



MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 8, Term 4

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 28th November

Kinder Orientation - Day 3

Monday 4th December

P & C Meeting - 9:10 in the Library

Thursday 7th December

Carols Evening - details to follow

Monday 11th December

Presentation Day

Tuesday 12th December

MADD Day

Wednesday 13th December

Year 6 Farewell

Thursday 14th December

Party Day

Friday 15th December

Last day for students for 2017

Monday 29th January

Staff Development Day

Tuesday 30th January

Year 1 - 6 students return for 2018

Thursday 1st February

Kinder students start!



Before & After School Care

Camp Australia - Before and After School Care at Morpeth Public School.

Please call Melissa Curtis (Co-Ordinator) 0417 768 636 and leave a message.

PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL ITEMS:

Cash - to Office

Credit/Debit Card- at Office or via POP

Parent Online Payments (POP)

- Credit/Debit Card via Website

EFT / Bank transfers no longer available - as directed by DEC.

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS AND VIEWS

Kinder Orientation: Today was the final Orientation session for our 2018 Kindergarten students and their parents. Our new students met their buddies and also enjoyed a shared lunch under the COLA. Parents heard an informative presentation, delivered by our former Counsellor Rebecca O'Brien, about useful strategies to help cope with the early weeks of school. Alison Marshall, from Maitland Council, provided a great overview of road safety and traffic management around the school, while Ms Strang provided a brief insight into the workings of the modern classroom. Bec Buehler, our Canteen Manager, then presented our parents with delicious taste samples from our menu. Thank you to students, parents and presenters for their contributions to ensuring the success of our 2017 transition program.



Drum Corp Television Appearance: Year 6 students, Charlotte and Lorelei, appeared on Channel Seven's 'The Morning Show' yesterday morning. The students were members of Col Hatchman's Drum Corp group, a select group comprising of students from Bolwarra PS and our school. Having seen footage of the performance, Charlotte and Lorelei can be justifiably proud of their efforts... they rocked!

Staff Announcements: We will be welcoming new staff members to our team in 2018. Mrs Kim Gorton (Early Stage 1) and Tom Irwin (Stage 2/Stage 3) will join our staff next year while Miss Alicia Osland will be with us during Term 1 in place of Ms Webster, who will be on Long Service Leave during that time. We are extremely happy with our new staff members and are looking forward to working with them. We believe they will bring outstanding skills and energy to our school.

Surf Lifesaving Visit: Next Monday representatives from Hunter Surf Life Saving will visit our school to present a beach awareness program. The presenters will provide important advice for students regarding safety at the beach. We will be offering two sessions on the day; K-2 starting at 9:30am followed by Years 3-6 at 10:20am. We would also like to invite our parents to attend one or both of the sessions. There will be no cost to students for the presentation.

Important Term Dates: As the year disappears before our eyes, it is probably timely to revisit important end of term events and dates. We love to involve parents in the celebration of the achievements of our students and school, so hopefully the dates will assist with planning.

- Year 5 Leadership Speeches - Wednesday 6th December (Week 9)
- Christmas Carols evening - Thursday 7th December @ 5:00pm for 5:30pm start (Week 9)
- Presentation Day - Monday 11th December @ 9:30am (Week 10)
- MADD Day - Tuesday 12th December @ 9:30am (Week 10)
- Year 6 Farewell - Wednesday 13th December @ 6pm (Week 10)
- Class party day - Thursday 14th December (Week 10).

Peter Edmonds



Every online order through 'Quickcliq' will go in the draw to win a \$5.00 voucher to spend at the Canteen each week!

P & C NEWS



**P & C Meeting : Monday 4th December, 2017
9.10am in the Library - ALL WELCOME !**

This is your last chance to become a financial member prior to the November AGM : financial members are able to vote and hold a position on our P&C. All memberships to be renewed after the AGM.

UNIFORM SHOP

The P&C Uniform Co-ordinator will be available for fitting and uniform purchases at the following times:

Monday - from 8.45am

Friday - from 8.45am

Other times by appointment - Please contact school office for details

or email the uniform shop: morpethpsuniforms@gmail.com

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS FOR ONLINE PAYMENTS - BSB No - 032 639 Account No - 287 512

Canteen News

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Tues 28.11.17

HELP NEEDED x 2

Wed 29.11.17

Fiona Emmett

Thurs 30.11.17

Rachael Flanagan

Fri 01.12.17

Jasmine Lancaster, Samantha

Week 9 - Term 4, 2017

Tues 05.12.17

Kasey Flanagan

Wed 06.12.17

HELP NEEDED

Thurs 07.12.17

Kirstin Machan

Fri 08.12.17

Angela Smith, **HELP NEEDED**



MORPETH PS P&C ASSOC

MEGA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

MAJOR PRIZE : BBQ from BBQs Galore

Loads of vouchers also on offer

\$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5



DRAWN :

12TH DECEMBER 2017

at MADD Day



Economy News - Week 8

Please be advised of the following important date:

- Tuesday 12th December - **MADD Day/Economy Christmas Design Challenge** which will be displayed and judged in the Library by Fiona Rowan (Environmental Engagement Officer for Maitland City Council) and **Monster Prize Draw**

If you have any questions regarding Economy operations, or would like to get a bankbook and start trading, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jane Fincher

Economy Coordinator.



Christmas Challenge

Aim: To design and create a Christmas themed item using recycled materials.

Bring your creation to school on Tuesday 12 December for "MAD Day" (week 10).

- All entries will be displayed in the Library.
- Awards for creativity and innovation will be awarded in ES1, Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3.

For further information see Mrs Fincher



SPORT PHOTOS

Individual student forms have been sent home for Sport photos to be purchased.

- ◆ Boys Touch Football
- ◆ Zone Rugby League
- ◆ Cricket
- ◆ Zone Swimming Representatives
- ◆ Girls Touch Football
- ◆ Zone Tennis
- ◆ Netball
- ◆ Zone Touch Football & Netball Representatives
- ◆ Soccer
- ◆ Regional Athletics Representatives
- ◆ State Athletics Representatives
- ◆ Regional Cross Country Representatives
- ◆ Zone Athletics Representatives
- ◆ Rugby 7's
- ◆ Zone Cross Country
- ◆ Senior Rugby League



Netball - 2017

School Banking

Many thanks to all of our student bankers this year. As well as learning about good savings behaviour you have also earned yourselves some great rewards and helped the school by earning commission on every deposit you have made.

School banking will finish this year in week 9 on 6th December.

If you still have tokens at that point they will be carried over and can be used next year. If you have any spare tokens at home that you do not want please bring them into school next Wednesday with the banking and they can be reused. Thank you.

Nicki Shepherd
School Banking Co-Ordinator.



BOOKCLUB ORDERS DUE FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER



Passport to school holiday fun!

Bookings are now open for our summer Holiday Club program – ‘Passport to Summer’.

Join in the summertime fun these school holidays; incursion days include:



Bags and Pencil Cases With A Splash Of Colour

We're getting ready for the new school year with a splash of colour. Using vibrant colours, we'll get creative by tie-dying calico bags and pencil cases. It'll be to dye for!

At the end of the day you'll be able to take home your new bag and pencil case to use at home or school.



Make An Erupting Volcano

We'll be building our very own volcanoes and making them erupt. At the end of the day you'll be able to take your volcano home so you can make it erupt again and again - in true volcanic fashion!

Book into a Holiday Club program

For more information on a Holiday Club program near you and to book visit

www.campaustalia.com.au/holidayclubs and use the 'Holiday Fun finder' on our homepage.

We hope to see you and your family at a Holiday Club program near you soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia.



MAITLAND TENNIS CENTRE



JANUARY 2018

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

Great outdoor fitness for all ages...Have fun and make new friends

Learn and improve on your tennis skills

Receive free racquet when you join Maitland Tennis Centre

Where: Maitland Tennis Centre, Cnr Page & Lawes St, East Maitland

When: 15th, 16th, 17th January (Mon, Tues, Wed) Week 1

22nd, 23rd, 24th January (Mon, Tues, Wed) Week 2

Time: 9.00am to 10.30am per day

Price: \$60.00 for 3 days per child (Family Discounts Available)

Age: 4 years to 16 years Beginner to intermediate

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