

Term 4 Week 10

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Dates to Remember

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Wk 11	17 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	18 YEAR 3 SWIMMING	19 LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS	20 TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING	21 TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
HAPPY HOLIDAYS Welcome to 2013					
JAN/ FEB 2013 Week 1	28 AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY	29 STAFF RETURN	30 CURRENT STUDENTS RETURN. KINDY BEST START	31 NEW STUDENTS YEARS 1-6. KINDY BEST START	1 KINDY BEST START
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

‘Who’s Got Talent ?’ Mosman Public School certainly proved that we have it in truckloads!!!

This musical was THE VERY BEST YET!! It was spectacular from start to finish, with superb acting, fantastic dancing and fabulous costumes.

Congratulations and very special thanks to:

- The remarkable **Ben van Biljon** who wrote and directed ‘Who’s Got Talent’, clearly demonstrating his own wonderful talent and special gift for writing. His achievement in writing and directing a musical to include a part for all 96 children in Year 6, as well as dances for Years 3, 4 & 5 is absolutely brilliant.
- All of **Year 6 for your tremendous talent** so fantastically displayed throughout the musical. You showed your skills in drama, comedy, dance and drumming, as well as all the individual talents, to amazing effect.
- All children in **Years 3, 4 & 5** for exciting, energetic dancing all with smiles from ear to ear. **You were all fantastic!**
- Our choreographer, **Nicci Johnson**, who excelled herself this year. The dances and music were fabulous and so perfect for each scene.
- **Ann Wall** (mum of Josh, Year 5) for her fabulous work in costumes, sets, props etc. etc. etc. not to mention being at school almost every day for the past several weeks as well as for every performance. You are an amazing woman Ann! The MPS musical would not be what it is without your energy, great ideas and wonderful skills and expertise.
- **Ann’s team** of parents, thank you for your much needed help.
- **Tara Green** (mum of Souad, K) for your tremendous artistic talent in designing and painting the sets which looked absolutely brilliant – what a wonderful artist you are!
- **Tara’s team** of parents who helped to paint, thank you for your great help.
- **Nestor, the MPS miracle man!** Nestor has done so many jobs for the musical as well as being on the doors at every performance.
- **All MPS staff** who were amazing in so many areas in support of the musical, from costumes, make-up, lights, technology, filming, tickets, props, holding rooms, tickets, seating plans – the list is endless. All of our teachers worked for the musical irrespective of whether their class was involved and so did the ladies in the office - what a team!

WELL DONE ALL FOR A BRILLIANT JOB!

Special thanks to the Year 5 parents who provided such a memorable dinner/dance for our departing Year 6. The hall and COLA looked spectacular and the food was delicious.

On behalf of Year 6 2012, their parents and teachers and myself, thank you so much for making the night so very special.

WHAT A DELIGHTFUL WAY TO END THE YEAR! THE KINDERGARTEN, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 CONCERT HELD TODAY WAS ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL.

The children looked fabulous in their colourful Christmas T-Shirts. Thank you to all parents for the wonderful effort in decorating the shirts.

Congratulations and very special thanks to:

- **All Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 Children** for being such fantastic performers and having such beautiful beaming smiles! You made us all very proud of you.
- **Brenna Macdonald** for her meticulous organisation of the concert and for her super choreography.
- **Scott Bagnall** for providing such talented live music.
- **All teachers from K, Year 1 and Year 2** for your wonderful work with the children.
- **Barbara Tauber & her choir** for excellent accompaniment to the closing number.
- **Nestor** for making Santa's ute!

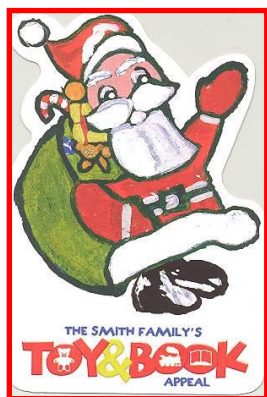
WELL DONE ALL FOR A REALLY SPECIAL CONCERT !

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of another school year. Thank you all so very much for your wonderful support throughout the year. Farewell to the many families who are leaving MPS, especially those who have done so much for our school and the children, I am sure you take fond memories with you and please stay in touch.

School ends for all children on Wednesday of next week, though not until Friday for the teachers! School commences for all returning children on Wednesday January 30th.

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year as well as a safe and relaxing school holiday. I look forward to seeing you in 2013 and we can do it all over again!

**Best Wishes,
Kate Cooper**



Smith Family Christmas Appeal

Ho! Ho! Ho! Thank You for your generous support. These wonderful presents will light up some faces on Christmas morning. MPS parents and students are the best.

On behalf of the Smith Family have an enjoyable Christmas and may the New Year bring lots of happiness and good times.



STUDENT HAPPENINGS

Year 6 Fair

Today we went to the fabulous Year 6 fair. The best three stalls (for me) probably would have to be Try Your Luck, Crazy Rubber Chicken Chuck and a bowling game. I have 4 lollies right now (three were eaten by me). Sam got two goes (like me) at Try Your Luck. I had a great time. *By Connor 2B*

Today we had the Year 6 Fair. My favourite game was the Pool Of Luck. This is how you play it: You're blindfolded and you have to pick up a ball (the balls are in fairy eggs). If you get a high number you get that many lollies. I also went to my sister's stall. There was another stall that I went to, where you had a cup of jelly and you could put toppings on like: chocolate, caramel, sprinkles etc. Another game was where you had to put your hand in and grab golf balls (everyone gets a prize). I bought 2 jelly cups. IT WAS THE BEST YEAR 6 FAIR EVER!! *By Maggie 2B*

Today we had the Year 6 Fair. It had lots of games. First I got a chocolate chip cookie. Next I got two tattoos. Then I went to do some bowling and I won 3 lollypops. There were so many things to choose from. It was amazing! I can't wait until next year. *By Paris 2B*

Today was the Year 6 Fair. My favourite game was the Soccer Shot Out because I like soccer and it was really hard to get the ball into the goal. Most of the time I was playing games. I liked the Year 6 Fair because there were so many games and lollies.

By Isaac Foote 2B



Premier's Reading Challenge 2012

Congratulations to the 263 students who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. Gold certificates were awarded to the following children who have completed the PRC for four years:

Kanav A.

Kathryn B.

Charlotte F.

Madeleine H.

Rachel L.

Anais S.

Well done to you all! Platinum certificates are awarded after seven years completion – good luck in attaining these! Certificates will be distributed before the end of term. You can view your child's name on the honour roll:

<http://prc.smh.com.au/>

Books read over the holidays can count towards the 2013 Challenge...so keep reading!

2B and 2J Excursion



We went on a one hour bus drive to the Nihongo Tanken Japanese Language Centre. There were 2 sensei (teachers) called Tom and Yoshi. We played some Japanese games. 2B and 2J made rice balls. They were so yummy! My favourite game was the spinning tops. It was awesome! *By Caenwyn 2B*

We went to Nihongo Tanken Japanese Language Centre. It took 1 hour on the bus. Finally we arrived. First we made Onigiri [rice balls]. There were ni sensei [2 teachers]. Then we had lunch and went back to school. It was so great. *By Olivia D 2B*

2B and 2J went on an excursion. We went on a one hour bus drive to Kirrawee Public High School. In the

school we went to Nihongo Tanken Japanese Learning Centre. We were taught by ni sensei (two teachers). We played games and made Onigiri (rice balls). My favourite activity was eating and making the rice balls. That was my favourite excursion I've ever experienced! *By Jack M 2B*

2B and 2J went to the Nihongo Tanken Japanese Language Centre. It was a one hour bus drive. The bus had seat belts. There were ni sensei (two teachers). We played lots of games. My favourite was the spinning tops. I chose Nick as my partner. I beat him every time. We made sushi rolls. I had everything that was there. There was tuna, sugar, rice and seaweed. After our lunch I got a splinter in my foot. Finally we got back on the bus and went back to school. That was the best excursion EVER!

By Jake 2B



Yesterday we went on an excursion to the Nihongo Tanken Japanese Language Centre. There were ni sensi (two teachers). We did 4 activities and my favourite was the spinning tops. It was so much fun! *By Phoebe 2B*

P&C NEWS

Canteen News

We're going out with a bang – Cheeseburger Tuesday is next week! A huge thank you to Paul Evans who has organised this term's Red Day. Paul and his team of volunteers from **KH** have been planning, copying, counting, sorting and will be cooking and packing this term's yummy treat. (Remember to pack healthy items like lettuce, tomato and cucumber on the day for your child to add to the burger.) Some Grade 6'ers will also be helping out with the Cheeseburger day, a new initiative to help get our kids involved in our Canteen, albeit not directly in the kitchen. Thank you to both KH helpers and those Grade 6 kids involved. We look forward to more Grade 6 help next year.

Our friends at Coles have kindly donated the burgers and cheese slices for Cheeseburger Tuesday and we are most appreciative of their generosity.

We are happy to advise that the left over fridge and freezer items which cannot be stored in the Canteen until next year will be donated to Mission Australia's Fairlight Centre in Manly. Again, thank you Paul for this suggestion.

A reminder to visit the on-line ordering website over the holiday period in preparation for next year. <http://www.mosmanpublicpandc.org.au/canteen/>

And lastly, a special thank you to the following kind people who have either finished all their Christmas shopping or are the last minute sorts:

Last three days of term:

Monday: Anna M, Tegan, Sofia
Tuesday: Tina S, Stefanie H
Wednesday: Lisa McI, Michelle Z, Paul E

A healthy and happy Christmas we wish you all,
Sonia, Simone & Tara

COMMUNITY NEWS

A purple poster for Kids Upfront Drama Academy. The top half features the logo 'kids upfront' in orange and purple, with 'DRAMA ACADEMY' in white below it. The text 'We give kids Confidence' is written in a large, stylized font. Below this is a group photo of several smiling children. To the right of the photo, text reads: 'Mosman P.S.Hall', 'REGISTER FOR A', 'FREE Trial Drama Class!', 'VALUE \$17.00', 'ENROL NOW FOR TERM 1 2013', 'MONDAYS', 'kindy to Yr 2 3:25 to 4:25 pm', 'Yrs 3 to 4 4:25 to 5:25 pm', 'Yrs 5 to 6 5:25 to 6:25 pm'. At the bottom, the website 'www.kidsupfront.com.au' and phone number '9953 4040' are listed.

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Scout Xmas Trees



The annual Cliffo Scouts Christmas tree sale is on again. Select your own freshly cut premium quality tree on the morning of

**Saturday 8th or 15th December
from 7:00am**

From one of our convenient local sites:

- * Mosman High School - Military Rd entrance
- * Middle Harbour Public School - MacPherson St
- * Kurraba Rd car park - opp. Anderson Park
- * Neutral Bay Public School - Yeo St

All proceeds raised go towards helping the young people of our area learn new skills and have fun in the safe and friendly environment of scouting.

www.cliffoscouts.com

