



MORPETH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 1 Term 2

1st May 2024

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 3rd May 2024

MPS Cross Country Carnival

Monday 6th May 2024

P & C Meeting - 6pm

Thursday 9th May 2024

Just like you - incursion

Friday 10th May 2024

PSSA Zone Cross Country

National Walk Safely to School day

Tuesday 14th May 2024

Scholastic Book Club orders close

Thursday 16th May 2024

Athletics Carnival - 8 years old and over

Monday 10th June 2024

Kings birthday holiday



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

PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL ITEMS:

Office: Cash, EFTPOS
or via

School Bytes Parent Portal

Look What's Trending this week!

Welcome back!

I hope everyone has been able to enjoy an enjoyable vacation period. Term 2 is always a very busy term, with lots of interesting things planned for our students and families. We look forward to sharing the wonderful achievements of our students and school with you during the coming weeks.

Rhonda Petersen—retirement

Our much loved teacher, Mrs Rhonda Petersen, has officially retired. Mrs Petersen began her teaching career in 1979 and, after several appointments in Western Sydney schools, she was posted to Morpeth in 1997. Mrs Petersen remained with us until 2021, when she undertook a period of leave. During her time at Morpeth, Mrs Petersen was an active and enthusiastic member of our school. Many of our former students come to us with fond memories of their time as a student in Mrs Petersen's class. On behalf of school and community, we wish Mrs P all the best in her retirement. We will hold a special assembly in her honour in the coming weeks.



Alicia Osland—maternity leave

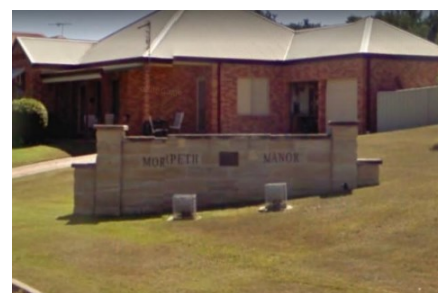
Mrs Osland has begun a period of maternity leave. We wish Alicia and her partner, Luke, all the best as they welcome a sibling to Lilly in the coming weeks.

Cross Country Carnival

Our Cross Country Carnival is scheduled for Friday morning. Unfortunately, the weather conditions may intervene and cause a rescheduling of the event. At this stage, no decision has been made, but I would suggest that it is unlikely that the carnival will go ahead on Friday. A final decision will be made on Friday morning, unless Maitland Council closes the venue before then.

Walk Safely to School

Next Friday (10 May) we will be holding our annual 'Walk Safely to School' day. We invite our students and families to meet at the corner of Tank and Canterbury Drive (see pic below) at 8:20am in readiness to begin the 8:30am walk to school. We also invite our students to wear 'crazy/ funky' socks on the day.



Just Like You On Thursday of next week (9 May) we will be visited by Marissa who represents 'Just Like You'. Just Like You is an interactive disability and inclusion incursion for students in Years 1-6. The program is delivered by a presenter with lived experience of disability. We have offered the program for several years now and it provides a great understanding and insight for our students that people living with disability are 'Just Like You'. The program is presented by Variety—a children's charity. There is no cost for our students for the incursion.

P&C

Our P&C meeting will be held on Monday (6 May) evening. The onsite meeting begins at 6pm—for any parent / carer who is unable to attend the meeting, a Zoom link is available—see below.

<https://au01web.zoom.us/j/69998170705?pwd=N3RyR2lpWDUwK2E4ZUx3dlduaStmdz09>

One of the discussion points at the meeting will be our Mother's Day stall, which will be held on Friday 10 May. Our P&C is asking for volunteers to assist on the day. If you are able to assist, please contact secretary, Amy Thomson.

Peter Edmonds

P & C NEWS

P&C Meetings - 6th May 2024

The P&C invite all members to attend our monthly meeting on Monday 6th May 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 ...

Classroom expectations...

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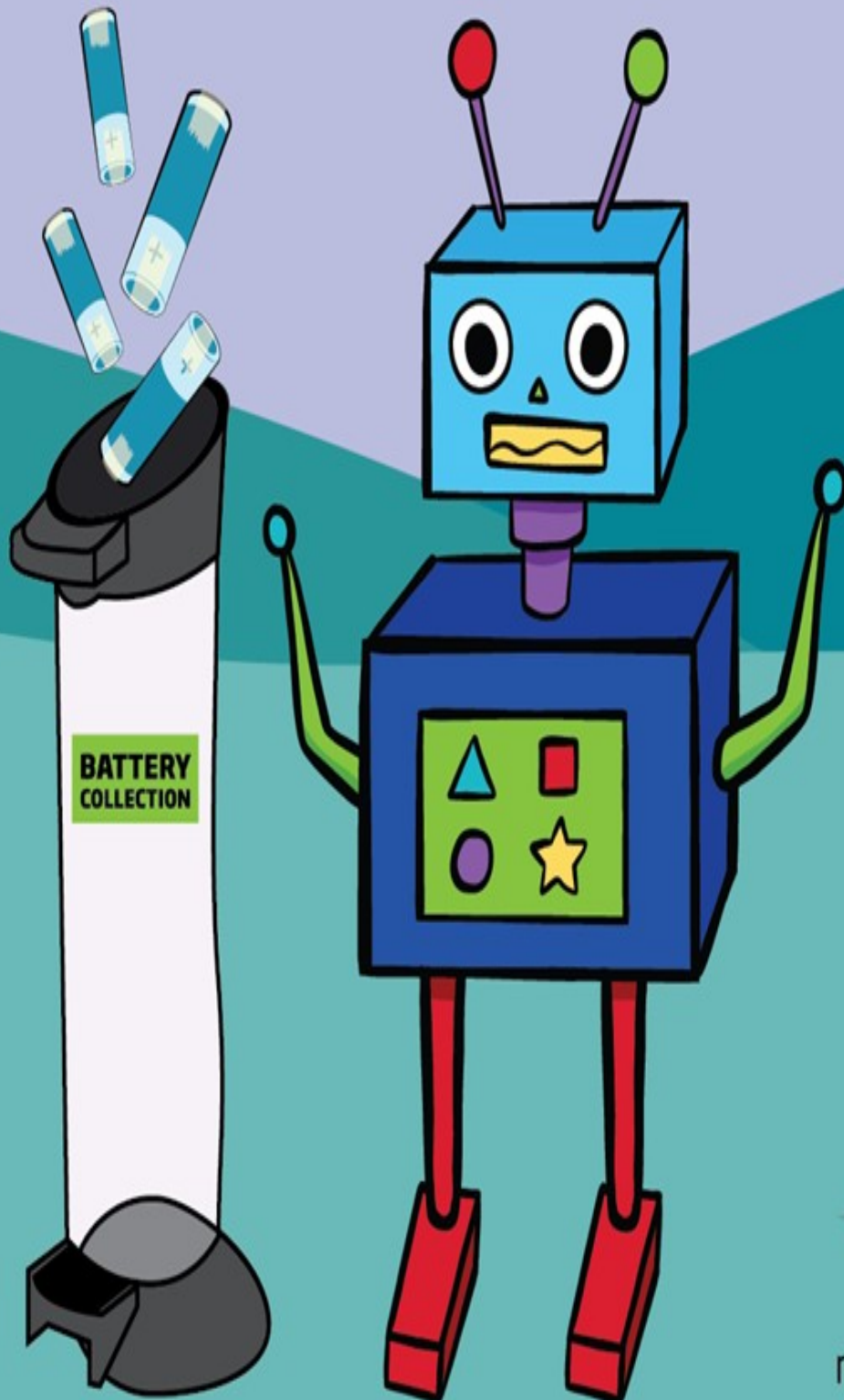
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What makes a balanced lunchbox?

A balanced lunchbox is made up of everyday foods from the five food groups: grain foods, fruit, vegetables, dairy/alternatives and meat/alternatives. Eating a range of everyday foods will give kids energy to learn, grow and play!

Follow this guide for packing an easy everyday lunchbox:

Crunch&Sip®: 1 serve of vegetables or fruit

Recess: 1 serve of vegetables or fruit & 1-2 everyday snacks

Lunch: A meal made with everyday ingredients such as sandwich, wrap, roll or leftovers

Drink: Water and/or reduced fat plain milk

Don't forget to pack an ice brick or frozen water bottle to keep food cool and safe!



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Good for Kids acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land that we live and work on as the first people of this country, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.