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A picture says a thousand words...Book Parade!



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Thursday 15 August 2019

WHAT'S ON

Friday 16 August

PSSA

Debating

Monday 19 August

Story Factory

Wednesday 21 August

Ambassador Group-Busby PS

Thursday 22 August

GVPSSA Athletics Carnival

Monday 26 August

Story Factory

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CONGRATULATIONS

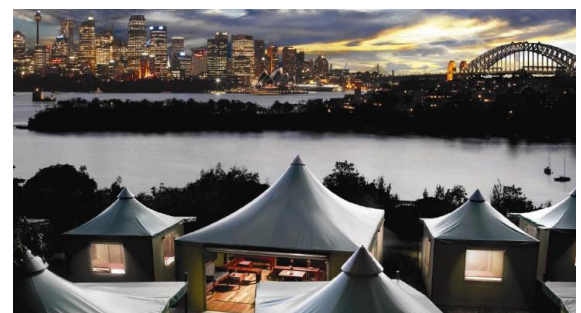
I would like to offer my sincere congratulations to the staff at MPE for their tireless dedication in supporting the Combined Principal Meeting that we hosted at our school on Friday 2nd August. It was an amazing event and the feedback we received was phenomenal. It was a very proud moment to be the Principal of such a wonderful school. Special mention to Mr Michael Clarke who came in very early on the day to make sure it went off well. Also would like to thank the Authentic Partnerships committee for all their organisation and work behind the scenes.



EDUCATION WEEK- EVERY STUDENT, EVERY VOICE

What an amazing week we had last week to showcase all the wonderful things we do at MPE!! It started with our **overnight camp to Taronga Zoo!** A huge thank you to Mr David Clark, Mrs Narelle Stons, Mr Francis and Mr Innes who gave up their personal time to escort our students. Congratulations to the students who attended I heard really positive feedback about your behaviour.

Mrs Dayoub has worked hard



this week setting up the **Book fair** and also in providing students the opportunity to get cooking!! The Book fair was very successful, thank you to those families who came along and purchased books.

Wednesday was **Open Day**, it started with open classrooms and then we had our wonderful **Book Parade**! It was so great to see lots of students dressed up in a character for the event. I am also so proud of all my staff for taking the time to dress up as well. Each room had an amazing window display of an author they studied.

The **community barbecue** was successful and a huge thanks goes to Mr Michael Clarke, Mr Layne Cook, Mr Bob Tierney, Mrs Chrissy Dayoub and Mrs Melanie Evans who fed all of us!! Hopefully you got to the hall to see the fabulous artworks on display especially the **silent auction** canvases. These are slowly going home with the lucky recipients. We have such talented staff and students.

Students in 4/5C got to use **Robotic kits** that we have here on loan from the Department of Education. That was very interesting and the students were highly engaged.

The culminating event was the **STEAM activities** on Friday with Ms Jennine l'Anson. WOW!! What an amazing week at MPE!! It doesn't stop here, next Wednesday our staff are providing exciting opportunities for students to celebrate Science Week!!



THANK YOU

As you may be aware I returned from LSL last week and I was so happy to be back!! I would like to acknowledge all the hard work Mrs Ena Lakisoe did in my role when I was away. She was supported by Mrs Dianne Vette-Welsh and Mrs Erin Grassedonio as well. I am also very lucky to have an amazing executive team and staff who also helped Mrs Lakisoe whilst I was absent. I will be requiring Mrs Lakisoe to do this again this term as unfortunately I am required to have a knee replacement surgery later on this term.

Quote of the Week"



Teresa Gosche

Principal

K-2 news

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
What an amazing term it has been so far full of amazing learning opportunities and so much fun for our K-2 students! Education Week last week was so exciting for our students as they had so many opportunities to experience a vast range of exciting learning activities. Here are some photos of some of our K-2 students using our portable kitchen to create yummy chocolate chip cookies!



Just a reminder that our K-2 excursions are fast approaching! The Stage 1 excursion for 1M, 1-2J and 2D to Featherdale Wildlife Park will be on Friday the 13th September. All notes and money are due in by Monday 2nd September.

Our Kindergarten excursion to Calmsley City Farm will take place on Monday 16th September and all notes and money are due in by Thursday 12th September. Please remember to return all permission notes and money for the excursions to our front office.

Have an amazing week!

Mrs Dayoub
K-2 Assistant Principal



3 - 6 news

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you all so much for your support during Education Week last week. A special mention must go to the parents who visited classrooms - we really appreciate your support and loved seeing you visit your child's class!

- Stage 3 camp was an absolute success! I cannot thank the students enough for the exceptional behaviour. From the moment we left until the moment we returned, you were a wonderful bunch of children to take away! When we were on the Ferry heading into Circular Quay 2 members of the public said to me how awesome it must be to work at a school with such polite children! Although we nearly froze to death at some point during the night, we had a wonderful time!
- The Zone Athletics carnival is coming up in Week 5. At the moment we are working on our 100m times, and will begin working on on field events in the lead up to next week. Good luck to everyone involved!
- Year 6 shirts are supposed to be here this week. I apologise for the delay but it's just a waiting game at the moment.
- Year 5 students - if you are interested in being part of the leadership team for 2020, please start having a think about that now. Information regarding what will need to happen will come out later in the term

Mr Innes
3 - 6 Assistant Principal

Welcome to Country

A special congratulations to Chloe Robinson for delivering the Acknowledgement of Country at the Combined Principals Network Meeting on Friday 2nd August. As part of her presentation she added a personal story to the Acknowledgement about what she would like to see change in Australia. I would like to share her wise words with the community...

As a proud Bunjalung and Wiradjuri girl I would like to see everyone caring for the environment like the Aboriginal people did, as it is important to be connected to the environment and the land. Never taking too much, using only what you need and leaving resources to replenish and grow. This relationship can apply to all of Australia as we move forward to build awareness and recognition of the world's oldest continuous culture.

Chloe spoke confidently and proudly. She demonstrated a pride and passion for her culture.



Ms l'Anson

Support Teacher and Aboriginal Committee Coordinator

Education Week

Last week Mount Pritchard East celebrated **Education Week 2019!** It was an exceptional week of learning and fun. Every student has become a **Master Chef** and experienced using our awesome new portable kitchen to make delicious chocolate chip cookies. Children were also very excited to visit our **Scholastic Book Fair** and purchase amazing reading resources.

Our **Book Parade** was a huge success with our staff and students dressed as their favourite book characters. Look at our amazing costumes! Mount Pritchard East also hosted our first **Art Exhibition**, the canvases were so beautiful as a staff we felt it would be great to give the community a chance to own them. Our overall amount received was \$245 and this will cover the cost of the canvases and creative arts materials used to create these beautiful pieces of art.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our **community BBQ** and our amazing community helpers, Mr Michael, Mr Cook, Mr Tierney and Ms Skilbeck who helped cook and deliver over 400 sausages
Community BBQ.

Also a big congratulations to our Years 3-6 **Spelling Bee finalists** who will now compete at the Regional Finals!



Thank you to everyone in our amazing community for all your continued support at our school events!

Mrs Dayoub

K-2 Assistant Principal and Education Week Coordinator





STEAM Challenges - Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics

Class vs Class challenges

On Friday 9th August two classes were invited down to the hall to take on a STEAM challenge. In groups of 3 to 4 they had to create a functional piece of equipment using only the materials provided within 30 minutes. STEAM encourages students to use Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics in fun and creative problem solving design challenges. Students work to complete challenges collaboratively with their peers. The discussion and team work is amazing to listen to students work out what needs to happen in order to compete each challenge.



5/6I vs 5/6N

Basketball Tower

Create a tower to hold a basketball for 30 seconds

Success Criteria

30 cm off the floor

Hold a basketball for more than 30 seconds



4/5C vs 3/4T

Bridge Construction

Build a bridge to hold 200g or more

Success Criteria

Height of a peg off the floor

Hold 200g (or more) for 30 seconds



3G vs 2D

3D Structure

Create 3D structure to hold 200g or more for 20 seconds

Success Criteria

Height of 1 toothpick off the floor

25 jubes

Hold 200g for 20 seconds



1/2J vs 1M

Straw Bridge

Build a bridge to hold 10 teddies across four cups

Success Criteria

Height of a cup off the floor

Hold 10 teddies for 20 seconds



KE vs KI

Tallest Tower

Build the tallest tower with plates and cups to hold 10 teddies

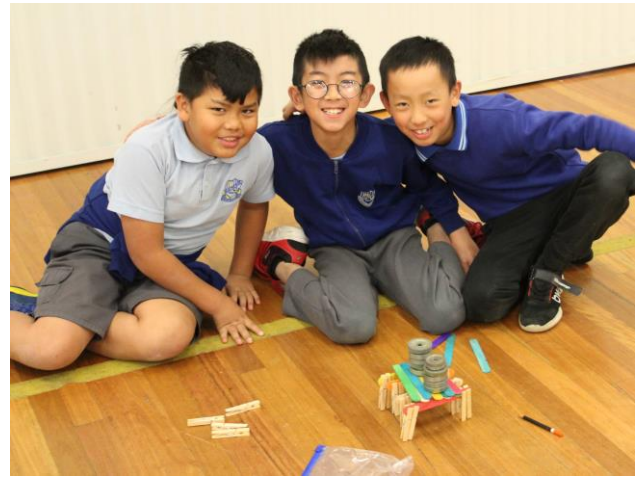
Success Criteria

Use all the materials provided

Sit the 10 teddies on top

Count to 10





Ms l'Anson

SPORT - Season 2 PSSA

Season 2 of PSSA will wrap up this week and season 3 will commence on Friday 6th September. We will be holding tryouts for the season 3 sports on Friday 23rd and 30th August and all students are encouraged to come along and tryout. At this stage I am not sure what sports will be offered but I will know by the end of the week - stay tuned for an update. I wish our teams well in their final games of the season and thank them for their participation and congratulate them on not only the level of skill and ability they have displayed, but also their great sportsmanship and respect. In round 8 I was away at a professional learning program and Ms Rnjak stepped in to help out with the coaching. She did a marvellous job of looking after the boys and I am very grateful for her efforts in my absence. I would also like to thank Ms Stons for giving up her personal time to coach the girls Oztag

team and Mr Michael for his continued support with transporting our teams.

Sincerely,

Mr. Clark (PSSA Coordinator)

Round 8

PSSA	MPE v TEAM	Most Valuable Player	Junior	Senior
Boys Soccer	Hinchinbrook	Junior: Ahmad	2-2	0-3
		Senior: Rafael		
Girls Oztag	Busby West	Junior: Tamika	5-5	6-0
		Senior: Pauline Ella		

Round 9

PSSA	MPE v TEAM	Most Valuable Player	Junior	Senior
Boys Soccer	Malek Fahd Islamic School	Junior: Bader	2-2	2-0
		Senior: Andrew		
Girls Oztag	Green Valley	Junior: Isobel	0-8	1-13
		Senior: Emily		

SPORT - Lawn Bowls

St. Johns Park Bowling Club has invited us back for another year of Interschool Lawn Bowls. We had our first training session in Week 3 and our first game last Friday (9th of August). We versed Kings Park Public School and came away with a win 6-1!! Our lawn bowls team this year includes;

- Jay
- Alena
- William
- Ponnaray
- Felicia



Mrs Strbac

Class chat with Mrs Evans and KE

It has been a busy start to the term for KE. Last week, along with the rest of MPE, we celebrated an amazing Education Week. On Monday, we were excited to use our school kitchen for the second time and baked cookies with the help of Mrs Dayoub and Ms Roberts. They were absolutely delicious! On Wednesday, we welcomed parents into our classroom to see some of the fantastic work KE has done this year, and then headed to the COLA for our first official Book Parade. The costumes were amazing! On Friday, KE and KI competed in a

STEM challenge in the hall. The aim was to use a set number of plastic cups and plates to build the tallest tower possible and then balance ten teddies on top! Nate, William and Maddison were the first finished in KE, while Zylah, Sonita, Jayden and George were recognised for their excellent group work! Thank you to Mrs l'Anson for organising this fun learning experience.

The excitement continues with many more special events planned for the second half of the term, including an excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm on Monday, 16 September 2019. The visit has been planned to complement our learning about living things in Science. Don't forget to return permission slips and payment. In Geography, we are exploring different places in our neighbourhood and what makes them special. In PDHPE, we are developing our gross motor skills and learning how to keep ourselves safe. KE students continue to make wonderful progress in Numeracy and Literacy (through our targeted L3 reading and writing program). We are very grateful to have the fantastic Miss K in our classroom for the rest of this term, who is assisting with all teaching and learning programs.

Mrs Evans
KE Class Teacher

Hi, my name is Miss Kokkinos – (Miss K). I am a fourth year student teacher from the University of Notre Dame. I am currently studying a degree of Primary Education. This term I will be completing my Internship at Mount Pritchard East Public School! I am excited to be joining KE, in class during my time at MPE. On my last 10 week practicum I had the pleasure of teaching a Kindergarten class and am thrilled to have that opportunity once again! I am certain it will be a term full of fun and fruitful learning!

Miss Kokkinos



Class chat with Ms Strbac and 3G

Hi!

Term 3 has definitely kicked off with **Athletics Carnival events** and **Education Week**. All of our students looked amazing in their book character costumes and pushed themselves in all of the Athletics events. Students learned all about engineering during their **STEAM** challenges on Friday led by Ms l'Anson. Thank you to all the parents who could join us in our classroom and for our community BBQ. We loved having you.

This term, we have so many exciting things to look forward too. **Story Factory** will be working with stage 2 and students have already started thinking creatively about their writing. We have integrated our **literacy and history** program together this term since historians do a lot of reading, writing and talking about their historical findings. Students will investigate what led to Australian colonisation by the British and what life was like for convicts, the guards and free settlers. They will also look at the impact colonisation had and still has on the Indigenous people of Australia, Aboriginals. We hope to showcase our learning at our assembly in week 5.



In mathematics, we will continue our work with place value, addition and subtraction strategies, multiplication facts and extend our learning with division and fractions. Understanding place value (units, tens, hundreds, etc.) will help students break numbers up to solve complex problems. **For example; $458 \times 3 = 400 \times 3$, 50×3 , 8×3 and then add up all the answers.** We are practicing our **multiplication facts** weekly at school so you can quiz your kids! We are also investigating **Australian money** and looking at the pictures on our coins and notes. If you have any questions about our maths work or would like to know how you can support your child, let me know!!

In **Science**, we are exploring different sources of energy, including light, heat, electricity and force. Students are excited to get into some more hands on learning by experiment and testing out their theories. We are also excited to have our new **Promethean** Smartboard in our room. Students love writing on it, versing each other in games and creating beautiful things. Thanks Mrs Gosche for this very awesome purchase.

In other very exciting news, if you haven't seen me waddling around the playground yet, I am 5 months pregnant. Our little girl is expected to arrival in December so stay tuned.



Warmest regards,

Mrs Strbac



Learning Links

This week is **Science Week**, try this experiment with your children: **Lemon Volcano**

- Lemons
- Baking Soda
- Food Colouring
- Dishwashing Liquid
- Plate, Tray, Bowl
- Craft Sticks
- Lemon Juice



STEP 1: First, you need to place half of a lemon into a bowl or plate that will catch the mess when it erupts. You can juice the other half of the lemon to add to the erupting lemon volcano which you will read about below.

STEP 2: Next, take your craft stick and poke holes in the various sections of the lemon.

STEP 3: Now you can place drops of food coloring around the different sections on the top of the lemon.

STEP 4: Next, you can pour some dishwashing liquid all over the top of the lemon. What does dish soap do?

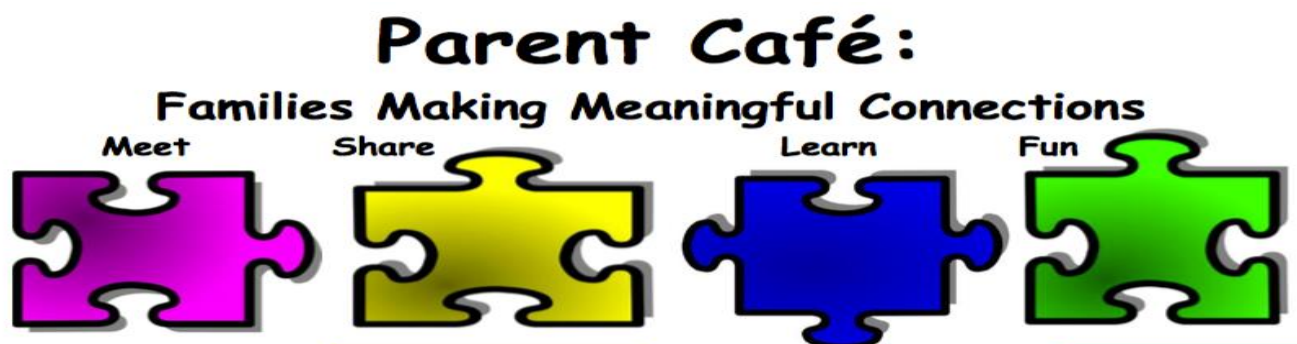
STEP 5: Now you can go ahead and sprinkle a generous amount of baking soda onto the top of the lemon.

What happens next?

Ms Grassedonio

Deputy Principal Instructional Leader

Parents Cafe



Please join us at 9 - 9:45 am in the hall after Breakfast Club.

Everyone is welcome to come along and treat yourselves to a tea/ coffee and something sweet to eat before heading home to start your day.

Please feel free to **bring along a friend, a plate to share** and stay for as long as you are able.





Next P&C Meeting 2nd September 2019 @ 2pm

(In the staffroom next to the computer lab.)

Suggestion box.

The suggestion box is currently located in the front office. We only open the suggestion box at our P&C Meeting that we hold in Weeks 3 and 7 of each term. If you have any questions or suggestions please feel free to come and find one of us for a chat.

Breakfast Club

Is every Friday Morning from 8:30am-9am outside the hall. It's free for everyone so come on down and have breakfast. We have toast, cereal, fruits and milk. Everyone is Welcome. Just a friendly reminder, we are now using reusable bowls and cups.



NEWS

- P&C has new house banners in the three colours red, yellow and green and were lucky enough to display them at the athletics carnival.
- Also we had our pop up stall which was a success. Thank you to everyone that helped out on the day.
- Our Father's Day stall is coming up over two Thursday August 22nd and 29th August. A note will go home with students. One will be sent home prior with pricing

Thankyou from the P&C Committee

