Coming Events

**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**
- Walk to School Day
- K-2 – AFL Auskick Program
- 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**
- K-2 – AFL Auskick Program
- Sausage Sizzle – KE parents requested to assist
- PSSA – Round 6

**Term 2, Week 7**

**Monday, 1/6**
- P&C Meeting

**Tuesday, 2/6**
- ART SHOW – 2.30 – 6.30pm – All Welcome

**Thursday, 4/6**
- Tuckertime – Red - KE
- Peer Support

**Friday, 5/6**
- K-2 – AFL Auskick Program
- PSSA – Round 7

Principal’s Report

**ART SHOW**
The ART SHOW is nearly here! Students across the school have been working enthusiastically on their art works with Mrs Piper each week and are now keen to share their work with our school community on Tuesday 2nd June.

Students will visit the hall throughout the day to share their artwork with their classmates and then will be keen to share their work with you between 2.30 and 6.30pm in the school hall. Please come along and admire all their creations.

The P&C will have coffee/tea and cake for sale and there will be a guessing competition for you to enter.

**Winter Uniform**
Now that the uniform shop is fully stocked with plenty of winter wear, please ensure your child is wearing the correct winter uniform to school each day.

Say goodbye to the shorts for a few months and hello to long grey pants and long blue shirts with a school jumper or jacket. For girls, the blue tunic with a long sleeved collared white shirt or white skivvy is worn with navy tights or white socks. The uniform shop also sells navy pants for girls and tracksuit pants for Friday sport.

**Song Selection**
We are compiling a playlist of new songs and music that can be played for morning line up and session times. Do have you an idea of a song or piece of music that the school can use for our listening pleasure? The music needs to be appropriate for all ages, happy, positive and enjoyable. If so, please send in your suggestion to the office.

**Zone Cross Country**
Good luck to our school representatives as they participate at the Ryde Zone Cross Country event this Thursday at Meadowbank Oval.

Students who are 8, 9, and 10 will run over a 2km course, whilst 11, 12, 13 year olds will compete over a 3km distance. For students competing, remember to have warm clothes to put on after the event and take some extra food to eat as well.
Canberra Excursion
The Year 5 and Year 6 students are eagerly preparing for their overnight excursion to Canberra next week. Final monies and notes should be returned to the office immediately. Updated health plans also need to be submitted to the office. We hope all students will enjoy their time away and represent their school with pride as they visit the many attractions in the nation’s capital city.

Scripture Survey
The NSW Department of Education and Communities has commissioned an independent review of the implementation of Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE) in NSW public schools.

The review is being conducted by an independent research company, ARTD Consultants. It will inform ongoing improvement of SRE and SEE for the Department and providers.

How can you participate in the review?
You can complete a survey up until 31 July 2015 via an online portal, located at this link: http://forms.artd.com.au/s3/Online-contribution-for-parents-carers

Mufti Day
Monday 15th June
A Student Voice Activity

Come dressed in your favourite sport clothes
Footy jersey, netball, soccer, dance clothes, gym clothes
Sport activities with a personal trainer on the day
A gold coin donation as a fundraiser for the new school band

DISCO
Friday Evening - 19th June
A P&C event
In the school hall
K-2 session
3-6 session

Clare Kristensen
Principal

Lost Flute
Lost 1 flute in flute case
Last seen on Cross Country Day
If found or know of its existence please contact the office
Please keep a lookout for a small black flute case

PSSA NEWS
Round 4

Thank You to the Laminating Volunteers
Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who have laminated maths resources for the school. Thank you to those who attended the Laminating Morning last Friday, (Stuart Bragg and Trish Maranda) as well as those who have taken resources home to laminate (Marion Daly, Tracey Smart and Brianna Ball).

If anyone else is able to take resources home to laminate, please let me know.

Book Covering – We also have some new library books which need covering. If you are able to assist us, can you please see Karen or Debra in the school office. Thank you.
We’re Taking It In Our Stride On Friday 22 May 2015

Well it’s that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems such as obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids, so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 22 May 2015!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au

Jennie Spenceley

P&C Report

Cookie Dough Fundraiser
This term we are running the Cookie Dough fundraiser. Order forms went home last week. Orders are due back by next Thursday 26th May. More details enclosed.

Entertainment Books
A leaflet on how to order will be sent home this week.

Cancer Council Morning Tea
We will be holding “Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea” to raise funds for Cancer Council NSW. This will be held next 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 of food 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.

Sausage Sizzle
Thank you to last week’s helpers Shauna, Nicola and Greg.

The next Sausage Sizzle for this term is next Friday, 29th May and KE 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 in the canteen.

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

Facebook
Like us on Facebook Melrose Park PS P&C.

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
Premiers Reading Challenge
The challenge opened on March 2nd and all Student Reading Records must be completed by 21 August 2015
The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students
If you would like some more information please visit https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html
The rules for the challenge can be found online, below are the number of books students are required to read and lodge.
K-2 classes will be exposed to some Premiers Reading Challenge texts during class activities.

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At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners

Collector Comedy Club
Parramatta
World Class Comedy

7.30pm
THURS 28TH MAY

Tommy Dean
As seen on Spicks and Specks, Good News Week, Stand Up Australia, Rove Live, Sunrise, The Today Show, The Sideshow and can be heard regularly on Thank God It’s Friday on ABC. He is a master of language with his mind bender comedy.
“Tommy Dean is Awesome” Foxtel Magazine.

Sean Woodland
Winner Quest for the Best, Australia’s richest open mic comedy competition.
State finalist in JJJ RAW Comedy
“His understated punchlines and observations will resonate for a long time” Rip It Up, Feb 2014.

Cam Knight
Host of a number of killer TV shows including The World Comedy Tour, Thank Comedy It’s Friday and Stand Up Australia. Cam Knight’s show has it all... Knight will have you in stitches from the first minute till the last... this show will be one of the best at this year’s Fringe and is a must see.”

★★★★★
The Adelaide Advertiser, Feb 2014.

Collector Hotel

Last Thursday of the month

100 George Street, Parramatta NSW 2150
Book a table 9689 1122 • Table of 4 (free bottle of wine)
Tables of 10 ($30 bar voucher) • Limited table bookings available

All Tix $10
STUDENT ART SHOW

Tuesday, 2 June

2.30 – 6.30 PM

Everyone is invited

Please come and admire our magnificent artworks
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!