**Melrose Park Public School**

*Learning and Growing Together*

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**Term 4, Week 7**  
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### Coming Events

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| Monday, 16/11| • 2016 Kinder Transition 4 – 9.15am-11.00am – “Class Learning”  
• Basketball Clinic – Sports Uniform to be worn |
| Wednesday, 18/11 | School Banking - 8.30am – Canteen  
| Thursday, 19/11 | Tuckertime – Green/Amber – KE to host  
| Friday, 20/11 | • PSSA – Semi Finals  
| **Term 4, Week 8** |                                                                                       |
| 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 | • School Banking – 8.30am - Canteen  
• 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  
| **Term 4, Week 9** |                                                                                       |
| Monday, 30/11 | • Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
| Tuesday, 1/12 | • Mufti Day – “Christmas” or “Summer Time” Theme – Cost = Hamper donation  
• Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
| Wednesday, 2/12 | • School Banking – 8.30am - Canteen  
• Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
• Robocup nals – 1.10 – 3pm  
| Thursday, 3/12 | • Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
• Tuckertime – KP - Red  
| Friday, 4/12 | • Kinder 2016 Transition 5 – 9.15-11.00am – K-2 Sport Morning  
• Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
| **Term 4, Week 10** |                                                                                       |
| Monday, 7/12 | • Presentation Rehearsal – Marsden High School  
• Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
| Tuesday, 8/12 | 2015 Presentation Ceremony – Marsden High School – 9.15-11.00am  
• Swim Scheme – 11.15 – 1.00pm  
| Wednesday, 9/12 | • School Banking – 8.30am  
• Hour of Code  
| Thursday, 10/12 | • Hour of Code  
• Year 6 Farewell  
| Friday, 11/12 | • Sausage Sizzle – 3L parents to assist  

**Students’ Last Day:**  
Wednesday, 16th December, 2015  
**Return to School:**  
Yr 1 – 6  
Kindergarten  
Wednesday, 28th January 2016  
Monday, 1st February 2016
Principal’s Report
We are now moving into the last half of the term and preparing for the end of year activities.

P&C
The last P&C of the year will be in the School Library next Monday 23rd November. On the agenda will be a reflection on Market Day, school structures and enrolment for 2016. Please come along and support the school and your parent voice, the P&C.

Mini Fete
Traditionally Year 6 host the famous Mini Fete at this time of year as a way of raising funds for a Farewell gift to the school. Past gifts have included the school signs and sports banners. This year Mini Fete will be held on Wednesday 25th November during the middle session of the day. Mini Fete is organised by students for students. Tokens are 50c to a maximum of $10. More information will be promoted Year 6 this week.

Swimming
Swim School is nearly upon us during Weeks 9 and Weeks 10 of the term. Information has been given to students who are attending the 10 day program. A gentle reminder to families that Swim School Payments need to be made before the student will be eligible to attend.

Celebration Café
Celebration Café is a wonderful Melrose Park tradition that celebrates the end of the school year. It is absolutely wonderful to see all students sit together and enjoy a wonderful festive lunch and enjoy fun activities throughout the day. This year we have added a visit to Putt Putt for an extra activity. Putt Putt will close early next year and this activity will be a great way for the school to say goodbye. The total cost of the day is $20 (Lunch $8 and Putt Putt $12).

This special day will be held on Tuesday 15th December. This is the second last day of the school year. Mrs Christina Price (KE) is coordinating the event and if you are available to help on the morning of 15th December please speak to her. More information will be given on a separate sheet.

Presentation Day
All families and friends are welcome to attend the final assembly of the year. This assembly will be held on Tuesday 8th December, in the hall at Marsden High School.

Melrose Park PS recognises the learning and effort of all students at this Presentation Assembly. The assembly will be held this year in the morning commencing at 9.15am and hopefully finish by 11.00. Students will need be at school early so that we can walk from school at 8.45am and be sitting in the hall by 9.15am ready to commence.

There is a rehearsal session on Monday 7th December. The swimmers will still attend their swim session after the Presentation Assembly.

1st December
We celebrate the first day of December, the first day of summer, the first day of the ‘Silly Season’ with a Mufti Day. Students are requested to dress up in a Christmas theme of red/green/white or a summer time theme. The cost of dressing up is a donation to the P&C Hampers that will be raffled off at the end of the year.

Whooping Cough
Please be aware that we do have a confirmed case of whooping cough in our school community. Please be conscious of this if you have unimmunised children.
Kindergarten Dancing
Kindergarten has been busy learning dancing each Friday. They can now dance the ‘Heel and Toe Polka’ and the ‘Mexican Hat Dance’. As part of our ‘Celebrating Cultures’ unit, we are now learning Bollywood dancing. Thank you to Mia's Mum, Chrissie, for teaching us.

PSSA
As the summer PSSA competition draws to a close, I'd like to congratulate all students who participated this year. We had a large number of students participating and they represented Melrose Park with great pride each week.

Good luck to Miss Mee and the boys tball team who are playing in their semi final this Friday. Go get them boys!

Thank you to Mr Clark, Miss Mee, Miss Fitzpatrick and Miss Coles for contributing to PSSA this year.

Finally a huge thank you to the parent volunteers who came to help train and support teams each week! It's with your continued support that we are able to participate in such competitions.

School Swim Scheme
Thank you to those families who have returned their notes and money. If you are yet to do so, please be reminded that all funds need to be paid prior to the beginning of the program and permission notes need to be handed in for your child to be allowed to attend.

Miss Roberts

Environment Report
This week our class was on environment duty. In the garden we did lots of watering and especially weeding. We were able to harvest zucchinis, both red and white onions and capsicum. We also emptied the worm urine and used it on the plants.

In Seed, Harvest, Spoon, we have been learning about worms and how they live and help the environment. Our garden and worm farm are very healthy and going very well.

Last Wednesday we looked at the rubbish in our playground and bins. We only found three pieces of rubbish in a 48 square metre section. Well done everyone. When we looked in the bins, the main rubbish was plastic food wrappers. So everyone try to remember nude food. Also put your rubbish in the correct bins so that the birds don't get sick. When we have sausage sizzle, remember to put your rubbish in the bin and “take three for the sea”.

Adam and Talia
Remembrance Day
Every year in November of the 11th, we come together to remember the soldiers who fought for us in wars. We remember on the 11th of November, because on this day in 1918 the armistice was signed to end World War 1.

This year each student made a red poppy to place beneath the flag and amongst the rosemary. The poppy is used for Remembrance Day because it grew in the battle fields after the war.

During the ceremony the flag was brought down to half mast to signify respect for the people who had died. The choir sang ‘The Last Anzac’ and we listened to the Last Post and Reveille.

Carla, Jess and Chloe

****VOLUNTEERS WANTED ****

MULTILIT (Making Up for Lost Time in Literacy) is a programme the school have in place during class time for additional reading practice, using parent/carer volunteers to tutor the students.

Can you spare an hour a week? I am looking to train up new tutors so we can continue this wonderful programme and help even more students from the start of Term 1 next school year.

Want to know what it’s all about? Get involved! Come along and be mentored by our existing team of volunteer tutors and make a difference at Melrose.

Get in touch TODAY to find out more.

Lesley Slender, Multilit Parent Co-ordinator
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Ryde Schools' Spectacular Photos

Photos of the Ryde Schools' Spectacular are now available. The RSS photographer, Bjorn Hansen has uploaded the Performance Night's photos into an online album. He has kindly sorted them into school performances and this should assist in searching the hundreds of images and make purchasing easier.

The Choir photos are all collated in one folder and the solo/small group performances in another.

Follow the link http://www.onlinepictureproof.com/ohshoot/view-your-pictures/albums/80214

Click inEvents and choose Ryde School Spec. 2015 the password is: rss2015

Images can then be selected, added to a shopping cart and purchased online.

For those that missed out last year, the 2014 RSS images are still uploaded. password is: rss2014
P&C Report

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

Fete & Market Day
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.

Sausage Sizzle
Thank you to last week’s helpers Lesley, Shauna, Stuart Bragg and Stephen Hunt.
The next Sausage Sizzle for this term is NEXT Friday, 27th November and 4/5 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.

Calendar Art Work
These have been sent off and a return date will be advised.

School Banking
This is on Wednesday morning in the canteen.

Dates to Remember for Term 4:

Term 4
23rd November – Last P&C Meeting for the year @ 7.30pm
24th November – Raffle Tickets go home
1st December – Mufti Day – Penalty Xmas hamper donation
4th December – Xmas Hamper making – volunteers needed from 9am
8th December – Presentation Day Marsden High School
11th December – Xmas Raffle Drawn

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Cathy Lincoln
P&C President

VACATION CARE AVAILABLE
18th January – 25th January

Bookings Open Today
Parents must be enrolled into Melrose Park OSHC to be able to use the service. Please come and talk to the OSHC staff. They will have a program for viewing.