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.

From the Principal...

Dear Parents

Last week saw the boys and girls all dressed up for our K-6 Environment Day. They looked great and participated in a wide variety of activities throughout the day to raise awareness of how we can all look after the environment. Thank you to all the teachers, especially Ms M and Mrs P, for organising this fun and educational day.

On Friday, our first ever Father’s Day BBQ was held. Despite a little rain, we had many dads and grandads come along and enjoy a bacon sandwich, a coffee and a game with the kids. It was wonderful to see so many of the dads and grandads make the effort to be here. Well done also to our P & C ladies who organised the morning and helped out on the BBQ. I believe there is talk of reciprocation when Mother’s Day rolls around again.

Years 3 & 5 will bring home their NAPLAN result envelopes this week. These results provide a snapshot of your child’s progress in the Literacy and Numeracy areas compared to the national and school averages. They should be considered, along with the assessment results included in the Semester 1 school report, to gauge your child’s overall progress.

Early Stage One Awards: Coco P, Bede M-S, Chase McC, Avalon P, Sammy C, Alex P


Stage Two Awards: Maeve W, Jack N, Marcus F, Siena J, Holly V, Ben P, Ava W

Stage Three Awards: Madeleine McL, Lauren M, Charlie W, Tim S, Liam W, Christopher A


Enjoy your week!

Event | Class | Activity Date | Cost | Note | Due Date
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Kindy 2015 Orientation Day |  | Thursday, 11 September |  |  |  
Have A Go Show | K-6 | Friday, 12 September |  |  |  
Life Education Van | K-6 | Mon – Fri, 15-19 September |  |  |  
School Disco | K-6 | Thursday, 18 September |  |  |  
Last Day of Term 3 | K-6 | Friday, 19 September |  |  |  
Staff & Students Return | K-6 | Tuesday, 7 October |  |  |  

The Weekly Newsletter from Merewether Heights Public School

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School Security Unit – 1300 880 021

Week 9  Tuesday, 9 September 2014
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.

KINDER ORIENTATION

Kinder Orientation will be held this Thursday, 11 September 2014. Invitations have been sent to all the children who have indicated they will be enrolling here next year. We look forward to seeing all our 2015 kindergarten children at Orientation Day next week.

DONATIONS OF TISSUES

With this continued wet and cold weather we find students in need of tissues throughout the day. Donations of boxes of tissues for use in the classroom or sickbay would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be left with the class teacher or at the school office.

ENROLMENT NOTICE FOR DANCE GROUPS – TERM 4, 2014

For children currently in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 who are interested in joining our Dance Groups please phone Alison and Laura McK on 4963 2850 / 0438 632 850.

Junior Dance Group (Yrs 2 & 3)  Friday mornings at 8.00 am (School Hall)
Senior Dance Group (Yrs 4 & 5)  Tuesday mornings at 8.00 am (School Hall)

The cost of Classes is $85.00 per term. Classes will commence Week 1 of Term 4.

These classes entail learning a variety of dance steps in a fun learning environment. This is a great opportunity for children to participate in a group experience and build confidence through a love of dance whilst working towards learning a dance routine which the children perform at different events throughout the year.

It would be appreciated if all new enrolments could be to me by **Friday, 19 September**, so I can finalise numbers in classes and confirm the above times.

Alison and Laura McK
Dear Parents,

Life Education NSW is a not for profit community-based organisation that relies heavily on the raising of funds within the community to assist in meeting the shortfall left after receiving assistance from Government funding.

The sale of Harold merchandise to the children whilst the program is visiting each school supports the fundraising activities of local committees and all proceeds support Life Education within each local area.

These products help to remind children about the messages delivered to them during their Life Education session and have either a picture of Harold or the Life Education logo on them.

The educator will provide the opportunity for children to purchase these products during the school visit. Please provide the correct money in an envelope with the item written on the face of the envelope along with your child’s name and class. This allows the educator to process orders efficiently and accurately.

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Life Education NSW thanks you for your support of the ideals of Life Education.

NB Harold Products are subject to availability

☐ I would like to donate __________ to Life Education NSW.
  Gifts of $2.00 or over are tax deductible.
☐ I would like more information on Life Education NSW

Name: ____________________________________ Phone (optional): __________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________
Suburb: ___________________________________ Postcode: ______________________
Email (optional) ________________________________________________________________ Age: _________

Life Education NSW thanks you for your support.
REGIONAL FINAL OF THE 2014 PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE

The Regional finals of the 2014 Premier’s Spelling Bee are being held at Hamilton Public School on Wednesday, 10 September. The Junior competition runs from 9.30 – 11.30 am and the Senior competition runs from 12.30 – 2.30 pm. All contestants need to be at the event at least 15 minutes prior to the session start time.

The secret is out! And we are excited!!
MHPS is holding a very special “Pinks Stumps” day with our school and community. Please come and join us on Friday 24th October 2014 at Myamblah Oval for round robin cricket day + The Biggest Morning Tea. Attire for the day is PINK!

HAVE A GO SHOW

Our finalists have been chosen! They are busy rehearsing at home. Their performance will be at 9.45 am on Friday, 12 September. Performers will come to the hall at 9.00 am in their costumes to set up.

Families are invited! So come along and watch our talented students.

TIMES TABLES TOURNAMENT

Our annual Times Tables Tournament will be held on Wednesday, 10 September 2014 in the school hall.
Stage finalists will be notified by their class teacher and a note with tournament details will be sent home.
Parents are welcome to come and watch our best mathematicians ‘buzz off’ to find our fastest students!

Times:    Stage 3:     10.00 am  Stage 2:     11.50 am

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DEBATE UPDATE

Both Train-On Squads had debates recently. One team went to Tighes Hill Public School and the topic debated was “Australia is a Great Country to Live in”. MHPS were the affirmative and were unsuccessful in their case. The same team travelled to The Junction PS and debated the topic “That Cars are Better than Public Transport”. MHPS were the negative side and lost to The Junction.

Our other Train-On Squad debated Belair Public School. The topic selected was “That Teachers should have Report Cards”. Our team were the negative side – winning the debate. Well done to all our debaters!

Amanda M

From the Parents...

ONLINE ORDERING CANTEEN COMPETITION

You can win Reading Cinemas voucher to the value of $70 just by placing an online canteen order. Every online order receives an entry in the prize draw. The prize will be drawn on the last day of Term 3.

- Go to www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au
- Sign up, add your child and add credit.
- Select your child
- Select order date
- Add meal items to order
- Confirm order
- Every order receives a confirmation email with your order details

CANTEEN ROSTER

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CANTEEN ROSTER VACANCIES 2014  TERM 3

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 9:**
- Wednesday 10/9/14 9.30 am – 2.15 pm

**Week 10:**
- Thursday 18/9/14 9.30 am – 2.15 pm

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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 S. 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...

ZE NYOKU
MARTIAL ARTS

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
• Self-defence training by a fully insured and accredited instructor
• Combines multiple Martial Arts styles (Karate, Judo Kickboxing, Jujitsu)
• Suitable for all skill levels (ages 6+)
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World Education Program (WEP) is inviting Australian families to experience another culture within their own homes by becoming volunteer host families. Choose a student from Italy, Belgium, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands or South America and get a glimpse into the life of another culture. Our exchange students are just as excited about sharing their own culture and life experiences as they are about becoming a member of an Australian family. Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family, including student profiles. Phone 1300 884 733 or email info@wep.org.au.
**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

**Newcastle Jets Dance Squad:** Registrations for our Audition Workshops for our 2014/15 Pom Squad are now open for dancers aged 8 – 17 years. Auditions will be held on Friday, 12 September at Hunter Stadium. To receive a full information kit please email dancesquad@newcastlejets.com.au.

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**TERM 4 STARTS:**

Wednesday 15th October - 10am at Dixon Park
Thursday 16th October - 6am at Dixon Park
Saturday 18th October - 7am at Merewether Heights Public School
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# Merewether Heights September /October Holidays 2014

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<td>Carnival Day Jumping Castles, Face painting, Pedal Go Karts and more surprises. Additional Cost $10 pp</td>
<td>COLOUR DAY Making colourful shirts tye dye shirts, Colourful cupcakes and paintings.</td>
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<td>Mobile Laser Tag at the centre! Additional Cost $10 pp</td>
<td>Spring has Sprung Day! Make mini gardens and plant some seeds,</td>
<td>Circus Day including JD’s World Of Magic Juggling Class Additional Cost $5 pp</td>
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Merewether Heights OOSH Phone - 0412 787 605  
[www.merewetherheightsoosh.com](http://www.merewetherheightsoosh.com)  
Email: [merewetherheightsoosh@hotmail.com](mailto:merewetherheightsoosh@hotmail.com) for bookings and enquiries.  
Fee: $46 pp/ Child Care Benefit and Rebate reduce fees. Some pay as low as $12 p day in fees.  
We look forward to caring for your child these holidays!
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Return Slips for Parents...

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT
Merewether Heights Public School
The School will accept VISA and MasterCard payments Only

Student Name: ____________________________ Class: ______________

Amount: __________________ For: ________________________________

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