



# MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 10, Term 2

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Monday 18th July

Staff Development Day - no students

### Tuesday 19th July

Students return for Term 3

### Wednesday 20th July

MPS Athletics Carnival - details to follow

### Friday 22nd July

NAIDOC Day

### Monday 1st August -

### Friday 5th August

Education Week

### Tuesday 2nd August

Public Speaking Assembly

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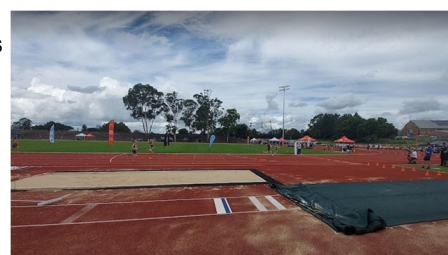
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## Look What's Trending this week!

**Public Speaking** Our Public Speaking assembly will be held on Tuesday 2 August, Week 3 of Term 3. All students have presented speeches in class, with four students in Early Stage 1 and six in Stages 1, 2 and 3 selected to speak at our assembly. Students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will speak from 10am, while our students in Years 3-6 will speak from 12pm. The families of the 22 students who will present speeches at the assembly, will be contacted. The Public Speaking assembly will be a part of our Education Week celebrations.

**Athletics Carnival** Our athletics carnival will be held on Wednesday 20 July, day 2 of Term 3 at Maitland Athletics Centre. The carnival will feature 100m, 200m and 800m track events and field activities including shot put, long jump and discus. In previous years we have held our track and field events on different days and included a range of tabloid activities with our running events. This year we will revert to a more traditional carnival and provide our students with the opportunity to use the world class facilities on offer at the venue.



**Teacher Industrial Action—Thursday** On Thursday the NSW Teachers' Federation has scheduled a stop work meeting. The whole day meeting will impact our school's staffing numbers and aspects of our normal operation. I will continue to provide information as we get closer to the day.



**Work Experience** Last week we had the pleasure of having Daisie, Sophie and Banjo at our school. The Year 10 students have been undertaking work experience at our school and our staff have been incredibly impressed by the way they have assisted our students in the rooms and beyond! On behalf of our school, I would like to thank Daisie, Sophie and Banjo for choosing our school and I hope they have enjoyed the experience.

**Reports** Our school reports will be sent home in the early weeks of Term 3. COVID and the various strains of flu have impacted significantly on our student attendance during Term 2. As a result, it has been difficult for teachers to complete assessments on students to inform reports. Teachers will be scheduling interviews for parents/carers, where the contents of reports can be discussed, on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons during Week 3.

**AFL** Our AFL coaches were at school on Friday, taking our students through a series of skill drills. The coaches have been explaining the finer points of the game, kicking and passing techniques, before providing our students with the opportunity to practise their skills in a game setting. Students in all classes have been involved in the program. The final session will be held on Friday.



**Leadership Assembly** Our AECG leaders were presented with their badges at today's assembly. Kden, Georgia, Kayden and Portia have been working in their roles during the term and have been instrumental in guiding our programs to support Aboriginal Education in our school. On Friday of Week 1, we will be holding our NAIDOC celebrations. A focus of our programs will be to engage and collaborate with our indigenous families to drive school planning.

**End of Term** Friday is the last day of Term 2. Pleasingly, schools have been able to return to some semblance of normality during the term, with the opening up of formerly restricted activities. Despite the significant impact of COVID and various flu strains on attendance, we have enjoyed another outstanding term. Term 3 will begin for students on Tuesday 19 July, with teachers returning to duty on the previous day. On behalf of our school, I would like to thank our students and families for their commitment and resilience during the term and I hope everyone is able to enjoy a restful and well-deserved break. *Peter Edmonds*



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