

- **Sunday, 1/11**
  - Ryde School Spectacular Rehearsal – Sydney Opera House – 7.30am-1.00pm

**Term 4, Week 5**

- **Monday, 2/11**
  - Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn
  - Ryde School Spectacular – Opera House Performance

- **Thursday, 5/11**
  - Tuckertime – Red – Class 1S to host

- **Friday, 6/11**
  - PSSA – vs Boronia Park PS @ Meadowbank Park

**Principal’s Report**

What a great start we have had to Term 4. Both students and staff seem settled, refreshed and enthusiastic about the term ahead. Plus parents can be seen busily organising for our Market Day.

The start of the term has brought lots of mail to be opened and information to be passed on.

Congratulations to Kamryn, Ryan S, Oscar B, Arjun, Harrison, Kieran and Declan B who received Merit, Credit or the Principal’s Award in the ICAS Mathematics competition. Well done also to all students who participated and challenged themselves in this international competition.

An email was also received from the regional manager for Primary Ethics Ltd. Unfortunately we are unable to begin Ethics Classes this year. The organisation will let us know when a co-ordinator has come forward.
There are many opportunities this term to showcase school performance groups. The first is the upcoming Market Day. A timetable has been sent home and will also be distributed with Market Day information by the P&C. We hope all students will make the effort to attend.

The Band will present a Band Showcase for family and friends of band members on Wednesday, October 28. The showcase will include full band and solo performances. Band members should arrive at 6:45pm for a 7pm start. The performance should go for approximately an hour.

In preparation for next year, I have been conducting a review of the school's homework organisation, through focus groups and impromptu discussion. At present it appears that the majority of students and parents are happy with the current homework arrangements and the use of the Excel English and Mathematics book in Years 1-6. If you would like to be involved in a focus group in the next few weeks to discuss homework at Melrose Park PS, please let me know. Alternately if you would like to contact me by another means, please do so in the next few weeks.

Alice Mee
Relieving Principal

Principal's Award for Book Work
The following children will be receiving a Principal's Award at this week’s assembly:

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Stage Reports
Early Stage One
Kindergarten students have had an enjoyable busy week of learning.

In KE, our focus in literacy was writing. Students learned how to build their sentences into an interesting narrative, using sight words and descriptive language. We discussed how to group similar ideas together. In numeracy, students worked on their doubles and number combinations to 20.

KP had a fantastic holiday and wrote some amazing recounts, trying to use a variety of words to make our writing interesting. We also worked hard to edit our full stops and capital letters, by reading back our work. In maths, KP continued to identify friends to 10 and 20, as well as the place value of digits into the hundreds.

KP is looking forward to Market Day. We have put the final touches on our artworks. Both classes enjoyed our first dance lesson on Friday morning. KE and KP learned how to dance the Heel and Toe Polka with partners. This involved lots of practice with left and right, hands and feet!

Sadie Gow

Stage One
This week in stage one we have started learning about identities and the many different groups to which people belong. Students have had an opportunity to identify and describe objects belonging to different groups including sports groups, community service groups and different religions. In the coming weeks students will interview members from different groups and identify the roles and responsibilities of such groups.
Stage Two
Stage Two had a good first week back. They look ready for another exciting term of learning. This week they started the basketball unit and enjoyed learning some new skills. The students also enjoyed getting to learn more about what goes on in the garden and about sustainability when they participated in the Seed, Harvest, Spoon environmental education program. Year Three are completing units from last term, whilst Year Four have introduced the new topic about cultures and their beliefs.

Martín Clark

Stage Three
In Stage 3 we have been busy starting off our final term. For the first couple of weeks we will be finishing off our Antarctica unit from Term 3. By next week we will have introduced our new HSIE topic and research will be well underway. In mathematics, 4/5 have been finding the mean, mode and median (different types of averages) of different groups of numbers. 5/6 have been revising 3D shapes and their properties. Discussions about our mini fete have begun and we are all trying to come up with creative stalls to run. Stay tuned!

Alex Roberts
P&C Report

Hamper Donations for Fete/Market Day
Volunteers needed this Wednesday 14th October in the library 6-8pm.
Thank you for all the wonderful donations that we received today.
If you have forgotten to send your donation in, please do so by Wednesday.

Volunteer Forms
All volunteer forms are due back by this Friday 16th so I can allocate everyone to a time slot.

Cake Boxes
Cake boxes are going home today, if you could please read the notice on the front and return on Friday 23rd October or early morning on the day 24th October. Thank you for all the baking efforts that will go into this stall from our parent community.

Raffle Tickets for Fete/Market Day
Raffle tickets are being sent home today to pre purchase tickets for the Raffle being held on Fete Day. If you would like to pre purchase tickets please have them back to the office by next Thursday 22nd Oct. The prizes are:

- Samsung Galaxy Tab A 8" WiFi Tablet Sandy White
- Fernwood Fitness – 3 month gym membership
- Taronga Zoo Family Pass (2A, 2C)
- Luna Park – 2 x Unlimited Rides Pass

Tickets will be available on the day also.

******You MUST write a name and phone number on EVERY ticket not just a child’s name so you can be contacted on the day if you are not at the draw. Please return any unused tickets.

****Thank you to all the companies that have donated for this Raffle, Chocolate Wheel and Silent Auction.

Summary Volunteers Needed
- Hamper Making Night volunteers needed THIS Wednesday 14th October 6-8pm, unless finished earlier in the library. Please come along to help out even if you can only come for an hour. Sorting donations into categories and into baskets.
- A note home to every student in regards to volunteers required for our big Fete, please return to the school by THIS Friday 16th October.
- Friday 23rd October – lots of volunteers needed from 8.30am for as long as you are available to sort through the white elephant donations.
- Walkers need to deliver flyers; map and flyers are in the office.

Fete & Market Day Information
The big day is approaching less than 2 weeks away, with lots of things happening in the lead up.
General Information ways families can help:
- Collect plastic bags to be used at White elephant Stall
- Basket Donations required for the hampers – drop them into the office or send in with your child by Wednesday at the latest.
- Needing coat hanger donations
- We will take all white elephant stall donations on Friday 23rd October see

***** See attached flyer with more information regarding the day.

Sausage Sizzle
The first Sausage Sizzle for this term is THIS Friday, 16th October and KE will be the host. Order forms attached, due back by THIS Wednesday 14th October.
If you are able to help on this day, please leave a message in the office for Yasmin Adami or contact Yasmin on 0432 420 628, or our P&C email below.
Halloween Disco
This year the P&C will be holding a Halloween Disco for the kids. The disco will be Halloween themed, so feel free to dress up and be extravagant.
This is being held on **Friday 30th October**.
**** The P&C will need a couple of helpers per time slot on the night. If you are available to help out please let me know. More information enclosed. Order forms **due back by Wednesday 28th October** so that snacks & drinks can be purchased.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C meeting is **NEXT Monday 19th October @ 7.30pm** and will focus on the Fete/Market Day.

School Banking
This is on Wednesday morning in the canteen.

**Dates to Remember for Term 4:**
12th October – Hamper donations due back for Fete/Market day
12th October – Cake Boxes for Fete/Market Day going home
14th October – Hamper Making night from 6pm - 8pm **WEDNESDAY (change of date)**
19th October – P&C Meeting 7.30 library
23rd October – Cake donations due back (or morning of Fete by 9am)
23rd October – White Elephant stall donations dropped off today – volunteers needed
24th October – Fete & Market Day – opening hours 9am – 2pm
31st October – Halloween Disco

If you would like to contact me, my details are:
Mobile – 0416 130 274
Email – melroseparkpc@hotmail.com
Like us on Facebook: Melrose Park PS P&C

Cathy Lincoln
P&C President
Fete & Market Day
Date: 24th October 2015 - Time: 9am to 2pm

- **White Elephant Stall Donation Drop** off **Friday 23rd October** from 8.30am. All used clothes, books, games, kitchen stuff etc that are still in good condition can be dropped at the school on the Friday to be sorted for sale on Saturday. This would be a great excuse for a spring clean and to help out the school. *Please put ALL clothes into separate bags of sizes to make it easier for sorting and mark with sizes.* Helpers needed to sort on this day.

Volunteers Needed Prior to the Day
- **Hamper making night** in the library **THIS Wednesday 14th October** from 6.00pm – 8pm unless finished before. We are putting donations into baskets and wrapping in cellophane. Everyone welcome to come help ***** *(note change of day)*

- **Walkers needed** – we need people to do letterbox drops of the flyer for the day. These are available in the office, there is a map and if you can mark on the map what street you are doing, if you are able to drop any at any daycares or preschool please add that to a list on the Map. If you are unable to get to the office please contact melroseparkpc@hotmail.com

- **White Elephant Stall Organising** – we need many people on **Friday 23rd October** from 8.30am to help sort out all the used goods that are going to be donated into categories onto the tables ready for selling on Saturday morning.

Volunteers Needed On the Day:
Notes have gone home for volunteering on the day last Friday and via class parents on email. Please fill in the form and send back to the school by **THIS Friday 16th October**. Ensure you have put on a mobile phone number so a reminder text can be sent out prior to the day and where you have been allocated. On the day please turn up at least 10 minutes prior to your allocated timeslot so you can park and locate your where you will be volunteering. We need everyone to volunteer on the day to help the day run smoothly and to prevent people having to volunteer for the entire day to cover gaps in the roster.

**Class Allocations**
- 5/6 – BBQ and Yr 6 stall 1 parent
- 4/5 – White elephant and BBQ
- 3L - Choc Wheel/Raffle/Show bags
- 2R – White Elephant Stall
- 2/1O - Choc Wheel/Raffle/Show bags
- 1S – Cake/Coffee Stall
- KE – Animals/Ponies & Jumping Castle
- KP – Jumping Castle and Cake/Coffee Stall
TERM 4

SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – TERM ORDER FORM
FRIDAY, 16th October (First One)

Form must be returned with the money by **Wednesday, 14th October**. Please put order form and money in a sealed envelope or indicate paid via EFT.

(Please choose beef or chicken sausage and choose lemonade only or any flavour ice block)

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**Term Order Only - Term 4, 2015** (5 Sausage Sizzles this term)

(All direct deposits must be processed by 4pm on Wednesday 14th October 2015, if they are not paid and no alternate arrangement has been made a term ticket will not be created for your child)

Direct Deposit Details:
Bank: Commonwealth
Name: Melrose Park Public School P&C
BSB: 062271  Account: 900288
Reference: Use SS followed by name

Cash/Cheque Enclosed $ ____________
☐ Paid via Direct Deposit
Receipt number for Direct Deposit ____________
Reference used for Direct Deposit ____________
HAMPER DONATIONS FOR MARKET DAY

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As you are all aware, Market Day is nearing – **Saturday 24th October!!**

The P&C will be holding a chocolate wheel with prizes as well as selling amazing hampers full of goodies - BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

We would like each family to supply at least 1 bag of **NEW** goodies to donate for the hampers. Suggestions include:

- Gardening items
- Cooking utensils
- BBQ tools
- Fishing equipment
- Beauty products
- Baby items
- Toys and games

Please make sure that the items are new (not second hand). Anyone who has spare baskets, these are also needed.

Please return items by **Monday 12th October**

Melrose Park P & C team.

PLEASE RETURN ANY BAGS THAT ARE NOT USED
Bags will be sent home on first day back Term 4 - 6th October.
For students
Friday 30th October 2015
In the school hall
Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2  5.00pm - 6.25pm
Years 3 - 6  6.35pm - 8.00pm (sharp)

Music by Dance Hub

Cost $7: includes music, drink and snack

Parents will leave students for some fun and dance. Students will be supervised and parents will collect their child from the hall at the end of the session.

Halloween Disco
(Order form due back by Wednesday 28th October 2015)

Name/s: ________________________________

Class/es: _______________________________

Enclosed: $7.00 ea for dancing, drink and snack

☐ Pre-order: Glow Sticks 3 for $1

$________ enclosed