

Muswellbrook South Public School Newsletter

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TERM 3 WEEK 10

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This Week's PBL Focus: Creating "Just say OK!" posters for the competition

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we say farewell to two staff members who have shown tremendous commitment and dedication to Muswellbrook South. Miss Kristy McMillan has earned a promotion, through merit selection, as Assistant Principal at Weston Public School and will commence next term. Mr Matt Cox is changing career paths, moving into private industry, and will also commence next term. I cannot speak too highly of the skills that both these people have demonstrated and will contribute to their next career move. I know all of Muswellbrook South wish Miss McMillan and Mr Cox all the best for their respective futures.

Rewards afternoon will be held today for all those students who have demonstrated that they have been safe, respectful and responsible throughout the term.

The school disco is on tonight. Along with the disco, we are also hosting two parent workshops, the K-2 one starting at 5.00pm and finishing at 6.00pm and the Yr 3-6 workshop starting at 6.15pm and finishing at 7.15pm.

Why not drop your child off at the disco and come along to the library and get some great ideas on what we do in maths and how you can help your child at home.

I'd like to thank all students for their efforts during the term and parents for their ongoing support. I hope you have a safe and happy holiday.

School begins on Tuesday 8th October, for all students. There is no staff development day.

Yours in Education,
Karen Rayner
Relieving Principal

Assembly

This Friday 20th September, we will be having a whole school assembly. All parents, family members and friends are warmly invited to attend. The assembly commences at 9.45am in the hall. The assembly item will be performed by K/1C. Hall display is by 2/3C, Foyer display by 3/4H.

Farewell!!

A Message from Miss Mac

I would like to say a massive thank you to the staff, students and community of Muswellbrook South. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here, and take with me some fantastic experiences and memories. Farewell and best wishes to all.

A Message from Mr Cox

Thank you to everyone, best wishes to all students, parents and staff at MSPS. I will miss the school, staff and students. Farewell.

Excursion Payment Reminders

Just a reminder that all money for the Yr 6 Canberra excursion is to be paid by Thursday 19th September.

The second instalment of the Yr 5 Great Aussie Bush Camp of \$50 was due 6th September. Please pay this by Thursday 19th September.

Shoes and Jewellery

Please remember students are required to wear black leather shoes or white joggers with matching laces. Coloured laces are not permitted. Excessive jewellery is not considered part of MSPS uniform or for general presentation.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2014

If your child turns 5 before 31 July 2014 they are eligible for enrolment. Simply visit or phone school to register your child's name, date of birth and contact details. Our 6 week transition program will commence early Term 4. Please phone the school to register.

Canteen News

We would like to thank everyone that placed orders and purchased from the canteen on Friday. The K-2 Funday made the canteen have a very successful day.

To the volunteers that worked in the canteen we would like to thank you. It was a very busy day and you all did a great job.

So thanks go to Shellie Stewart, Odette Edwards, Alison Bradstreet, Rebecca Donaldson and Amanda Wright.

You all did an amazing job. Well done!

Thank you to teachers that helped give out paddlepops and parent lunches. It was truly appreciated.

This week we are out of stock of meat pies and popcorn chicken. Sorry.

Canteen Update

Earlier this term we sent out surveys that asked for information from parents about food choices in the canteen. Thank you to the parents that responded, your answers have been considered.

We also asked for volunteers in Term 3 & 4 and Term 1 next year. Another thank you to all the people that have volunteered their time to help out in the canteen. You have made the canteen opening of the canteen 5 days a week a reality.

Next Term we will have the canteen open every day, Monday to Friday. Congratulations.

Voluntary Full Time Canteen Supervisor

We also asked for applications for a Voluntary Full Time Canteen Supervisor.

We had several applications of a high standard.

The new Canteen Supervisors are Rebecca Donaldson and Kylie Cronly. They will both supervise the canteen in a joint role.

Congratulations to them both. Best wishes for a successful Term 4.

Term 4 will see a new canteen menu. This will be issued to all families this week. Canteen will be taking orders between 9am – 9.30am and will be open for Break 1 and Break 2 everyday.

Eftpos is now available for parents and teachers to utilise in the canteen. It is not for student use. Hoping that this creates a great new service.

School Banking

School Banking day is every Monday.

For every deposit a child makes they receive a token. They can collect these tokens to redeem prizes (money box, torch, handball, knuckle game or calculator).

P&C News

After having several requests P&C meetings next term will be held in the evening to accommodate parents that cannot make it to daytime meetings. We welcome all new members. Meetings will be hosted at 6.30pm every third Tuesday of the month. The venue is yet to be decided and will be advertised in the newsletter next term.

Please come along.

Uniform Shop News

Uniform shop will be open in Term 4 on Monday mornings and Friday mornings between 9am and 10am. New Supervisors are Shellie Stewart and Jane Whitehead. Thank you for taking on this role. We will have new summer stock shortly and will notify you in the next newsletter once it has arrived. We are taking orders now. You can get an order form from the office at anytime or from the uniform shop.

Old Uniforms - Year 6

We would appreciate any old uniforms that you may have at home. If you are leaving or have outgrown any uniforms, would you please consider donating these items back to the school for families in need, particularly trousers, shorts and tracksuit pants. If you have any items to donate please hand them into the school office. Thank you.

Majestic Cinema

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS are almost upon us and Majestic Cinemas Singleton once again has \$9.90 Movie Tickets available for families, on redemption of a voucher that was sent out last week.

There is a great holiday line up of films including-

- SMURFS 2
- PLANES
- TURBO
- ONE DIRECTION

If you did not receive a ticket voucher last week please contact the school office.

What's Happening in the Community?

2013 OCTOBER TENNIS CAMP

Conducted by Dean Trembath
Tennis coaching

Monday, Sept. 30th - coaching & match play

Tuesday, Oct. 1st - coaching & match play

Wednesday, Oct. 2nd - coaching & match play

Coaching: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

WHERE: Olympic Park Tennis Club Muswellbrook

COST : Coaching - \$50, or \$20 per day

Enquiries: Contact Dean on (mobile) 0412 735113

Or email dkahanut@gmail.com

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL
BEFORE SUNDAY September 29th

FREE TAFE Course

TAFE Outreach in partnership with Muswellbrook YMCA are running an Introduction to Fitness course on Fridays from 11am to 2 pm from 11 October to 29th November at the YMCA.

Course covers basic fitness testing including the BEEP test, learn about precautions to exercise, muscles and movement, stretching, learn how to construct circuit training plans, understand how to safely use gym equipment, do boxing and training with weights, learn about nutrition, calories, planning healthy meals and lots more! There is no TAFE enrolment fee.

For more information or to register for this course please CALL Annabelle at TAFE on 6542 1115

TAFE Outreach is running an introduction to basic welding course at Muswellbrook TAFE. The course will cover OHS principles with welding, basic welding skills, manual heating and thermal cutting processes and an introduction to Manual metal arc welding. The course will run on Mondays 5.30 pm to 9.30 pm from




14 October 2013 to 25 November 2013.

There is no TAFE enrolment fee however students will need their own welding kits and PPE.

For more information or to register for this course please call Annabelle at TAFE on 6542 1115.

St Alban's Spring Fair

The Anglican Parish of Muswellbrook will be holding their Spring Fair on Saturday 21st September in the grounds of the Church (just over the railway line) from 9am to 1.30pm. There will be children's entertainment including a Jumping Castle, Kindifarm petting zoo and face painting. There will be plenty of stalls to browse for mum and dad as well as coffee from Caffe Mobilita and a chocolate wheel running throughout the day packed full of awesome prizes. So if you are looking for something for the family to do on the first day of the school holidays come on down and have some fun at our Spring Fair. All money raised will be going towards fighting poverty and injustice at home and abroad.

Ability Links aims to assist people with disability to be valued and equal members of their communities and help build a society where people with disability enjoy inclusive lives in all spheres: community, public, private and social.

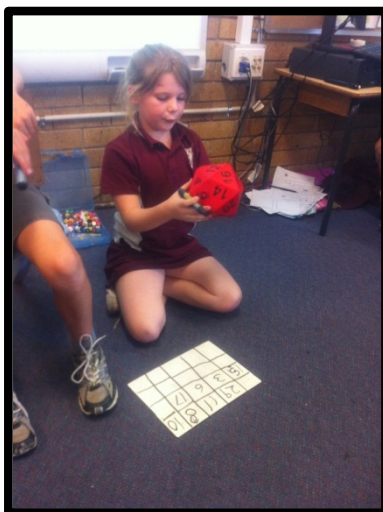
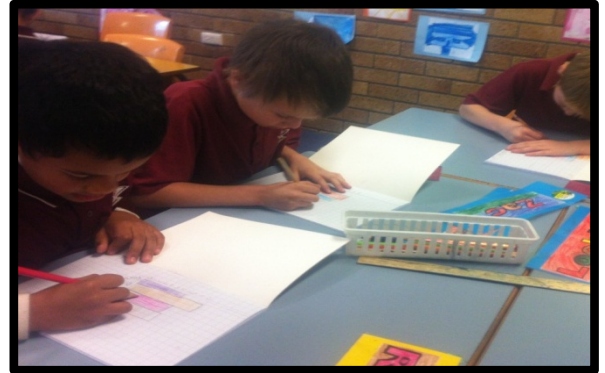
It is about building a person's informal networks to support them to achieve their goals and have their needs and interests met. It is also about promoting community inclusion and participation for people with disability, so that people with disability are able to access and participate in activities available to the general community.

Ability Links coordinators, known as Linkers, work with people with disability, their families and carers to plan for their future, and help people become more confident, supporting them to achieve their goals, break through barriers and access support and services in their community. Linkers also work alongside communities and mainstream services, supporting them to become more welcoming and inclusive to any person who would like to connect with their community.

Please phone Debbie Camps – Ability Links Coordinator Muswellbrook LGA to find out more 0428 169 248 or drop in at our office in the QE11 Building CNR's Bridge and Market Streets, Muswellbrook

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 2H?

The past two weeks have been very busy for 2H, from an excursion to Newcastle to Friday Fun Day. Here is a snapshot of what the past two weeks have looked like for 2H. One of our favourite numeracy activities is addition bingo where students work on improving and strengthening addition strategies. 2H has also been focusing on mass, as part of this we have been weighing, recording and measuring objects ranging from a stapler to a dictionary. Everyone in 2H would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday.



THANK YOU FOR MAKING FUN DAY A SUCCESS!

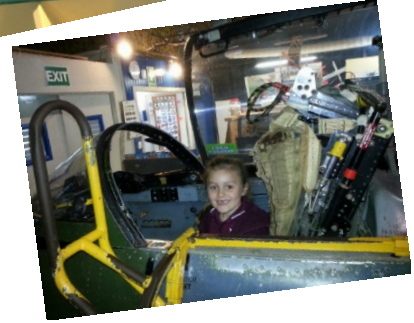
Kindergarten and Stage 1 students had a great day at their Fun Day. The weather was perfect and we had a wonderful turn out of parents, grandparents and friends who came to watch the children. Congratulations to all of the students who participated keenly in the activities. A special thank you goes to the wonderful parent helpers who assisted on the day with judging, marshalling and pinning on ribbons. We could not make the day such a success without your help. Thank you also to the parents who came along to watch and cheer on the children.

C. Avery





STAGE 1 TRANSPORT EXCURSION



BLOKES BBQ



DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2013

18 th September	Rewards Afternoon for students with no orange or red cards all of this term
18 th September	Parent Maths Workshop and Disco Infants 5-6pm, Primary 6:15pm-7:30pm (\$5 at door)
20 th September	Last day of Term 3
8 th October	Term 4 Starts for Teachers and Students
Term 4 10 th Oct	Songroom Garden Launch-Special Assembly

Have a safe and happy holiday!!