

# Muswellbrook South Public School Newsletter

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TERM 3 WEEK 8

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2013

**This Week's PBL Focus:** Use your words not physical actions, to solve problems

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to Elly-May T who will be representing the Hunter Region at the NSW Athletics Carnival in discus in October. What a wonderful achievement, we are all very proud of you Elly-May!

Our Blokes Breakfast is next Thursday morning 12<sup>th</sup> September with breakfast being served from 7.30 onwards. All dads, stepdads, grand dads and significant male members of households are invited to come along, have breakfast and enjoy some games on the oval.

Tomorrow our school is hosting a band workshop for students from the local schools in the area. Music teachers from the Conservatorium of Music will be teaching the students. We look forward to the concert that the students will be performing in the afternoon. Many thanks to Mrs Avery for organising this wonderful event

Yours in Education,  
**Karen Rayner**  
Relieving Principal

## Parents Corner

**Simple tips to encourage your child to become a strong reader and a book lover for the rest of their lives.**

### Share a book at home

Children love to hear a story read aloud. Try reading with different voices, lots of emotion, invented sound effects and funny faces. Change the tone in your voice and vary its loudness or softness. Have fun and enjoy it.

It's a good idea to practice reading before sharing a book. Listen to your child talk about the story and the pictures. Try asking your child which parts of the books they found exciting, funny or different.

Give your child the chance to choose a book to

read. Try reading to your child and, at other times, ask your child to join in reading the book.

Let your child hear how 'hill' and 'home' start with the same sound or how 'trouble' and 'bubble' rhyme.

### Research the internet

When kids use the internet they need skills and knowledge that are different from those found in books and other printed materials. These skills include such things as links, images, icons and searching.

The internet is a wonderful resource for finding things to support your child's literacy development. If you are searching for a good book to read to your child, try entering a publisher or an author's name into a reliable search engine such as [Google](http://www.google.com). Some reliable [publishers](#) include [Scholastic](#), [Penguin](#), [Allen & Unwin](#) and [Pan Macmillan](#). These publishers have their own databases that will allow you to preview recent releases, read sample extracts and covers and read brief overviews. You can also search for books at the [NSW Premier's Reading Challenge](#) or the [Children's Book Council of Australia](#).

## **K - 2 FUN DAY 2013**

The Kindergarten and Stage 1 Fun Day for children in Years K to 2 will be held in Week 9 on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September on the school oval from 9.45 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. The children will be involved in a march past, running and novelty races as well as participating in fun activities. The children will be placed in Sports Houses and encouraged to come dressed in the appropriate colours for their house on the day. Parents are invited to attend and join their child for lunch then afternoon tea after the activities.

C. Avery

## Assembly

This Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 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 SA. Hall Display by SI & SJ. Foyer Display by KG.

**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.

**Collecting students in the afternoon**

It would be appreciated if all parents could wait for their students in the infant's quad area of an afternoon after 3pm.

**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. See invitation attached.

**Canteen News**

In Term 4 if we get enough helpers we are looking at opening the canteen five days a week. If we can get one more helper on each of these days, our canteen will run successfully. Help will be required between 9.30am and 11.30am every school day; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. If you would like to help we would love you to come. Pop in and see us on Friday in the canteen and we will take down your details.

**Uniform Shop News**

We will have new uniform shop coordinator/s in Term 4. We would like to thank Anne & Kylie for their dedication. We have all appreciated the time spent on running the uniform shop.

The uniform shop will be open twice a week in these last weeks of Term 3. It will be open with limited stock available to purchase. On Tuesday mornings: 9.00am to 10am and Thursday afternoons: 2.45pm to 3.25pm.

Clothing orders will start to be taken for Kindergarten 2014 in Term 4 via order form sheets available from the office or at the uniform shop. Order forms are available to all parents of children in all school years.

**Fundraising Reminder**

Just a reminder that the Majestic Cinema Fundraising order forms and money were due back today. If you have forgotten to return them please do so tomorrow Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you  
P&C Committee

## What's Happening in the Community?

**Engaging Adolescents**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am – 2.00pm

Venue: QEII Building

CNR Market & Bridge St's Muswellbrook

Bookings Essential

Phone: 02 65423555

Email: [group@uhcs.org.au](mailto:group@uhcs.org.au)

**Muswellbrook Touch**

Junior Touch: The 2013-2014 Junior touch competition commences on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September at Olympic Park. Age divisions for both boys and girls are 6 years and under, 7-8 years, 9-10 years, 11-12 years, 13-14 years and 15-17 years.

Men's: The competition commences on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

For further information please contact Betty Nicol on 65432477 or Paul Benkovic on 0411278244.

**Quirindi Public School P&C Horse Sports Day**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Quirindi Showground

8am sharp gear check for 8.30am start

Ring Events – Rider, Hack, Pair of riders & Pleasure Hack

Champion & Reserve Rider Junior & Senior

Spring Events – Barrels, Bending, In & Out of the Paddock, Flag Race & Keyhole

Entry Fee \$20.00 per rider

Entries close 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2013

**GREAT PRIZES!!**

Canteen will be in operation from 7.30am

Free camping available

STRICTLY RUN UNDER PONY CLUB RULES

For more information contact

Simon Smith – 0428485355 or

Mary Frear - 0427912421

**Junior Cricket Registration**

Location: Victoria Park Muswellbrook

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2013

from 4.30pm to 6.00 pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2013

from 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2013

from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm

Costs:

Milo (formerly known as Kanga) \$60

U10 \$65

U12, U14, U16 \$75

Please note new players are required to bring their birth certificate

Many Thanks,

Annabelle McLoughlin

Secretary Muswellbrook Junior Cricket Club

**TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER**

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2014 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, the U.S.A, South America and Japan will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au), email [scceaustr@scce.com.au](mailto:scceaustr@scce.com.au) or call us toll free on **1800 500 501**, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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★ 2013 AGL ★

★ **Singleton Show** ★

★ Friday 27<sup>th</sup> & ★

★ Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September ★

★ [www.singletonshow.com](http://www.singletonshow.com) ★

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- BioDiversity Day** at Blue Gum Hills Regional Park  
 THURSDAY 26th September, 2013  
 10.00am-3.00pm  
 Blue Gum Hills Regional Park, Minmi
- Wetland on Wheels (live animals from the Wetland Centre)
  - NPWS Discovery Ranger Activities
  - Tree planting
  - Free BBQ lunch with Jesmond Lion's Club
  - Try orienteering with the Newcastle Orienteering Club
  - Coffee and Drinks from M & K Coffee
  - Passport activity for kids
  - Prizes to be won
  - Bush poetry with the Minmi Magster
  - Information stalls and activities from many Environmental Organisations

**Coolah Horse Sports**  
 The annual Coolah Horse Sport event is still on for ONE day only Friday 18th October 2013. Entry forms are available at the office. Entries are due back to Coolah Central School by end of term 20th September 2013.



**St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee Equestrian Day**  
 Mudgee Showground  
 Monday 14th October 2013 8.am Start

For Riders 8 Years and Over  
 All Entries Close 20th September 2013  
 Cost: \$25.00 Per Student  
 Entry forms are available at the office

Enquiries to: Andrew Mulligan 0428721861, Di Pearce 0418434855 or Barry Neaverson-Smith 63721742

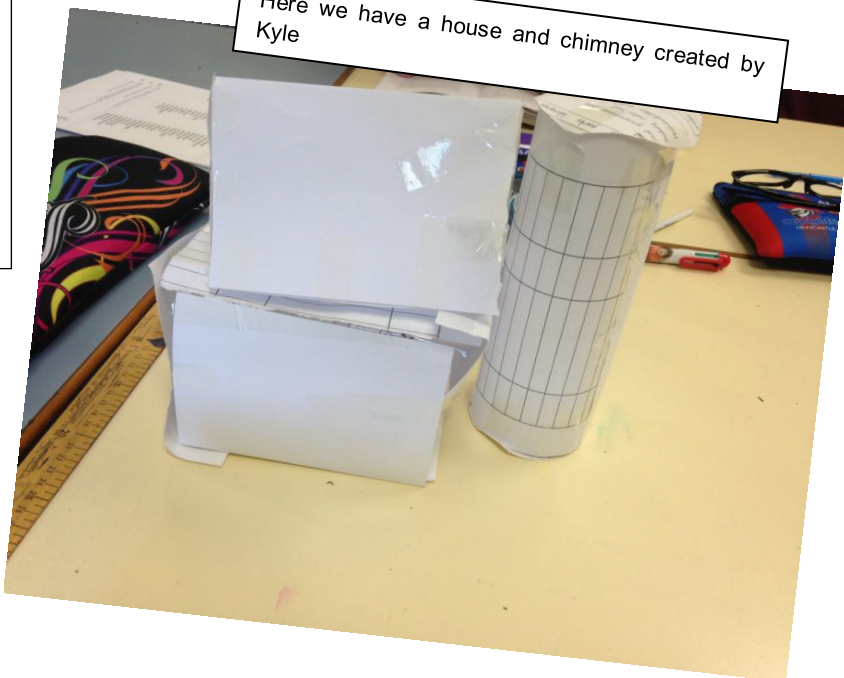
**FREE TAFE Course**  
 TAFE Outreach in partnership with Muswellbrook YMCA are running an Introduction to Fitness course on Fridays from 11am to 2 pm from 11 October to 29 November at the YMCA. Course covers basic fitness testing including the BEEP test, learn about precautions to exercise, muscles 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

**St Alban's Spring Fair**  
 The Anglican Parish of Muswellbrook will be holding their Spring Fair on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 6S?

Hello and welcome to the beautiful 6S classroom. This week we have been focussing on building and drawing three-dimensional shapes. Year 6 got the chance to work in groups to build any shape they liked and then they had to transfer their shape from real life into a drawing. They really enjoyed working together to create their designs and they also learnt a lot about three dimensional drawing. Well done Year 6!

Here we have a house and chimney created by Kyle



A cylinder created by Tanisha



A square based pyramid created by Aiden



# Westpac Helicopter Visit



South raised over \$300!!



Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service



# 2013 Staff Profile: Kristal Foot School Administration Support



Name: Kristal Foot  
Age: 29  
Star sign: Taurus  
Hometown: Muswellbrook  
Favourite food/drink: Steak sandwich  
Interests: Family & netball  
Skills: Being organised and love to cook

## DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2013

Every Wednesday	Playgroup every Wednesday, 0-4 years in Heritage Hall from 9:30-11:30. All are welcome and there is no cost!
Week 8	Band workshop
12 <sup>th</sup> September	Bloke's Breakfast-7:45am
13 <sup>th</sup> September	K-2 Fun Day
20 <sup>th</sup> September	Last day of Term 3
Term 4 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Songroom Garden Launch-Special Assembly



**K/1C Working as a team**