



MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 5, Term 4

6th November, 2017

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 10th November

Maitland High School : Year 7 students uniform fitting

Monday 13th - Wednesday 15th November

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Tuesday 14th November

Kinder Orientation - Day 2

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

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

*Please call Melissa Curtis (Co-
Ordinator)*

0417 768 636 and leave a message.



Before & After School Care

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 Program: Our Kindergarten Orientation program continues next Tuesday. Our 2018 Kinder students will once again visit Mrs Hanks' room, while parents will meet with school personnel to learn about some of our procedures and routines. During the session, parents will hear brief presentations by our Kinder Speech Pathologist, Banking Representative, School Counsellor, OoSH service provider and our Canteen Supervisor. A group of our 2017 kinder parents will also provide an overview of what our 'new' parents can expect during the early months of Kindergarten.

Surf Lifesaving Assembly: We will be joined by Surf Life Saving representatives on Monday 4 December, Week 9. The presenters will speak to students about beach safety, including how to identify warning signs including the presence of rips and dangerous currents. With the holiday season almost upon us, we believe it is timely for our students, and parents, to be surf smart and to safely enjoy our wonderful beaches. Two sessions will be offered on the day; K-2 from 9:30am - 10:10am followed by Years 3-6 from 10:20am - 11:20am. I would like to invite our parents to attend the sessions; the presentation will be free of charge. I would like to thank Peta Purcell, mother of KH's Polly, for organising the visit.

Parent Surveys: Last Friday I sent home a survey for our parents to complete. The paper-based survey asks for feedback on areas of our school's operation and the types of activities / events we offer. The document also provides an opportunity for parents to suggest potential opportunities or ideas we could explore. We have recently installed a survey return box under our COLA. The surveys can be placed in the box or, alternately, given to your child's teacher. We have also recently installed a 'Compliments and Feedback' box in our foyer area. This box can be used at any time of the year to offer suggestions or ideas regarding our school.

Stage 3 Camp: Our students in Years 5 and 6 will visit the Great Aussie Bush Camp (GABC) from Monday to Wednesday of next week. The senior camp always provides great memories for our students and I'm sure this year's 'adventure' will be no different. The GABC provides excellent opportunities for students to develop resilience, team work and problem solving strategies in a range of hands-on activities.

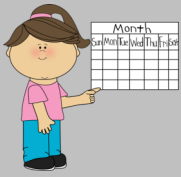
Addy's Garden: We are very proud of the garden that has been established at the front of our school in honour of Addalyn Clements. The garden will always hold a very special memory for our school community. Thank you to our P&C for their support of the project and to Mrs Fidock and Mrs Touzell for their incredible work in bringing the garden to fruition.



P&C AGM: Our 2017-2018 P&C AGM was held this morning. I am extremely pleased to announce that all elected executive positions were filled during the meeting. Congratulations to Carley Fidock (President), Angela Smith (Secretary), Casey Flanagan (Treasurer) and Holly Fisher-Bidwell and Kirsten Machan (Vice-Presidents). We were also to fill nominated positions on our canteen committee, fundraising committee, uniform coordinator and publicity officer. Thank you to our volunteers for agreeing to accept their respective positions. We look forward to working closely with you to support our students.

Peter Edmonds

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 07.11.17

HELP NEEDED

Wed 08.11.17

Fiona Emmett

Thurs 09.11.17

Rachael Flanagan

Fri 10.11.17

Jasmine Lancaster, Samantha

Week 6 - Term 4, 2017

Tues 14.11.17

Kasey Flanagan, **HELP NEEDED**

Wed 15.11.17

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Thurs 16.11.17

Lisa Johns

Fri 17.11.17

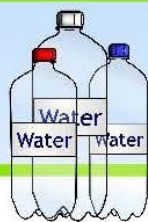
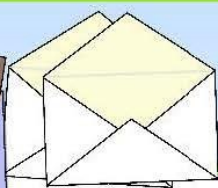
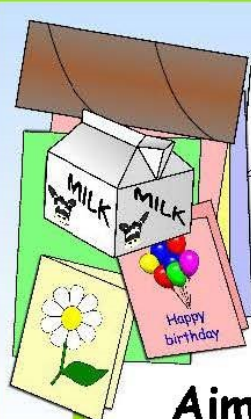
Angela Smith, **HELP NEEDED**



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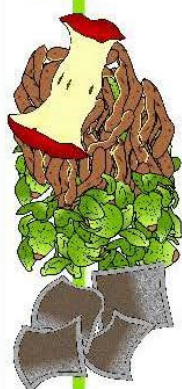
<https://www.facebook.com/morpethpublicparents/>





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





GREAT FUN

- ★ Outdoor games and sports
- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Playing with friends
- ★ Great Educators
- ★ Food and Cooking
- ★ Indoor Activities



tCAF this Term – Education for all in Nepal

As proud supporters of Plan International Australia, we will be extending our support overseas as we reach out to disadvantaged primary school aged children in Nepal.

All Camp Australia services will receive resources and awareness raising activities so they can participate in our exclusive **Education for all in Nepal** campaign.

Throughout term 4, children in our services will be learning about Nepal and the devastating 2015 earthquake. As Camp Australia's Christmas collection, we will also be making handmade gifts for over 4,000 children in Nepal.

Who are Plan International Australia?

Plan International Australia are an international aid agency and were one of the first agencies to provide emergency response in Nepal after the earthquake in 2015.



Visit us in program to find out more

You are welcome to drop in anytime and see how we are helping to support the Education for all in Nepal campaign in our programs.

Program Details

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campaustalia.com.au

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia

visit www.campaustalia.com.au

we make kids smile



**Beresfield Barracudas Swimming Club
Welcomes New and Existing Members to the
2017/18 season!**

**Friday Nights at 6pm
From Friday 13th October – March 2018
Come along for a try before signing up!**

Online registrations are now open – see website below

\$100 per swimmer

Under 7's are FREE, a part of the Optus Junior Dolphin Program

Costs include National, State and Local affiliation fees

All new swimmers must bring their birth certificate to the 1st club night

To register:

WEBSITE www.beresfield@nswswimming.com.au

For more information:

EMAIL barracudassc@optusnet.com.au

PHONE **0438 581 087** to speak with our Registrar, Jacqui

Alternate PHONE **0413 337 184**

FACEBOOK For all updates LIKE the Facebook page!

About Beresfield Swimming Club Inc

We are a family oriented swimming club which encourages members to develop their skills at their own pace. Our Club Meets are based on improving on your best times in each stroke. We have races suitable for beginners over 15m through to competent swimmers over 50m, 100m and 200m. Competency is assessed by times and proficiency, with swimmers being graded for each stroke from beginners in E-grade through to A-grade for the fully proficient swimmers.



Maitland Area Parishes in the CHISHOLM PASTORAL REGION

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Dear Parents,

Our parish communities wish to support families who would like their children to be Confirmed and receive their first Holy Communion in 2018.

If your child has been baptised a Catholic and you would like them to receive the other sacraments of Initiation next year then you are asked to attend two Parent Information sessions in November this year.

Session 1 will present an overview of the process. Our preparation is parish based, family centred and school supported. After parents have heard what is involved at Session 1, then if they feel their child is ready and they are ready as a family, then parents are asked to attend Session 2 where resources for preparation will be given.



By **Session 2** parents will be required to produce a copy of their child's baptism certificate for the child to be registered in the preparation process.

It will be necessary for parents to attend both Parent information sessions for their child to receive the sacraments next year. To begin the process the child needs to be 7 years of age or older.

PLEASE NOTE: If your child is not baptised please contact the Regional office ASAP before the 1st Information Session—(49338918 or SO1chisholm@mn.catholic.org.au)

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION 1 - 7.00PM:

- Tuesday 14th November at St Paul's Church Rutherford OR
- Wednesday 15th November at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Beresfield, OR
- Thursday 16th November at St Joseph's Church East Maitland

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION 2 - 7.00PM:

- Tuesday 21st November at St Paul's Church Rutherford OR
- Wednesday 22nd November at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Beresfield OR
- Thursday 23rd November at St Joseph's church East Maitland.

These meetings are for any parents from the eight churches of our region:

Our Lady of Lourdes, Cnr Delprat Avenue & Anderson Drive, Beresfield

St Joseph's, Cnr King Street & Newcastle Road, East Maitland

Immaculate Conception, Cnr George & James Streets, Morpeth

Holy Family, 11 John Street, Largs

St Columba's, Cnr Church & Prince Streets, Paterson

Sacred Heart, New England Highway, Campbell's Hill

St Paul's, 10 Young Street, Rutherford

St Patrick's, 55 New England Highway, Lochinvar

On behalf of Fr Paul O'Neill and the Sacramental team
October 2017

PARISHES (established)

1835 East Maitland – 1841 Maitland – 1871 Morpeth - 1905 Lochinvar – 1947 Beresfield – 1961 Rutherford