



Macquarie Fields Public School

Newsletter

Term 3 Week 8

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6/9/17

Parent Café:

Visiting 3 –6 classrooms
Kindy Start - Session 4
Stage 2 Assembly

1/9/17 - 30/9/17

Fruit and Vege Month

Every Monday

Free homework help at
Homework Club
at Mallee Rose Cottage

Every Wednesday

9 to 10am Parent Café
10am to 12pm Playgroup

MFPS Breaking News....

Tournament of the Mind Team Makes us proud...

On Saturday, 26th August, our team of 9 stars went along to the Western Sydney University Bankstown Campus to compete in the Tournament of the Minds. Thank you to Mrs Gilyatt for your support and guidance.



Ambassadors come together from local schools to share ideas.

Our Ambassador, Bianca, is trying to encourage us to include more vegetables and fruit in our day. This ties in nicely with the month of September; Fruit & Vege Month. How many serves of fruit and vegetables are you eating every day? Don't forget to pack your crunch (fruit/vege) and sip for school each day!



What's On in Term 3?

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4.9.17 <i>Homework Club</i>	5.9.17	6.9.17 <i>Parent Café: Visiting Yrs 3 –6 classrooms</i> <i>Playgroup (Hall)</i> <i>9-11am KindyStart Sess 4</i> <i>Stage 2 Assembly</i>	7.9.17 <i>Yr 1/2 Assembly</i>	8.9.17
11.9.17 <i>Homework Club</i>	12.9.17 <i>In School Disco: Kindergarten</i>	13.9.17 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup (Hall)</i> <i>9-11am KindyStart Sess 5</i> <i>Stage 2 Assembly</i> <i>SSW Athletics Carnival</i> <i>In School Disco: Stage 1</i>	14.9.17 <i>Kinder Assembly</i> <i>In School Disco: Stage 2</i>	15.9.17 <i>In School Disco: Stage 3</i>
18.9.17 <i>Homework Club</i>	19.9.17 <i>Sports Group Photos</i>	20.9.17 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup (Hall)</i> <i>S3 Assembly</i> <i>9-11am KindyStart Sess 6</i>	21.9.17 MINI FETE 11am—3pm	22.9.17 End of Term 3 <i>September School Holidays begin</i>
9.10.17 Students and staff return to school	10.10.17	11.10.17 <i>Parent Café: (Staffroom)</i> <i>Playgroup (Hall)</i> <i>9-11am KindyStart Sess 7</i>	12.10.17	13.10.17

Principal's Report

I hope all of our dads had a wonderful Father's Day yesterday!

Please ensure that you have labelled your child's clothing to enable it to be easily returned when it is lost.

Congratulations on the wonderful behaviour of Stage 2 students who attended the Berry Camp in Week 6.

Look out for the raffle tickets being sold in the morning. You could win a signed footy jersey a vacuum cleaner or outdoor electric mini vac. Prizes will be drawn at Mini Fete on the 21st of September.

Congratulations on 6 Fuji students who went on an excursion to a Vietnamese restaurant in Cabramatta last Wednesday. This excursion was completely paid for with the proceeds from their shop. A report will be following in the next newsletter.

Year 6 enjoyed their visit to experience what high school is like when they participated in 'Hands On' High School at Macquarie Fields High School last week.

I encourage any interested parents to attend the Parent Café this Wednesday from 9:15 to 10:15am where they will be visiting Years 3 to 6 classrooms.

Congratulations to all of the students who competed at the Zone Athletics Carnival last Tuesday and Wednesday. We have a number of MFPS students going to the next level to represent the region including; Esther, Priscilla, Fontayne (see photo) and Genevieve (who broke an U10 Discus record) as well as a number of our relay teams. We wish them all the very best.

Kerrie Hayman



Rule of the Week: Be Kind!

Congratulations to the playground canteen voucher winners. Teachers are looking out for students who are being kind in the playground and classroom.

Think about what you can do in the classroom, in the playground and at home to show kindness to others.



Kindness is the language which
the deaf can hear and the blind
can see.

Mark Twain

*Look at the wonderful
'Tree of Kindness'
created in 1 Symbio
with Miss Chiew. The
children in 1 Symbio
write kind messages to
each other on the
leaves of the tree.*

NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test is still going on this week; Monday through to Wednesday. Just a reminder to parents that no student reports will be generated from this testing as it is only a trial of the new, online format.

Wakakirri News. . .

Mr Anoulack Chanthivong MP, State Member for Macquarie Fields, will be attending the Macquarie Fields Public School assembly on Wednesday 6 September at 8:55am to present a certificate in acknowledgement of the school's participation and results in the 2017 Wakakirri.

News from the Canteen . . .

Below is a chicken and salad wrap being prepared for a lunch order, These are freshly made to order wraps and the chicken is cooked onsite fresh, and not frozen.



Woolworths Earn and Learn

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program began last Wednesday. It gives primary schools, the chance to earn amazing school resources.

Sticker Sheets are available from Woolworths or the school office.

Once you have complete a full sheet of stickers pop them into the barrel located in the school office.

Save the date for Mini Fete: Thurs, 21st Sept

Start saving your pocket money now.

Raffle tickets are being sold every morning **\$2.00 a ticket.**

First prize = Signed Wests Jersey

Second Prize = A wash and dry vacuum

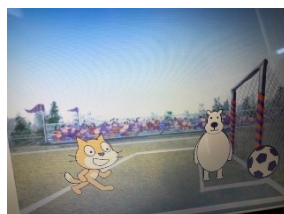
Third Prize = An electric mini vacuum



Library News - Coding!

The ability to code computer programs is an important part of literacy in today's society. When people learn to code in Scratch, they learn important strategies for solving problems, designing projects, and communicating ideas. With Scratch, you can program your own interactive stories, games, and animations. Scratch helps young people learn to think creatively, reason systematically, and work collaboratively — essential skills for life in the 21st century.

Classes have been learning how to use different coding programs such as Scratch2 and Code.org in the Library. Students are enjoying creating movable scenes and stories in scratch2. Below are some of the items students have created.



We had a very special visitor in the library last week. The students enjoyed patting and feeling how soft the rabbit's fur was. Sassy the bunny was very exhausted from her day at school and slept well that night.

New book in the Library! Lion: A Long Way Home. This is the true story of Saroo Brierley and how he became lost on a train in India at age 5! Can you imagine being lost and not finding your way home again? This is a great read!

Library Team



Having fun with Mrs Hession!

In
3
Italy

Fun!

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Fun!



Stage 2 Camp to Berry

95 students from Year 3 and 4 went to Berry Sport and Recreation Centre for a 3 day - two night camp in Week 6. Two buses left MFPS at 9am and we arrived in Berry at 10.30am. Luckily no one was sick on the bus and we enjoyed our bus trip especially the views of the water as we passed Wollongong and Kiama. On arrival, we were introduced to our group leaders and had a delicious lunch. There was a huge area for free play and lots and lots of equipment, including a basketball court, tennis court and ping pong table. Over the three days, we participated in activities such as archery, the dark maze, indoor vertical challenge, cable glide and cook out, where we built a fire and cooked damper. Everyone had a fantastic time and we were very lucky with the amazing weather. All of the group leaders commented on our outstanding behaviour and willingness to participate in activities even if they were outside our comfort zones. The cooperation, team work and problem solving skills, while participating in the activities, amazed everyone. We could not be prouder of the students who attended the Stage 2 Berry Camp.



Indoor vertical challenge



Cable glide/ zip line



Giant swing



Night games



Archery

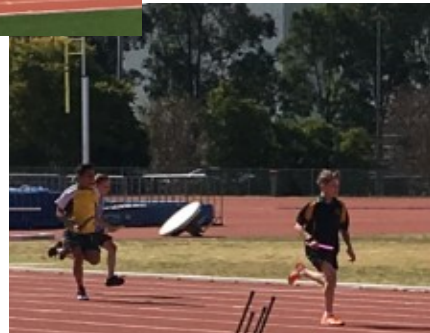


Cook out

News from the Zone Athletics ...



**Run..
Jump..
Throw**



Disco Fever is in the Air ...

School Disco's happening next week. Come in your best disco gear on your disco day. Money raised will go to Year 6 Fundraising.

Cost: \$2.00. Time: Recess

Day: Tuesday, Wk9: Kindergarten

Wednesday, Wk9: Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2)

Thursday, Wk9: Stage 2 (Year 3 and 4)

Friday, Wk9: Stage 3 (Year 5 and 6)



CASULA POWERHOUSE ARTS CENTRE



SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

We have a wonderful range of activities that are sure to engage the creative minds of our young audiences during the Spring School Holidays.

WWW.CASULAPOWERHOUSE.COM

OPEN 10AM – 5PM DAILY

SYO's Music, Fun and Learning Program

27 - 29 September | 10.30am

\$60 per day (all materials included)

SYO's Music Fun and Learning Week will provide a combination of structured active learning activities and music games to cater for all primary school age children. Young people who already have musical skills and are learning an instrument will be directed into a level of activity where they can explore and expand their skills, and those with no prior instrumental experience will be guided through fun music craft and interactive music learning games.



Material Minds

26 September | 10.30am (age 9 - 12) & 1.30pm (age 13 - 16)

\$15 (inclusive)

Join Anna Kuroda in unique multi-disciplinary workshop about language, both written and physical. You will be invited to choose a single Japanese character from a selection and in turn, learn its meaning. You'll then be instructed in the use of the fude, the traditional Japanese calligraphy brush, and draw the character onto traditional Japanese tissue 'washi' paper. This will then lead into you participating in a meditative dance workshop in which your body creates the movements of the brushstrokes of each Japanese character selected.



The Never-Ending Storybook workshop with Rhonda Dee

27 September | 10.30am | Ages 8 - 10

\$80 (inclusive)

Puppet Insanity with Drew Wilson and Matriak Theatre Co

4 - 6 October | 10.30am | Ages 10 - 12

\$240 (inclusive)

FREE Homework Club

at Mallee Rose Cottage
6 Mallee Place Macquarie Fields

Every Monday
Term 3 2017

August: 14th, 21st, 28th

September: 4th, 11th, 18th

Time: 3:30pm - 5:00pm



The ADRA Community Centre is teaming up with Macquarie Fields Public School to deliver Homework Club for Primary School students aged 5-12 at Mallee Rose Cottage.

Call us on 9829 6701 to find out how your child can be involved!