



Muswellbrook Public School

What's On

Humanity and Excellence

Term 3 Week 2

Tuesday 30th July 2019

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From the Principal:



Fire and Rescue Visit

Last Wednesday, Lisa, Cody, James and Jess, firefighters from station 392 visited our school to educate all K-2 students about fire safety. Everyone had a lot of fun whilst an important message was delivered. Isn't it great to work in partnership with the community! Thanks to everyone involved with the organisation.

Cure Brain Cancer Fundraiser

Thank you to all parents of students in Years 1 & 2, who provided treats to raise funds for this worthy cause. Thank you also for the kind donations. One of our students, Nathan F will be shaving his head this afternoon to raise awareness of this terrible disease. We would like to invite parents/carers to support Nathan. Please join us from 2:30pm in the School Hall, where Nathan will receive the chop!

Hunter Dance Festival

Tonight our dance groups will both be performing at the Hunter Dance Festival. Judging by the amazing dress rehearsal, our students will do us proud, as always. What amazingly talented students we have, they looked fantastic dressed in their costumes! I do need to thank Mrs Hugo, Mrs Payne and Ms Coward, who put an enormous amount of time and effort into training these students, who are always so appreciative. Our parents are wonderful too, so supportive, thank you. Unfortunately I am unable to attend the performance but I will be attending the State Dance Festival in Sydney later in the term. Good luck to everyone involved, I know everyone will

thoroughly enjoy being a part of such a wonderful event.

Indigenous Games Day

On Thursday 1st August, Goodooga Central School will host their annual Indigenous Games Day. Goodooga is located in a small, isolated and rural community in north western NSW. Some of our parents and community members may remember Annie Downes, the current principal of Goodooga CS, who has invited us to participate. The day embraces the notion of 'Bridging the Gap'- creating links between city and rural, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal, past and present, young and old. It is a day of celebrating culture and creating social harmony.

Under the guidance of Ms Coward and Mrs Perrett, 13 interested Aboriginal students from our school, as well as 17 Muswellbrook HS students will travel to Goodooga CS to participate in this event. I would like to thank Ms Coward and Mrs Perrett, as well as Mel Powell and staff from Muswellbrook HS, for providing this wonderful opportunity to our Aboriginal students.

Transition to School Evening

Tonight, our four kindergarten teachers will attend the 'Transition to School' community event at Muswellbrook RSL. It will be wonderful to see so many schools and educators working together in the same forum discussing every aspect of early childhood. We are very much looking forward to welcoming all new families to our school next year and further details will follow shortly in regard to Kindergarten Orientation Sessions.

Gymnastics

This activity will commence every Thursday until Week 9, Term 3. Students are encouraged to wear sports shirts on Thursdays.

Education Week Awards

Next week is Education Week and on Wednesday 7th August, we will be holding a special assembly to present awards to worthy students. Parents are most welcome to attend. The K-2 assembly will commence at 2.30pm and the 3-6 assembly will begin at 9.30am. In addition to this, on Thursday 15th August at MHS, the Muswellbrook Schools' Education Week Committee will be hosting the Education Week Awards Night to recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements and contribution of members of the Muswellbrook and District Schools' communities. This event will be held in the hall commencing at 5pm and both our dance groups will be performing. I look forward to announcing our award recipients shortly.

Grandparents Day/Book Fair

This wonderful community event will take place on Friday 23rd August. Please mark this day in your diary. Parents/grandparents will have the opportunity to visit classrooms, watch the parade, purchase books from the book fair, and generally enjoy a day at school with members of the family. We look forward to meeting as many people as possible on the day.

Joan Stephens – Principal

Good for Kids good for life

KEEPING ACTIVE IN WINTER

When kids come home from school during the cooler months there is less light for fun outdoor time to burn off energy. Less daylight hours and cooler temperatures does have to equate to more screen time (TV/video games).

Keeping activity is important for everyone even in the cooler months, and the Australian 24-Hour Movement Guidelines recommend that children get **at least one hour each day of physical activity**.

Try the following indoor activities:

- Make up a dance
- Try 'Just Dance' on a gaming console or YouTube
- Sign up to 'Go Noodle!' for free and move along to your favourite Go Noodle's
- Hula hooping or skipping
- Juggling
- Use the furniture to create an indoor ninja park or obstacle course
- Try a family fitness challenge, e.g. who can do the most push-ups, squats, sit ups, burpees
- Use a pair of socks or a balloon to play volleyball, tennis, soccer or football indoors



Image source: <https://picklebums.com/20-fun-ways-to-get-active-with-your-kids/>



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>



A big thank you to the firefighters from station 392 who visited our school last Wednesday to talk about fire safety.

Pictured: KL with some of the firefighters from station 392.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ASSEMBLY NEWS!

Infants and Primary assemblies will take place as normal this week.

Please remember to enter the school via the front gates, all other gates are locked for the safety of our students.



SAVE THE DATE

Ribbons for all track events will be presented at Week 4 Assemblies and the ribbons for the field events in Week 5.

Year 5 Camp – Morisset Active Education Camp

Our Year 5 students will be attending the Morisset Active Education Camp in Term 3. The camp will take place between Tuesday 3rd September and Friday 6th September 2019.

The remaining instalments need to be paid by the following dates:

3rd payment - \$100 required by Friday 16th August 2019



Save the Date

MPS will be hosting their annual Grandparents Day and Book Week Parade on Friday 23rd August 2019.

Stay tuned, more information will be released next week!

This year's theme is "Reading is my Secret Power".

A very special mention to Kye Hogan for his donation to the Cure Brain Cancer Foundation. Kye donated \$20 of his own money!

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Tuesday 8:30am – 9:30am

Wednesday 8:30am – 10:30am
2:30pm- 3:30pm

Friday 8:30am – 10:30am

Opening hours are subject to availability of volunteers.

Dress and Appearance Policy

A friendly reminder to parents and carers that Muswellbrook Public School prides itself on the presentation of their students. It is important that students adhere to the Dress and Appearance Policy set out by MPS.

We would like to reiterate that students are only permitted to wear blue hair bands or scrunchies (no coloured scrunchies are permitted), we request that students wear only studs or sleepers with no more than two earrings in the lobe of each ear (one being a stud the other being a sleeper).

We also request that only "special jewellery" (such as a medical alert bracelet or a necklace) be worn. No other necklaces are permitted for safety reasons. If your child is required to wear one of the above please speak with the Deputy Principal, Clive Kerrigan. Please see policy attached.

TREAT DAY - CURE FOR BRAIN CANCER



TREAT DAY – CURE FOR BRAIN CANCER – CONTINUED...



MPS students thoroughly enjoyed Treat Day.

A special “thank you” to the parents and carers who baked or donated treats. Without your support, the event would not be successful.

Muswellbrook Public School Term 3 2019 Parent Copy						
Term Three	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
2	29 July	30 July MHS Teachers to visit Year 6 students Treat Day 6-8pm Preschool Evening MBK RSL Hunter Dance Festival	31 July Indigenous Games S3 Japanese Student visit	1 August Gymnastics program commences Indigenous Games	2 August Indigenous Games	3 4 Aug
3	5 August Education Week	6 August Education Week	7 August Education Week Awards MPS Zone Athletics Carnival 9.30/10.15 3-6 Assembly 2.30/3.15 K-2 Assembly	8 August Gymnastics	9 August Education Week	10 11 Aug
4	12 August	13 August 6pm P&C	14 August Public Speaking Competition	15 August Gymnastics Education Week Awards/MHS 5pm	16 August Stage 3 – Royal Life Saving (Hall)	17 18 Aug
5	19 August Kindy Preschool (at risk) transition Book Week/ Book Fair K/6 Literacy Workshop Reading Superheroes	20 August Book Week/ Book Fair K/6 Literacy Workshop	21 August Book Week/ Book Fair K/6 Literacy Workshop	22 August Book Week/ Book Fair Gymnastics K/6 Literacy Workshop 4.30 AECG MPS	23 August Book Week /Book Parade/Book Fair Grandparents Day K/6 Literacy Workshop Programs Due	24 25 Aug
6	26 August Sports Photos Kindy Preschool (at risk) transition	27 August	28 August	29 August Fathers' Day Stall Gymnastics	30 August	31 1 Sep
7	2 September Year 5 Camp Year 3 Camp	3 September Year 5 Camp Year 3 Camp	4 September Year 5 Camp Year 3 Camp	5 September Year 5 Camp	6 September K-2 Sports day	7 8 Sep
8	9 September Year 4 Camp	10 September Year 4 Camp 6pm P&C	11 September Year 4 Camp	12 September Year 4 Camp Gymnastics	13 September	14 15 Sep
9	16 September Swimming Year 1-2	17 September VWB Celebration Swimming Year 1-2	18 September Swimming Year 1-2 Kindergarten Orientation # 1	19 September Gymnastics Swimming Year 1-2	20 September Swimming Year 1-2	21 22 Sep
10	23 September Swimming Year 1-2	24 September Swimming Year 1-2	25 September Swimming Year 1-2	26 September Swimming Year 1-2 Stage 3 – Burn Bright – Leadership Course	27 September Last day Term 3 Swimming Year 1-2 Rewards Afternoon	28 29 Sep
Hols	30 September	1 October	2 October	3 October	4 October	5 6 Oct
Hols	7 October Labour Day	8 October	9 October	10 October	11 October	12 13 Oct

NEWS IN SPORT

PSSA ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On the 7th August 2019, students will be travelling to Alroy Park, Singleton to represent our school at the PSSA Zone Athletics Carnival. These students received their permission and medical notes yesterday and are required to return their \$5 PSSA Levy to the front office by Monday 5th August.

Good luck to the following competitors:

Caiden W	Katie A	Maddison E	Lacey M	Karley T	Tyler M	Brodie V
Jack A	Nina S	Hailey C	Zeke G	Charli K	Molly P	Lailah C
Campbell D	Isla C	Ryan H	Rhianna M	Chloe F	Shontayne H	Owen S
Leroy B	Kaidan T	Sarah W	Bailey W	Blu S	Isabella O	Mina D
McKenzie M	Arielle H	Conan W	Hayden S	Nate B	Bridgette B	Daniel B
Zali H	Tyler W	Mason S	Lilly-Kate L	Sophie S	Levi S	Ajay T
Cooper L	Darnekah S	Lily T	Izayah N	Jade T	Ella A	Macey C

MPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

All athletics events are now complete. Thank you to all the students, who gave up their lunch times to trial for field events.

Congratulations to Victoria for winning the Athletics Carnival for 2019. Karoola placed 2nd, Bowman in 3rd place and Highbrook finished 4th place.

Ribbons for all track events will be presented at Week 4's Assemblies and the ribbons for the field events in Week 5.

DANCE GROUPS

Good luck to the Senior and Junior Dance Groups, who are performing at the Hunter Dance Festival today.

Congratulations to the Senior Dance Group, who have been selected to perform at the State Dance Festival.

PSSA TOUCH FOOTBALL – ROUND 2

Next Friday, 9th August, our boys and girls touch football teams will compete against Aberdeen Public School in Round 2 of the PSSA Touch football knockout. Both games will be held at Highbrook Park with the boys starting at 9:45am and the girls to follow at 10:45am. Good luck.




MUSWELLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!

Our school aims to provide all children with a strong framework for excellent academic, moral, social and physical wellbeing, which will allow them to become valuable members of a balanced and caring local community. We encourage our students to be Safe, Respectful and to do their Personal Best. Muswellbrook Public School provides students with quality educational programs delivered by highly qualified, experienced and dedicated teachers. We also provide many extra-curricular opportunities for our students and work in partnership with parents, in order for our students to connect, succeed and thrive.

HOW TO ENROL!



When you're ready to enrol your child into our school, please pop into the front office and collect an enrolment form.

Our school is located at 3-6 Roger Street, Muswellbrook!

For additional information please visit our website
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Kindergarten!

Countdown Calendar

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Kindergarten enrolments
are now open for 2020!

4

Orientation #1 - Wednesday 18th September
2019 in the school library.

3

Orientation #2 - Wednesday 16th October 2019
in the school library.

2

Orientation #3 - Wednesday 23rd October 2019
in the school library.

1

Transition Sessions - Monday to Thursday -
commencing 28th of October 2019. Please phone
the office on 6543 2500 to book in transition
session.

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FIRST DAY OF KINDERGARTEN - Monday
3rd February 2020.



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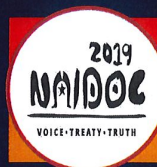
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July 2019 Calendar

Upper Hunter Youth Services Inc - Youth Centre



Wednesday 3rd / Community Awareness
Thursday 4th / Aboriginal Cooking
Friday 5th / Aboriginal Art

WEEK 1

**School
Holiday
Fun!**

Tuesday 9th / Movie & Games at the Centre
Wednesday 10th / Pizza-Making at the Youth Centre
Thursday 11th / Excursion to Singleton Cinemas (\$14 pp)

WEEK 2

Tuesday 16th / Cessnock PCYC Bring your own Skateboard or Scooter!!
Wednesday 17th / FREE CHOICE!!! - PlayStation or Computers
Thursday 18th / BBQ, Tunes and Chill at the Youth Centre

WEEK 3

Wednesday 24th / Group Discussion - What did we all do in the school holidays?
Thursday 25th / Cultural Learning - French Culture with Mylene
Friday 26th / Physical Activity - Touch Footy on the lawn
Wednesday 31st / Physical Activity - Soccer on the lawn

WEEK 4/5

FOCUS OF THE MONTH:
NAIDOC WEEK



Located at The Showground, Maitland Street, Muswellbrook NSW 2333
Phone: (02) 6543 4841 ~ Email: lmcphee@uhys.org.au or jharris@uhys.org.au

Opening Hours: Wednesday to Friday: 3pm – 6pm

School Holidays: Tuesday to Thursday: 11am – 3pm

FREE BUS RUN: Muswellbrook area only

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MUSWELLBROOK 2333



Telephone: 6543 2500
Fax: 6543 3378

DRESS and APPEARANCE CODE POLICY

Rationale:

Following extensive discussions with students, staff and P & C representatives, the parent body endorsed the following Dress and Appearance Code Policy for students that attend Muswellbrook Public School. This was ratified by the P & C Association in August 2016.

In designing these expectations we have taken into account the very strong desire for our school to be a school of excellence, for our children to have pride in attending our school and the belief that children need to be well-groomed, clean to enable them to have the confidence to perform at their best.

Uniform:

Summer:

- Light blue polo shirt with embroidered emblem.
- Navy shorts/skorts
- Navy socks
- Navy wide brimmed hat or navy bucket hat. (Light blue hats in special circumstances).
- Black leather shoes or black leather joggers.

Winter: (as per Summer plus)

- Navy track pants or boot leg pants.
- Navy V-neck sloppy joe with embroidered emblem.
- Navy taslon school jacket with embroidered emblem.
- Navy fleece lined jacket.

Sport Uniform:

Students are required to wear their sports uniform on Friday and when advised. This involves:

- A sport shirt representing their house
- Appropriate shoes (joggers)
- Navy shorts/skorts

Children who come to school out of uniform will be asked to wear a clean uniform provided by the school and will be expected to have it washed and returned. Failure to wear school uniform may result in the child not being able to represent our school.

Appearance:

All children are expected to:

- Be clean and tidy each day. Children are allowed to bring roll-on deodorant if required. **Spray deodorant is banned for safety reasons.**
- Come to school with clean uniforms, clean hands, clean teeth and hair combed.
- Acceptable hair styles – spikes, dreadlocks and Mohawk hair styles are considered unacceptable
- Coloured hair is also not permitted.
- Wear only blue scrunchies or head bands.
- Not have any body markings, transfer tattoos, texta or glitter (except on special occasions with the permission of the principal.)
- Wear only natural nail polish and clear lip gel.
- Wear only studs or sleepers in their ears with no more than two earrings in the lobe of each ear. One being a stud the other a sleeper.
- Wear only "special" jewellery such as medical bracelets which have significance to be worn. Children wishing to wear such items should discuss their intention with the deputy principal before choosing to wear them.
- Body piercing is not permitted to be worn at school or on any school activity.

NB: Many of these items are not allowed for school or sporting teams for WH&S reasons.

Joan Stephens - Principal