

Term 3 Week 10

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WHALER NO 14



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Dates to Remember

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Holiday					
OCT Term 4 Wk 1	8 STUDENTS AND STAFF RETURN BOOK FAIR	9	10	11	12
Wk 2	15 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	16 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	17 BOOK FAIR - 8.30AM- 4.00PM	18 BOOK FAIR – 8.30AM- 4.00PM	19 BOOK FAIR – 8.30AM- 4.00PM
Wk 3	22 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	23 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	24	25	26 INTERRELATE – YEAR 6
NOV Wk 4	29 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	30 K2013 ORIENTATION DAY 9.15AM. YEAR 3 SWIMMING	31	1	2 INTERRELATE – YEAR 6
Wk 5	5 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	6 K2013 ORIENTATION DAY 9.15AM. YEAR 3 SWIMMING	7	8	9 INTERRELATE – YEAR 6
Wk 6	12 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	13 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	14	15	16 INTERRELATE – YEAR 6
Wk 7	19 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	20 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	21	22	23
Wk 8	26 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	27 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	28	29	30
NOV Wk 9	3 YEAR 3 SWIMMING. SCHOOL MUSICAL	4 YEAR 3 SWIMMING. SCHOOL MUSICAL	5	6 SCHOOL MUSICAL	7
Wk 10	10 YEAR 3 SWIMMING. Yr 6 PRESENTATION AND DINNER DANCE	11 YEAR 3 SWIMMING.	12 YEAR 6 CAMP	13 YEAR 6 CAMP	14 YEAR 6 CAMP. K-2 CONCERT
Wk 11	17 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	18 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	19 LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS	20 TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING	21 TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
HOLIDAYS					

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful **Gala Night**, held in the school hall last week!
All of our **Performing Arts** groups excelled in their performances,
to the absolute delight of the appreciative audience.

Well done to the Drama Group, Dance Group, Junior Band,
Performance Band, String Ensemble, Saxophone Ensemble,
Senior Choir, Junior Choir and the fabulous individual
performers Yasmine, Darby, Lillie & Willa - you all gave us a
night to remember.

Special thanks to Barbara Tauber for her fantastic
organisation, the music tutors, the teachers who stayed to
help and especially to the P&C Music Committee for a superb
job.

Well Done All!



Congratulations to the Year 3 Choir for your lovely performance at the **Primary Proms**. Special thanks to **Sam Jessop** who trained the choir and to **Elise Hudson & Cheryl Wilson** who gave their support both at school and on the night.

In the last Whaler, I was remiss in not thanking the wonderful people who put in so much time and effort to make the **Father's Day Stall** such a huge success. **Very special thanks** to **Vicky Anderson and Fran Newman** for all your tremendous hard work and to all the sellers and wrappers who helped on the day.

Throughout this term all children have been involved in our annual **Public Speaking Competition**. I never cease to be amazed at the high standard of presentations from all our children which makes it extremely hard to judge the winners. I firmly believe that the ability to confidently speak to a large audience from such an early age is a fantastic skill to carry through life and our children are well and truly along the right path.

Congratulations to all children for an amazing job!

Special congratulations to our Grade Champions who presented so confidently at school assemblies:

Finlay – Kindergarten, Isabella – Year 1, Jack – Year 2, Joshua – Year 3, James – Year 4 (*absent for photograph*) & Grace – Year 5.

Tess is the Year 6 Champion and she will present her speech at the Year 6 Farewell Assembly at the end of the year.

Congratulations to the 'It's Academic' team (see report later in this Whaler) who made it to the **Grand Final** despite fierce competition from all the other teams entered from around NSW. Special thanks to **Fiona Davis** for organising and training the team.

A reminder to Kindergarten parents.

Please leave your children in the **Lower Myahgah Playground** in the morning when you bring them to school. There is no teacher on duty in the Upper Myahgah playground before school.

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of Term 3! I hope you all have a safe and happy school holiday, all children return to school on Monday October 8th.

Best Wishes,
Kate Cooper



CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Term 4 Choir

Please see enrolment and information in choir attachment to WHALER.

Anyone from Years 4, 5 and 6 can join our already fabulous group of ArtsNorth singers.

There will be no Tuesday Choir this term.

Please see if you can be available for the following two times below.

Friday 2nd November – Scots Kirk Church at 4.30pm to 5.30pm

Sunday 2nd December – Mosman Art Gallery - 5pm

These are two of the performances already booked for our choir next term. It is time to get out into the community just a little. These are beautiful venues to sing at and only short concerts.

Look forward to seeing some new faces next term. The choir will begin Monday morning of week 2. See Whaler attachment.

The Twilight Gala Performance

A big thank you to all the groups, teachers, coordinators and conductors for their wonderful contribution to the annual Gala Evening. It was a variety event this year and I loved watching the joy and heartfelt expressions on the faces of all the performers. We raised a wonderful \$510 which will truly be put to good use for all, in the ever money draining area of the ARTS!!



The audience gathers for the show.

Some of our colourful and enlightening Performance Groups



Performance Band



Primary Proms Choir



Dance Group



Drama Group

A big thank you to our individual items by Darby, the saxophone ensemble, Yasmine, Willa and Lillie. Also what would the concert be without our wonderful captains Jamie and Anna.

Primary Proms

There was another musical treat this week. On Tuesday night the Year 3 choir performed at the Daintree Concert. It was a beautifully produced event and our Year Three students were in the second row, centre stage. Thank you all who supported the Primary Proms Program.

STUDENT HAPPENINGS

Nan Tien Temple

On Friday 14th September, the Year 6 children and their teachers arrived at school at 7.15am for the long drive to the Nan Tien Temple, a Buddhist Temple which is situated just outside of Wollongong. This excursion was organised to complement our current unit of work on China.



The students participated in Chinese cultural activities, such as Tai Chi and Calligraphy and learnt about Humanistic Buddhism at the largest Buddhist Temple in the Southern Hemisphere. We had a tour of the buildings, museum, statues, shrines and beautiful gardens.

It was a fantastic day, and the children learnt a lot about the Chinese culture and beliefs.

Fiona Davis
Assistant Principal/Stage 3 Team Leader

It's Academic

WELL DONE to the seventeen Year 6 children who competed in Series 16 of 'It's Academic', a Channel 7 quiz show designed to test knowledge in subjects such as English, Maths, Science, Geography, Sport, Music and Pop Culture. Host, Simon Reeve, led the contestants through a maze of tough questions from the Year 6 syllabus.

Mosman's team spent three very long days at Foxtel Studios at Ryde, filming the latest Series. We had very strong competition from the other schools involved but our team won their heats, progressed to the semi-finals and were successful in making it to the Grand Final. A FANTASTIC achievement!!!



The episodes will go to air in February, March, April and May on Channel 7 at 4.00pm. You will need to watch to see who wins the Grand Final.

Special congratulations and a BIG THANK YOU go to the following Year 6 children who trained hard every Friday morning, studied (their specialty topics) and represented our school so proudly:

Nathan S, Oskar A, Sally C, Lillie G, Kyle S, Sebastian W, Remy K, Fanny T, Sophia S, Ella M, Harry I, Tom F, Jamie G, Willa P, Marco E, Jock F, Amani S.

Special thanks also goes to Martha Sullivan (Kyle's mum), who helped to coordinate winter uniforms. Thank you also to all the parents for the early morning drop-offs and late pick-ups. We could not have done it without your support!!

Fiona Davis
Assistant Principal/Stage 3 Team Leader



Thank you to all parents who collected the Woolworths and Coles promotional rewards. The school accumulated 46,900 Woolworths' points. These have been redeemed for the above prizes. All classes will receive five different games that they can use on wet weather days.

We only collected half as many Coles' dockets as we did last year. We are waiting for these Coles points to be assigned to us. The points will be redeemed for extra sporting equipment.

Thank you again for collecting these promotional points.

P&C

From the Green Team

The Green Team has organised a small planting day to enhance the native 'indigenous use' gardens around the synthetic turf area. These gardens were first planted by Year 1 students in 2011 and they are now due for a little more love and attention. The team will be at the gardens from 4pm next Monday 24th September and would love to have a hand, for one plant or more. If you can come along please get in touch with the team via mpsgreenteam@gmail.com

Canteen News

It has been a busy Term 3 in the Canteen. We hope all the children enjoyed their 'fish and chips' special this week. We had a wonderful response...almost 400 children enjoyed a delicious portion of flathead and chips cooked expertly by one of our dads Jamil! A big thank you must also go to Vicki and Alex for their tireless help in serving the kids...and to Tara whose amazing energy drove the whole thing!

And while we are in "thank you" mode, a big shout out goes to all of the fantastic dads who donned an apron and came to help in the week leading up to Father's Day. We have quite a few dads who volunteer regularly but we had such a good fun week with all of the extras and have even managed to persuade a few to return on a regular basis!



We really must acknowledge each and every person who comes to volunteer in our canteen. With many schools outsourcing or closing their school canteens, it is only you busy people sharing your precious time that allows us to run such a vibrant and healthy canteen. We would like to take the opportunity to again reiterate that it doesn't matter how little time you have to offer, we are always in need of helpers. So think seriously, if you have an hour here or there and want to surprise your children and meet some other parents, please come and see us!

As mentioned in the last Whaler, our wonderful roster creator Nina, has given notice. So far, no one has come forward to take on the task. This job is incredibly important to the running of our canteen and requires only a few hours from home at the

beginning of term and some computer skills. If you are interested, please email Nina on gloucesterwalk@yahoo.co.uk or pop into the canteen to chat to us.

Our other great news is that we have finally installed a new oven in the canteen this week. Those of you who have volunteered will know how much "hip and shoulder" was required to get our previous oven working, so we are very excited about the possibilities that lie ahead. Thank you to Richard Barnett who was such a wonderful help in sourcing and installing the oven for us.

In other news, our hard working SRC raised funds for us on Wacky Wednesday. The money will be used to purchase reusable paper bags and other utensils to help with the greening of our canteen. The bags will be used with the online orders only at this stage and will remain the property of the Canteen. Thank you to all who were part of this initiative!

Finally, our online ordering system continues to garner support. On our busiest days we can have over 50 online orders. We have had great feedback on the benefits for parents and can attest to the efficiencies at our end. The only negative feedback has

been the 8am cut off for orders so we have now extended the cut off to 8.30am. A huge thank you goes to Tom Bryant whose work in setting the system up has been invaluable. If you would like to register and use the system, come to the canteen any time and ask for the instructions. They are also available in the canteen section on the school website.

Keep your eyes out for next term's menu which should go home with your children in week 1 and will be available online from day 1. Watch also for information in early Term 1 regarding a fresh food and vegetable initiative run by Sydney Markets which we hope to be involved with. In the meantime, happy holidays!

Simone, Sonia and Tara

COMMUNITY NEWS

R & G GYMNASTICS Pty Ltd
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AFTER SCHOOL GYMNASTIC CLASSES - TERM 4

Dear Parents, Mr Rumen Marinov, the gym teacher in the school, is conducting classes for boys and girls 5 years and over at **Mosman PS, Belmont road, Mosman**. We are now enrolling kids for term 4.



THURSDAY

3:30 - 4:25 Boys and Girls (age 5 - 8) recreational
4:25 - 5:20 Boys and Girls (age 8 - 12) recreational

FRIDAY

3:20 - 4:15 Boys and Girls (age 5 - 8) recreational
4:15 - 5:15 Boys and Girls advanced

Fees Term 4 classes* \$190.00 (GST incl.)

*New members for 2012 - extra \$32.00 NSW Gym. Association annual registration applies.

More information and enrolments on: ph/fax **9428 3953**
email: rggym@bigpond.net.au

Cheques (with enrolment form)
can be posted to:

R & G Gymnastics
PO BOX 1268
LANE COVE NSW 2066

Direct deposits: St George Bank, BSB 112879, Acc. No 43956299.

Book early. Bookings are strictly on first come, first serve basis. Priority will be given to children whose participation has been secured with payment.



ENROLMENT DETAILS

CHILD'S NAME _____ M / F DOB _____

ADDRESS _____

AFTER SCHOOL CLASS day and hour _____

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS _____

DECLARATION I understand that the organisers will take all reasonable care to ensure the well being of my child and I will not hold them responsible for any damage/loss of property and/or accident. I also give my permission for any necessary medical treatment and agree to pay such cost as incurred.

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____

CONTACT Ph No(s) H _____ W _____ MOBILE _____

EMAIL: _____

Parenting Programs

Child & Adolescent Parenting

WHAT'S ON IN TERM 4 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Tuning in to Kids Course (3-10yrs)

Help your child develop emotional intelligence, manage emotions & deal with conflict.
Chatswood 5wks/2.5hrs (5/11-3/12, 7.00-9.30pm)

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Course (3-8yrs)

Strategies to encourage desirable behaviour and manage persistent misbehaviour.
Chatswood 7sessions over 8 wks - 5 group & 2 telephone (18/10-29/11)

Communicating with Kids Course (based on PET) (4-12 yrs)

Communication skills for building effective long term relationships with your children & family.
Chatswood 6 wks/2.5hrs (24/10 - 28/11, 7.00-9.30pm)

Communicating with Teens Course

Aims to increase your understanding of your adolescent's needs & behaviour with skills to relate to them.
Chatswood 5 wks/2.5hrs (30/10 -27/11, 7.00-9.30pm)

Toddlers Workshops (1-3yrs)

Series of 3 workshops on Discipline, Tucker & Toilet Training, Speech & Sleep
Chatswood 3 wks/2.5hrs (15/10-29/10, 7.00-9.30pm)

Resilient Kids Workshop

Strategies to accept & express feelings, develop optimistic thinking & coping skills
Chatswood (20/11, 7.00-9.30pm)

Dealing with Teen's Backchat Workshop

Learn how to restore a respectful & positive relationship between you & your teenager
Chatswood (23/10, 7.00-9.30pm)

WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST - PHONE 9887 5830 (2-2.5 hours)

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| ★ Understanding Your Toddler/Discipline & Tantrums | ★ Transition to School |
| ★ Tucker without Tantrums/Toilet Training | ★ Transition to High School |
| ★ Speech & Language Development/Sleep | ★ Triple P (PPP) Seminar Series |
| ★ Older Sibling - New Baby | 1-12 years & Teens |
| ★ Bully Busting | ★ Dealing with Teen's Back Chat |
| ★ Resilient Kids | NEW ★ Grand Parenting |

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting 9887 5830

www.nscchhs.health.nsw.gov.au/caparenting.htm



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- ☐ Lots of fun activities, drama music & games
- ☐ Experienced and enthusiastic teachers
- ☐ Supported by fantastic fun activities online at Babelzone - visit our website for a FREE TRIAL www.lcclubs.com.au

Become an Ethics Teacher at Mosman Public School

Primary Ethics provides the opportunity for NSW public primary school students who don't attend scripture classes (SRE) to participate in philosophical ethics classes.

We need several new volunteers to teach Years 3&4 or Years 5&6 ethics classes in 2013. The classes teach children how to approach ethical issues and develop their capacity for considered moral judgment, which will enable them to respond more thoughtfully to many of the problems and issues they will face in their lives. Volunteer Ethics Teachers are trained to deliver our age-appropriate curriculum every week and to use the accompanying learning and teaching materials.

For more information about the role and to volunteer, please go to <http://www.primaryethics.com.au> or contact Kylie Strawbridge (Ethics Coordinator) on (0405)655974.