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Spelling
Term 1, Week 10  31 March, 2015

Coming Events

Week 10
Monday, 30/3  •  P&C Easter Mufti Day
Wednesday, 1/4  •  Yr 5-6 Excursion – The Rocks
Thursday, 2/4  •  Tuckertime – 2R to host
                             •  Easter Raffle Draw
Friday, 3/4  •  GOOD FRIDAY

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Term 2, Week 1
Monday, 20/4  •  STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Tuesday, 21/4  •  STUDENTS RETURN
Thursday, 23/4  •  100 Year Celebration –
                             Students to come in “Olden Day” clothes
Friday, 24/4  •  Anzac Day Ceremony
                             •  PSSA – Round 1 - Winter Comp - Meadowbank Park

Term 2, Week 2
Thursday, 30/4  •  Cross Country – 11.45-1.30pm
                             •  Assembly – 2.05pm hosted by Class 2/1 O
Friday, 1/5  •  Sausage Sizzle – Parents from 2/1O required to help
                             •  PSSA – Meadowbank Park

Principal’s Report

I would like to wish all our families a wonderful holiday and a joyous Easter. I would like to thank all families for the wonderful support you have given to the school during this term. Ten weeks have flown by with outstanding progress and learning evident in all classrooms.

It is amazing to see how the Kindergarten students have grown over the course of the term and exciting to see the wonderful learning taking place in Kindergarten. My favourite part of each day is when I visit classrooms and see students engaged in their learning and their increasing ability to reflect on and report on what they have learnt.

School Returns for Students Tuesday 21st April

Parents and Citizens - P&C
Thank you to the P&C for coordinating the Easter raffle. Remember to get your raffle tickets back to school before Thursday to be in the draw for some wonderful Easter hampers. The Easter hampers will be drawn on morning lines.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Deb Riley who has held the position of P&C President over the last few years. Thank you Deb for the wonderful contributions you have given to the school and for the fantastic accomplishments that have occurred as a result of your leadership. Deb hands over the reins to Mrs Cathy Lincoln and we already know that Cathy will make a wonderful president. Thank you for your coordination for the Election Day BBQ.

Our P&C and school are as good as the families that support us. As a small school with a small enrolment we rely on every family to make the events and fundraising successful. If you have skills, ideas and talents that you can share with the P&C or school please put your hand up to volunteer. Remember, many hands make light work. Thank you to all the wonderful helpers on Saturday.

Thank you to our wonderful students who participated in the West Ryde Street Parade.
Staff Development
Melrose Park PS and Ermington PS staff will combine forces on Monday 20th April, to focus our teacher development in the area of the new Professional Development Framework. Melrose will play host and time will be spent looking at new procedures and implementation timelines. In the afternoon staff will break into Literacy and Numeracy Action Learning teams. Research based evidence will guide their literacy project in a Focus on Reading (FoR) and in the numeracy project of Teaching Early Numeracy (TEN). Throughout Term 2 and 3 teachers will examine these areas in more depth.

Admin staff are training in new administration procedures while our School Learning Support Officers (SLSO) are participating in learning activities to support students with additional needs. Melrose Park is indeed a wonderful learning community.

100 Years Celebration
While our students are bringing history to life celebrating what Australia was like 100 years ago, we invite parents and caregivers to an Information Session on the introduction of the new History Syllabus in K-6. Ms Mee will present the new document with opportunities to discuss the how and why of teaching history. This information session will be held on Thursday 23rd April in the library, starting after morning assembly. Everyone is welcome.

Winter Uniform
The beginning of Term 2 will see students wear their winter uniform. Boys wear long sleeved blue shirt and long grey pants. Girls have the option of the blue winter tunic or the school blue pants with white long sleeved blouses. Unfortunately the girls stock of winter tunics has been held up and the uniform shop is waiting the delivery of new stock. Girls may wear their summer uniform with navy tights or white socks while waiting for the new stock to arrive.

I encourage families to buy uniforms through the school uniform shop as this ensures the correct colour and style is worn and all proceeds are returned to the school.

Label all clothes and boxes- please!
Over the holidays remember to label and relabel all jumpers, hats, bottles and lunch boxes. When an item is clearly labelled it can be returned promptly to the correct owner. All classes and OSHC have a lost property bucket in which to find the missing item.

PSSA Soccer
Students who represent the school in a sport team need to be reminded to wear the appropriate uniform. For both the girls and boys soccer teams, the uniform is the school sports shorts and long blue soccer socks which can be bought from the uniform shop. Shin pads must be worn for all games. Check over the holidays if you need your uniform updated. The team jersey is given out each Friday and students change after eating lunch. A jersey roster will be created for all players to take turns in washing the teams’ jersey throughout the season.

Clare Kristensen
Principal

Clean Up Australia Day
Last Friday Melrose Park completed our Schools Clean Up Australia Day activity, which had been postponed from the end of February, due to the rain.

Well done to the whole school, for your efforts. While we have been keeping the school relatively free of large pieces of rubbish, this activity gave us a chance to pick up lots of very small pieces of plastic, that had perhaps blown out of our bins or lunchboxes. It also gave us a chance to pick up any rubbish that had blown into our out of bounds areas. Altogether, we picked up well under 1 kg of rubbish. What a great result.

Student Voice
In our Student Voice Meeting we discussed many ideas. Hot Cross bun drive is coming up this Thursday. You can get fruit or plan hot cross buns. The money raised will go to World Vision. For Term 2 and Term 3 we need to get out our winter uniforms and wear them. Have a great holiday.

Carla

Computational Thinking Challenge
Last week, 27 students from years 3, 4, 5 and 6 participated in the Computational Thinking Challenge where they worked alone or in teams to answer a series of problems. To solve the tasks, students were required to think about how information is organised, how data is processed, and make decisions that demonstrated an aspect of computational thinking and tested the talent of the participants! Congratulations to all the
participants and in particular year 3 students Jonny and Thomas, and year 4 students Ryan, Arjun and Jack, all of whom received an award of Distinction.

Pam Grover  
ICT teacher

P&C Report

Easter Raffle and Mufti Day  
Thank you to all the wonderful donations yesterday as part of Mufti Day, we have some great hampers up for grabs as part of the Raffle on Thursday. Prizes for the Easter Raffle are

- Family Pass to the Easter Show
- Subsequent prizes will be the hampers.

The raffle will be drawn THIS Thursday 2nd April @9am lines. All tickets will need to be returned by tomorrow Wednesday 1st April.

Please ensure you write your name on each ticket (as some ticket numbers will be duplicated).

*** Please return any unused tickets

- Thank you to yesterday's helpers with hamper making.

Election Day BBQ

Thank you to all the helpers we had on Saturday for the Election Day BBQ it was a great day and great sales, profit will be reported next term.

Sausage Sizzle

Thank you to last week's helpers Kylie B, Prama, Nicola, Greg, Lana and Marion.

Term 2 Sausage Sizzle order form is attached to today’s newsletter.

The first Sausage Sizzle for next term is Friday, 1st May and Year 2/1 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.

Lost Property

Please ensure that your name is on all your children's belongings as we already have quite a few hats and jumpers in lost property already. Each week a photo of the current lost property will be posted on the Facebook page, if anything belongs to you please go to the office to collect. Occasionally the photo will be emailed out via the class parents for any unclaimed items. If you could please check all your children's belongings as sometimes the kids pick up someone else's hat/jumper.

School Banking

This is on Wednesday morning.

Facebook

Like us on Facebook Melrose Park PS P&C.

Dates to Remember for Term 1:

1st April – Raffle Tickets due back
2nd April – Easter Raffle Drawn

Dates to Remember for Term 2:

4th May – P&C Meeting
8th May – Mothers Day Stall – helpers needed
1st June – P&C Meeting

Billie G Cookie Dough Fundraiser – more info to come.
If you would like to contact me, my details are:
Mobile – 0414 540 430
Email – melroseparkpc@hotmail.com
Like us on Facebook: Melrose Park PS P&C

Deborah Riley
P&C

T/Shirts For Vanuatu
We are still accepting donations of T-shirts up until Thursday afternoon this week.

Thanks
Raeleigh Saunders

Desk for Sale - Best offer

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ICAS Competitions – Open to students in Years 3 to 6

Student’s Name: ___________________________________________ Class: ________________

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You can go online and prepare for ICAS at [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au)

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MELROSE PARK ART SHOW
Tuesday, 2 June 2015

Helpers Invited For Preparation of Work

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100 Years Ago
On Thursday April 23, we will be having a history enrichment day to consolidate work students have done this term about the history of Australia. Students are encouraged to wear clothing that was worn 100 years ago. Here are a few class photos from 1915 to inspire you:

SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – TERM ORDER FORM
FRIDAY, 1st MAY (First One)

Form must be returned with the money by Wednesday, 29th April, 2015. 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 2, 2015 (5 Sausage Sizzles this term)
(All direct deposits must be processed by 4pm on Tuesday 29th April, if they are not paid and no alternate arrangement has been made a term ticket will not be created for your child as we do not want to be chasing parents/carers for money)

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 ___________
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