

Term 3 Week 6

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### *Dates to Remember*

Follow this link to the yearly calendar: [www.mosman-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar](http://www.mosman-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar)

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**Playground Update** – The Playground Committee recently met to discuss the location of the next phase of development on the corner of Belmont & Myahgah Roads. We have received a partial survey from the survey company [ULP] previously engaged. To flesh this out, if you have skills in landscape design, please email the school to the attention of the *Playground Committee*. Three new playground design & construct companies have been approached to develop proposals based on their expertise in the field and on previous student, staff & parent input.

Upcoming events:

20/9/18 – further parent discussion at P&C meeting

8/11/18 – voting on final designs at P&C meeting [financial members]

22/12/18 – 25/1/19 - Summer vacation - construction

**Next week is *School Administrative and Support Staff [SASS] week*** – our school community is made up of many different people, all of whom play a part in the running of schools and the provision of quality education to students. School Administrative and Support Staff, whether they work in the office, the library, on the school grounds or in the classroom setting, are important contributors to the success of our school and your children's education.

I hereby thank all our SASS:

Robyn McCann	[School Administration Manager],
Naomi Phillips	[School Administration Officer & Principal Executive Assistant],
Belinda Hayes	[School Administration Officer],
Tess Janes-Barker	[School Administration Officer],
Estelle Laybutt	[School Administration Officer & Library Assistant],
Tony Firth	[General Assistant],
Suzi Buttel	[School Learning and Support Officer], and
Manvi Kaur	[School Learning and Support Officer].

**Sustainability at Mosman Public School** - we believe we can make a positive impact on our environment through the choices we make. We want our students to be more aware of their responsibilities for the environment, now and into the future. Ms Mettam will be leading a team of students, staff and parents in the establishment of a lunchtime Sustainability Club. Students will meet once a week to discuss ideas, implement strategies and plan for future events.

Our goal is to reduce our environmental impact by making positive changes with our waste and energy usage through programs that;

- encourage students to bring food in reusable containers
- celebrate classes with the highest amounts of *nude* food with a reward system
- complete a waste audit of the school to identify areas needing improvement
- promote the 3 bin system in each classroom (waste, recycling and compost)

We are looking for enthusiastic parents or carers to join the Sustainability Team. This will involve meeting regularly to discuss future projects and fundraising. If you are interested, please contact the school at [mosman-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mosman-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) to the attention of Ms Mettam.

**Public Speaking Prowess** was truly on display last Tuesday as Mosman was represented by George [4M] and Sholto [SB] at the Regional Multi Cultural Public Speaking Competition. Both boys were wonderful ambassadors for our school and I am pleased to report that George won his division and will progress to the State Championships on Friday October 26 to be held at The Teachers Federation Conference Centre, Reservoir Road, Surry Hills. Well done boys, and good luck George!



**Bear Pit Public Speaking** - on Friday August 3, Soraya [3T] represented Mosman Public School in the Inaugural Bear Pit Public Speaking Competition, at Parliament House in Sydney. The competition is an initiative of the North Shore local MP, Felicity Wilson. With her spectacular speech, Soraya was announced as the winner of the Stage 2 competition. We offer her a huge congratulations on this achievement. Soraya described her experience as “So amazing because it was a once in a lifetime opportunity and when I grow up I want to be Australia’s Prime Minister.”



**Student safety** – once students arrive at school, they are to remain within the boundaries of the fence line. The school assumes duty of care of students as soon as students enter the grounds and must follow school rules. I ask all parents to remind their child/ren of this safety measure.

**Buy a Bale of Hay** – Buy a bale of hay day is to be held this Friday August 31. Farmer clothes mufti (gold coin donation) and red farm food on sale at the canteen. For more information please see the information in the P&C section later in this Whaler.

### MiniMos 2019

**Charity selection** – the P&C is calling for nominations of registered charities with whom the school will work through the MiniMos. By **Friday October 26, 2018**, nominations will close for the selection committee’s review. If you know of a deserving charity, please email the P&C President, Kate Blunden at [mosmanpandc@gmail.com](mailto:mosmanpandc@gmail.com) with the following details:

- name of charity
- name of contact person
- the aim of the charity [what do they do?]
- how the work of the charity could relate to MPS students & our school community
- how can they support the running of the MiniMos?

**Leads for MiniMos 2019** – do you have time to support this amazing community event? The following roles are available – work it solo, or share the role with another parent:

- event co-ordinator,
- charity co-ordinator
- graphic design co-ordinator
- media co-ordinator,
- race directors,
- ambassador lead,
- marshalls co-ordinator.

Many thanks in anticipation. Please email your interest to the P&C President:

**Steve Connelly – Principal**

### Fathers’ Day Stall – Thursday August 30

Thursday August 30, is the P&C annual Father’s Day stall fundraiser. Students can purchase something special for their dad, grandfather or carer (your child may purchase more than one gift).

## Literacy and Numeracy – Parent Workshops Week 8, Term 3

On Wednesday September 12 we are offering two hands-on parent workshops. The workshops will provide a practical guide to supporting your child at home with numeracy and reading/comprehension skills. The sessions will be held in the school library.

**K-2 Parent Workshop – 9.00-10.00am**

**3-6 Parent Workshop – 10.00-11.00am**

If you would like to attend one or both of the workshops, please register at the school office by Friday September 7.

Kerry McConaghy - Deputy Principal

## STUDENT HAPPENINGS

Fundraising for extra-ordinary, once in a lifetime events is not undertaken lightly and we are truly fortunate not only to have such amazing kids, but to live in a corner of the country with such wonderful community spirit!

**Send Jett to Space Fundraiser** – a huge thanks to Kate Gutteridge & Mandy Scammell for spear-heading what was a wonderful community event on Monday July 23. A total of \$16,210.82 was raised through the various parts of this event and will ensure that not only does Jett get to the US in the upcoming holidays, but essential equipment can also be purchased to aid in his learning. We'll see some photos of Jett's adventures in the next Whaler.

Another big thank you to our amazing school community who helped send our team to the **National Cross Country competition** in Queensland over the weekend. \$503.65 was raised from the cake stall and \$668.90 from the crazy hair day. Congratulations to Fleur, PinPin and Amber on their amazing success: Fleur finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the U11 Girls and PinPin and Amber finished 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> respectively in U10 Girls. These are spectacular results and we are all so proud of them! Well done girls!



### Congratulations!

The Senior Drama Group have been invited to perform their piece *Life According to Google* at the NSW State Drama Festival next term. The State Drama Festival is a showcase of exemplary pieces from both public Primary and High schools all throughout NSW and we are thrilled that they have been selected to be in this program. This is such an amazing achievement and all members of the group should be extremely proud of their work and dedication so far this year. Each Friday morning the group gets together for rehearsals, filled with energy, enthusiasm and total commitment, so this is the greatest reward for all of their hard work. Well done and I can't wait to see you all do our school proud on the biggest stage there is.

Mr Van Biljon & Ms Burnet

**Musical** – The Senior School Musical, *Solla Sollew* will be taking place on September 11 and 12 from 6.30pm, with a dress rehearsal planned for Wednesday September 5 during school hours.

Ticket cost is \$20 each and can be purchased online at <https://www.trybooking.com/407711>

Rehearsal mode →



## P&C NEWS

### MPS Canteen and the P&C present... THE HUNGER GAMES!

Your Canteen needs you as a volunteer. In order to get all lunches out we need more volunteers. For every volunteer shift done the volunteer will get a *caught you being good* token towards their child's house tally. In addition, for every volunteer shift, your name will go into the draw for a great end of term parent prize! The more shifts, the greater the chances of winning!

You can volunteer at <http://signup.com/go/NLCLvsq> and may the odds be ever in your favour.

Natanya Haggman



## Buy a Bale of Hay Day

Our school is proudly partaking in the Buy a Bale - campaign for the drought stricken farmers.

Friday August 31 will be a mufti day with a gold coin donation. The kids and volunteering parents are encouraged to wear farmer style mufti. 🧑🌾 🧑🌾 Find your inner farmer and get creative.

The canteen will also have a 'red day' selling special sweet and baked treats and there is a raffle as well with a great prize. All the proceeds will go to the campaign so send your kids in with some coins for treats. The canteen will need a lot of help both preparing the day before and in the canteen on the day so please contact the canteen to see if you can help out.

Every cent counts and it goes straight to the farmers. Here is a breakdown from Rural Aid in how it helps:

**\$20** buys a small bale of hay and transport to the affected area

**\$60** buys 3 x \$20 gift cards to put food on the table

**\$100** buys a large bale of hay

**\$500** buys 5 large bales of hay

**\$1000** buys 10 large bales of hay

**\$5700** buys a single-trailer load of hay

**\$9500** buys a semi-trailer load of hay and transport to the affected area (up to 900km)

If you want to donate a larger amount you can do so by a deposit into the P&C account. Please use *Bale* and your last name as a reference.

Acc name:

BSB:

Acc no:

We are very excited to see all the farm inspired outfits and the support our school will be providing for the farmers.


Thank you - MPS P&C team

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- Enter the item number from the Book Club brochure
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date
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For a quick how-to-order video, log-in to [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and click on **HELP** in the top menu.

Download on the **App Store**



Our school is turning gold coins into hay for our drought affected farmers through



**OUR SCHOOL CARES**

We challenge you to have a gold coin donation day too. Visit: [buyabale.com.au](http://buyabale.com.au) **RURAL AID INITIATIVE**

# COMMUNITY NEWS



Holiday activities – check out the noticeboard outside the hall.

**Want your child to thrive at high school?**

Moving on to high school means big changes for kids!

In this valuable presentation, experienced teacher, Sonja Walker, will share practical tips to help you support your child through the social, emotional & academic challenges that lie ahead.

Learn about:

- How life at high school has changed
- Supporting your child as their peer group changes
- Tools to help your child get organized for high school homework

**Don't delay – this event is already filling fast!**

**TUESDAY**  
18 September 2018  
7.00pm – 9.00pm

The Chairman's Lounge  
Brookvale Oval  
Alfred Street Brookvale

Located in the Ken Arthurson Stand. Enter via main gate on Alfred Street. Ample parking available.

**FREE PARENT EVENT**

**How to help YOUR CHILD MAKE A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION to High School**

This event is a Kids First Community Service Seminar

Tickets are absolutely **FREE**, however places are limited. Bookings are essential

To reserve your place, book on-line at [www.kids-first.com.au/highschooltransition](http://www.kids-first.com.au/highschooltransition)

Or call Kids First now on **9938 5419**

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**PLAY FOOTBALL THIS SUMMER**

**CAMMERAY OVAL, CAMMERAY**  
Summer 6-a-side summer football competition at North Sydney United 2018  
COMPETITIONS START 11TH SEPTEMBER

**Venue:**  
Cammeray Park  
Park Avenue  
Cammeray  
NSW 2062

**Contact Details:**  
[clubadmin@northsydneyunited.com.au](mailto:clubadmin@northsydneyunited.com.au)  
To book use the link below:  
<http://www.northsydneyunited.com.au/>

**TURN MATES INTO TEAMMATES**  
SOCIAL GAMES  
SMALL SIDED

**Ladies W35** 6 a side \$1,100 per team (including t-shirts) - Tuesdays 7pm to 9pm (11th Sep to 11th Dec)  
**Mixed all age** 6 a side \$1,100 per team (including t-shirts) - Tuesdays 7pm to 9pm (11th Sep to 11th Dec)  
**Mens all and O35** 6 a side \$1,100 per team (including t-shirts) - Wednesdays 7pm to 9pm (12th Sep to 12th Dec)  
**U6/7 to U16 Juniors** 5 a side \$770 per team (including t-shirts) - Wednesdays 4pm to 7pm (17th Oct to 12th Dec)  
**U8 to U18 Girls** 5 a side \$770 per team (including t-shirts) - Thursdays 5.15pm to 7pm (16th Oct to 13th Dec)

**PLAY FOOTBALL** **FOOTBALL NSW**

**SUMMERFOOTBALL.COM.AU**

**FAMILY FUN DAY**  
at the New South Wales Parliament  
October School Holidays!

**FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER**  
10 AM TO 3 PM

**Sausage Sizzle \$3.00** (per person)

**FREE ENTRY** Activities 10.00 am to 3.00 pm  
**Location** 6 Macquarie Street – opposite Martin Place  
**The public café will be open.**

**Free fun educational activities at Australia's oldest Parliament for children from 4 to 12 years.**

Follow the children's trail; enter the guessing competition, participate in the arts and crafts; visit the historic legislative chambers places rarely open to the public. Engage with roving historical characters and celebrate the 100 year anniversary of women becoming eligible for election to parliament and admittance to the legal profession in NSW.

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[www.parliament.nsw.gov.au](http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au)  
Parliament of New South Wales,  
6 Macquarie Street, Sydney

**GROUP BOOKINGS FOR 10 OR MORE ESSENTIAL**  
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**Live Life Well @ School**

**ACTIVE TRAVEL IN EVERYDAY LIFE**

Walking, riding and scooting to school is a great way to promote physical activity and shouldn't be limited to before/after school trips. Think about some of your other journeys from home and get creative!

- Try parking a greater distance from the shops and walking the rest of the way.
- If you use public transport, get off one station before your destination and walk.
- Even making little changes such as taking the stairs instead of the elevator or escalator can make a big difference.

**More Tips: [makehealthynormal.nsw.gov.au](http://makehealthynormal.nsw.gov.au)**

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Northern Sydney  
Local Health District