Muswellbrook South Public School Newsletter

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TERM 4 WEEK 9

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Farewell to Teachers

At the end of this year we are losing some of our fantastic teachers. We say farewell and good luck to Mrs Crooks, Mrs Herd, Mrs Tonon, Miss Watson and Mr Wild. We are grateful for their dedication to our students and wish them all the best for the challenges that await them in their new schools. **Reports**

Semester 2 reports will go home with students this Friday. Please take the time to have a conversation with your child about their report. Discuss areas of strength and future areas for growth. You might even start to set some goals for Term 1, 2020. If you have any questions about reports please see you child's teacher, they will be happy to go over reports in more detail.

Presentation Day

Our presentation day this Friday 13 December has two components:

• 9:45am - Kindergarten – Year 2

11:00am - Year 3 – Year 6

There will be a brief intermission between the two, so that students can move in and out of the hall. Parents are welcome to stay for one or both. Seating will be tight. Get there early to grab a good view.

Last Day of the Year

School finishes on Wednesday, 18 December (Only 5 schools days left. *Not that we're counting.*)

Glen Kite - Principal

2020 Return to School

Tuesday 28th January 2020 - Staff Development Day (office only open).

Tuesday 28th January 2020 – Special Uniform Shop opening time from 10am to 2pm then normal 9am to 10am operating hours for the remainder of the week.

Wednesday 29th January 2020 – Students in Grades 1 to 6 return to school.

Thursday 30th January 2020 – Kindergarten students start school. A letter will be posted to all Kindergarten students advising their starting time. EMAIL: muswellbrs-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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INVITATION

You are warmly invited to attend this year's Muswellbrook South Public School

Presentation Day

Friday 13th December 2019

To accommodate the growth of our school, our presentation celebrations will be split into two ceremonies.

Infants (K-2) ceremony will commence at 9:45am Primary (Grades 3-6) ceremony will commence at approximately 11am.

K-6 class awards will be presented as well as special awards and the induction of the new school leaders for 2020.

Our choir and band will also be performing for us.

Come and celebrate our success and share in this special end of year event.

All students are expected to wear full summer school uniform with the correct shoes.

SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT JANUARY 2020

If any student will be on holidays and not attending school at the beginning of Term 1 2020, please provide written documentation addressed to Mr Kite and hand in at the school office before the end of Term 4, 2019. Thank you.

In planning for 2020 classes, we ask that any families who won't be returning in 2020 please notify the office as soon as possible. If you know of any new families who may be considering MSPS in 2020, please ask them to

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WARRAE WANNI

Mrs Watson, Jeanine and Suellen would like to thank all our Warrae Wanni families for all their support throughout the year. We wish you all a wonderful Christmas & look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

PJ says . . . "Integrity is doing the right thing when no one is watching".



Attendance Hero

Each week we like to acknowledge those students who come to school each day, ready to learn, by awarding students as 'Attendance Heroes'. These lucky students receive a lunch order to the value of \$5 to be used during the week.

To be an Attendance Hero and get your name in the draw, you must be





n-time!

Ready



(Please note if your child is sick, please do not send your child to school, as it may cause others to be unwell).

Congratulations to the Term 4 Week 8 Attendance Heroes pictured below.

Infants –

Levi P of KRED, Laura C of 2GREEN, Lauren G of KBLUE and Dominic B of KBLUE.



<u> Primary</u> –

Hannah B of 3/4YELLOW and Tayah G of 3/4YELLOW.





Our Sports Presentation was held last Friday. Congratulations to all the award recipients and thank you to all family members and friends who attended.

The Sports House Captains for 2020 were announced and a family member/friend had the honour of pinning the house badges on the new house leaders.

We had the privilege of Muswellbrook born, National Age Swimming Champion Joseph Hamson attend as special guest speaker. Joseph is 16 years old and the youngest child of Mrs Hamson who works at our school and he currently goes to boarding school in Sydney.

Taj our School Prefect held a short interview with Joseph and found out why he become involved with swimming, what he likes and dislikes about swimming, how often he trains and that his deram is to one day represent Australia at The Olympics or Commonwealth Games.

Thank you very much for attending Joseph.



Taj McCabe Hamilton and special guest speaker Joseph Hamson



Swimming Age Champions



Cross Country Age Champions



Athletics Age Champions



Edinglassie House Captains, Alysha and Marcus, accepted the Kel Adams trophy for swimming, Kel Adams trophy for athletics, Cross Country Ford trophy for Cross Country and the Patrons Shield for overall winning house. Well done Edinglassie!



Premier's Sporting Challenge medallion winner - Tayte Gillan



Smith Family Sporting Spirit Award - Emma Benge





Barnes Family Trophy for Rugby League - Mitchell Moss & Bailey Chick



Day View Club Outstanding Achievement in Sport -Declan Dolbel



- Mia Hendy



Coaches award for boys Touch Football - Ryan Brown



League - Jordan Thrift



Coaches award for girls Soccer Coaches award for boys Soccer - Taj McCabe Hamilton



Coaches award for girls Touch Football



Coaches award for Senior Rugby Coaches award for Junior Rugby League - Jackson Foot



Kerle Family Sportsmanship Award -- Indy Baggott

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Coaches award for girls Rugby League – Drewcilla Squires



Coaches award for Netball – Koia Rata-Waipouri



Coaches award for girls League Tag – Aurelia Russo



Coaches award for Cricket Harrison Foot

2020 Sports House Captains



Skellatar Ryan (VC), Mitchell (C)



Balmoral Wayde (C), Letisha (VC)



Gyarran Reagan (VC), Dax (C)



Edinglassie Reagan (VC), Rylee (C)

SAVE THE DATE

Muswellbrook South Public School

2020 Swimming Carnival

Date: Thursday 6th February 2020 Time: 9.25am assemble at school approx. 10am start at pool

Venue: Muswellbrook Pool

Cost: To be advised

Who: Children turning 8 years or older during 2020 who are confident swimmers able to swim at least 25metres and enter from the deep end.

Permission notes will be sent home next year.





Wellbeing Challenge #9

Be kind and perform a random act of kindness for someone this Christmas.

Random Acts of Kindness

Ideas

1. Post positive notes around your community.

 Randomly pick a small business/lesser known author & leave a positive review.
Choose a friend and

3. Choose a friend and celebrate them for the whole day, kinda like a birthday but random.

4. Help buy a disadvantaged kid school supplies.

5. Give a compliment to as many people as you can.

6. Start a game night for friends or for coworkers you'd like to get to know.

7. Carry around loose change and put it in tip jars.

8. Use sidewalk chalk to write out positive messages.

 9. Send letters with tons of stickers and colors to the kids in your life.
10. Buy a gift for a child who is in foster care.
11. Put (or leave) change

in the vending machine.

12. Connect a charity to your Amazon account.

13. See if your local homeless shelters have Amazon wishlists where you can send essentials.

14. Let someone go ahead of you while you're waiting in line.

15. Collect litter that you see on the ground when you're out and about.

BlessingManifesting

VISIBLE WELLBEING AND POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Muswellbrook South are excited about our Random Acts of Kindness weeks! What are random acts of kindness? A Random Act of Kindness is a selfless **act** performed by kind people to either help or cheer up a **random** stranger, for no reason other than to make people happier. South will be snapping shots of our amazing children performing random acts of kindness over the coming weeks, so keep an eye on our Facebook page! Here are some ideas for you and your family!



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRS

On the down low with Mrs Dowdell

Motor skills are movements and actions of the bone structures. Typically, they are broken into two groups: gross motor skills and fine motor skills. Gross motor skills are involved in movement and coordination of the arms, leas, and other large body parts. Fine motor skills are involved in smaller movements that occur in the wrists, hands, fingers, feet and toes. These two motor skills work together to provide coordination. Here are some fun fine motor skills to do with your family!

> Colouring, drawing, Lego, playdough, cutting, and puzzle activities all help develop fine motor skills.



MSPS Dates for the Diary – Term 4 2019

weeks	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Dec Wk9	9	10	11	12	13 Presentation Day K-2 9.45am 3-6 11am
^{Dec} Wk10	16 End of Year Celebration	17 Honour Award lunch	18 Last day for students	19 SDD	20 SDD

2020 IMPORTANT DATES

Staff Development Day – Tuesday 28th January 2020 2020 Grade 1 to 6 students return Wednesday 29th January 2020 2020 Kindergarten students start on Thursday 30th January 2020



Celebration of Learning Day

Dear Parents and carers

We will be holding our Celebration of Learning Day on **Monday 16th December** between 10.00am and 2.00pm. This year our celebration day is going to be a real SPLASH. There is NO cost involved and this day is an out of school uniform day. Students will need to bring a towel and swimming clothes as it involves water activities.

Mrs Felan

Year 6 Classroom Teacher

SRC Coordinator



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MSPS Band

Nutrition Snippet

We currently have several positions available in the school band for 2020. Music lessons are run during school time by the Upper Hunter



Conservatorium of Music. Band is held before school on Thursday mornings each week as well as some Thursday afternoons during the afternoon session.

We have Trumpets, Clarinets, Saxophones and flutes for hire \$35 per term plus a one-off bond fee. We have places for Trumpet, Saxophone, Flute, and Clarinet.

Some lesson scholarships are available. If your child is interested in joining please return the slip below to Mrs Tonon and a pack will be sent home. Name: _____

Class:

Preferred Instrument:

Parent Name: _____

Parent contact phone number:

Parent email:

Chicken and couscous salad

Cancer Council

Healthy Lunch Box

A yoghurt tub

This bright and colourful

lunch box is

off all 5 food

groups. It

includes:

Christmas themed

delicious and ticks

- Diced watermelon
- Cucumber and cherry tomatoes
- No bake cookies
- Water

For more recipes, ideas and lunch box inspiration visit <u>healthylunchbox.com.au</u>

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The simplest way

... to pack a Christmas lunch box.