

# MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 4, Term 2

21st May, 2018

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Thursday 24th May

Starstruck ~ minor rehearsal

### Friday 25th May

**NO GUITAR TODAY**

### Tuesday 29th May

Waterwatch testing ~ 3/4F and Year 3 students from 2/3W

### Wednesday 30th May

Starstruck movement rehearsal

### Friday 1st June

PSSA Soccer v Tarro PS

### Monday 4th June

P & C Meeting ~ 9:10 in the Library  
(ALL WELCOME)

### Wednesday 13th June

Starstruck movement rehearsal

### Thursday 14th June

Starstruck ~ Technical & Dress Rehearsal

### Friday 15th June

Starstruck Matinee & Evening Performance

### Wednesday 27th June

Civic Theatre Performance - 3/4F, 4/5I, 5/6C & 5/6S ~ **Permission Note being sent home TODAY**

### Thursday 28th June

Athletics Carnival



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**

**Parent Online Payments (POP)**

- Credit/Debit Card via Website

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

## Look What's Trending on Monday!

**NAPLAN:** NAPLAN for students in Years 3 and 5 was completed last week. Supervising teachers described the four assessments as being quite challenging but our students showed great resilience and effort in completing the tests. Thank you also to our students in other grades for their flexibility and support while our NAPLAN was being held. Results will be made available during Term 3.

**Principals' Conference:** I will be attending the annual Principals' conference, ConnectEd, on Thursday and Friday of this week. The conference provides targeted professional learning for principals and features workshops presented by acclaimed educational leaders. The conference attracts K-12 principals from the wider Hunter and Central Coast areas.

**Mrs Kearney:** Our energetic SLSO, Mrs Kearney, will be taking a period of leave until Week 10 of this term. Mrs Kearney will be going on an overseas holiday with her family to celebrate a 'milestone' birthday. During Mrs Kearney's absence, Mrs Butterfield will be acting in her role. Mrs Alps and Mrs Fetterplace, both familiar faces at our school, will join our SLSO staff to replace Mrs Butterfield. On behalf of our school community, I'd like to wish Mrs Kearney a very happy birthday and I hope she enjoys her breakfast at Tiffany's!

**Star Struck:** With the premiere performance of Star Struck just around the corner, (Friday 15 June actually!), our dancers have been busily rehearsing in readiness for the event. Ms Strang has been putting students through their paces during lunch breaks and, on Thursday, the group will travel to Newcastle to rehearse with other members for the ensemble. Further rehearsals will be held during Week 5 before the show 'goes to air' in Week 7.

**Walk Safely to School Day:** On Friday our school will be participating in the annual 'Walk safely to School' initiative. Students will meet on the grassed area near the corner of Canterbury Drive and Tank Street at 8:30am, before commencing the walk under the supervision of Mr Stewart and Ms Strang.



**K-2 Excursion:** Last Friday our K-2 classes, along with Year 3 students from 2/3W, attended a performance of 'Josephine Wants to Dance' at the Civic Theatre in Newcastle. The performance was a live stage adaption of the book of the same name and our students enjoyed the show immensely! Our group spent some quality time in Civic Park before the production. As usual, our students were outstanding representatives of our school.

**Meetings with Parents:** Our teachers are willingly available to meet with parents to discuss student and school matters. We believe that open and productive communication between staff and our families is a key and essential component of effective school partnerships. Please be reminded that, if you wish to speak to teachers, you inform office staff. We have had some recent cases of parents waiting for teachers in classrooms, without the knowledge of the teacher, which contravenes our management and child protection protocols.

**Choir:** Last week I mentioned that our school was offering choir workshops on Fridays in our library. I also mentioned that our music teacher, Mrs Jack, will be returning to school during Terms 3 and 4 of this year. Our choir, under the expert guidance of Mrs Baker and Mrs Shepherd, will continue in its current format when Mrs Jack returns. We are looking forward to hearing our talented singers perform in the future. Sport Schools Begins ~ Our whole school sports skill program, Sporting Schools, will commence tomorrow. This term we are presenting Rugby Union as our featured sport. Coaches will provide an overview of the necessary skills and drills associated with the sport. *Peter Edmonds*



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# P & C NEWS



**P & C Meeting : Monday 4th June, 2018  
Week 6**

**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](mailto:morpethpsuniforms@gmail.com)

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

## Canteen News

### Week 4 - Term 2, 2018

|                |                                  |
|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Tues 22.05.18  | Liz Ross                         |
| Wed 23.05.18   | Fiona Emmett, <b>HELP NEEDED</b> |
| Thurs 24.05.18 | Mel Grayson, Lisa Johns          |
| Fri 25.05.18   | Carol Nelson                     |



### Week 5 - Term 2, 2018

|                |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Tues 29.05.18  | Fiona Leary                    |
| Wed 30.05.18   | Rachael Flanagan, Paulene Webb |
| Thurs 31.05.18 | Kirstin Machan                 |
| Fri 01.06.18   | Karen Fitzherbert              |



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## Things you may have missed

- ◆ Public Speaking ~ Weeks 5 and 6
- ◆ Civic Theatre Primary Excursion ~ permission notes sent home **TODAY**
- ◆ Guitar fees for Term 2 DUE ~ \$70
- ◆ Nude Food Days **EVERY TUESDAY this term**
- ◆ **New update for your Skoolbag App (see following page for instructions)**
- ◆ **Please note: Uniform shop will now only open on Monday mornings.**



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## Term 2 - 2018 : Version 1

|                | Tue                               | Wed   | Thurs   | Fri  |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Week 1</b>  | <b>01st May</b><br>Fiona Leary    | <b>02nd May</b><br>Elizabeth Gregor                   | <b>03rd May</b><br>Kelly Redman                         | <b>4th May</b><br>Carol Nelson<br>Rachael Flanagan |
| <b>Week 2</b>  | <b>08th May</b><br>Jessica Trace  | <b>9th May</b><br>Kasey Flanagan<br>Elizabeth Gregor  | <b>10th May</b><br><b>HELP NEEDED</b>                   | <b>11th May</b><br>Louise Griffiths                |
| <b>Week 3</b>  | <b>15th May</b><br>Fiona Leary    | <b>16th May</b><br>Jasmine Lancaster                  | <b>17th May</b><br><b>HELP NEEDED</b><br>Melissa Cowled | <b>18th May</b><br>Angela Smith                    |
| <b>Week 4</b>  | <b>22nd May</b><br>Liz Ross       | <b>23rd May</b><br>Fiona Emmett<br><b>HELP NEEDED</b> | <b>24th May</b><br>Mel Grayson<br>Lisa Johns            | <b>25th May</b><br>Carol Nelson                    |
| <b>Week 5</b>  | <b>29th May</b><br>Fiona Leary    | <b>30th May</b><br>Rachael Flanagan<br>Pauline Webb   | <b>31st May</b><br>Kirstin Machan                       | <b>01st June</b><br>Karen Fitzherbert              |
| <b>Week 6</b>  | <b>05th June</b><br>Jessica Trace | <b>6th June</b><br>Kasey Flanagan<br>Elizabeth Gregor | <b>7th June</b><br>Mel Grayson                          | <b>8th June</b><br>Angela Smith                    |
| <b>Week 7</b>  | <b>12th June</b><br>Fiona Leary   | <b>13th June</b><br>Melissa Callingham                | <b>14th June</b><br>Lisa Johns<br><b>HELP NEEDED</b>    | <b>15th June</b><br>Carol Nelson                   |
| <b>Week 8</b>  | <b>19th June</b><br>Liz Ross      | <b>20th June</b><br>Fiona Emmett<br>Rowena Horn       | <b>21st June</b><br>Kirstin Machan                      | <b>22nd June</b><br>Karen Fitzherbert              |
| <b>Week 9</b>  | <b>26th June</b><br>Fiona Leary   | <b>27th June</b><br>Rachael Flanagan<br>Pauline Webb  | <b>28th June</b><br>Melissa Cowled                      | <b>29th June</b><br>Angela Smith                   |
| <b>Week 10</b> | <b>3rd July</b><br>Jessica Trace  | <b>4th July</b><br>Kasey Flanagan<br>Elizabeth Gregor | <b>5th July</b><br>Mel Grayson                          | <b>6th July</b><br>Carol Nelson                    |

*Please contact Bec on 0413771181 if you are not available to do Rostered Canteen day*





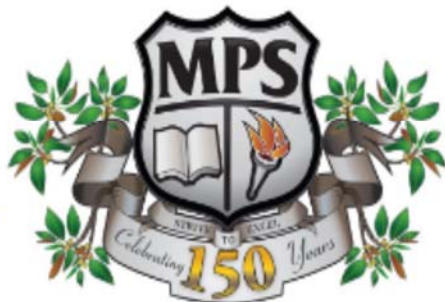
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**Skoolbag update - login now required ... see here for step by step instructions**

**Skoolbag have recently released an update that now requires users to create a 'login' ... step by step instructions are listed below:**



1. Open Skoolbag app on device - you will be prompted to input your email address
2. Click on blue get started button
3. Enter a password (this is a new password however the screen will appear that it is asking for one previously submitted)
4. Click on Login button
5. A message will appear saying that your email and password do not match - at this point select 'Did you forget your password'
6. Click on Send / reset email
7. Go to the email account that you input in Step 1 and find the password reset email sent by Skoolbag
8. At the bottom of the email you will find a 'reset password link' - copy this link and paste into Browser / URL bar
9. You will be prompted to create new password
10. Confirm password by re-entering
11. Click on 'reset' button
12. Go back to Skoolbag app on your device and type in the newly created password.

**\*\* This process should only have to be completed once \*\*** - we apologise for any inconvenience. We have passed on our concerns to the developers at Skoolbag.



## Economy News Week 4

**What do we recycle?** The 2018 list of recyclables is available from the Economy Office.

**Auctions:** Our next auction will be held on Monday 21 May at the whole school assembly. It is not too late to join the Economy. Please see Mrs Fincher to obtain a bank book.

**Economy Market Day:** The students of 3/4F will be holding an Economy Market Day later in the term. A variety of exciting stalls are in the planning process already. All transactions will be conducted in "peths".

**Economy Employment:** Several of our enterprising students have been earning "peths" by assisting the Economy and performing recycling duties. I am particularly grateful to the students of KH, who have done a wonderful job in keeping our playground neat and tidy. For every break time worked, students earn \$(P)50.

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

Jane Fincher  
Economy Coordinator.





## Make Family Night “Maths Friendly”

Research tells us that parents who involve their children in positive mathematical experiences can boost their child’s mathematical skills. Children who see their parents engaging with mathematics in a positive manner actually improve their test scores!

**Involve your child in these maths experiences:**

### During game time

How long does it take you to finish each level?

Estimate how many moves it’ll take you to get to the next level, let’s count them?

Play your own variation on the game “Snap”, looking for number that add to 10 or multiply to an even number etc.



### In the car

I wonder how long it will take to get home?

How far do you think it is between here and \_\_\_\_\_?

I wonder how fast we are going?

What is the best way to get back home from here?



### At the shops

I wonder how many things we have in the trolley?

Estimate how much this will all cost.

I wonder if we can go in the 15 items or less line?

Which line do you think will be the quickest?



### During meal time

I wonder how many spoonfuls you have left?

How much food do you normally get onto one spoonful?

I wonder how many days the cereal box will last?

How could you make the box last longer?



### When doing homework

Can you explain how this works?

Show me how you started this question.

What can you do if you think you’ve made a mistake?

Which strategy do you like the most?

