"FRIGHTENING" HALLOWEEN DISCO

Coming Events

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| Monday, 2/11   | • Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn  
|                | • Ryde School Spectacular – Opera House Performance |
| Wednesday, 4/11| • School Banking – Canteen – 8.30am  
| Thursday, 5/11 | • Tuckertime – Red – Class 1S to host  
| Friday, 6/11   | • PSSA – vs Boronia Park PS @ Meadowbank Park |

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<th>Term 4, Week 6</th>
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| Monday, 9/11   | • Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn  
| Wednesday, 11/11| • School Banking – Canteen – 8.30am  
|                | • Remembrance Day Service – 10.45am – Visitors welcome  
|                | • Library – Final borrowing day for 2015  
| Thursday, 12/11| • Assembly – 2.05pm – KE to host.  
|                | • 2016 Kinder Transition 3 – Students will attend our Assembly  
| Friday, 13/11  | • Sausage Sizzle – Class 5/6 parents to assist  
|                | • PSSA – vs Gladesville PS @ Meadowbank Park |

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| Monday, 16/11  | • 2016 Kinder Transition 4 – 9.15am-11.00am – “Class Learning”  
| Wednesday, 18/11| • School Banking - 8.30am – Canteen  
| Thursday, 19/11| • Tuckertime – Green/Amber – KE to host  
| Friday, 20/11  | • PSSA – Semi Finals |

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<th>Term 4, Week 8</th>
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| Monday, 23/11  | • Basketball Clinic (Final Week) – Sports Uniform to be worn  
|                | • P&C Meeting – 7.30pm  
| Tuesday, 24/11 | • End of Year Scripture Service  
| Wednesday, 25/11| • Year 6 Mini Fete  
| Thursday, 26/11| • 2015 Final Assembly – 2.05pm – Class 5/6 to host  
| Friday, 27/11  | • Sausage Sizzle – Class 4/5 parents to assist  
|                | • PSSA – Finals |

| Wednesday, 16/12| • Students’ final day for 2015 |
Principal’s Report

Transition 2016
Transition processes are underway for 2016. It was wonderful to meet our delightful new 2016 Kindergarten students, their teddies and their families. There are three more sessions planned which will help our youngest students prepare for “big school” at Melrose Park PS.

If you are aware of children who are in our local catchment area and have not yet enrolled at Melrose Park we are accepting ‘in area’ enrolments. Please direct them to the office for an enrolment form.

Transition activities are being planned for our Year 6 students as they prepare for the move to high school. All year 6 students should know by now the dates for the Orientation Session at their nominated high school.

Enrolment 2016
It is this time of year that we start making plans for next year. If you know that you will be moving or your child will not be returning to Melrose Park PS next year please inform the school in writing. This notice will help guide discussions in regard to making plans for classes in 2016.

Congratulations
Congratulations to our wonderful choir who performed so well as part of the Combined Choir at the Ryde School Spectacular at the Opera House last night. A huge thank you to Miss Mee for her coordination and organisation of the choir.

Learning a Band Instrument in 2016
Is your child interested in joining the school band next year? This Wednesday our school band will perform for students from Yr 2 to Yr 5. Our musicians will share with students the many skills that they have learnt over the past year. Students who are interested in joining the band program in 2016 will be given an information package to take home to share with their parents. If interested please read and fill in the necessary forms. Students will have the opportunity to try out instruments in the following weeks.

Skoolbag App
Have you downloaded the Melrose Park PS Skoolbag App? This app downloaded straight to your smartphone is an easy way to keep up to date with school information.

Whooping Cough  A Department of Health Notification
Whooping cough information for schools
There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.
Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.
Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.

Clare Kristensen
Principal

P&C Report
Fete & Market Day
The results from the big day have come in at just over $14,000. We are all very happy with this result as this is an increase of over $2,500 on last year.

Congratulations to last week’s winners of the Volunteer raffle that was drawn on Friday morning. Everyone’s help was very valuable in achieving this result.

Blue Volunteer Shirts – Could you please wash and return your blue shirts to the school this week so they can be packed away for next year.

Calendar Art Work
The kids will be busy creating beautiful artwork for this year’s Calendars. An order form was sent home last week; if you would like to see samples of all the products on offer please contact us. Orders are due back by THIS Friday 6th November.

They get returned to the school approx 3 weeks after being submitted. This date will be advised closer to the day.
Halloween Disco
The disco was a lot of fun for all the kids and some great costumes were worn by so many of them. Thank you to the volunteers that helped on the night.

Sausage Sizzle
Thank you to last week’s helpers Dechi and Trish.
The next Sausage Sizzle for this term is **NEXT Friday, 13th November and 5/6 will be the host.**
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.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday **23rd November @ 7.30pm** in the library – all welcome.
This will be the last meeting for the year. *****Note change of date.***

School Banking
This is on Wednesday morning in the canteen.

**Dates to Remember for Term 4:**
**Term 4**
6th November – Order forms due back for Calendar Orders
23rd November – Last P&C Meeting for the year @7.30pm

If you would like to contact me, my details are:
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**Cathy Lincoln**
P&C President

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*Fete & Market day, Saturday October 24, 2015*

We would like to thank our major sponsors: Award Group, Payce, Alstaclean.
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MPPS Art Cards orders

Art cards featuring student digital photography (Years 3 – 6) were a very popular item for sale on Market Day. Additional orders for these cards is now possible by filling out the slip below and returning to the office with payment in a sealed envelope.


Any of the above photos can be ordered, or your child’s own digital photography, by giving us their name and a description of their photo. All available photos can be viewed in the “Melrose Park Student Photography” book on display in the office foyer. For further details see Sheridan Collins or Pam Grover.

Cards are on heavy card stock with pictures printed on long-lasting photographic paper. All cards are supplied with envelopes in individual cellophane sleeves. They are blank inside and have the school name with crest and artist printed on the back. A great Christmas present for grandparents or other family members!

Cards are $2 each or 3 for $5 and will be supplied within a few weeks. All orders due by 18th November.

Your name: ____________________________

Artists name: ____________________________ Photo description: ____________________________

Quantity: ____________ Payment enclosed: ____________