

Mount Kuring-gai Public School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Term 2 is always a busy and exciting term and this year is no different. Teachers, students and parents working together, make us an effective team to provide an enriching environment for our students and to improve their learning outcomes.

We are very fortunate to be part of a very supportive school community, which is what makes Mt Kuring-gai PS such a great school.

Firstly we would like to wish Mr O'Neill a speedy recovery. We hope he is back on his feet soon!!

#### SCHOOL APP

It's great that parents have been using our school app for absences, as these come directly to the front office.

We encourage you to download this free app if you haven't as yet, as it serves to inform you via your mobile phone of events happening at school.

Go to your playstore or appstore and type in mount kuringgai public school. Once downloaded you can click on the alerts tab and there are instructions about how to receive relevant push notifications to your phone.

**Last week** students in Year 3 and Year 5 sat the NAPLAN tests in Literacy and Numeracy.

On Tuesday students in Year 3-6 sat the ICAS Computer Test.

Thank you to Mr Johnson for organizing and being here bright and early in the morning to supervise the students.

#### BAND

Come and hear our fabulous band play at the

Star of the Month Assembly on Friday 29th May.

They have been busy practising with

Miss Harvey our accomplished Band teacher.

**DANCE** group have been busy rehearsing every Monday and Thursday under the guidance of Mrs Eastgate and Mrs Corkery. The group successfully auditioned for the Sydney North Dance Festival and will perform later this term at Glenn Street Theatre in Belrose on Wednesday 17th June and Saturday 20th June. Big thank you to Lucy for choreographing the dance for us.

We can't wait to see your exciting performance!

The **CHOIR** too, has been busy learning songs and rehearsing with Miss Rigby on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings for their performance later this year at the Performance Arts Alive Performance at Sydney Town Hall.

#### SPORT

Our school Cross Country Carnival was finalised last week, with the winning house being Paterson. Congratulations Paterson. Huge thank you to Mrs Todd for her excellent organisation and to all the parents who helped at the carnival supporting our runners. Also thank you to Abby West and her team of volunteers for running the canteen, supplying delicious treats. On Monday 25th May a team of 40 runners will participate at the Zone Carnival at Rofe Park in Hornsby Heights.

Good luck to our amazing young athletes.

We have also had a number of students who were successful at reaching the Regional Trials.

Netball- Jaz T and Rosie M

Rugby- Dominic T-J

Soccer- Isabella G, Jasmin G and Cammie L

Congratulations to Cammie for making the State PSSA Team. What a Star!!

The school Soccer and Netball teams are enjoying playing against our local schools in the PSSA competition on Fridays. They are eager and enthusiastic players who are always well behaved when representing our school. Thank you to Mrs Todd, Miss Samuel and Mrs Corkery for giving up their time to train our teams.

Last Wednesday our Senior Girls' Netball team travelled to Willoughby to play for the Netball NSW School Cup in a round robin competition. From all reports the girls had a great day, having fun while extending their netball skills. What a wonderful experience for the girls. Thank you to Mrs Todd for her organisation and to Mrs Boughton and Mrs Richardson for transporting the girls.

#### Term 2 2015

Despite the term flying by we have experienced many wonderful events and learning opportunities.

**Class 2/3** have been enjoying their Science lessons.

Here the students are making **GAK!** Sticky !!!! icky!!!!!















Senior Girls Netball Team at the Netball NSW Schools Cup.





**Cross Country** 



Achievement PLUS ++++

*Congratulations to Cammie for being selected for the State PSSA Soccer Team.* 



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



#### Monday 25th May

Zone Cross Country

#### Friday 29th May

• 3/4 Star of the Month Assembly

#### Wednesday 3rd June

ICAS Science

Thursday 11th June

Area Cross Country

Tuesday 16th June

ICAS Spelling

Wednesday 17th June

ICAS Writing

#### Tuesday 23rd June

School Photos

#### Friday 26th June

- 2/3 Star of the Month
- Movie Night

#### WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

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#### Year 6 Fundraiser "BIG BREAKFAST"

There were a few brave and hardy students who walked to school on Friday in heavy rain and strong wind.

Once they arrived at school there was a delicious breakfast of pikelets with jam and cream and orange juice waiting for them and hot tea and coffee for the adults.

Thank you to Heidi, Leanne and Carla for organising the event and to the Year 6 students for serving.

What a lovely way to start a Friday morning! Thank you.

## **Garden News**

Hornsby Council are continuing to support our school with "Ready, Set, Grow Plus".

Parents are most welcome to attend the **"Ready, Set, Grow"** workshops the council is holding this year.

The next workshop is **Advanced composting** on 17th June at Kimbriki. This is an excellent workshop in a fascinating and interesting environment.

### HELP NEEDED IN THE LIBRARY

The library is in urgent need of assistance. We are seeking volunteers to cover new library books so that they can be put on the shelves for students to borrow.

We know everyone is busy , however if you have some spare time on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday we also need volunteers to shelve books that have been returned.

Please see the office if you are available to help.

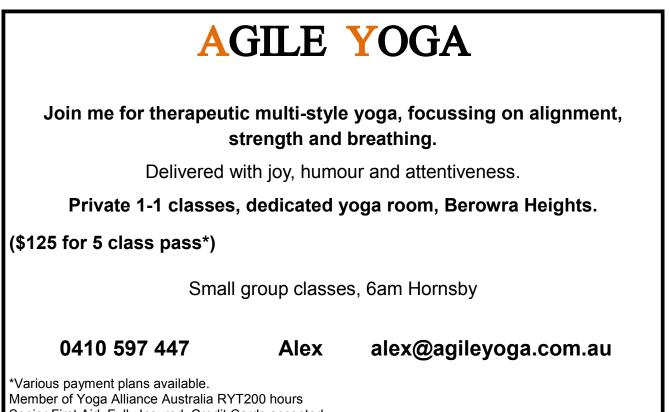
### **HELP NEEDED FOR ETHICS CLASSES**

If you are interested in teaching Ethics at MKPS please contact Fiona Mitchell on 0412362673. We currently have one teacher only and are unable to run ethics classes until we can appoint another teacher.

# **Community Notice Board**



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The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at St Patrick's Catholic Church, Asquith and St Bernard's Catholic Church, Berowra Heights on Sunday August 23, 2015.

Enrolment is open to any child who is over the age of 7 and has been baptised. For enrolment form and schedule please email kccpsacraments@gmail.com or collect from the back of either church.

Enrolments for Confirmation at both church's will take place on June 20 & 21.