



MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 4 Term 1

19th February 2024

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 19th February 2024

Leaders Induction assembly 2pm

Tuesday 20th February 2024

Class meetings 3:15pm & 3:45pm

Wednesday 21st February 2024

PSSA Qualifying swimming carnival

Tuesday 27th February 2024

PSSA Zone swimming carnival

Wednesday 27th March 2024

Young Teen talk - Year 6 only

Thursday 28th March 2024

East Hat Parade

Friday 29th March 2024

Good Friday

Monday 1st April 2024

Easter Monday

Thursday 4th April 2024

Backflips against bullying

Friday 12th April 2024

Last day of Term 1

PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL ITEMS:

Office: Cash, Credit/Debit Card
or via

School Bytes Parent Portal



Before and After School Care
Please call Helena
(Co-ordinator)
0447 430 811

Look What's Trending this week!

Leadership Induction Assembly

We will be presenting our school leaders with their respective badge at this afternoon's assembly. Our school captains, Jordy and Evie, along with our vice-captains, Jonathon and Torah, will be officially inducted into their role at the assembly.

We will also present our house leaders with their badge. Congratulations to Sturt leaders; Sadie, Archie, Isabella and Coby, our Hume leaders; Oceah, Vandel, Lucy and Malakai, our Oxley leaders; Willow, Sonny, Isla T and Nash and our Eyre leaders; Isla M, Oliver, Myra and Will, who were elected to their positions at last week's house meetings. Our school leaders will host their first assembly today, while our house leaders will be in action at Wednesday's swimming carnival.

Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday, our talented swimmers will attend our swimming carnival at Maitland Aquatic Centre. Students will participate in a full program of events in age-based groupings. Please be reminded that the carnival is for students who can confidently swim 50m in one of the scheduled events; there are no novelty or free swim events scheduled on the day. Our students will compete for house points and for selection in our Zone swimming squad. Students who accrue the highest number of points on the day will be acknowledged as age champions. We will schedule a swimming carnival assembly later in the term, where we will present students with ribbons and announce the name of our 2024 house champions.

Parent / Carer and Teacher Meetings

Our parent and teacher meetings will take place tomorrow afternoon. Teachers will present two sessions—each session will provide the same information, but the repeat meeting will allow parents to attend more than one teacher presentation. The first session will be held at 3:15pm, with the repeat scheduled for 3:45pm. To assist our parents and carers, our two Kinder classes (KO and KB) will combine in Mrs O'Connor's room, 1K and 1/2S will combine in Mrs Sullivan's room, 2/3BL will meet in Mrs Baker and Mrs Lindsell's room, 3/4D and 3/4H will combine in the library, 4/5D will meet in Ms Dalo's demountable and our 5/6H and 5/6C classes will combine in Mrs Cowan's room. Please be aware that there will be no supervision provided in the playground during the meeting times; if your child needs to be in attendance, they will be able to visit the room with you. If you are unable to attend the meetings, the information presented can be forwarded to you.

In the event of you requiring additional information, or if you would like to discuss how we can best support your child, please contact the school to organise a meeting.

Drumming

Our popular drumming group, led by Col Hatchman, recommenced on Friday. Col offers two groups—a Years 3-6 group (1:20pm—1:50pm) followed by a junior group for students in Years 1-2 (1:50pm—2:20pm). The program is extremely popular and assists our students to develop skills in percussion and performance. We have recently been approached by other external music providers, including a guitar and brass tutor.

I will provide additional information about the proposal in the coming weeks to gauge interest in the idea of offering additional tuition.

Peter Edmonds

P & C NEWS

P&C Meeting Monday 4th March 2024

The P&C invite all members to attend our monthly meeting on 4th March at 6pm via Zoom and in person. We would love to see you join our team for 2024. Meetings are monthly during school term so only takes an hour or two of your time - and remember becoming a member does not require commitment to attend every meeting - or hold an executive position. It is an opportunity for you - mums, dads, carers and grandparents - to learn more about what is happening at our school and to be involved in exciting events.

The P & C is there to support school initiatives as well as fundraise.

We would love to welcome the community to be involved in our future fundraising activities.

Please consider becoming a part of a fabulous group of families who worked to achieve some huge results in the last year including significant funds passed to the school.

Please ensure you like the <https://www.facebook.com/morpethpc> page to get the latest and greatest.

If you have any questions regarding the P & C please feel free to email us at:
morpethpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au



PBL

We will be talking with students about ...

Lining Up:

Sit quietly in two straight and settled lines, wait quietly for teacher

Keep our hands and feet to ourselves, we are on time to lines

Listen and follow instructions



Every Tuesday is Taco day in the canteen.

Order's can be placed using the Flexischools App

How to Enrol

GUIDE



Enrolment and bookings are completed online at **www.theircare.com.au** and takes around 15 to 20 minutes.



When doing your child's enrolment there will be some information and documents that you will need on hand to complete the process.

These include

- 1 Centrelink CRNs for yourself and the child you are enrolling
- 2 Credit card or bank account details for direct debit purposes
- 3 Emergency contact details in case you are not contactable in an emergency
- 4 Authorised nominees for drop off and collection
- 5 Doctor, Medicare, immunisations details for your child
- 6 Any medical or health details for your child



Enrolment takes approximately 15–20 minutes



See FAQs on our website
theircare.com.au/families

Every Day Matters



When it comes to attending school, every day matters

If your child misses as little as **1 day per fortnight**, they will miss **4 weeks of school per year**, which adds up to over **1 year missed over their school life.**



Scan the
QR code to
learn more

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:



Learning



Strengthening
friendships



Build skills
through fun



A fresh start for the new year

Our school is proud to be a SWAP IT school - encouraging students to eat everyday foods to help them grow, learn and play!

Start the year strong by packing lunchboxes full of everyday foods and drinks.

What's in an everyday lunchbox?

- **Veg & Fruit Break:** Fresh vegetables or fruit
- **Recess:** Vegetables or fruit and one other everyday snack e.g. air-popped popcorn, reduced fat yoghurt, rice crackers
- **Lunch:** A sandwich, wrap, roll or alternative such as pasta salad
- **Drink:** Water and/or plain milk
- **Something to keep the lunchbox cool:** e.g. an ice brick

An everyday lunchbox gives kids energy to learn and play all day at school.

