

Mount Kuring-gai Public School Newsletter



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Welcome back to MKPS for Term Four. We sure have a busy term ahead and I am looking forward to all the wonderful work that I will see. I have added some more specific snippets of information below for your perusal.

School Security: As you have read in the letter sent on Monday, our school has once again been a victim of mindless vandalism. Our school is a wonderful community resource and I like nothing more than the community using our court, mini soccer pitch and play equipment on the weekend or after school. What I do ask is that if you see any suspicious type behaviour or come across any acts of vandalism please call the School Security Unit on 1300 880 021 or Hornsby Police on 9476 9799. *Please never approach any persons who you believe may be on school grounds for the wrong reasons.* Just call the numbers provided. Our vigilance will benefit the children.

The Laughing Kookaburras School Band: What a terrific session we had Wednesday morning. I must admit I was a little bit nervous before our first rehearsal, however, the children's attitude and application made me feel right at home straight away. A big thanks to Mr Beckett, Mr Knox and Mrs West for assisting in our first rehearsal. A BRAVO! to our players for helping me get back into the *groove*.

Parents and Citizens: You have now received nomination forms for the positions within the P&C that will be open for election at our 2012 AGM, which is set for Wednesday, November 28. The executive positions that are to be decided are: president, Vice president, Treasurer and Secretary. I have placed a nomination form in this newsletter in case it did not come home or has been misplaced. We have a very active P&C that provides outstanding assistance to the school and community feedback to me in my role as Principal. Please take time to consider whether you would like to be on the executive or an active member of one the wonderful committees within.

Student Welfare: You can be very proud of the way your children have returned to school this term. Their application and behaviour has been impressive and I am sure the teachers are as pleased as I am. Let's keep up the great work MKPS.

2013 Planning: As a collective staff (teaching and administration) we are always looking for ways to improve the social and academic programs we offer. We are already planning for 2013! This is an exciting time for all as we set the goals and programs that will develop our children. An important part of this process is our Annual School Report (ASR). This report is a comprehensive overview that provides the community with information pertaining to finance, school targets, school programs and our performance against other like schools throughout NSW. Later this term I will be seeking your feedback regarding specific school programs we offer. Names will be chosen at random from a computer program for surveys and face-to-face small public forums.

Kind regards,

Glenn O'Neill.

What's on at MKPS in Term Four: Please note, all activities are also placed on the website.

Week 3

Monday, October 22 Sports Pro

Friday, October 26 Bandanna Day (SRC)

Week 4

Monday, October 29 Sports Pro

Wednesday, October 31 SBS 2013 Kindergarten program. (9.30-10.15)

Week 5

Monday, November 5 Sports Pro

Tuesday, November 6 Book Fair pick up.

Saturday, November 11 MKPS Trivia Night



MKPS Notice Board

2012 Celebration of Learning

**You are invited to attend the MKPS Celebration of Learning Ceremonies
on Tuesday 11th December.**

9.30 - 10.15	K-2 Celebration of Learning
10.15	Morning Tea for K-2 Families
10.30 – 11.15	3-4 Celebration of Learning
11.15	Morning Tea for K-2 Families
11.30 – 12.15	5-6 Celebration of Learning
12.15	Morning Tea for K-2 Families

Salvation Army Food Donation

The Salvation Army supports people in our community who are less fortunate and experiencing hardship. We hope our school community can help by donating the following food pantry supplies.

Pasta, rice, cereal, long life milk, pasta sauce, cordial, juice, biscuits, crackers, tins (ham, chicken, vegetables, beetroot, corn 7 tomatoes), coffee, toilet paper, shampoo and conditioner, soap, ladies sanitary items and Children's lunch box items.

Please place items in the collection box at the school office between Friday 19th October and Friday 19th November.

CANTEEN Bandanna Day

The SRC are selling Bandannas every Wednesday and Friday until Bandanna day. We hope you can support Canteen by buying a bandanna for \$4.00 and wearing it on Bandanna Day **Friday 26th October.**

Kind Regards,

Miss Morrison

After School Supervision

At last night's P&C meeting a concern was raised regarding our students crossing Leeming Street to retrieve balls from handball games being played after school. Between 3.35pm and 3.45pm we experience a huge increase in the volume of traffic. Could I please ask of you to supervise your child when they are going to cross the road to retrieve a handball that has 'jumped' the fence. I have spoken to every class and requested that they get permission from their parent or another responsible adult (as we take care of all our kids) before they cross, so we can all assist.

Thanks ☺

Glenn.

Canteen News.

Welcome back for Term 4. A huge thanks to everyone that assisted with the catering for the end of term 3 disco. I am sure everyone would agree it was a huge success and the kids all had a fantastic time.

The canteen was treated to a spring clean over the holidays. Thank you to Carla Todd, Kate Gow and Lynne Villa who assisted me with the cleaning. The canteen looks squeaky clean!

Following the mandatory changes regarding the selling of confectionary in school canteens, it is having a thorough review of the current menu. The menu is being reviewed in conjunction with the Healthy Kids Association. The results of this review will be published once the process is completed.

The canteen menu will then be altered, following the recommendations made in the review. The end result will be a healthier and "greener" canteen for our school.

Sushi day will be back this term. Sushi Days are scheduled for Wednesday of Week 3 (24/10/12), Week 6 (14/11/12), and Week 9 (5/12/12). The order forms will be out shortly.



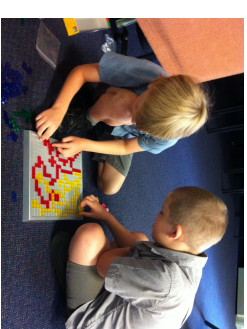
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- Permanent session bookings can be moved within the same week and session type to a different day if necessary. Allowing our regular families flexibility not available at other local centres. (min. 24 hours notice required).
- More detailed information including fees is available in our Parent Information Handbook.

If you would like to organise a visit to our OOSH, have any questions please don't hesitate to contact

Kara Ussher - President of the Management Committee on

mkps.oosh@gmail.com

or call our Nominated Supervisor Kristy Kouroutis
on 0405 508 622

We look forward to welcoming your family to OOSH!



P&C AGM: WEDNESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2012

NOMINATION FORM

Please find below the nomination form for the P&C Executive Committee. All positions will be declared vacant at the Annual General Meeting. Nominations will be presented and voted upon at this time.

Being a part of the Parents and Citizens association allows you the opportunity to play an active role in your child's education and provides a valuable partnership between the school families and the community.

Please give your consideration to the positions as listed below. You may wish to nominate yourself or another member of the school community. A description of the individual roles can be found overleaf.

I wish to nominate: _____

For the P&C Executive position of

President ☐

Vice President ☐

Treasurer ☐

Secretary ☐

Please return all nomination forms to the school office. Any queries can be directed to Carla Todd carla.todd@yahoo.com.au

Australian Girls Choir Open Day

Congratulations to girls in Grade 2 to 6 who recently took part in the AGC assessment workshop at school. By now you should have received your personalised assessment report either posted to your home or via your school. Girls in Kindergarten and Grade 1 will be receiving an information flyer about the AGC Open Day and we hope that you will be able to join us! Everyone is welcome to come along to the Open Day which will give girls the opportunity to try a free class and attend an information session. Ph 02 9922 6733 for more information or visit www.aspagroup.com.au

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VISIT: www.berowracricket.org

or CONTACT:

Phill Reid 0403 300 921 – Milo In2Cricket Coordinator

Michael Parker 0410 437 767 – Junior Coordinator

Will Fiedler 0402 043 524 – Senior Coordinator

EMAIL: bcc_enquiries@hotmail.com



2012 NET SET GO CLINIC

When: Fridays Term 4 2012
Oct 12th until Dec 14th

Time: 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Where: Montview Rd Netball Courts Hornsby Heights

Cost: for 9 weeks (including participant pack)

	5-7 yrs	8-10yrs
New player	\$55	\$65
Existing registered player	\$35	\$35

San Remo NetSetGO! is Netball Australia's Junior Netball Program for **BOYS and GIRLS** from the age of **5 to 10 years**. The program is designed for maximum enjoyment and participation by the children with a focus on participation. The weekly program will be coordinated by accredited coaches and incorporate skill activities, minor games and modified matches in a fun and safe environment.

To register, Email hornsbylionsnetsetgo@gmail.com
or contact Nicole Carr on 0432 858 347.

Discover Playgroup

Mt Kuring-gai Jellybabies Playgroup

Mt Kuring-gai Community Centre
5 Church Street
Wed 10:00am & Friday 9:30am

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For more information
contact

Fiona Lisle

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E: thelisles@gmail.com

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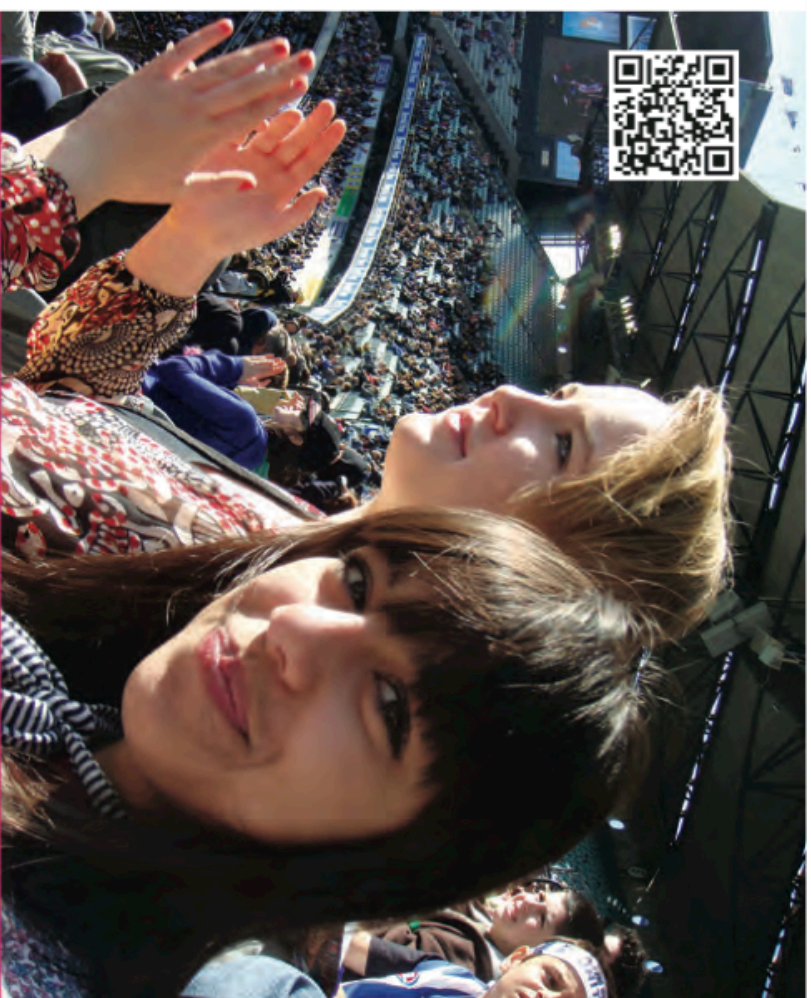
Become second parents to an exchange student as they adapt themselves to the Aussie way of life and share their cuisine, history and culture with you. Volunteer host families come from all walks of life and communities: rural, suburban and urban. Contact WEP for more information: **1300 884 733** or **wep.org.au**

Costanza participated in a semester-long student exchange program with World Education Program (WEP) Australia.

At the end of her program, Costi shared the following:

***Thank You!** Two words that I probably didn't have the chance to say properly so far. Thank you to the coolest host mum, to the nicest host dad and to the funniest host sisters ever! Thank you for making every day of my stay so wonderful and keeping away that homesickness that could have shown up without you. Thank you for all the little moments we shared together, Riley's birthday, the pizza night and all our 'Australian's Next Top Model' nights. Thank you for having been there for me even in the worst moments. Of course it hasn't been always smooth and soft, no one is perfect, and you got to know me and eventually accept me even when I make mistakes.*

This is what I thank you for, for letting me into your family and say one more time: Thank you! You've been the most wonderful host family that I could possibly have!



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