

Muswellbrook South Public School

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Week 5 Term Three

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Dear Parents and Carers of Muswellbrook South Public School,

STOP PRESS: Enrolling now for 2012. Kinder information packages available now

This Friday we will continue to present our Honour students with their new badges, as well another 'surprise', as an acknowledgement of their achievement.

You may have seen cars driving around town with a sticker on them stating – 'Muswellbrook South PS Rocks'. If you would like to have one please, send your child into the front office for a bumper sticker. Please note one per family. This is all part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) focus.

The Implementation of the Australian Curriculum in New South Wales Schools has been delayed. The Minister for Education, Hon Adrian Piccoli, announced a change in the timeframe for implement on Tuesday. The delay is so that, as well as the curriculum being written, teachers have the resources and training to keep the highest standards in NSW. The Minister says that the implementation will now occur in 2014

Enrolments for 2012 Completed enrolment forms can now be submitted to our Office for Kindergarten 2012. We have a long list of names of potential students for next year. Parents are reminded that where possible, Kindergarten classes will not exceed 20 enrolments ensuring a smooth, supportive transition into formal school education for each individual child. If you are aware of neighbours with school age children please make them aware of this notification. – we would hate for anyone to miss out

Today, we welcome back Michael Leslie who worked his magic amongst our students with contemporary dance classes. Michael and the students created some amazing moves related to every day movement.

Book Week is next week ! Next Friday we will experience our Book Week Parade and Book Fair. All welcome to attend, further details in the newsletter.

Yours in Education
Rebecca Langdon



The importance of attendance

Daily attendance at school for all students remains of highest importance this year at Muswellbrook South PS. Only with regular attendance at school can all students achieve the best results possible. Please assist us to provide your child with the best possible education by ensuring that they are at school on a daily basis, on time and ready to learn.

Help Needed

On Sunday 28th August, the P&C will be having a working bee to get the Infants garden in order for the plantings of the new veggie garden. If you have an hour free on this day between 9 am and 12pm we would appreciate your help. Just bring a shovel, wheel barrow and garden gloves.

Regional primary Drama Festival, 2011

Congratulations to three of our senior students who are attending the Regional Primary Drama Festival for 2011! Kobey Adam-Smith, Rochelle Forsyth and Georgina Rowlands have been selected to attend the Maitland Drama Festival. The festival consists of three days of workshops with industry professionals, culminating in a final performance on the third afternoon. In next weeks newsletter, the children will report back to our school community on their experiences, including what it was like and the roles they played in Friday's big, grand performance. Well done, kids and enjoy your time in Maitland!

Congratulations this week's 'Pebble People'

Week 5

Early Stage 1	Isac R and Mia-may C
Stage 1	Jack R and Braydon R
Stage 2	Krystal G and Curtis W
Stag 3	Makayla K and Gracie A

Assembly

This week's assembly is on Friday at 1pm. An assembly item will be performed by SJ and SA. All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

Hall & Foyer Display

The hall display for Week 5 is 4R. The foyer display for Week 5 is 5M.

***** Premier Reading Challenge Alert *****

The NSW Premier Reading Challenge closes on **Friday 26th August**. Thank you to all those children who have already given me their completed sheets. There are still a lot of children who need to finish. Please come and see me if your child has lost their sheet or if your child needs to borrow more books to complete the Challenge.

Anne Solman Teacher Librarian



Woolworths Earn & Learn

Keep bringing in your Woolworths dockets and place them in the collection box on the counter. The promotion allows us to purchase educational resources and runs until 18th September 2011. Points tally as at 17 August is **1016**.

Coles 2011 Sport for School Program

Coles has launched their 2011 Sports for Schools program and we now have the collection box in the office for you to put all your vouchers in. The more vouchers we collect the more sports equipment we will receive. Voucher Tally as at 17 August **4600**.

Canteen News – Re Book Week Lunch

The normal canteen lunch menu will **NOT** be available on Book Week Parade day, Friday 26th August; however we have an exciting special menu that will be available to both children and parents on this day only. In line with the Book Week theme, One World, Many Stories the following items will be available.

Australia	Large Meat Pie & Sauce
America	Hot Dogs
China	Rice & Spring Rolls
Italy	Pizza
Mexico	Burritos

Chocolate and Strawberry Milkshakes will also be sold on the day. Snacks and beverages will be available as per usual.

Order forms will be sent out on Monday 15th August and are to be handed in to the office no later than Friday 19th August.

Please note this only applies to Friday 26th August.

Library News

Dear Parents,

Book Week this year is in Week Six. It runs from Monday 22nd August to Friday 26th August. The theme is **One World, Many Stories**. This year we will be having a Book Week Parade and Book Fair on **Friday 26th August**. Each class has chosen a story from a different country around the world and the children will come dressed representing that country. The parade will start at 12.15pm and conclude at 1.30pm. The Book Fair will operate all day, starting at 8.30am and ending at 4.00pm, only closing while the parade is on.

The following is a list of the classes and what country they have chosen.

KR- Sweden	2D- Papua New Guinea	3K-Kenya- Africa	5M- Germany
K/1M- France	4R- Scotland	SI-North America	KW- U.S.A
SA – Australia	1S- China	6C- England	1A- India
2/3G- Greece	4/5/6B- Egypt	4/5S- Mexico	2K- Spain
SJ- India			

Your child can either come to school dressed in their costume or they can bring their clothes to school and change before First break

Thanking You

Anne Solman Teacher Librarian

Literacy and Numeracy Week

Literacy and Numeracy week will be held across Australia schools from the 29th August until 2nd of September.

Our school is going to participate in this week by inviting parents to come into classrooms and help their child with a literacy / numeracy activity. This will take place on Wednesday 31st August at 12.30.

Our students will also be participating in 'Read Around Australia' in the afternoon. Some students will be going out into the community to read on that day.

Invitations to attend our literacy / numeracy activity will be sent out next week.

Mrs Rayner

Interested In Tennis Lessons?

Professional Coach moves to Muswellbrook with five years coaching experience and five years playing on the International circuit. Providing coaching lessons for adults, children and also running group sessions and holiday camps in Muswellbrook. All ages are welcome.

Contact Veronika on 0401300240

Little Athletics

There is a change of venue for the 2011-2012 season. Little Athletics will be at Victoria Park. The registration night will be at McDonalds between 5-7pm on Tuesday 6th September. This season will commence on Tuesday 13th September 2011. The cost is \$60 per child, \$170 for three children and the forth child free.

Enquiries to Karen on 65411768

Muswellbrook Junior Cricket Club

Registration details for Muswellbrook Junior Cricket Club are as follows.

Registration Venue: Victoria Park Muswellbrook

Dates and Times:

Thursday 18 th August	4pm-5.30pm
Saturday 20 th August	10am-12noon
Tuesday 23 rd August	4pm-5.30pm
Thursday 25 th August	4pm-5.30pm
Saturday 27 th August	10am-12noon

Note New players need to bring their birth certificate.

DATES FOR THE DIARY - 2011

18 August	Touch Gala Day at Olympic Park
22 - 26 August	Book Week
26 August	Book Week Parade and Fair
26 August	Zone Cricket Boys
28 August	P&C Working Bee 9am-12noon
29 Aug – 2 Sept	Literacy and Numeracy Week
31 August	Literacy/Numeracy activities at school
1 September	Ride for Sick Kids Visit
2 September	Blokes BBQ
2 September	Hunter Athletics
6-7 September	Stage 2 Warrumbungles Excursion
6 September	Westpac Helicopter Black Coal Cup Golf Day
9 September	K-2 Funday
15 September	Kindergarten Excursion – Hunter Valley Zoo

A New Look For South!!

The new style polo shirts are now available at our uniform shop, they look great.

The school uniform shop is stocked for all your school needs and are open from 9am to 9.30am on Friday mornings and from 3pm to 3.30pm on Monday and Tuesday afternoons.

Craig is available on 0488999068 if you would like to make an appointment.

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MUSWELLBROOK TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Muswellbrook Junior Touch

The 2011/2012 Muswellbrook Junior Touch competition commences on Monday 5th September 2011. Registrations will be held at Olympic Park on the following days:

Wednesdays, 17th and 24th August between 4.00pm – 6pm. Saturday 27th August between 10.00am – 1.00pm.

Age Divisions for both Boys and Girls are: 6 years and under, 7-8 years, 9-10 years, 11-12 years, 13-15 years and Under 18 year Girls and Boys. Age taken as at 31st December 2011.

Players are permitted to play up an age division. All Registrations must be finalised before taking part in the competition. Players who need to be placed into teams should register on the first day, 17th August.

Junior State Cup

Players who are interested in representing Muswellbrook at the Junior State Cup in Wollongong next February 2012 are reminded they must register their names on the appropriate form available on Registration days or on the first day of competition, 5th September. No names will be taken after this date.

Ladies/Mixed Competition

This also commences on Monday 5th September 2011. Nominations close on 27th August. New teams and players most welcome.

Mens Competition

The competition commences on Wednesday 7th September 2011. Nominations close on 27th August. Individual nominations also accepted.

Team nomination forms for all divisions/competitions are available from Fine N Dandy and Sportspower.

For further information on all competitions, please ring 65432477 for Juniors, Ladies and Mixed and for Mens please phone 65425071/65432617.