Dear Parents

Welcome back to term 3, I hope all our students and their families were able to enjoy some family time as well as a chance to relax and recharge the batteries.

This term promises to hold lots of exciting learning opportunities for our students, as well as sporting and cultural activities.

Over the next few weeks classroom teachers will be holding parent/teacher interviews. These interviews are a great way to find out about your child’s progress to date and for you to raise any questions or concerns that you may have. Your child/children will receive a note with all relevant information this week.

Week 3 – is Education week. We are inviting all parents and friends to two events during that week. On Monday 28th July we will be holding an Education Week assembly where special awards will be made to students who have upheld our school values and we will also be showcasing the talents of some student groups at our school. On Wednesday 30th July at 10.30am everyone is invited into our classrooms to celebrate their student’s successes in Semester One and to join in some classroom activities. The morning will conclude at 11.15 with tea and coffee being served.

Change of day for Whole School Assemblies.

This term we have moved our school assemblies to Monday afternoons, commencing at 2.15. We are hoping that this time will enable as many parents as possible to attend.

We look forward to seeing you at these events.

Uniform Policy

MSPS uniform policy states that body and facial jewellery/piercings, for example nose piercings and eyebrow rings are not permitted to be worn at our school. Any piercings need to be covered or taken out for school. We would appreciate your support in this matter.

Yours in Education
Karen Rayner
Relieving Principal

An important notice for Students travelling on Bus 2.

From yesterday the Wollombi Road bus that also stops at MOOSH, Lorne Street, Tindale Street, Anzac Parade, Tobruk Avenue, Sydney Street and Wollombi Road will pick up our students from school at 3.30pm each afternoon. Students will be arriving home approximately 15 to 20 minutes earlier. This will be of benefit to these students as they will no longer have to wait after school in the cola or classroom for the bus and they will arrive home at a more convenient time.

Canteen News

The canteen will be closed this week. We are sorry for any inconvenience.
DON’T MISS OUT!

See cool experiments that shatter, blast, fizz, pop & even change colour!

the jolly bops’

“Flight, Sound & Fire” SCIENCE SHOWS ARE COMING TO MSPS ON TUESDAY 22ND JULY (week 2 term 3) $3 PER STUDENT (NORMAL PRICE $5)

Uniform shop news
OPENING HOURS
The uniform shop will now be open from 9am to 10am on MONDAYS and FRIDAYS.

AVAILABLE NOW!!
Library Bag - Maroon
Waterproof Oxford Polyester
Reinforced Carry Handles Flaps with Velcro Top
Stitched Edge
ID Tag Outside Name Tag Inside Length 27cm Width 38cm
Payment can be made by cash, eftpos, or cheque
Lay-by/payment plan also available.

Thank you for all your support.

P & C News

The next P and C Meeting will be on Tuesday 19th August at 1.30pm in Heritage Hall. Hope to see you all there.

During the holidays we held a B.B.Q at Bunnings in Singleton. Thank you to Muswellbrook United and Coles Muswellbrook for their support with purchases for this event.
**U.H.TAFE Outreach**

U.H.TAFE Outreach is delivering an Introduction to Retail Course at Muswellbrook TAFE. This course will include students being enrolled in 2 subjects that focus specifically on retail – interact with costumers and work effectively in a customer service environment. This will be held on Mondays 9.30am to 1.30pm starting on the 18th August and finishes on the 3rd November at Muswellbrook TAFE. There is NO TAFE enrolment fee. Please phone 65421115 if interested.

**Give Blood**

The Mobile Blood Service is visiting Muswellbrook PCYC on
- Monday 28 July from 1.30pm – 7pm
- Tuesday 29 July 9am – 3pm
- Wednesday 30 July – 1.30pm – 7pm
- Thursday 31 July – 9am – 3pm

**Drink up** have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

**Eat** have a good sized breakfast or lunch

**Please bring photo I.D. with you**

Call 139596 or visit donateblood.com.au

**St James Catholic Parish Muswellbrook**

**Sacraments Of Initiation 2014**

Preparation for Reconciliation and the Sacraments of Initiation will begin on Sunday mornings immediately following the 10am Mass.

There will be an information night for parents on Wednesday 23 July at 7pm in the CUSA Rooms. This session will include information on the structure of the preparation sessions, attendance, dates, cost and an opportunity to have any questions answered. If your child is in Year 3 or older and has not yet received these Sacraments, we encourage you at attend this information session.

The first preparation session, which will be for Reconciliation, will be held on Sunday 27th July and continue each week from there.

Further information contact Kim or Michele on 65431167 between 9.15am and 3.30pm Tuesday to Friday.

**Please Note Change Of Date**

Quirindi Public School P and C Horsesports will be held on Monday 13th October at 8am sharp.

Contact Simon 0428485355

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