

Term 1 Week 6

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## Dates to Remember

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Wk 7	11	12 Cross Country	13	14 Selective High School Test	15
Wk 8	18 Regional Swimming Carnival	19	20 Year 5 Camp	21 Year 5 Camp. School Photo Day K-4	22 Year 5 Camp
Wk 9	25	26	27 School Photo Day Yrs 5&6. Family Photo Day K-6	28 K&Yr1 Easter Hat Parade	29 GOOD FRIDAY
APR Wk 10	1 EASTER MONDAY	2	3	4 Cross Country wet weather back up	5
Wk 11	8	9 Year 6 Camp	10 Year 6 Camp	11 Year 6 Camp	12 LAST DAY FOR TERM 1

## HOLIDAYS

TERM 2 MAY Wk 1	29 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	30 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	1	2	3
Wk 2	6	7	8	9	10 Mother's Day Stall
Wk 3	13	14 NAPLAN – Language Conventions & Writing	15 NAPLAN - Reading	16 NAPLAN - Numeracy	17 NAPLAN – Catch up

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see some new faces at last week's P&C meeting. Being closely involved in your child's school is the best way to de-mystify the education process and to dispel some of the myths that abound. Thank you to all who attended, I hope to see you at the next meeting!

I sent out an email this week regarding uniform which seems to have sparked some confusion! My plea to you is to **buy black sport shoes** then there will be no need to have sport shoes in the bag to change into. Most of our children already wear these; there are many excellent brands available, all of which are reasonably priced and very appropriate for all school activities, including sport. The issue with tennis shoes is the 'non-marking sole' which has already been discussed with the Years 5 & 6 children.

Please note the school photo days in the calendar above, you should already have received a note and the order envelope. The main change from previous years is for family (sibling) photos and for 5P, 5A, 5/6D, 6M & 6S because of the Year 5 Bathurst camp. These photographs will be taken on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Congratulations** to all those **fantastic swimmers** who represented our school so well at the **Zone Swimming Carnival** held this week. **Special thanks** to all parents who drove their children (and others) to and from the pool and especially **Yasmin Grover** who was the **parent manager** at the pool. Thanks also to **Stephen Dowler & Anna O'Neill** who worked tirelessly at the pool throughout the day.

Best wishes,  
Kate Cooper

**Just a reminder....BAND CAMP 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Become a Chess Master!

Chess coaching for students at **Mosman Public School** is held on **Friday** from **3:15pm – 4:15pm** in **Classroom 2V**. Currently the chess club is small and we are looking to grow. New members are able to receive a lot of individual attention. Beginners to advanced are all welcome! It is never too late to join!

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board, puzzle solving and fun practice games. Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can either collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email [enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au) for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02)97451170.

