

Term 2 Week 9

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WHALER NO 9



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Dates to Remember

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
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 10-10.50am	31 English Competition	1	2
Wk 4	5	6	7	8 K-2 Sports Carnival 9am- 12.15pm	9
Wk 5	12	13 Maths Competition	14	15	16

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents,

Apologies that this edition of the Whaler has not been sent by email, all school DEC accounts across NSW have been down for the past week due to a major backing incident.

Wow! What an absolutely brilliant Mini-Mos & Fair!

We **broke every record** in all aspects of the Mini-Mos. The **weather was perfect and the organisation was incredible**, it never ceases to amaze me how such a remarkable, iconic event can be achieved with a wonderful group of **highly dedicated volunteers**. I believe that this was the best of all the many Mini-Mos & Fairs I have experienced in my years at MPS.

Congratulations and very special thanks to:

- **Nick Elliott & the Race Team** for an outstanding job and for your faultless organisation in achieving a highly professional, safe race environment.
- **Justine Morton and her Fair Team, especially Liz Blackwell, Linh Scotter & Michelle Brown** for the biggest and best fair ever! What a fantastic job!
- **Cherelle Martin & Francisca Barlin** for your tireless and endless work, carried out so calmly, efficiently and effectively, in the overall management of the event.
- **Liz Williams & Dale Veldhoven** for brilliant promotion, publicity and marketing and **Maggie Jackson** for coordinating fundraising.
- **Pat Farmer & Herb Elliott** for being wonderful **Ambassadors**. Special thanks to Pat who spoke at assembly and did a great job in running an inspirational training session for some of our students.
- **Mike Clifford** for yet another terrific job as MC. (This is Mike's last year in the job which he has done for a long time, despite his youngest child moving on to high school two years ago!)
- **Katharine Collins & Nigel Blunden** for your fantastic enthusiasm with the **'KindyMos'**. All but 9 of the Kindy children ran in the Mini-Mos thanks to your great encouragement.
- **Our wonderful sponsors**, especially Belle Property, who support us so generously.
- **The MPS Staff** for your great work in so many areas both on and before the day.
- **All parents and friends** who donated their time and goods so readily, as well as attending and having lots of fun on the day.
- **Last but not least, all MPS kids** who ran their very best, most in the 2k, but also many in the 5k & 10k races.

The most wonderful aspect of the day is the **amazing community spirit** which far surpasses the fundraising.

Thank you and well done all!

Congratulations to Emily 5P, who won the **Zone Multicultural Public Speaking Competition** against the best speakers from 15 local schools in Years 5&6. An amazing achievement!

Congratulations also to Josh 4G, runner-up in the same competition for Years 3&4, well done Josh!

Last week I was privileged to attend the special concert to celebrate the **Year 1 Grandparents & Special Friends Day**. This was really special, with delightful singing, dancing and poetry recital. It was fantastic to see so many people there to enjoy this lovely event.

Congratulations to all **Year 1 Students** and their teachers, **Julie Watson, Brenna Macdonald, Samantha Lloyd, Vanessa Polito, Amanda Rhall, Jennifer Jones & Simone Paikea**. Well done all!

I hope you all have a safe and happy school holiday, School resumes for all students on **Tuesday July 16th**.

Best wishes,
Kate Cooper

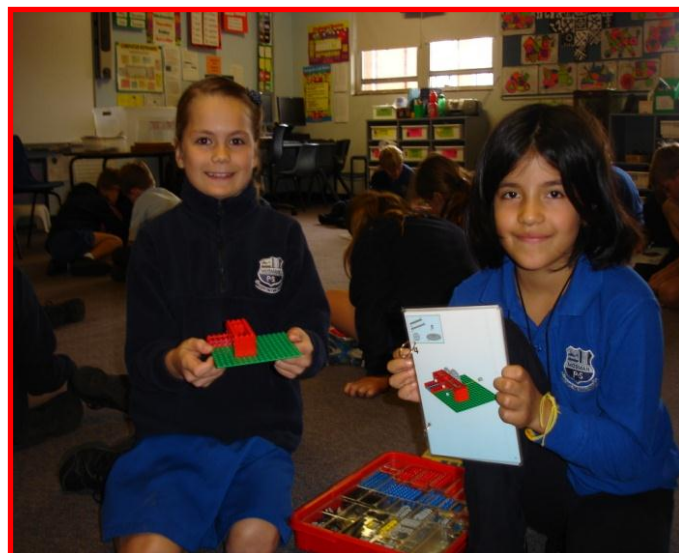
STUDENT HAPPENINGS

CSIRO Visits Stage 2

Years 3 and 4 recently had a visit from CSIRO. They taught us about simple machines. First of all, Megan (the CSIRO teacher) got one of our class mates, Mikkel, to try and lift Ms Sullivan up with this really big lever. It worked! Megan then told us to get into pairs. She handed us Lego kits so that we could build some gears. After that, we built a Ferris wheel. We had the BEST day! *Jake E and Angus C 3W*



A Ferris wheel built from Lego
Harry M and Mikkel M



Kristin B and Natalia H

Please be aware of these key road safety messages below:

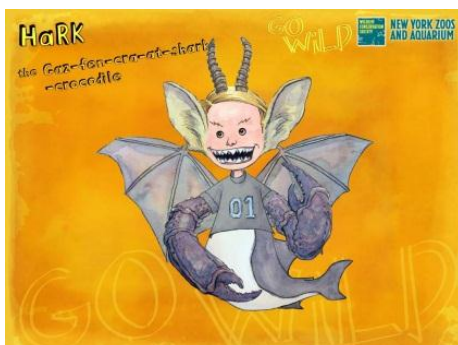
Key road safety messages			
	EARLY STAGE 1 / STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
PEDESTRIAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hold a grown up's hand when you cross the road ❖ Hold a grown up's hand when you're on the footpath ❖ Hold a grown up's hand when you're in a car park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Use a safe place to cross the road ❖ Hold an adult's hand when you cross the road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Stop! Look! Listen! Think! every time you cross the road ❖ Use a safe place to cross the road
PASSENGER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Click, clack, front 'n' back ❖ Always buckle up in your seatbelt ❖ Get in and out of the car on the footpath side 		
WHEELS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Wait till the bus has gone and then use a safe place to cross the road ❖ Always wear a helmet when you ride or skate ❖ Ride your bike in a safe place away from the road 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The NSW Centre for Road Safety recommends children up to the age of 10 be supervised by an adult whenever they are in the traffic environment as a pedestrian, passenger or cyclist. Their safety is enhanced when they are accompanied and actively supervised by a responsible adult. 		

Year 2 have written information reports on imaginary creatures they developed in the Computer Room using a website entitled 'Build your Wild Self'.

Buttock by Sophia 2H

A Buttock is warm blooded. It is a unique creature and belongs to three families – the horse family, insect family and bird family.

A Buttock has legs like a flamingo. It has wings like a butterfly. It has a tail like a peacock. It has very long hair and arms like a zebra.



A Buttock lives in the sky and the mountains. It also lives on the clouds and in the air.

A Buttock moves by flying very fast. It also walks, runs and gallops quickly.

A Buttock eats juicy leaves and green grass. It also eats red bugs, big fish and nector. It has blunt and sharp teeth.

A Buttock is gentle and delicate. It has patterns and is colourful.

Hark by Kobe 2H

A Hark is cold blooded. It lives in the water just like a shark. It is a lobster but we call him Hark. This animal is very strange. It has neat hair, elf ears, bat wings and a shark body.

Hark lives in crocodile lakes. It can see fish almost every day. It mostly finds crocodiles of course.



Hark can crawl most of the time but that doesn't mean it can't walk. When it feels like it, Hark goes for a fly in the sky.

Hark eats lots and lots of yummy fish. It's favourite is clownfish. "Mmmmm," he would say. When it sees one, Hark swims as fast as he can.

Hark can bite very hard When it is angry. It looks a bit funny sometimes. It is an amazing animal.

Joantula by Joe 2H

A Joantula is warm blooded. It is part of the monkey family. The Joantula is a unique creature and is endangered as there are only a few left.

A Joantula is a fierce, almost instinctive creature. It has the following parts: peacock hair, rabbit ears, shark teeth, gibbon arms and spider legs.

A Joantula lives in caves and bushes. It likes the dark and will hide in caves. Sometimes it climbs trees and hides in the leaves.

A Joantula moves by running, swinging and hopping. When a Joantula runs, it is very fast. But when it swings it is even faster.

A Joantula eats insects, fish and most meats. The only food it doesn't eat is cold blooded animals. It usually hunts in caves and will eat animals hiding from other predators.

A Joantula is hunted by hunters so they can use its teeth for necklaces. It has very long arms and very sharp teeth. On Tuesday afternoons, Year 2 is participating in a Creative Extension Program. The students have been involved in dance, drama, singing, craft and Imovie making.





2H would like to thank all the parents who were involved with our Readers' Theatre Afternoon. Some of these wonderful parents helped us practise and others made time to come and watch the performances.



Creative and Performing Arts News

ArtsNorth Choir – Year 4

What a great term we have had. Thank you to everyone supporting the Performing Arts programs.

Next term we begin with the Year 4 ArtsNorth Choir rehearsal on Week 1, Wednesday 17th July. It is at the Salvation Army Hall in Elizabeth Street and students will be travelling by bus. A note is attached if you missed it. Permission notes need to be in on the first day back please.

Everyone have a great holiday and hope you enjoy some music along the way!!

Year 5 Drama Group

Week 2 sees the launch of the Drama Festival at NIDA and our Year 5, Drama Group will be performing. The night performance is Tuesday 23rd July at 7.00pm and the matinee, Wednesday 23rd July at 11.00am.

Dance Group

Congratulations on a set of exquisite performances at the Northern Sydney Dance Festival. You were a slick and professional team.



Bands and String Ensembles

After a great Band Camp the Junior Band and Junior Strings have already performed at a School Assembly. Next term in the even weeks all groups will be performing in front of their peers.

At the K-2 Assembly the Performance Band will be playing in Week 4, the Senior String in Week 6 and the Junior Band in Week 8. The 3-6 Assembly will also cater to a fortnightly performance.

The Instrument Festival Rehearsal is on Monday 22nd July at Croydon Public School.

SUNDAY, 4th AUGUST is the NSW Band Festival at the University of NSW.

A **BIG, BIG** reminder too that the Junior and Performance Band will be performing on Sunday 27th July at the Bravo Showcase in Mosman. Check the details below. Let's all turn up and make it a good one for the Bands.



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SHOWCASE

27 July 2013



An eruption of MUSICAL Festivity and FUN

Prize raffle

High Tea



July Showcase of Bands and Voices from Sydney's Musical North

A great opportunity to gather and celebrate making music together!

- Great bands and voices performing together
- Special guest soloists
- Wonderful venue – sound and lights
- PRIZE raffle and High Tea!



Concert Tickets

Tickets at the door

Adults \$6
Children \$3
Family \$12

Venue: 31 The Crescent, Mosman
Beautiful home of Sydney Life Church
Time: 2.30pm

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P&C NEWS

Mosman Public School Sport Committee

School Tennis comp

On Saturday 15 June, 4 children from Mosman Public School took part in the North Suburbs Tennis Association Primary Schools' Challenge. This is a tennis tournament available to all the primary schools on the North Shore where children of all tennis abilities get to play a round robin doubles competition against teams from other schools. It is a wonderful opportunity for children to experience competition tennis in a low-key and fun way. A pizza dinner and drinks are also provided on the night!! The first team of Maddie and Stephanie played very well and won their division. Of their 3 games, they won 2 and drew one. Charlie and Josh, playing in their first ever Challenge, formed the second team and the boys did very well to finish third. They won 2 of their four games. It would be wonderful to see more Mosman Public children participating in this event. If your child can play a reasonable standard of tennis (able to rally the ball over the net and hit a basic serve) we would love them to be part of the Mosman Public team for the Primary Schools Challenge next term. The next challenge will be on 7th September. Entries close 29th August.

If you are interested please contact Vicki Davies at daviesmv@bigpond.net.au.



Little Athletics

Registrations for Little Athletics for the summer season opens online on Thursday 1st August. Athletes compete on Monday evenings at Balmoral oval during terms 4 and 1. Demand is expected to be strong and registration will close once capacity is reached, so if your child would like to participate please register early at www.mosmanlittleathletics.com.

School years 3 to 6 Athletics Carnival

The school athletics carnival for years 3 to 6 will be held on Thursday 18th July at Allan Border oval. Notes will be sent home shortly.

For more sport news and photos please go to the school website

<http://www.mosman-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/curriculum-activities/sports-newsletter>

Sport Committee

Canteen News

Thank you so much to those who heard our call out for volunteers earlier this term and came in to do a shift. It really does make a huge difference. Thank you also to our regular volunteers ... you know what you mean to us.

The Term 3 roster is already on the notice board outside the canteen, so please be sure to fill your name in for a shift. We'd really love to see all the pink spaces filled.

Our Term 3 Menu should come home with your child in the first week of term 3. It will also be up on the P&C website in due course. There are always some fresh new items and in turn, some items need to fall by the wayside, so please note any changes.

Lastly we are advertising for another Co-Manager to help us out. (See below as to what the job involves.) If you are interested please forward your details and resume to Sonia at secretary@mosmanpublicpandc.org.au

Wishing you a restful break.

The Canteen Team

(Sonia, Simone and Tara)

CANTEEN CO-MANAGER POSITION

Position Description

At the beginning of last year the Canteen at Mosman Public underwent significant changes to comply with the Healthy School Canteen Strategy. The strategies have changed the focus of the Canteen Co-Manager role to now encompass a variety of responsibilities.

The role of Canteen Co-Manager will commence with one day a week, most likely on Fridays, for the remainder of 2013, with the possibility of increasing this to either 2 or 3 days per week next year. This is subject to negotiation. The daily hours for the Canteen Co-Manager Position are 8.00am – 3.00pm.

Key Responsibilities

Help to plan, organise, coordinate and monitor all of the Canteen's activities. Leading by example, the Canteen Co-Manager will guide and influence the work of volunteers to establish team spirit in the canteen and provide a friendly, welcoming work environment.

Management responsibilities, in conjunction with fellow Co-Managers, include:

- (a) Daily planning** – Involves working out what needs to be achieved for the day, determining the best sequence for the jobs at hand and communicating this to volunteers.
- (b) Organising and coordinating** – For all resources in the canteen including the food, packaging, staffing and facilities.
- (c) Food** – Ensuring safe, good quality food is prepared and served each day in a consistent manner.
- (d) Equipment** – Maintaining hygienic, well functioning equipment and kitchen items. Also organising servicing or repairs needed to any canteen equipment such as fridge and freezer.
- (e) Cleaning** – Ensuring a daily regular maintenance schedule for cleaning equipment, cupboards, surfaces, linen and all areas of the canteen is carried out, including a thorough clean out after each term.
- (f) Time** – Ensuring lunch orders and over the counter foods are prepared and ready on time
- (g) Fundraising** – Developing opportunities each term, where possible, for fund raising by the canteen utilising 2 x allowed red days each term and any other seasonal opportunities such as sports and swimming carnivals. Profit is not the primary objective of the canteen.
- (h) Monitoring** - Stock quantities and supplies, the quality of food served in the canteen, the number of volunteers rostered on each day and informing the relevant person if these need amendment.
- (i) Menu Development and promotion** - Continually develop the canteen menu to ensure there is healthy and nutritious food on offer that meets the requirements of the Fresh Tastes Strategy. Develop strategies to promote healthy choices and to keep the menu interesting.
- (j) Financial Responsibilities** - The Canteen Manager is to bank the daily takings each day. Invoices received with deliveries must be retained, filed and submitted to the treasurer or responsible person. The Canteen Co-Manager must record daily takings in daily takings book each day that they work. The recovering of debts to the canteen must also be managed.
- (k) Pricing** - The Canteen Co-Managers will need to work with the P&C treasury to address any sudden and significant price increases that will affect the menu and to consider when any price rises may need to be implemented.
- (l) Reporting** - Reports highlighting any areas of concern, positive feedback or opportunities for improvement are to be prepared for P&C Meetings when required. Regular reporting in the Whaler is also required.

Qualification requirements

Excellent organisational skills are a requirement, as is the ability to communicate effectively and in a friendly manner with the other co-managers, teachers, staff, volunteers and above all the students. A passion for the success of our Canteen is a must.

There is also a requirement for basic computer skills in MS Word, MS Excel, use of the internet and some knowledge of basic account keeping and banking procedures.

Experience in the catering industry or running a small business will be viewed favourably.

The successful applicant should have some knowledge of the NSW Healthy Schools Canteen Strategy and be prepared to adhere to the guidelines.

Longevity at the school will also be considered.

Uniform Shop News

The uniform shop opening hours are changing! (From Term 3)

From the beginning of Term 3, we will open every week in term time on:

Monday afternoon	2.00 – 3.30 pm
Wednesday morning	8.30 – 10.00 am

The idea of opening in the afternoons has been raised by several parents/caregivers. We hope it will give everyone more flexibility when they have to visit the shop.

For more information and news about the uniform shop visit the Mosman Public School P&C website at <http://www.mosmanpublicpandc.org.au> or contact Sarah Kirwan at uniform@mosmanpublicpandc.org.au

COMMUNITY NEWS



FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier & happier

**Do you have children 7 to 13 years old?
Are you worried they might be above their healthy weight?**

Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks during school term for children and their parents. Sessions are run twice a week for two hours after school and include games, activities, tips on healthy food, label reading and portion sizes plus much more!

Registrations for the next school term are now open. Details of a local program are outlined below. To find out more or enquire about other locations, phone:

Free call 1800 780 900

SMS your name, kids name & suburb to 0409 745 645 and we will call you back!
You can also register online by visiting www.mendcentral.org/go4fun



Where:
Fix Australia
319 Penshurst St, Chatswood

When:
Mondays and Wednesdays
Starts 15th July, 4.30pm-6.30pm