Coming Events

**Term 2, Week 4**

- **Tuesday, 12/5**: NAPLAN
- **Wednesday, 13/5**: NAPLAN
- **Thursday, 14/5**: NAPLAN
  - Assembly – 2.05pm – 1S hosting
- **Friday, 15/5**: Sausage Sizzle – 1S
  - parents required to assist
  - PSSA – Round 4

**Term 2, Week 5**

- **Monday, 18/5**: Stage 1 (Yr 1 & 2)
  - Excursion – Sydney Olympic Park
- **Tuesday, 19/5**: ICAS Computer Competition
- **Wednesday, 20/5**: Grip Leadership Conference
- **Thursday, 21/5**: Zone Cross Country
  - Tuckertime – Green/Amber – 1S
- **Friday, 22/5**: PSSA – Round 5

**Term 2, Week 6**

- **Monday, 25/5**: Canberra Excursion – Yrs 5 & 6
- **Tuesday, 26/5**: Canberra Excursion – Yrs 5 & 6
- **Thursday, 28/5**: Assembly – 2.05pm – KE to host
- **Friday, 29/5**: Sausage Sizzle – KE
  - parents requested to assist
  - PSSA – Round 6

Principal’s Report

Volunteers give their time happily to support the learning and social programs of the school. We would like to acknowledge the wonderful work of all our volunteers during National Volunteer Week. Community Volunteers such as Miss Alex MacPherson have been volunteering here at Melrose for over 14 years, cheerfully listening to our youngest students read. Jimmy Shaw has been here supporting the Kitchen Garden project for many, many years, sharing his knowledge and passion with students out in the garden on a weekly basis.

Parent volunteers help in the classroom and many parents volunteer their time to support school activities. We thank you and greatly appreciate your commitment to the school culture and improving student outcomes.

Classrooms are always on the lookout for more helpers. There are always so many ways you can volunteer. Perhaps you can spare an hour a week, a fortnight or a month to listen to students read, help with sport, sharpen pencils or look after lost property? If so, please contact your child’s teacher. Grandparents are particularly welcome.

School Hats

After a long wait our new school hats have finally arrived and are now available for purchase.

I would like to thank our students for their voice and the P&C for their input and feedback into the change process. I would particularly like to thank Mrs Thea Gange for coordinating and leading the uniform committee in this project.

This change will take time to be fully implemented. Students may continue to wear the old style until a replacement hat is purchased. The timeline will be over a period of two years.

Features of the new hat include:

- It’s reversible (two hats in one), with royal blue being the premier colour. The yellow, red and light blue inside, represent the house colours of Blaxland, Wentworth and Lawson. Students will purchase a hat according to the ‘House’ they belong to.
- The hat will fit inside a school bag, minimising the lost and forgotten hat syndrome. Hats won’t need to live on the ground anymore.
• The no cord attachment is great leap forward; meaning no more chewing of the cord or the cord being pulled and tugged by others
• Students will be able to flip their hat inside outside whilst playing, thus creating different groups and teams and making team play easier to organise.
• The hats meet all sun safe standards and are easily washable. Hats may be ordered and delivered to your child’s classroom.

Cross Country
Blaxland Wentworth and Lawson were three of Australia’s earliest explorers. Characteristics of persistence, determination, resilience, team work and a sense of adventure were needed by these explorers to help them be the first white people to successfully cross The Blue Mountains over 200 years ago.

These are the characteristics that we hope our students develop and exhibit throughout their lives. These characteristics were out in force last week during the cross country carnival. Students ran and ran determined to make the distance and achieve their personal best.

Every volunteer who helped around the course made special mention of one outstanding student who ran with another student around the course, always encouraging, always supporting and guiding him to the finish line. Congratulations to Dylan in Year 5 for such outstanding sportsmanship.

Marsden High School
Marsden High School has a gifted and talented class in Year 7, called the Pinnacle class. Placement is by way of application and interview. Details about the program are available on their website which is at 

http://www.marsden-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/

The information can be found in the Curriculum and Activities/Academic opportunities/Learning extension section. An application form can be downloaded from the Forms and Download section.

Clare Kristensen
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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PSSA NEWS Round 3
It was a good start to the winter PSSA season with a mixture of wins and losses: boys senior soccer won 2-1, junior boys A 0-5 loss, junior boys B 4-0 win, girls lost 7-0.

Girls’ soccer, despite losing their very first game to an experienced side, all agreed they had a great time and are looking forward to future games.

A big thank you to Avril for your help with coaching the senior boys.

Training for all soccer teams will be held on Friday morning before school. Meet near the sports shed at 8.20am wearing shin pads and sports shoes.

Thanks to Antonija and Ericka for the great photography.
**Netball**
Congratulations to both of our netball teams with a great start to their season.
Seniors 22-0
Juniors 7-0

Pam Grover

**PBEL**
**Positive Behaviour Engaging Learners - focus**
Responsible: Being a trustworthy person

We are trusted to be responsible when moving around the school.

A trustworthy person:
- Stays with their partner when on messages around the school.
- Goes straight to and from the bathroom, office or other classroom.
- Acts appropriately in the bathroom.
- Remembers the job they are doing and completes it without wasting time.
- Stays with their class and moves quickly between classrooms during lesson transitions.
- Hands in any lost property they find.

Alice Mee
Assistant Principal

**Debating**
Last Thursday our debating team participated in their first debate at West Ryde Public School. We had the tough task of convincing the adjudicator that 'Students should not have access to iPads'. The team did a fantastic job presenting their arguments and rebutting West Ryde's arguments. The adjudicator thought so as well and won the debate. Well done!

Parent Help Requested Please for Laminating!
Due to our increase in class numbers, we are lacking some laminated mathematics resources. If you are available next Friday 15th May, to laminate for an hour or two or three, please let Mrs Spenceley know. Laminators will be set up in the library between 9 am and 12 noon.

Book Covering – We also have some new library books which need covering. If you are able to assist us, can you please Karen or Debra in the school office. Thank you.

P&C Report
**Mother’s Day Stall/Raffle**
Hope all the mums enjoyed the gifts purchased from the stall last Friday. Thank you to all the people that helped with the stall, whether that was setting up, selling, wrapping and packing up. The day runs so much smoother with all the helpers.

We raised $1090 profit from the Stall and $1093 for the raffle - this is a great result.

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

Also thank you to Aston Medispa who donated vouchers the day before the raffle.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser
This term we are running the Cookie Dough fundraiser. Order forms are going home today. Orders are **due back by Thursday 28th May.** More details enclosed.

**Cancer Council Morning Tea**
We will be holding “Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea” to raise funds for Cancer Council NSW. This will be held on **Friday 29th May @ 9am,** in the hall. This is for all parents and grandparents and family members (no students), with a donation on entry of your choice. Please bring along a small plate for morning tea and come and join us for a Coffee/Tea.

**** All funds will be sent directly to the Cancer Council to do the amazing work they do. If you know of any companies that would like to donate to the cause please make a cheque out to ‘Cancer Council NSW’ or to ‘Melrose Park Public School P&C,’ otherwise cash can be given on the day or prior via the office. If you would like a receipt from the Cancer Council please let me know prior to the day or fill in the form on the day.

**Entertainment Books**
Leaflets to come home soon.

**Sausage Sizzle**
The next Sausage Sizzle for this term is **this Friday, 15th May** and **Year 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.

**School Banking**
This is on Wednesday morning – this will now be located in the canteen.

**P&C Meeting**
Our next P&C meeting will be Monday **1st June @7.30pm.**

**Dates to Remember for Term 2:**
- 28th May – Order forms due back Cookie Dough
- 29th May – Cancer Council Morning Tea 9am
- Canteen – more info to come
- 1st June – P&C Meeting
- 19th June – School Disco – more info to come

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
Companies who donated for Mothers Day Raffle 2015

Yogi Co @ Melrose Park

Captain Cook Cruises

RYDE-EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB
Melrose Park PS Art Show

2015

Exhibiting artwork from all students K-6

Date: Tuesday 2nd June
Time: 2.30pm - 6.30pm
Everyone is welcome to attend

Student Guessing Competition

Please come along to see our magnificent artwork!
## Melrose Park Public School Uniform Order Form

*Revised 12/5/2015*

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**Child's Name:**

**Child's Class:**

**Date:**

**Options to Pay:**
1. Order form with cash in an envelope
2. Order form with cheque made out to Melrose Park Public School P&C
3. Order form with direct deposit to Melrose Park School P&C Committee

BSB 062271 Account 00900288 include your Surname and type Uniforms as subject

*At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners*
Major fundraising initiative on behalf of the Melrose Park Public School P&C
We are conducting a Billy G’s Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser as a major fundraiser for this term so we do ask for your support.

**Funds raised will provide additional resources for the students. It’s all for the kids!**

Students will receive a Billy’s Gourmet Cookie Dough order form. There are 8 scrumptious flavours to choose including Choc Chunk & White Choc Macadamia, Doggie Dough and Gluten Free Choc Chunk. The tubs sell from $13 per 1kg tub – that’s only 33 cents per cookie! You can re-freeze the cookie dough making it very economical and kids will love baking these delicious cookies.

Each student that sells one or more tubs can also choose from an exciting prize program on offer. The more tubs you sell the better the prize! There is a selection of over 40 prizes to choose from such as Wahu, Disney Frozen, Remington, Razor and much, much, more.

**WIN A BALI FAMILY HOLIDAY!** - You also have the chance to win a 7 night Bali Family Holiday for 2 adults and 3 children, staying at the Holiday Inn Bali Benoa Beach including a $2000 Virgin Australia airfare voucher and $1,000 spending money. So don’t forget to enter! For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view the inside of the order form.

Please detach the order form with your orders, money and don’t forget to select a prize! Please return the order form along with your monies on or before 28/5/2015. We will advise a date of when the cookie dough and prizes will be delivered to the school.

Happy fundraising!