



MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 10, Term 1

4th April, 2018

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 12th April

Cross Country

Friday 13th April

Last day of Term 1

Out of Uniform Day - Gold Coin

Tuesday 1st May

Students return for Term 2

Wednesday 9th May

Zone Cross Country

Thursday 10th May

MPS Worlds Greatest Shave

Friday 18th May

Infants excursion to Civic Theatre



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

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

Please update your Skoolbag app
to ensure you receive the latest
from our Skoolbag account.

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 MUST READ!

Easter Hat Parade : Thank you to our wonderful families who supported our Easter Hat parade last Thursday. Historically, the day is one of the biggest of the year and this year's gathering was no exception. Our MPC was filled to capacity as our students displayed their colourful hat creations. At the conclusion of the parade, our P&C announced the winners of the Easter raffle prizes, before students and families enjoyed the sunshine and spending time together during a shared lunch break. A further highlight of the day was a short play presented by students about getting along. The play was appreciated by the capacity crowd and highlighted the outstanding skills of our young performers. I would like to acknowledge the great work of Ms Osland who directed the performance.



'Kindness' by Blake : Today Year 1 student, Blake Preston, came to my office to read me some of his recent work in class. Blake's class, 1P, was asked to speak about something beginning with the letter K. Blake chose kindness. I've attached his thoughts. *'K is for kindness. When people are not kind to us, we feel sad, alone, upset and sometimes angry. Kindness is about being friendly, helping others and making others feel special. We should say nice words, give a smile or help people out. Being kind makes you feel happy and makes others feel happy as well. Feeling like we are wanted and needs us feel special. Remember, one kind word can change someone's whole day. Be Brave, be kind, be thankful and be happy and be you!'* Well done, Blake. I think that is great advice for everyone.



Camp Australia Holiday Care : Just a reminder that our Out of School Hours (OoSH) service provider, Camp Australia, will once again be offering vacation care during the upcoming holiday break. If you require vacation care for your child, please contact Camp Australia on 1300 105 343 or visit the website at www.campastralia.com.au.

Start Smart : We recently welcomed representatives from the Commonwealth Bank's Start Smart program to our school. The workshops, conducted over two days, provided excellent advice to students about how to be smart with money. The program helps students to learn about money management in a fun and interactive environment and helps students, of all ages, to have the confidence and competence to make smart decisions about money. Thank you to Mrs Caffery for coordinating the visit.

Ms Webster : We look forward to welcoming Ms Webster back to our school at the beginning of Term 2. Ms Webster, who has been on a period of planned leave during Term 1, will work with students in 2/3W on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for the remainder of the year. Miss Osland, who has done an outstanding job with 2 / 3W to date, will continue with the class on Thursdays and Fridays.

Term Dates : As we race towards the end of a very busy and productive Term 1, it is probably timely to remind our families of important upcoming dates. Next Wednesday, 11 April, our Term 1 social skills report, based on the 'You Can Do It' foundation of Getting Along, will be sent home with students. The following day, Thursday 12 April, we will be holding our annual cross country carnival at the Morpeth Common — please come along! The final day of Term 1 will be Friday 13 April.



DON'T FORGET WHEN ORDERING YOUR LUNCH ORDERS TO USE
'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

Canteen News

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Tues 3.04.18 **HELP NEEDED**
Wed 4.04.18 Kasey Flanagan, **HELP NEEDED**
Thurs 5.04.18 Melissa Cowled, **HELP NEEDED**
Fri 6.04.18 Carol Nelson, **HELP NEEDED**

Week 11 - Term 1, 2018

Tues 10.04.18 **HELP NEEDED**
Wed 11.04.18 **HELP NEEDED**
Thurs 12.04.18 Lisa Johns, **HELP NEEDED**
Fri 13.04.18 Angela Smith **HELP NEEDED**



P&C MEETING - AGENDA ITEMS

Parents are welcome to forward
items they wish added to the
meeting agenda to :

morpethpspandc@gmail.com

All items received before C.O.B
on the last day of the month
will be added to the meeting
agenda for the following
Monday

CROSS COUNTRY NEXT THURSDAY

**DON'T FORGET TO
COLLECT YOUR
SPONSORS**

Families are welcome to join us

PENS FOR KIDS

Willow Shepherd from 3/4F is seeking assistance from the Morpeth Public School community to collect pens, pencils, rulers, erasers and other writing utensils, both new and used, to support Pens for Kids. She would like to encourage everyone to clean out their pencil cases and pen tins and donate any unwanted items to this worthy cause.

Pens for Kids is a charity project based 100% on volunteer work. Its aim is to help kids in developing countries, primarily in Africa, to get an education.

Willow is to be congratulated for her social conscience and willingness to help children less fortunate than herself.

Collection tubs will be situated in 3/4F classroom and the school office.

All donations will be gratefully received.



Give us your pens...



... we pay for sending them...



...to those who need them !



Economy News

Jane Fincher : Coordinator

Economy Opening: The Economy is now open for trading, so start bringing in your recyclables now.

Auctions: Students must have a bank book and have at least \$50 (P) in order to bid. Economy bank book applications are available from the Economy office, the school office or the SKOOLBAG app.

Recycling: 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.

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.



SKOOLBAG

Things you may have missed

- ♦ Cross Country Meal Deal Order Form
- ♦ Cross Country information note and sponsorship form
- ♦ Infants Excursion - save the date
- ♦ Canteen Volunteer form
- ♦ Starstruck notes and payment due

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK



Support Morpeth Public School and you'll be rewarded!

We are raising funds and you can help. Order the NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership and you will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and you will also be supporting our School. PLUS, order now to receive **over \$200** of bonus Early Bird Offers (hurry, these sell out quickly).



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Sandra Hebert

ph: 49301780 or 0418 160 402

email: HERBSHAVEN@bigpond.com

For more information about Girl Guides visit:

www.girlguides-nswact.org.au

2018 Cross Country-a-thon

DON'T FORGET TO SUPPORT OUR YEAR 6 GIFT FUNDRAISING
BY PARTICIPATING IN OUR MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL
CROSS COUNTRY-A-THON ON THURSDAY 12TH APRIL !!
SPONSORSHIP FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT OFFICE.
THE CROSS COUNTRY-A-THON WILL BE FOLLOWED
BY A PICNIC LUNCH @ 12.00PM





MPS Shavers are looking for volunteers to join our Shave team this year.

You also have the option of raising money for colouring your hair when joining.

If you or any of your family members are looking a bit scruffy wish to join and help raise money for this wonderful charity your help would be greatly appreciated.

Log onto The World's Greatest Shave.com.au *Sign up and search for the MPS Shavers team or see the below link that will take you straight there. Join the team and away you go raising money. Donations can be of any amount and are tax deductible over \$2.

<https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?TeamID=107110>

The Shave will take place on Thursday 10th of May time TBA under the school cola. Everyone is welcome it is a fun day for the kids and it's a great way to see the amazing people who have volunteered their time and hair for this wonderful cause.

If you would like any further information or have any suggestions on how we can reach our target please contact Ms Strang or Kelly Redman.

MPS SHAVERS 2017

Before



After



Concert Band + Instrumental Lessons
On School Campus!



Accepting New Students For Instrumental Lessons

- We are excited to be offering Concert Band lessons for select brass, woodwind and percussion instruments
- Participation is available to students in **grades 3 and above**
- Lessons are available once per week on school campus – typically during the school day
- Only \$15.95 per student per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Private lessons also available (\$32.95 per student for 30 minutes)
- Weekly band rehearsals – 1 hour per week before / after school
- Instruments indicatively include: alto saxophone, flute, clarinet, snare drum, trumpet, trombone
- Equipment to be coordinated by parents. Primary Music Institute can provide details of easy rental and purchase options
- Please **ENROL TODAY** – via Primary Music Institute's website OR enrolment forms available from the school front office