



MPE NEWS

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A picture says a thousand words.....



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term: 3 Week: 10

Thursday
27 September 2018

What's On

Wednesday 17 October

StoryFactory Workshop

Friday 19 October

PSSA

Wednesday 24 October

Kindy Orientation

Friday 26 October

PSSA

Wednesday 31 October

Maths Fun Day

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WRAP UP OF THE TERM!!!

What an amazing term it has been!! We had Stage 3 Aussie Bush Camp, Education Week, K-2 Sydney Aquarium, Athletics Carnival, Book Character Parade and Book Fair, 3 Way Conferences, NRMA Road Safety Show, Aboriginal Incursion, Premier's Spelling Bee Challenge, Living Eggs, Dancesport and LAaFF!! As a principal I have been very proud of my students and all their accomplishments. It's hard to believe we only have another ten weeks and this year will be over!!!

STAFF UPDATE!!!

We welcome back Mrs Chrissy Ghassibe, she has returned from maternity leave and will be in our school from Monday to Thursday. it is so good to have her back!!

We would like to wish Mrs Christina William (Messiha) all the best

whilst she is awaiting the arrival of her little boy!! She will start Maternity Leave this week!!

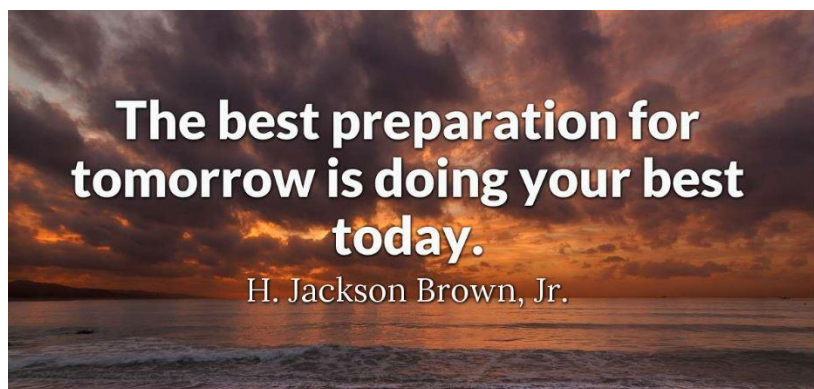
COULD WE PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACTS!!!

Please, if you or the people listed on your emergency contacts for your children have changed their MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS I ask you come to the office, ring or email the school to update them. Please consider the importance of this as it is most distressing for your children when you are uncontactable and your child is either injured or has not been picked up at school.

SAVE THE DATE !!!

We will be having Grandparents' Day Week 4 **Wednesday 7th November**. Look out for further information in next terms newsletters.

Quote of the Week-



Teresa Gosche
Principal

PSSA

Dear parents, carers and our MPE Community,

We have kicked off Season Three of PSSA with Round 1 last week. Students had a great time and represented our school with pride! Keep up the sportsmanship MPE!

Here are the results:

PSSA	MPE V TEAM	Most Valuable Player	Junior	Senior
Boys Cricket Mr Clark		Junior: Lio	58 - 48	47 - 3
		Senior: Ali		
Girls Softball Ms Shankar	Greenway Park PS	Junior: Aya	4-3	2-10
		Senior: Loloma		

Just a reminder of where our students will be playing, if you would like to support them by cheering them on!

Boys Crickets	Schell Park
Girls Softball	Greenway Parks Reserve

A big thank you to Mr Clarke for his support with driving us to our sports venues!

Ms Shankar
Sports Coordinator

K-2 News

Wow!!! This term has gone by so quickly! K-2 have done so much learning and have had such an exciting term. This term has been a great term full of learning and K-2 have had many great experiences, such as our visit to Sydney SeaLife Aquarium where we were able to see a variety of aquatic animals in their environment and learn about their life cycles, The Police Talk where we learnt how the police are our friends, NRMA visit where we learnt about the importance of wearing seatbelts in the car and road safety, The Book Character Parade where we were able to show



off to our parents our wonderful learning in our classes, LAaFF to showcase our amazing dance skills, and Living Eggs where we got first hand practical experience in the life cycle of chickens and how to look after chicks.

K-2 have been learning about 'Living Things' and we have been researching about different life cycles. In week 8 and 9, The Living Eggs program sent us some chicken eggs to watch hatch and grow into chicks. It was so much fun having them in our classrooms, watching them eat and learn about their life cycle.





This term the K-2 Social Art Club have begun creating some amazing pieces of art with the help of some very responsible senior students. They have created an amazing underwater theme art, using a blend of light and dark blue, with white paint for air bubble and white chalk to outline jellyfish. Thank you to Miss Moseley for facilitating this Social Art Club every Friday at lunch.

We wish all the students, parents and community members of MPE a well deserved, relaxing 2 week break so they can begin term 4 (the final term for the year) fresh and ready for more exciting learning.

Miss D'Cruz

K-2 Assistant Principal

3-6 News

First Contacts

Students in 34T and 3S have been focusing on the History unit-First Contacts. The amazing work that these students have completed in class will astound you. Students have filled the walls with lots of information and have become experts in information about the First Fleet, convicts and early Australia.

In maths, students are learning about statistics. They are making the connections between how graphs show information differently. In writing, students are working in pairs to read each other's paragraphs and to give feedback to help improve their writing. They are using Slowmotion to bring their stories to life. In History, students drew convicts and wrote about their journey on the First Fleet to Australia.





Child protection

All students will take part in child protection lessons next term with their class teachers. Please look out for the child protection note which will explain the lessons to you.

Peer Support

We are coming up to our final Peer Support lessons and will celebrate the skills we have learned from our Peer Support tutors early next term with an activities session. We wish to thank Ms Strbac, Ms McIntosh and the Year six students for their fantastic contributions to our learning. I especially liked the hands on activities and working with students from K-6 in one group. A big thank you for all your positivity and care when teaching the younger students of our school.

StoryFactory Excursion

Students in 4/5V will attend the opening of the new Parramatta StoryFactory writing workshop in week 1 of term 4. They will be completing a poetry and art workshop and will have their work displayed in the centre for the opening ceremony and over term 4. The display will then be used as a display in the school. If you have a student in 4/5V who has not returned their note please send it to school as soon as possible.

Maths is Super Fun

4/5V have been learning about the properties of 3D objects. This has led to a fun lesson with Ms Petersen our prac teacher, making 3D creations with marshmallows, toothpicks and orange segments.

Thank you to Ms Petersen for the fantastic term. We will miss your fun, challenging and creative lessons. We have learned a great deal from you and wish you well in your future teaching career.



Prefects Nominations and Leadership Speeches

Year 5 students will receive their leadership nomination forms in Week 1 of term 4. They will have the opportunity to run for the 2019 leadership team in 2019. Students will be asked to write a speech to deliver to their MPE peers and teachers convincing them to vote for them. If you are a year 5 student who would like to apply for the 2019 leadership team, you may want to start thinking about your leadership qualities and how you plan to contribute to MPE in a positive way in the future. Good luck to you all.

High School Enrolments

By the end of this week, all year 6 students should be enrolled in their high school for 2019. If our records show that your child has not yet enrolled in a high school we will be sending you an enrolment document to fill out and take to your designated high school.

Dux Awards

Students in year 6 will be completing a variety of assessments in the following weeks so teachers can ascertain the Mount Pritchard East Public School Dux. These results along with formative class assessments, unit grades and other assessment results will be gathered and collated so we can pick the academic year 6 student of the year. The results will be shared during the presentation day ceremony.

Ms D Vette-Welsh

EAL/D at MPE

EAL/D stands for English as an additional language or dialect. Here at MPE many of our students come from backgrounds where their families speak a language other than English. Some of our students have only been learning English for a very short time.

Last year our teachers received training in teaching English language learners so that they can understand our students' specific needs and adapt their lessons to explicitly teach English vocabulary, language features and usage. It is my role as the EAL/D specialist to support our teachers and their students with assessments, resources and research based strategies.

This year some of the classes have participated in Vocabulary Action Research Projects. The teachers have been trained by leading EAL/D specialists outside our school to teach academic language explicitly in such a way that it is authentic and engaging. The 'Out of this World Expo' was the culmination of one of these projects.



Every week on a Friday afternoon, a group of EAL/D students attend a Creative And Performing Arts Group. Here we cook, garden, plan, build, design and follow our interests and ideas. Our activities are many and varied.

Recently we have been looking at our plants under microscopes and painting what we see, as well as designing structures to support some of our plants in our vegetable garden, which we tend to most days at recess time.



It is exciting to watch our English language learners settle in, make friends and be excited about their learning here at MPE.

Mrs van der Graaf

Class Chat with LAaF - Liverpool Arts and Film Festival Swagger group

Look at these MPE superstars!!



I was so proud of them! They have given up so much of their own time to participate in this extracurricular activity and my goodness ALL their efforts really did pay off.

Last Tuesday, the Swagger Dancers spent a whole day at Liverpool Catholic Club for rehearsals and then returned the same night to showcase their amazing talent at the Liverpool Arts and Film Festival (LAaFF). They had a blast!

Thank you to all the parents/ carers and extended family members for coming to support the students. I hope you had as much fun watching them as they did performing. I could not wipe the smile from my face. They were awesome!

Year 6 Dance group

The year 6 dance group performed for the first time this year at LAaFF. Our dance teacher, Miss Campbell from Ashcroft High School has been working tirelessly all year to get the students ready for LAaFF and MADD later on this year at Ashcroft High School. The students did a fantastic job and showed off all their skills they have been perfecting. They should be so proud of themselves because we all are!

Thank you to all the students and parents who put the effort into creating costumes and doing make up! Also thank you for coming to watch and supporting us all year.



Island Hip Hop group

What happens when a creative group of students get together and use their culture, hip hop dance skills and use the internet to research new dance moves? The Island Hip Hop group of course! Australia is an island-therefore if you live in Australia and you love hip hop, you were invited to join the MPE Island Hip Hop Crew.

The dance the students created over two terms of lunchtime practices was a joyful, loud and enthusiastic celebration of dance. The great thing about the dance created was the input from students into the creative moves and the inclusive nature and oneness that the group created. The mixture of culture, creative dance and teamwork helped students get to know each other and create friendships and new school connections. The students really raised the roof of the Liverpool Catholic Club with this dance and we would like to thank the parents for their enthusiastic cheering and support.

Thanks to the students for your dedication and enthusiasm throughout the practice sessions and thanks also and a big thank you to Mrs Lakisoe-Mapuna, Mr Vince, Ms Petersen and Mrs Vette-Welsh for their support and supervision of the group.

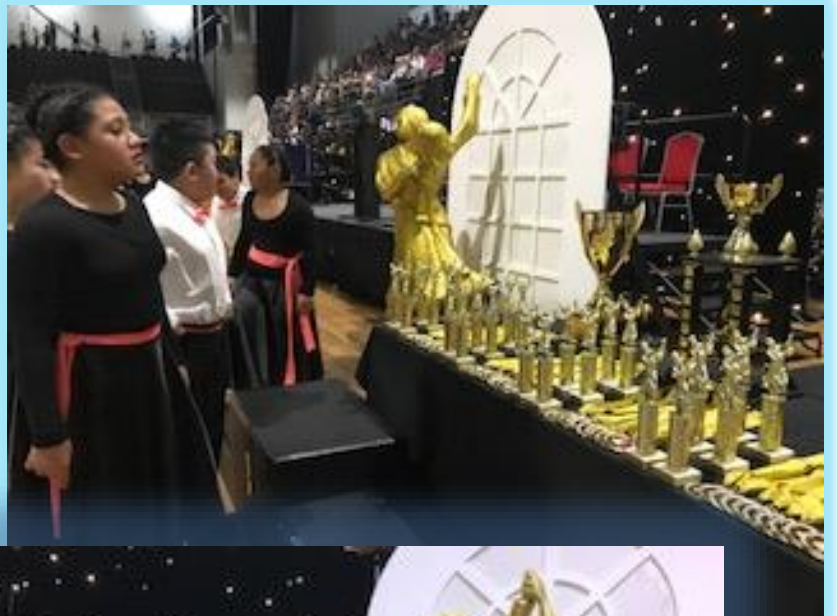




DANCESPORT 2018



Congratulations to our Mount Pritchard East students who took part in the 2018 DanceSport Gala. Our students competed in the Chacha, Salsa, Jive, Tango and Samba. We were very proud of Benson and Yoyo who managed to dance into the semi-finals of the Tango. We wish to thank the following people for their support of this exciting program. Mrs Goshe, Mrs Vette-Welsh, parents and caregivers, Mr Gordon (dance teacher), Mr Michael (transport), Ms Peterson (makeup) and Mercy (hairdresser) and of course to our fabulous dancers.



LIBRARY NEWS

We have been very busy in the Library this term from Science to Music & Drama to Persuasive Writing to Inquiry Based Learning. Not least, we have been discovering lots of new books and authors with a special focus this term on reading Non-Fiction texts. With our new look library and more accessible shelving, students have really increased their borrowing this term especially from the Non-Fiction section of the Library. It's wonderful to see students enjoying reading so much.



Please come and visit our Book Exchange just outside the Library. We have some wonderful books for both adults and pre-school children to borrow and return when finished. The Book Exchange is opened every day during school hours. It's never too early to encourage a love of reading in your children and it's very important that your children see you enjoying reading yourself.

Overdue Books

Overdue notices went out two weeks ago for Term 3. Thank you to all the students and parents that returned overdue books in the last few weeks. If you really cannot find a book it would be appreciated if you returned the overdue notice explaining this.



We NEED Library Helpers!!!

If there are any parents out there that are 'expert contactors', I have a large amount of books in the Library waiting to be covered so they can make their way to the shelves and into your children's hands! If you are a great 'bubble free contactor' and would be happy to help, please come see me in the Library.

It's been another wonderful term in the Library. Thank you for supporting your child's literacy growth by encouraging your children to borrow (and return) books regularly. Have a lovely holiday. Looking forward to an exciting Term 4.

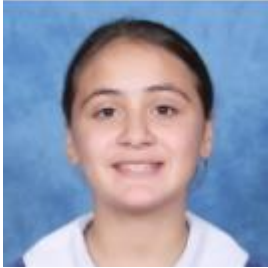
Mrs. Donnan
(Teacher Librarian)

Attendance and Absences

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Parents are required to explain the absences of their children from school promptly - within seven days to the school. An explanation for an absence must be provided to the school within 7 days of the first day of any absence.

This can be done by sending a note to the class teacher, calling the school or telling the class teacher. It is important to give reasons for absences.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Classes	Academic Awards	Quality Work	Sport Awards	Principal	Bronze	Gold
					Silver	
K Icefish Ms l'Anson	Alsha Mohammed Xavier	Leland	Luke Billy	Anna Dylan Ronit Charlie		
K/I Marlin Ms Moseley	Felicity Isaac	Nicolas	Milan Simoni	Milan x2 David Alexis		
1 Dolphin Ms D'Cruz	Nathaniel Brandon	Chanpeaktra Ilija	Anastasija	Timothy Anastasija	Nathan	
2 Coral Ms Irons	Ali Rena	Talei	Ayman Kash	Willow	Tamika	
2Manta-Ray Ms Martin	Jayson Benjun	Rafael	Benjamin Asinate	Bonnie Bader Rafael	Isaac Isaac Bader Bader Rafael Rafael	
3Seahorses Ms Shankar	Maja Sam	Abdul Emily	Timothy Vitkor	Isabella Timothy Emily	Shakera	Shakera
3/4 Turtles Ms Taweil	Aiden Moses	Armani	Amelia Jonathan.W			
4/5VampireSquids MsVetteWelsh	Tyson Bianca	Kayne	Olivia Lopa			
5/6 Molluscs Ms McIntosh	Nathan Harmony	Gabriella Ella	Elizabeth Bailey	Rangi	Rangi	
5/6Snorkels Ms Strbac	Ahmad Mazen	Loloma Petulisa	Shams Isabella	Jason Jovana		
GOTCHA						
Citizen of the Month			<p>Shayma was awarded the Citizen of the Month award for 3-6 as a great role model and a result of his wonderful work at school. She has the following qualities;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • friendly and helpful • exhibits good character • role model for good behaviour • volunteers for extra curricular activities • actively participates in class and applies herself to set tasks 			



We appreciate your support.

Breakfast Club: Is every Friday Morning from 8:30-9 outside the Hall. It's free for everyone, so come on down and have breakfast. We have toast, cereal, fruits, juice & milk. Everyone is welcome.

Breakfast Club Donations.

Breakfast Club is Free for all students. We are asking for your support, if you can help by donating bowls, spoons, cereals, cups etc please hand your donation into the front office or bring it down to Breakfast Club Friday morning.

Thank you, P&C Committee



Next P&C Meeting:

Monday 29 October 2:00pm