Important Anaphylaxis Notice

We have students who are at risk of severe allergic reaction to some food items. This condition is potentially life threatening. Please do not send nut-based products to school with your child’s recess or lunch. Products include peanut butter, Nutella, sesame seed, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars.

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The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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### Week 1    Tuesday, 7 October 2014

### CANTEEN NEWS

Please note there will only be counter sales on Wednesday and Thursday, 8 and 9 October.

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### Event Calendar

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Early Stage One Awards:  Cameron H, Charlie H, Flynn D, Eleanor M, Cooper H, Alex A
Stage One Awards:  Ben E, Anika R, Abbie U, Isaac J, Conrad A, Cate S, Beau C, Nicholas H

From the Office...

HAVE YOU RECEIVED?
• An orange note titled General Permission to Publish and Disclose Information for all students. This form was due by Friday 16 May, 2014. Please ensure this form is returned to school as soon as possible.
• Please note that all Camp Deposits for Years 3 – 6 were due at the end of Term 2. If you have not paid your child’s deposit and your child intends to go to camp, please pay the deposit as soon as possible. If you do not intend sending your child to camp, please advise the school office as soon as possible.
• Canteen Roster for Term 4
• Canberra Excursion notes for Years 5 & 6. Permission notes are due back at school by Monday, 13 October and final payment is due by Friday, 17 October 2014.

STARSTRUCK 2015 AUDITIONS
Round one Auditions for singers for StarStruck 2015 will be held on 31 October and 1 November 2014 at Lambton High School.

Application forms and audition information are available at the school office. Application forms need to be at StarStruck before 3.00 pm on Monday, 13 October 2014.
Late applications will not be accepted.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION
An information session for Year 5 students and parents intending to sit the Selective School Test in 2015 for entry to Year 7, 2016 will be held at 5.00 pm on Wednesday, 8 October 2014 in the Bensley Hall at Merewether High School, Chatham Street, Broadmeadow.

RSVP is essential – please email: Merewether-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au, indicating the number of people attending.

BOOK CLUB
Book Club Issue 7 is being sent home today. If you wish to order items from Book Club for your child please return the order and payment to the school office before Friday, 17 October 2014.

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2015 ORGANISATION

Organisation has commenced for classes for the 2015 school year. If you know of any child who will not be attending our school next year please advise the school as soon as possible. We have a number of people enquiring about vacancies for 2015 and your early advice would be greatly appreciated.

PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Could the winners of all perpetual trophies in 2013 please return them to the school office by Monday, 3 November, so that we have time to get them engraved for the 2014 students.

SCHOOL BUS PASSES

All Year 2 children who currently hold a bus pass will not automatically receive a new bus pass for 2015, due to the terms and conditions applicable to free bus travel. The parents of Year 2 children will need to contact the school office as soon as possible to see whether their child is eligible for a free bus pass in 2015 and complete the appropriate application form. All application forms must be sent from the school before the end of November.

LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property cupboard is again overflowing with school and non-school items, including hats, swimmers, rash shirt, soccer boots, shin pads and lots of plastic containers and drink bottlers. These items do not have names on them. If your child is missing any items, please check the lost property cupboard in the western foyer of the staffroom, where the home readers are kept. The school office also has a collection of jewellery, stuffed toys, hair clips, etc. Please ask at the office. All items in lost property will be disposed of at the end of this week.

We ask parents to please label all items so when things go missing we can return them as soon as possible.

From the Teachers...

Follow us on Twitter @MerewetherHtsP

Reminder: Remember to wear “Pink Clothing” for our Pink Stumps Day on Friday, 24 October. You could tie dye an old white t-shirt or wear the clothes that end up pink after being in the red wash!
From the Parents...

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday  8/10/14     Casey-Lee P, Kerry B
Thursday    9/10/14     Kim B
Friday      10/10/14    Joanna T, Monique T
Monday      13/10/14    2 Volunteers Needed
TUESDAY    14/10/14    CANTEEN CLOSED

Wednesday  15/10/14    Felicity T, Katie S
Thursday    16/10/14    2 Volunteers Needed
Friday      17/10/14    Kristen G, Justine C
Monday      20/10/14    Alison L, Laura L
TUESDAY    21/10/14    CANTEEN CLOSED

CANTEEN ROSTER VACANCIES - TERM 4

Below is a list of days where help is needed in the Canteen. If you are able to help out on any of these days please contact Kim (0421336626) or see her in the Canteen. Any help you can give would be appreciated. Thanks.

Week 2:  Monday  13/10/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Monday  13/10/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday 16/10/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday 16/10/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

Week 4:  Thursday 30/10/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday 30/10/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

Week 6:  Monday  10/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Monday  10/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Wednesday 12/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Wednesday 12/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday 13/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday 13/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

Week 7:  Thursday 20/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday 20/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Friday  21/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Friday  21/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

Week 8:  Wednesday 26/11/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

Week 9:  Thursday  4/12/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Thursday  4/12/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

Week 10:  Monday  8/12/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Monday  8/12/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm
         Wednesday 10/12/14  9.30 am – 2.15 pm

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SCHOOL BANKING UPDATE

2 new rewards available this term

In term 4 you can now choose from even more Dollarmites Rewards. Two new rewards for term 4 are:

- Sea Streamers
- Projector Cup

Unfortunately the penguin key ring is now out of stock, but the shark key ring is still available.

In addition, some 2013 rewards have been re-released for a limited time only, while stocks last:

- Dollarmite character money boxes (Pat, Pru, Spen or Cred)
- Blue Wallet
- Headphones
- Knuckles Game
- Projector Torch

Please fill in your redemption card (additional cards are available at the office) or drop a note with your banking + 10 tokens. Rewards are delivered within 2 weeks.

Wednesday is school banking day

Thank you for supporting the school banking program

Your school banking coordinator - Helen T (0425 207 923)
CLOTHING POOL

If anyone would like to volunteer for the clothing pool, Tuesdays 9-9.30am, for term 4, please leave your name and number at the office or contact Sharron Studley. Mobile 0423331057 or email: sstudley3@bigpond.com

The Clothing Pool will be opened every Tuesday from 9.00 – 9.30 am. Alternatively, uniform order forms can be located at the office. Please complete and return with payment. The order will be filled on Tuesdays and sent home with your child.

Sharron S

SAVE THE DATE – TRIVIA NIGHT

The P & C is busy planning a fantastic Trivia Night to raise money for the school.

It will be held on Friday, 14 November. Put this date in your diary NOW!! More details to follow.

Community Notices...

VENUE: Merewether Heights Primary School Hall
CLASS TIMES: Thursdays
- Juniors 5:30 – 6:30pm = $8 (ages 6-12)
- Seniors 6:30 – 8:00pm = $12 (ages 13+)
Ph: 0418879393 Email: Zenryoku@live.com.au

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**After School Gymnastics Program:** My name is Rhianna E and I currently conduct the in-school gymnastics program for Terms 2 and 3 from AGCS Schools. I have had several enquiries about an after school program where the children will be able to learn further skills. I am seeking expressions of interest for Term 4.

The classes would be: Monday 3.30 to 4.30 pm for infants and Thursday, 3.30 to 4.30 pm for primary.

The cost will be $150 for 10 weeks plus registration of $40 if not already registered with Gymnastics Australia in 2014 through another club.

- I have really enjoyed working with your children again this year. Your replies would be appreciated by the end of this term as I am not able to conduct the after school class if numbers are not sufficient. Please email: rhiannaelkin@aapt.net.au

**Big5sports** is offering cricket for Term 4 for students from Kindergarten – Year 4 on Tuesdays in Term 4, commencing on Tuesday, 14 October and concluding 2 December. This will be run in the school grounds from 3.35 – 4.35 pm and will cost $111 for the term. Please collect an information brochure from the school office if interested.

**Have You Prepared your Will?** Take control of your future for only $40. Local solicitors will be on hand to prepare a simple Will or change your existing Will for the cost of $40 (per Will) at The Salvation Army, 6 Margaret Street, Cardiff on Wednesday, 22 October 2014 from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm. All money raised will go directly to helping The Salvation Army Cardiff Corps facilitate local work in the community. Contact The Salvation Army today to make an appointment on 49295273.

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**TERM 4 STARTS:**

- **Wednesday 15th October** - 10am at Dixon Park
- **Thursday 16th October** - 6am at Dixon Park
- **Saturday 18th October** - 7pm at Merewether Heights Public School

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Central Newcastle Water Polo Club is looking for new players in U/12’s. They play and train on Sunday afternoons, 3 – 5 pm at Lambton Pool. Commences on Sunday, 12 October. Contact Nikki 0450 871 659 or email nikkibird7@hotmail.com for more information.

The Westpac Helicopter in conjunction with Event Cinemas Glendale is holding a MOVIE NIGHT on Friday, 24 October 2014. They will be screening movie comedy of the year – “This is where I Leave You”, starring Jason Bateman, Tina Frey and Jane Fonda. The evening will start at 6.00 pm with Champagne, light finger food, stalls to browse, live entertainment, raffle and prizes galore with the movie commencing at 7.00 pm. All money raised will go directly to your Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service.


Kids First Aid is delighted to have another Kids First Aid Session in Newcastle. Our 3 hour session for parents, grandparents and carers is on Saturday, 18 October from 9 am – 12 noon at Merewether Surf Club. To register or to obtain further information please ring 1300 138 133 or 0457 419 301 or email Claire@kidsfirstaid.com.au or check out the website: www.kidsfirstaid.com.au.
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Return Slips for Parents...