

Muswellbrook South Public School

Proud and Powerful to be a School in Partnership (SiP) school.

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Week Seven Term Two

STOP PRESS: Monday 11th June – Queens Birthday Long Weekend

This week's PBL focus: Bullying- No Way!

Dear Parents and Carers of Muswellbrook South PS

Staff are now assessing students and writing student reports, which will be ready for collection in Week 10. It has been great to share in the achievements of students and note the progress that has been made so far this year. Thank you to the staff who are working long hours after school in order to produce professional and informative reports for you and your children.

We are proud at MSPS!

So many times recently, staff have taken Muswellbrook South students out in public and come back 'glowing' about the way in which our students conduct themselves. Congratulations Muswellbrook South students, we are so proud to be able to take such responsible students out in public. Thank you to those students, for making sure the community knows what 'great kids' attend our school.

This week sees the beginning of the Upper Hunter Eisteddfod. Students from our school will participate in Nursery Rhyme, Prose reading, public speaking and dialogue. We wish them well as they present themselves to the various panels that will judge them. Congratulations to Kindergarten who received a Highly Commended for their Nursery Rhyme readings and to Cassidy Watts who received 3 firsts and highly commended for her piano recitals. Well done to all.

As the year approaches the mid mark and the weather becomes cooler and wetter, there can be a tendency to let the kids have the occasional day off. Stay strong, especially after the weekend.

Monday morning is hard for most of us and kids are no different.

Getting a good night's sleep on Sunday is important. Some parents find it easier to do a bit of preparation on Sunday to give a bit of extra time Monday morning. This could be in the form of getting uniforms ready, finding shoes and socks, packing bags, bathing or showering at night instead of in the morning and packing lunches. Keep in mind that one day off each week equals one year off school by Year 6.

As you are now probably aware many parents are being prosecuted in the courts. A teacher must contact a family if a student is absent for more than 2 consecutive days. After any absence, whole day or part of a day, parents/carers must provide a full explanation within 7 days of the child's absence. Failure to do so will ensure that an unsatisfactory attendance is recorded. Continued absences could mean the involvement of the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) and an official monitoring of attendance. If this happens then a parents is required to provide the school with a medical certificate when a child is absent due to illness.

Please note that reasons such as *slept in, car wouldn't start, sore finger, uniform not washed and birthday* are not acceptable reasons for absences or lateness. If your child is sick, you should note the actual sickness. If you have any questions or special circumstances, please see me.

Working together in education,

Rebecca Langdon

Principal 'Raffle'

This week Mrs Langdon spent some time with the lucky students in **KD!**

Also this week, the following very lucky students each won one ticket to this weekends Newcastle Knights vs Canberra Raiders match at Hunter Stadium:

A. Roberts, A. Cowdery, M. Mason and DL. Welfer.
Enjoy the game!

Please come and watch the talented students from **3/4S** present their class item at this Friday's assembly at 12:45pm.

Congratulations to the following students who had 'Cup Cake' time with Mrs Langdon

ES1 – S. Osborne, D. Thomas

Stage 1 – N. Benge, M. Robinson

Stage 2 – D. Miller, B. Schofield

Stage 3 – B. Fairley, B. Hodges

Hunter Schools Regional Dance

Festival is showcasing some of South's talented dancers on **July 25** at **Panthers Newcastle!** If you would like to come and show your support and cheer on our performers, tickets are on sale now! Tickets are just **\$16** each and are available by phoning Panthers Newcastle on **4926 6200** or by purchasing at the venue. Shows sold out last year! Get in early this year so you don't miss out!

We would like for families to be able to share the excitement with their children when they receive Merit Awards at Friday Assembly. We will be sending discrete notices home to children receiving an award each week so that you can make every effort to come and share the occasion.
Keep a look out in your children's bags!

Jelly Bean Guessing Competition

The Senior Dance Group is fundraising for their trip and costumes to Sydney for Schools Spectacular in November. They are having a Jelly Bean Guessing Competition. 3 guess for \$1.00. Students can have a guess in their break time if they would like to support the dancers.

LUNCH TIMES

Please note students are to eat their big lunch at first break! Second break is a chance for students to have a small snack to keep them energised for the afternoon. Please ensure that all lunch orders placed are for **first break!**

Second Hand School Uniforms Needed

If your child has outgrown their uniforms and you no longer need them, the school would greatly appreciate them. Currently, our second hand stock has depleted considerably due to many new enrolments who may be experiencing financial difficulties.

Financial Support for your Children

Our school contributions have not increased this year, they still remain at **\$20 per child**. Your child should have bought home an account statement outlining how much you will need to pay for your School Contribution. The school community would like to thank those families who have already paid their contributions!



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop is open:

Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 3:00-3:30pm and **Friday mornings** from 9:00-9:30am.

For any enquiries please call:

Anne Henderson on 0477 063 184

New Sewer line

Currently, we have Public Works installing a new sewer line that unfortunately runs through our playground. At the moment we have fencing to keep everyone safe. Next week, they will be working around the library. **Please do not walk through our school carpark** as heavy vehicles will be using this area as access points over the next 4 weeks.

Car parks

Some parents are STILL putting their children in an awkward and risky position by walking their children through our various car parks. Our students know that they are not to walk through them but some parents still take their children through them. We take the safety of our students quite seriously. Please support us and use the walk-in gate.

MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones are not encouraged at Muswellbrook South PS however, we realise that, for ease of mind, some children carry them for contact with family after school.

Please remember:

- The school takes no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged phones.
- All phones must be left at the school office during the day.
- No child needs to make a call during school time. The school will make any necessary calls for a child.
- Remember also that the taking of photos (on a mobile) at school by children breaches school security.

Any breaches of the above guidelines will see the phone confiscated for the day. Continual breaches will require an adult to collect the phone from the school. Breaches with content on phones may be referred to the local police.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

Don't forget to bring in your Woolworths stickers

For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school and drop them into our collection box.

If you need more sticker cards these are available in the school office.

Thank you for your support!



**Muswellbrook
South Public
School Fete**
Friday 26 October
from 5pm
**Looking For Expressions of Interest For
Stall Holders**
**For More Information Please Call
Shellie on : 0416 260 380 Or Email
MSPSPandC@gmail.com**

WANTED!

Volunteers for our school fete in October! If you are interested in helping out, please contact **Shellie on 0416 260 380**.

Alternatively, there is a fete meeting this Friday, 8th June at 12noon in the canteen. All are welcome to attend.

HOLIDAY CAMPS

WIN A SIGNED CHELSEA SHIRT WHEN YOU REGISTER FOR 5 DAYS OR MORE!

Week 1 2nd - 6th July 9am-3pm at Maitland Federation Centre (5 Days)

Week 1 2nd - 4th July 9am-3pm at Charlestown Indoor Sports Centre (3 Days)

Week 2 9th - 13th July 9am-3pm at Newcastle Howzat Indoor Sports Centre (5 Days)

Run in conjunction with hunter academy of Sport.

InZane Football is conducting soccer clinics run by former Socceroo, Clayton Zane this school holidays. The clinics are for boys and girls between the ages of 5 to 14 years. All of our holiday programmes will run for five days between 9am-3pm.

Programmes are designed to improve specific skills, co-ordination and confidence in young footballers. If you are interested in attending one of our clinics or after school programmes please contact us - info@inzanefootball.com or call 0402 352 132



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Selecting delicious fresh produce

Here are some tips on choosing the best fresh fruit and vegetables for taste and storage.

- * Select fruit and vegetables that feel firm, smell nice and look fresh.
- * Small or medium size fruit make good choices for children.
- * Choose vegetables that snap rather than bend.
- * Avoid any fruit or vegetables that are limp, split or feel spongy.

Healthy Habits

What is a serve of fruit and vegetables?

One serve of fruit is equal to one medium piece of fruit, two smaller pieces or one cup of chopped fruit.

One serve of vegetables is equal to one medium potato, half a cup of cooked vegetables or one cup of salad vegetables.

Coolah Central School Horse Sports Day



Thursday 26th November & Friday 27th July 2012

For Riders: Kindergarten to Year 12
Venue: Coolah Recreation Grounds
Cost: \$40 per child (for the two days)

ALL ENTRIES DUE: Friday 20th July 2012

(A school cheque is to be made payable to Coolah Central School for all competitors and forwarded with the School Team entry sheets.)

Post to: Horse Sports Co-ordinator
Coolah Central School
Binnia Street
Coolah NSW 2843

For further information please contact:
Sue McGoldrick, Sally Staniforth, Lenore Curtis
02 63771101

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2012

Every Wednesday	Playgroup every Wednesday, 0-4 years in Heritage Hall from 9:30 – 11:30. All are welcome and there is no cost!
11 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
19 June	Wollombi Camp Day
20 & 21 June	Stage 3 Science Discovery Days
21 June	Athletics Carnival
25 June	NAIDOC Week
26 June	Warrae Wannu Official Launch
11 & 12 October	Stage 2 Excursion. <i>More details to come.</i>
26 October	School Fete

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Thanks to Mrs Rayner and the KRC for organising a great disco last week! We had a great night!