

Term 3 Week 10

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Dates to Remember

HOLIDAYS - September 20 to October 6

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Term 4 OCT Week 1	6 Labour Day Holiday	7 STUDENTS & STAFF RETURN Yr 3 Swimming	8	9	10 Yr 5 Interrelate
Week 2	13 Yr 3 Swimming	14 Yr 3 Swimming. Book Fair and Book Fair Book Talk	15 Book Fair. State Athletics Carnival TBA	16 Book Fair. State Athletics Carnival TBA	17 Book Fair. Yr 5 Interrelate
Week 3	20 Yr 3 Swimming. Book Fair	21 Yr 3 Swimming. Book Fair	22 Book Fair	23 Book Fair	24 Book Fair Yr 6 Interrelate
Week 4	27 Yr 3 Swimming. Book Fair	28 Kindergarten 2015 Orientation Day – 9.15am Yr 3 Swimming. Book Fair	29	30	31 Yr 6 Interrelate
NOV Week 5	3 Yr 3 Swimming	4 Kindergarten 2015 Orientation Day – 9.15am Yr 3 Swimming	5	6	7 Yr 6 Interrelate
Week 6	10 Yr 3 Swimming. National Recycling Week	11 Yr 3 Swimming	12	13	14 Yr 6 Interrelate
Week 7	17 Yr 3 Swimming	18 Yr 3 Swimming	19 Year 6 Fair Day	20	21
Week 8	24 Yr 3 Swimming	25 Yr 3 Swimming	26	27	28 International day of People with Disability - Year
DEC Week 9	1 Yr 3 Swimming	2 Yr 3 Swimming Stage 3 Musical – Performance Night	3 Stage 3 Musical – Performance Night	4 Kinder Teddy Bear Picnic	5 Kinder Teddy Bear Picnic
Week 10	8 Yr 3 Swimming	9 Yr 3 Swimming	10 Year 6 Camp	11 Year 6 Camp Year 2 Concert – 10-11am Kinder and Year 1 Concert 12:30-1:30	12 Year 6 Camp
Week 11	15	16 Year 6 Presentation Assembly Year r 6 Dinner Year 3 & 4 Chinaman's Beach	17 Last day for students	18 Teacher Professional Learning – Students on Holiday	19 Teacher Professional Learning – Students on Holiday

15 ArtFest
Show

HOLIDAYS - December 18 to January 28

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Term 3 has drawn to a close and we are all entitled to the rest heralded with the next 2 weeks. My thanks to our students, staff and parent supporters for their hard work this term – my first at this great school. The list of achievements is lengthy: public speaking finals, numerous excursions, ArtFest preparation, Life Education, Book Parade, Great Book Swap, Footy Colours Day, fruit & veg month and Nude Food Day involved all classes. Groups representing our school in the wider community – and doing a great job of it include our PSSA netball & soccer teams, zone & state cross-country reps, drama group, bands, choir, spelling bee finalists, public speaking finalists and year 6 during their visit to Mosman High School.

At the conclusion of this term, we bid farewell to Ms Alley in the front office and send her with our great thanks for relieving as School Administration Manager [SAM] since last year. The position has been filled through merit selection procedures and the successful candidate, Mrs Robyn McCann, will commence her duties next term. Mrs McCann has extensive experience as SAM in a variety of schools, most recently at Castle Hill PS, and we welcome her warmly to our school.

Term 4 will undoubtedly be another busy one, but a full teaching term nonetheless. Expectations of student engagement in their learning will be paramount and I'm sure all parents will be in full support of this. Primary school ends for Year 6 on December 17, not before, so we'll expect the most out of our senior students.

I wish all students and families a happy and safe holiday. There is **NO** staff development day at the beginning of next term, so school starts for us all on Tuesday October 7.



Child Protection: Lessons will take place in all classrooms during term 4 as an integral part of the NSW curriculum. Parental permission is not required for students to take part in these lessons, unlike the Interrelate lessons that are run for Stage 3 students. Lesson content can be found at <http://www.curriculumsupport.education.nsw.gov.au/primary/pdhpe/safe/cpe.htm> should you wish to review the content. Or you can scan the QR code to make it easier [just download a QR reader].

Steve Connelly - Acting Principal

STUDENT HAPPENINGS

MUSICAL REHERSALS HAVE BEGUN

This term all of Year 6 auditioned for a role/part in the 2014 musical called 'The Amazing Chase'. Everyone who auditioned has a part in the musical. Characters were selected by Ms Duke (musical director) and Mr Connelly (School Principal). Everyone is very happy with their parts. The first musical rehearsal was held this week (week 10). Everyone had heaps of fun and we were all so excited when our scene was called for rehearsal. Musical rehearsals will continue next term along with dress rehearsals. This year Stage 3 will be taking part in the musical. Good luck stage 3!

Veronique R – 6S

Public Speaking:

On Tuesday August 26 Angus G from Year 4 and Emily HP from Year 6 represented Mosman Public School at the regional final of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking competition at Lewisham.

They both presented exceptional speeches and were professional in their delivery. Both Angus and Emily won their division and will be progressing to the state finals. We are proud of their high achievement and wish them all the best for the next round.



Spelling Bee Regional Finals

Congratulations to our Spelling Bee finalists who represented our school at the Regional Finals on Wednesday September 10. Their high level of spelling ability and determination was amazing to watch.

Kai and Angus had to spell words such as minestrone, offal, succulent and hysterical.

James and Maddie had to spell words such as albatross, Madagascar, candelabra and pugnacious.

Well done team, fabulous effort!

Miss Pizzolato

(Spelling Bee Coordinator)



James and Maddie



Kai and Angus

ROBOTICS

Stage 3 took part in Robotics during Term 3. We created a program using 3 sensors (Rotation, Touch and Ultrasonic) and rotations. Firstly, we had to create folders on our computers. We added brick blocks to control our robots. We could make our robots go left, right, forward and backwards. Then we created a new project. We had to save our projects and download our project onto our robot. Next, we had to test our robots. It was really fun. We did this process every time we created a new project. We had to do a Reverse Stop, Right Turn, Left Turn, Pivot and a Forward Stop. We did a lot of Challenges. These include the Challenge Cup, Challenge Maze and Challenge Degrees.

The Challenge Cup involved two coloured squares. The challenge was to go to the end of the mat, turn around and do a reverse park onto the closest square. I really enjoyed Robotics this year and I'm really excited for it next year.

Chloe T – 6S

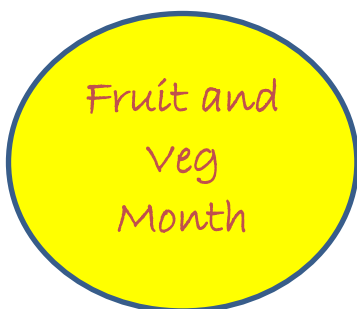


FRUIT AND VEG MONTH

This month (September) was "Fruit and Veg Month," students were encouraged to bring in a "rainbow" of different coloured fruit and vegetables for their "crunch n' sip" to promote healthy eating. Classes were each given a quarter of a poster which could be made by sticking special stickers in the right place but students could only put on a sticker if they brought in their "crunch n' sip". When the posters were completed different classes came together to connect their different quarters of the poster to make the whole poster. Our picture was a picture of smiling fruit and veg encouraging students to "eat a rainbow of fruit and veg each day."

Along with the posters a couple of competitions were held, which were the "guess the exotic fruits" and the "Veggie Twister" competition. In the exotic fruit competition students had to guess the names of different exotic fruit or at least one to be in the draw to win a "Nude Food" lunchbox, in the end only one student guessed one of the exotic fruits correctly! To win a vegetable version of the classic party game Twister in the "Veggie Twister" competition all students had to do was bring in their "crunch n' sip" on "Nude Food Day" but there was only one to win so of course only one lucky student got it. If on "Nude Food Day" students brought in a lunch with no plastic wrappers or any other garbage they went into a draw to win a drink bottle or a "Nude Food" Tupperware lunch box container. Overall I think "Fruit and Veg Month" was a success at encouraging students to eat a variety of healthy food every day and I hope next years will be just as good.

Jac M – 6S





Fruit and Veg
Competition-
Congratulation
s to Natasha in
Year 4 for
guessing the
Longan!



Busy SRC
Fruit and
Veg
Characters!

Thank you to all students who
joined us on The Rainbow
Journey for Fruit and Veg month
this year! Please continue to
bring a variety of rainbow
coloured fruit and veg as part of
your Crunch and Sip and
Lunches!

Ms Hudson and Ms Pizzolato

CYBER SAFETY

Year 6 children attended a Cyber Safety session run by the NSW Police.

For more information regarding Cyber Safety, visit the websites below.

<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/default.aspx>

<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents.aspx>



*2T and Ms Murphy in their footy
colours*

Footy
Colours
Day Photos



Year 4 students at lunchtime

We raised \$714
Thank you for
your generous
donations.

SRC Teachers

*Ms Pizzolato, Ms Hudson & Ms
Gates*



*Soccer and rugby fans. We also have
some Lakers fans.*

On Wednesday, 4C had the privilege of working with none other than Mr Ken Done on a collaborative artwork for ArtFest. The students gained valuable tips on the use of colour and texture, as well as the opportunity to ask Ken all about his inspirations and experiences as an artist. Ken also very generously took the time to answer questions from 3N, who have studied his works. A very special thankyou to Michelle Brown, Tara Green and Tony Firth for helping to organise such a fantastic opportunity.

Ms Campbell 4C



New Lunchtime Equipment

Our school has purchased new lunchtime equipment through funding from the Live, Life, Well Program attended by Ms Hudson and Ms Pizzolato. Each class has their own bag to use. Equipment includes catch cones, balls, skipping ropes, a grip ball set, tennis balls, juggling balls and ezy-hit foam bats. We aim to encourage greater physical activity during lunch times.

Here is one of our Year 2 class kits



REGIONAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The following students qualified for Regional Athletics Carnival:

Ratchaphak P, 6S - qualified for 100m and 200m

Taylor B, 6S - qualified for 100m

Maggie G, 4C - qualified for 800m

Finnlay B, 3H - qualified for 100m

Congratulations to all students who participated at the Regional Track and Field Athletic Carnival on Monday September 8.

Stephen Dowler
Sports Coordinator

CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

GALA NIGHT REMINDER

This year's Gala Night will be on Thursday night, October 23. Please put this date in your diaries.

All our Performing Arts groups will be on stage, the Dance Group, Drama Group, ArtsNorth Choir, Senior Choir, Junior Strings and Junior Band, Senior Stings and Performance Band. The concert will run from 6.00pm to 7.30pm.

MUSIC COUNT US IN

This year, Mosman Public School is participating in Music Count Us In, which is an educational initiative to celebrate the role music plays in our lives. All the students are learning the song, **'Paint You a Song'**, written specifically by Year 11 and 12 songwriters. The whole school will perform it with 2,000 schools and 600,000 students on October 31 at 12.30pm via a video link set up throughout Australia.

Barbara Tauber - Performing Arts Coordinator



Mandarin News

On Tuesday, September 16, students from 5D were fortunate enough to attend a Chinese Cultural Day at Mosman High School that coincided with the 10th Anniversary of the Confucius Institutes. Mosman High School is the only school in Northern Sydney to have received funding for a Confucius classroom. This has seen them build a designated Mandarin classroom as well as receive funding for a teacher's assistant from China. 5D students watched a number of wonderful performances from classes and individual students at the high school and were captivated by a speech given by Mr Laurie Pearcey who is a former student of Mosman High School and now director of the UNSW Confucius Institute. It was also great to see recent past Mosman PS students, who are now in the high school's special accelerated Mandarin program, performing beautifully!

Hao Lu

Assistant Principal – Mandarin Coordinator

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.

In 2015 we hope to make ethics classes available to all students (Kindergarten to Year 6). To enable this we need at least 3 new volunteers to teach ethics classes in 2015. These volunteers will join the existing team of 12 volunteer teachers.

The classes teach students 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. Classes take place on Wednesday morning at Mosman Public School.

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

Coming Next Term ... **The Scholastic Book Fair**

We are pleased to announce that the Book Fair is coming back to Mosman Public School. At the fair you will be able to purchase books for your children, to further develop their love of reading. It is also a source of fund raising for our school.

Your children will have a chance to explore the fair between October 16 & 21 with their classes.

Book Fair Dates: Wednesday October 22 – Friday October 24

Shopping Hours: 8.30-11.10am & 2.00 – 3.45 pm each day

Where: The School Library

Payment for books will be by cash or credit card at the fair or (for the first time) you can prepay online (by credit card) and then submit your order using the wish list / invitation that your child will receive.

We hope to see you there!



MPS Uniform Shop helps disadvantaged children in Sri Lanka

An ex-MPS student, Alice Lindsay, will spend part of her holidays packing boxes to ship to Sri Lanka as part of her school's "Service Learning in the Community" Program. Agencies in Sri Lanka nominate disadvantaged children, many of whom live in former war torn areas, as recipients of these boxes of donated goods. Fortunately, education is available to these children, but many of them do not have clothing to wear to school. The MPS Uniform Shop has kindly donated 10 pairs of second-hand shorts and it is most appreciated.



ArtFest Party & Auction

The finale of our wonderful ArtFest will be an evening of live music, delicious food and of course, the opportunity to ooh and aah and bid on the wonderful class artworks that your children have been busy creating this term.

You have an exclusive opportunity to purchase works by some extremely talented artists who have collaborated with your children's class to create the artworks at our Auction.

The music stylings of Berne Segedin will entertain so bring along a cushion, a picnic blanket & BYO to enjoy along side the fantastic food on offer.

We will also have on display the winners and highly commended for the MosPAF Art Prize as judged by Ken Done.

Date: Saturday 15th November

Venue: MPS (artworks in the hall, party under the stars) **Time:** 6.30 for 7pm

Cost: \$35 pp **BYO:** your own drinks, rug & cushion (optional)

All money raised goes to MPS.

Tickets can be purchased on the MPS canteen website schools24.com or trybooking.com/FXQK

COMMUNITY NEWS

Latest news

Chess class

The chess class at Mosman Public School runs on Friday afternoons from 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm. In term 4 the classes will start on October 17. If you are interested in joining the chess class, please contact the Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170 or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au.

Puzzle information

Answer Puzzle nr. 8:

1. Qf3 #

Upcoming chess events

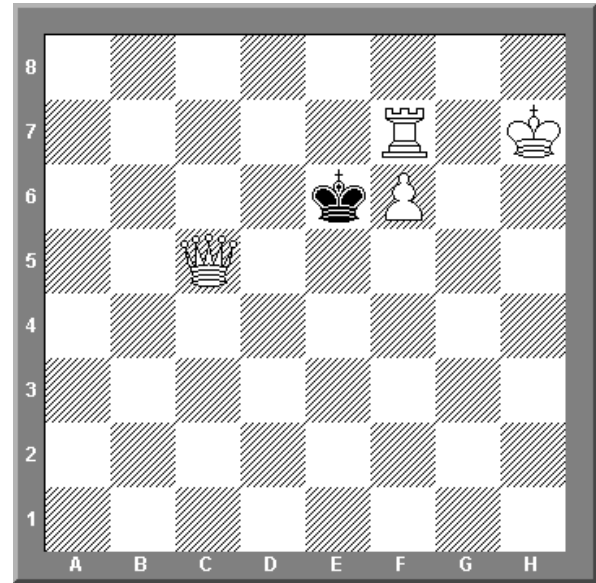
September 22 - October 2: Holiday coaching

September 23 : Inner West Chess Challenge§

September 27: Pymble Saturday Fun Tournament

More information on events and coaching can be found on: sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

Chess puzzle



Puzzle nr. 9: White to play and checkmate in 2 moves

Join Brett Lee and the Sixers at the Mosman T20!

Sunday October 14

Join the Sydney Sixers for a day filled with T20 excitement! Come and try the exciting new T20Blast format, meet Sixers players, enjoy face painting, inflatable games, music, prizes and much much more.

Join us at Allan Border Oval, Mosman

Know someone who doesn't play cricket? Bring them along for a chance to win a Net session with the Sydney Sixers at the SCG!

Register at syneysixers.com.au/mosmanT20

Please complete and return to the MPS office.

**K-5 STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO MOSMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
IN 2015**

My child / children will not be attending Mosman Public School in 2015.

Please print student names below.

NAME: Class:

NAME: Class:

Last day of attendance:

Name of new school:

Signature: Date:

Please return this notification to the office.