



MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 6, Term 1

5th March, 2018

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 7th March

Yoga Brave workshop for **parents**
(9:15am)

Thursday 8th March

Scripture starts today

Friday 9th March

Zone Netball

Monday 12th March

Young Leader's Day
(Information and note to follow)

Thursday 15th March

Ethics starts today

Friday 16th March

No Guitar - *families have not been charged*

Monday 19th March

Responsible Pet visit : K to 2 (*no charge*)

Tuesday 20th March

Zone Soccer trials

Thursday 29th March

East Hat Parade

Friday 30th March

Good Friday - no school

Monday 2nd April

Easter Monday - no school

Thursday 12th April

Cross Country (Note to follow)

Friday 13th April

Last day of Term 1

Tuesday 1st May

Students return for Term 2



PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL ITEMS:

Cash - to Office

Credit/Debit Card- at Office or via

Parent Online Payments (POP)

- Credit/Debit Card via Website

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

MONDAY MEMO!

Age Swimming Champions: Congratulations to our talented swimmers who were named as age champions at today's assembly. Congratulations to Max P and Maddie E (8 years), Chase P and Vivienne G (9 years), Ben W and Taya H/Maggie C (10 years), Darcy E and Hayley B (11 years) and Angus Q and Sophie G (12 years). The students were awarded the honour after their outstanding performance at our recent school carnival. Our age champions will be presented with their medals at a sports assembly later in the year.

StarStruck: Last Tuesday our dancers completed an impressive audition for inclusion in the 2018 production of Starstruck. Under the expert guidance of Ms Strang, our dancers were filmed during a high energy rehearsal. We expect to hear whether our audition was successful over the coming weeks... fingers crossed!

Good For Kids / Good For Life: Students in years 2 and 3, along with teaching staff, will be donning recording devices today to measure their physical activity during school time. Students will be wearing small wrist bands that will measure their movement throughout the course of the day, with results then collated at the end of the week. We are quietly confident that our students will have covered a lot of territory during the five days! The program is a component of the Good For Kids / Good For Life program.

Rugby Gala Day: Last Thursday a group of senior boys attended a 7 per side Rugby Gala Day at Maitland Park. Our players were joined by students from other local small schools to bolster numbers in our team. Our combined 'River Schools' squad performed impressively in their four games but, unfortunately, we were unable to progress to the next stage of the competition. Thank you to our coach Mr Stewart, Mr Ben Emmett who coordinated the event and to our trusty band of parents who assisted on the day.

Yoga: On Wednesday morning our Yoga instructor, Fyona, will be presenting a free workshop for parents. The session will be held in the school's library, beginning at 9:15am, and will provide parents with a range of strategies and exercises to assist with relaxation and wellbeing. We'd love to see a large number of parents participate on the day. Parents/carers are asked to wear comfortable fitting clothes for the activity.

Scripture: Our K-6 scripture (SRE) program will begin on Thursday. This year we welcome presenters Sue, Carolyn, Callum, Bree and Esther to our school. The 30 minute Scripture lessons will be held on Thursdays at 1:20pm for K-2, followed by our Years 3-6 students at 1:50pm. As mentioned in previous newsletters, this year we will also be offering Ethics (SEE) as an alternative to Scripture. Ethics lessons will be held at the same time as Scripture and will provide an opportunity for students to discuss relevant social interaction matters. If you would like your child to participate in Ethics, parents/carers will need to opt their child out of Scripture and then opt in to Ethics. Please contact the school if you require further clarification.

New Pharmacist: On behalf of our school community, I would like to thank Mr Michael White, the new pharmacist in Morpeth, for his recent incredible act of generosity. Mr White has contacted the school and has offered to purchase a defibrillator to be stored at the school. This represents an outstanding act of kindness. While we hope that we won't need to use the device, I'm sure I speak for everyone in the community in thanking him for his gesture. If you get a chance, please call in and welcome Michael to town!

Cross Country Carnival: Our 2018 Cross Country Carnival will be held at Morpeth Common on Thursday 12 April - Week 11. Save the date and we hope to see you there!

Peter Edmonds



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'www.QuickCliq.com.au'**



P & C NEWS



P & C Meeting : Monday 7th May, 2018
Week 2 ~ Term 2
9.10am in the Library - ALL WELCOME !

UNIFORM SHOP

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

Mondays ONLY - 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

Week 6 - Term 1, 2018

Tues 06.03.18

Wed 07.03.18

Thurs 08.03.18

Fri 09.03.18

HELP NEEDED

Kasey Flanagan, Elizabeth Gregor

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Angela Smith, Carley Fidock

Week 7 - Term 1, 2018

Tues 13.03.18

Wed 14.03.18

Thurs 15.03.18

Fri 16.03.18

Jessica Trace

Pauline Webb, Liz Ross

Lisa Johns, Melissa Cowled

Louise Griffiths



EASTER
HAT PARADE
THURSDAY
29th MARCH



SKOOLBAG



Things you may have missed

- ♦ Yr 7, 2019 High School Expression of interest form sent home
- ♦ Usage Agreements to be returned
- ♦ **Please note: Uniform shop will now only open on Monday mornings.**



Economy News Week 6

Jane Fincher : Economy Co-ordinator

Economy Opening:

The Economy will open for trading on Monday 5th March (week 6), so start bringing in your recyclables now.

Please ensure that recyclables are *clean, counted and clearly labelled with the student's name and class.*

What do we recycle?

The 2018 list of recyclables is available from the Economy Office, the school office or via the SKOOLBAG app.

PLEASE NOTE: The Economy only accepts items on our list of Recyclables.

How to get involved: Fill in a bank book application. Forms are available from the Economy office, the school office or from the SKOOLBAG app. Already 84 students have opened accounts and many students are earning "peths" by working for the Economy. It is particularly pleasing to see so many kindergarten students helping to recycle and keep our school looking beautiful.

Banking: All students are paid by cheque and all cheques must be paid into an Economy bank account. Cheques are not transferrable to another student. Students from K-2 have their banking done by our Economy bankers. Students from 3-6 **MUST** complete a deposit form to credit their cheques into their own account. Our friendly bankers are always available to assist any student who is unsure of the process.

If you have any questions regarding Economy operations, or would like to assist, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Secret Drama Business ~ Week 5

A big thank you to Connor G, Jack S, Kody W and Bray B for helping out with 1/2B today – they were amazing with the magic scarf!

We continue to focus on our physical acting skills in drama this week. Students from K-6 have either been learning about or revising the use of tableaux in performance.

A tableau is a frozen moment in time on stage – a picture that tells a story. Simple tableaux can sometimes start or finish a performance. Or, as you can see below, they can progress to tell a whole story from start to finish.

'The Jungle' featuring Jack M as the explorer in the jungle and the vicious Coco Bryant and Samantha G as the tigers.

Ms Croger

