### Coming Events

#### Term 3, Week 5

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| Wednesday, 12/8 | • Library borrowing  
                        • Spelling Bee Finals – 12.30pm                               |
| Thursday, 13/8  | • Tuckertime – Red - Class 4/5 to host                                |
| Friday, 14/8     | • Gymnastics Program – K-6 - Be Skilled Be Fit                         
                        • PSSA – Semi finals                                              |
| Saturday, 15/8   | • P&C Trivia Night                                                   |

#### Term 3, Week 6

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<td>Monday, 17/8</td>
<td>• Science Week – Building Competition Classes</td>
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<td>Tuesday, 18/8</td>
<td>• RSS Choir Rehearsal</td>
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| Wednesday, 19/8 | • Library borrowing                                                  
                        • Yr 4/5 to Marsden High School – Science Session                  
                        • MAPLES – Marsden High School Yr 4-6 - Evening                 |
| Thursday, 20/8 | • Assembly – 2.05pm - 2R to host                                       |
| Friday, 21/8   | • Sports Photos                                                       
                        • Gymnastics Program – K-6 – Be Skilled Be Fit                   
                        • Sausage Sizzle – 2/1O parents requested to assist              
                        • PSSA - finals                                                    |

#### Term 3, Week 7

**BOOK WEEK**

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| Monday, 24/8 | • “The Stone Lion” Book Week Performance                                
                        • P&C Meeting                                                      |
| Tuesday, 25/8 | • Book Week Class Performances                                          
                        • Interrelate – 6pm                                               |
| Wednesday, 26/8 | • Stage 1 Excursion – Maritime Museum                                  |
| Thursday, 27/8 | • Zone Athletics                                                      
                        • Tuckertime – 3L Green/Amber                                      |
| Friday, 28/8  | • Kinder to West Ryde Library                                          
                        • Gymnastics                                                       |

### Principal's Report

#### Playground Equipment

Part of the playground equipment has been closed while repair issues need to be addressed. The bridge has been broken and needs to be replaced. Please ensure that younger children are supervised whilst in the playground and are not using the play equipment.
Woolies Earn and Learn
Thank you to the many families who are supporting the school in the collection of stickers for the Earn and Learn Promotion. Please keep up the great collecting. In previous promotions the school received computer software, art supplies and math resources for the stickers we collected.

Science Week
Next week we celebrate Science Week. We will be testing the bridges that students have been building. Have you got your bridge ready? Send them along next week. Fair Testing will conducted to find out whose bridge is the strongest. We thank MARK our resident Scientist in School for supporting this project.

Spelling Bee
The Annual Spelling Bee Showcase will be held tomorrow in the school hall from 12.30pm. You are very welcome to come along and listen to some amazing students from K-6 spell some very tricky words. Have you been watching the TV program that celebrates the art of spelling and could you spell all those tricky words?

Book Week
Students love dressing up and for this year’s theme of "LIGHTS CAMERA ACTION" students are requested to find a book that has been made into a movie and dress up as a character from the book/movie. Remember to bring in the book as well as dressing up as the character. The Book Parade will be held after morning lines in the hall. You are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Tony Bones Performance
As part of Book Week students will have the opportunity to participate as an audience in a show from Tony Bones Production. The performance will be based on the book “The Stone Lion”.

Students are also working on a class item that they will perform for everyone during Book Week. More information will come next week.

Positive Behaviour Engaging Learners
The Department of Education has recently updated the Behaviour Code for students attending public schools in NSW. This code supports our school’s Code of Conduct and our expectations that all students are respectful responsible learners all day, every day as they attend Melrose Park PS. We appreciate your support as together we seek to instill positive expectations in our students.

Behaviour Code for Students
NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students. In NSW public schools students are expected to:

- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school’s uniform policy or dress code
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

Behaviour Code for Students:
At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners

Term 3, Week 5
11 August, 2015

Actions
Promoting the learning, wellbeing and safety of all students in NSW Public Schools is a high priority for the Department of Education and Communities. We implement teaching and learning approaches to support the development of skills needed by students to meet our high standards for respectful, safe and engaged behaviour.

Respect
- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property

Safety
- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
- Care for self and others
- Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Arrive at school and class on time
- Be prepared for every lesson
- Actively participate in learning
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

The principal and school staff, using their professional judgment, are best placed to maintain discipline and provide safe, supportive and responsive learning environments. The department provides a policy framework and resources such as Legal Issues Bulletins, access to specialist advice, and professional learning to guide principals and their staff in exercising their professional judgment. In this context the NSW Government and the Department of Education and Communities will back the authority and judgment of principals and school staff at the local level.

Clare Kristensen
Principal

High School Transition
Last week Year 5 and Year 6 students were invited to Marsden High School to participate in an afternoon of science activities. The students rotated around ten scientific investigations based on a 'Chemistry’ theme, guided by members of the high school’s Science Club. Amongst other things, there were bright firework colours, collapsing cans, shooting fountains and exploding volcanoes. The Year 5 and 6 students were highly engaged and had a fabulous time.

Experiences such as these, not only give our students access to specialist expertise and equipment, they also ease the transition into high school. Whether it is from Pre-school to Kindergarten, Primary School to High School or High School to University or work, familiarity with a new environment and systems will lessen anxiety and assist individuals to cope better with the change. We are so fortunate at Melrose Park to be regularly invited to our local high school and to be in walking distance. So far this year we have participated in PE, history and science experiences, I wonder what will be next?
**Birds in Schools Invitation**

Melrose Park Public School has been a part of the Birds in Schools Project throughout 2014 and 2015. Last year, students surveyed the birds in the school and bird baths and nesting boxes were purchased and placed around the school. This year, we were given 300 ‘bird attracting’ plants to plant in the school grounds to attract a wider variety of birds into the school grounds. We planted these on School National Tree Day. As a way of celebrating the conclusion of the project and to thank the volunteers involved, students and their families are invited to join the organisers for an informal morning tea at the Newington Armory on Saturday August 29th at 10am.

**Google Doodle Competition**

Google is running a competition that invites all students in years 1 - 10 to create a doodle for the Australian Google homepage on the theme: "If I could travel back in time I would...".

Students are required to create a doodle design using colour pencils, crayon, texts, paint, etc on a white sheet of paper - they provide template - or using computer drawing or design software. They also need to submit a short statement explaining the idea they have portrayed in their doodle.

More information and Google templates are available from Mrs Grover or at: [https://www.google.com.au/doodle4google/](https://www.google.com.au/doodle4google/)

Completed doodle designs with statements should be given to Mrs Grover by next Thursday 20th August.

Thanks,

Pam Grover
2R Environment Report
In 2R we enjoyed doing environment week. We had light monitors to make sure we saved energy, and bin monitors helped sort out the compost and recycling.

We helped in the kitchen garden by harvesting potatoes, celery and lettuce. We did weeding and watering and helped plant some delicious herbs.

We also dug out the wood chips from the garden bed so it was ready for more planting. 2R have really enjoyed taking responsibility for our environment.

Hugo and Jeremy

P&C Meeting
Trivia Night – THIS SATURDAY NIGHT
Date: Saturday 15th August @ 7.00pm
Location: Dundas Sports and Recreation Club
Address: 9 Elder Road Dundas
Cost: $10 per person (adults only no children)

This will be a great night for parents/grandparents/friends. With 6-10 people per table, so get your groups together and see you on the night. There are some great prizes on offer on the night. Hope to see you all there.

********RSVP if you have not booked a table or spot please contact the P&C.

********Very limited tickets will be sold on the night due to limited seating, pre purchased tickets prioritised. 
So if you are keen to go then pre purchase entry. If you do have a full table we can allocate you with other parents.
You can invite other family members, previous parents of Melrose Park etc. Please see attached flyer and table notification/payment details.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Our profit for Coffee Stall was $285.00 and the BBQ and Cake stall combined was $1,227.79.
A HUGE thank you once again goes to Dimitrios Tasiovasilis who donated all the drinks for the Carnival.
This contributed to making the day so profitable for the P&C.

Volunteers Needed
Any help for any of the upcoming events is greatly appreciated
- Father’s Day Stall - Friday 4th September- selling and wrapping from 9am in the hall (more info to come)

Sausage Sizzle
Thank you to last week’s sausage sizzle helpers Valentina, Greg and Marion.
The next Sausage Sizzle for this term is NEXT Friday, 21st August and 2R 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.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**
We have a box in the office to return all completed sheets of stickers, or send in with your child.
**So keep collecting your stickers for the school.**

**P&C Meeting**
Our next P&C meeting is Monday 24th August @ 7.30pm.

**Dates to Remember for Term 3:**
15th August – Trivia Night (adults only)
24th August – P&C Meeting
4th September – Fathers Day Stall/Raffle
24th October – Fete & Market Day

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

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**PRIZES GALORE**

**Trivia Night**

**SATURDAY 15th August**

**AT DUNDAS SPORTS & REC CLUB**

9 Elder Road Dundas

**STARTS 7.00PM SHARP**

**COST: $10 PER PERSON**

10 people per table
Melrose Park Public School Trivia Night Booking Form
Saturday 15 August 2015 – 6.30 pm
Dundas Sports and Recreation Club
9 Elder Rd
Dundas
RSVP by Monday 10 August
Number of Attendees.......................... (Max 10 per Table)
$10 per person
If you cannot make up a team table then you can book individually and we can allocate you to a team.

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Payment can be made by
Cash, cheque made payable to Melrose Park P&C or Bank Transfer
BSB 062 271  Acct. 900288
Please make sure you enter your surname followed by Trivia
WEST RYDE ROVERS
CRICKET CLUB
SEASON 2015/2016
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The new cricket season is commencing mid September/early October and registrations are open – ONLINE.

WWR’s cricket club will have;
- In2cricket Milo for boys and girls 4-7 years, Saturday Mornings
- Modified competition for Under 8/9s boys & girls Saturday Mornings
- Under 10-16, Junior competition
- Junior girls only teams
- Senior competition

Registration details go to:

Please don’t hesitate to contact us if you have any questions:
Tim French (Club Secretary)
mob: 0402 890 657
email: roverscricket@gmail.com
(Club registrar)
email: rovers.juniorregistrar@gmail.com