

Term 2 Week 6

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Dates to Remember

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Wk 7	10 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	11 Mini-Mos Mufti Day	12	13 Regional X-Country	14
Wk 8	17 Writing Competition	18 Spelling Competition	19	20 Grandparents Day – Yr 1 – 9.20am	21
Wk 9	24	25 Mosman Council BBQ	26	27	28
HOLIDAYS					
JULY Wk 1	15 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	16 STUDENTS RETURN	17	18 Athletics Carnival Yrs 3-6	19
Wk2	22	23	24 OC Test	25	26 School National Tree Day
AUG Wk 3	29	30 Education Open Day	31 English Competition	1	2

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

Yesterday I had the great pleasure of attending the wonderful concert which celebrated the finale of the annual **Music Camp** held at the Collaroy Centre. It was truly an amazing demonstration of the hard work of our young musicians and their tutors and conductors over the two days of the camp.

Congratulations to the Junior Strings, Senior Strings, Junior Band, Performance Band & Stage Band – you made us all very proud of you with your magnificent performances.

Special thanks to:

- **Barbara Tauber** for her inspirational leadership of music at MPS and for her endless energy. Barbara is the embodiment of dedicated teaching and passion for every aspect of Performing Arts.
- **Tracy Miles, Kate Crowe, Charmion Rowe and the Performing Arts Committee** for a brilliant job in organising and managing the camp.
- **Cheryl Oxley, Brad Madigan, Doug Cotterill, Ella Jamieson, Scott Bagnall, Steve Ley, Chris Macken, Alex Miller-Bock & Matt Grech** for teaching our young musicians so superbly.
- **Leisha Scott, Anna O'Neill & Scott Bagnall** who gave their time, both in the day and overnight, well above the call of duty, to ensure that the camp ran so smoothly.
- **All parent helpers** who gave their time and support in so many ways.

Well done all!

Congratulations to our Zone X-Country Team! MPS won the Zone for the second year running!

Well done, a fantastic achievement!

Last Friday, the **School Captains, Max & Viktoria**, accompanied me to the **Defence of Australia Monument at North Head** for the annual Australia Remembers Ceremony led by **Mr Tony Abbott**. This is a moving service which honours those who served in defence of Sydney in World War 2 and is attended by Members of both State and Federal Governments, many local dignitaries, members of the Armed Services, ex-Service Men & Women, special guest speakers and representatives from local schools. **Max & Viktoria** laid a wreath at the monument on our behalf and represented MPS superbly.

The Mini-Mos is almost upon us! Have you registered yet?

Best wishes,
Kate Cooper

Creative and Performing Arts News

BAND CAMP



The double bass played by Brad Madigan gave the String Ensemble a real boost of energy. Rachel, Victoria and Annie putting in a mighty effort.



Morgan and Olivia hard at work on the saxophone.



Darby and Sophie were hard to beat at Laser Tag.



Erin, Lucy, Lexie and Liam went abseiling.



The Performance Band got a real workout. Holly, Maisie and Belle on the clarinet.



Don't be fooled Sophie, Mackenzie and Harriet mean business!

What a wonderful two days the lovely, well-mannered and brilliantly talented 'Musicians of Mosman' spent at The Collaroy Centre this week at their annual band camp.

I don't want to go heavily into detail but it was a great pleasure to watch our students grow musically under the tutelage of first class musicians and under the baton of our four fabulous conductors, Ella Jamieson, Doug Cotterill, Brad Madigan and Cheryl Oxley. If you don't have a lot to do with the music program at Mosman Public School then you would be astounded at how the students in our extra curricula music groups grow into highly polished performers.

There are, of course, a million people to thank but in particular, the wonderful Kate Crowe, Tracy Miles and Charmion Rowe really lead the advance party on getting this camp up and running. I am really proud of our kids and I can speak on behalf of Scott Bagnall, Anna O'Neill and Leisha Scott who accompanied me to the camp. We were suitably impressed with the kids housekeeping skills, table manners, manners to camp staff, tutors and parents, bravery in outdoor activities and they were all fantastic in their cabins. I really feel camaraderie was a feature of the camp. A wonderful concert completed the camp and, though you might think this the end of a particular road, it is actually the beginning. Our students are ready to perform and performing experience is what will motivate them to go to the next level. We will be sending you information on events we may be able to access and I would ask for your full support in getting our children more exposure on the performing stage.

Barbara Tauber
Performing Arts Coordinator

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