Muswellbrook South Public School Newsletter
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TERM 2 WEEK 5

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PBL Focus: ‘We are here to learn’

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

This week we are acknowledging Reconciliation Week, as outlined in last week’s newsletter. Parents are welcome to attend our Friday assembly where we will recognise this important week in the Indigenous calendar. The theme this year is ‘Lets Walk the Talk,’ which focuses on turning past conversations into actions. Reconciliation Week is also about bringing people together and celebrating our diversity as a nation. All classes will be decorating some feet and adding reconciliation messages during the week.

On Monday all the school was entertained by Sean Choolburra an accomplished Aboriginal dancer, musician and storyteller. It was a great way to begin our Reconciliation Week journey. The Aboriginal Dance group and school leaders represented the school at the flag raising ceremony at Simpson park today.

This week we are beginning “South Spot Rewards” which will be an ‘on the spot’ reward for those many wonderful students who have been doing the right thing both in the classroom and the playground during the week. We are always keen to recognise those students who work hard to uphold our values of being safe, respectful and responsible.

Yours in Education

Karen Rayner
Relieving Principal

Quote of the Week:
Education comes from within; you get it by struggle and effort and thought.

Assembly
This Friday 30th May, 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 school hall. The assembly item this week is by 3/4K. Hall display is by 3/4D, and foyer display by 5/6C.

Australian Soundscape Performance
Next Monday 2nd June we are having a performance by internationally acclaimed performer Colin Offord, who will be presenting “Australian Soundscape”. Colin performs his music on a unique range of hand-made, invented instruments. This concert will involve performance, explanation, and lots of hands on participation for our students. Cost is $5 per student and is only open to the first 100 students who bring their note and money in. Please complete attached note and return with payment asap.

NUMBERS ARE FILLING FAST!!

Helpers Needed!!

Mrs Winning is requiring parents/carers to volunteer some of their time to help out at the Athletics Carnival which will be held on Friday 20th June. If you are able to assist please fill out the slip below and return to Mrs Winning.

Parent’s Name _____________________________ Child’s Name _________________________
I am available to help all day in the morning in the afternoon (please circle)
Canteen News

**REMINDER** School canteen is open Monday, Thursday and Friday’s from 9am to 2pm and is **closed Tuesday’s and Wednesday’s**. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Meal deal winner:
Paige M from 2S.

Thank you to this week’s volunteers; Kelly, Colleen, Vanessa and Emma.

Canteen Roster
Thursday 29.05.14 Bec and Vanessa
Friday 30.05.14 Bec, Mel, Vanessa, xxxx
Monday 02.06.14 Bec, xxxx
Tuesday 03.06.14 Closed
Wednesday 04.06.14 Closed
Thursday 05.06.14 Bec, Colleen, Vanessa and Emma
Friday 06.06.14 Bec, Colleen, Mel, Vanessa.

Monday 09.06.14 Bec, xxxx.
Tuesday 10.06.14 Closed
Wednesday 11.06.14 Closed
Thursday 12.06.14 Bec, Vanessa
Friday 13.06.14 Bec, Mel, xxxx, xxxx.

XXXX indicates we need volunteers. Please drop in and see Bec or give a call on 0478153174.

Snax Fundraiser
There are still a couple of families who have not collected their Snax lolly orders. Please collect from the front office ASAP.

Uniform Shop
The uniform shop will be **CLOSED** this **FRIDAY 30th May 2014** due to work commitments. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

**NEW OPENING HOURS**
The uniform shop will now be open from 9am to 10am on **MONDAYS and TUESDAYS**.

We are fully stocked for all your uniform requirements.

Reminder - Polo shirts, hats, jumpers and micro-fibre jackets are available to purchase from the school canteen during their operating hours.

If you are unable to come during uniform shop hours, order forms are available in the school office for your convenience. A form can be sent home with your child with which you can fill out your order requirements and then returned to the office. The order will then be completed and we can inform you when it is ready to be picked up.

Volunteers – If you are able to help for an hour on Mondays or Tuesdays please see Shellie in the uniform shop.

Payment can be made by cash, eftpos, or cheque.
Lay-by/payment plan also available.

Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
School photographs have been distributed by class teachers. There are still a couple of families who need to collect their family photograph from the school front office.

# PLEASE BE ADVISED #

There has been an outbreak of headlice throughout the school.
We would appreciate all parents to check their children’s hair and treat them and any siblings, if necessary.
Carinya Christian School - Horse Sports Day
Is being held on Friday 22nd August 2014 at
Kootingal & District Pony Club Grounds, Gaol
Creek, Moonbi. Commencing at 8am.
$20.00 per rider. Entries close 15th August 2014.
All enquiries to secretarykdpc@gmail.com or see
our school front office.

Millfield Public School – Horse Sports Day
Millfield is hosting a School Horse Sports at the
Cessnock Showground on 20th June.
We have entry forms at our school office.

Belltrees Public Schools - Horse Sports Day
Belltrees Public School will be hosting the
Belltrees School Horse Sports Day. The event will
be held on Friday 24th October 2014, from 8am, at
the Moonan Flat Recreational Grounds.
Information and entry requirement forms are
available from our school office.
Entries close Friday 8th September 2014.

Aberdeen Public School Inaugural Horse
Sports Day
Friday 29th August 2014 commencing at 8.00am
at St Andrews Reserve Aberdeen. Please send an
email to www.aberdeen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
or see our front office to register your interest and
receive further information.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2014**

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<td>Playgroup every Wednesday, 0-4 years in Heritage Hall from 9:30-11:30. All are welcome and there is no cost!</td>
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Tissues for classrooms
As we are approaching the winter months when colds and flu will be around we ask if parents could please provide a box of tissues for their child/ren classrooms. Thank you.
Colin Offord presents

AUSTRALIAN SOUNDSCAPE

Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} June – Open to first 100 students!

I give permission for my son/daughter............................................. of
class........................................... to attend the Australian Soundscape performance.

\begin{itemize}
\item I have enclosed $5.00 as payment for this concert.
\end{itemize}

I understand that the first 100 students to return their money will attend the concert.

Signed............................................
3/4B News!

Term 2 in 3/4B has been both busy and exciting!

We’ve had a busy start to the term with our Year 3 students completing NAPLAN. Congratulations to all of these students! You have tried very hard.

With Term 2 being so short, we have lots to fit in. In English we have been looking at recounts and character descriptions. Miss Elliott has been doing some fantastic hands on work with magnets for Science and Technology and we have been learning about the British colonisation of Australia in HSIE. All of these units have allowed us to create some lovely artworks for our room.

In the past 2 weeks, we have had 2 new students come into our class. Welcome to Ta-Leah and Michael!

Our classroom is looking wonderful at the moment with lots of colourful artwork that highlights the topics we are covering. Hopefully you can pop in before the end of term to check it out!