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FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Today is Outdoor Classroom Day and we are delighted to participate formally for the first time. At our school many of the classes regularly enjoy learning outdoors, under our big Fig Tree or in our NaturePlay environment. Today is a little different as every class will be enjoying the beautiful weather and singing birds (do crows sing??) as they undertake lessons outside. We are pleased to have been invited to be a case-study school and look forward to documenting our experience through lots of great photos. Thank you to Mr Stewart and the parents who have helped make the day a great success for students and staff alike.

Earlier this term we undertook our Public School Review. The Review occurs every three years and focuses on our school performance across a range of domains. We were required to provide the two reviewers with evidence of our self-assessment and school improvement processes and our analysis of progress. The reviewers spent the day meeting with groups of teachers, support staff, parents and students in order to validate our own school-based judgements. We received our final report yesterday and we are very pleased with the findings. Our school is identified as an Effective school with evidence of many strengths. The review supports our identified areas for improvement and provides us with a mandate for this continued growth and focus. The Review document will be presented to the School Board next week and will then be available for viewing on the school website.

We would like to this opportunity to acknowledge the outstanding support and commitment provided to us by our parents through the P&C, School Board and everyday classroom support. The Review team were very impressed with the relationships that had been formed between the school and community and acknowledged the incredible level of involvement and support that our parents provided. Thank you, your support is much appreciated!

Alison Robb and Monique Smith
PRINCIPALS

MOSMAN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL WEBSITE – QR CODE



By hovering over this code with your device, you will be directed to the school website. New information is added to the website weekly.

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to each of our students who were awarded certificates at our last assembly on November 1.



Pre Primary	Lucas Collica Peter Kehoe	Ethan Tham Marlow McComish
PP/Yr 1	Florence Brooks	Villads Ravn
Year 1	Riley Minchin Mila Lawrence	Rickijay Drage Toby Vine
Year 2	Yuki Sakamoto Nicholas Davis	Sam Braddy Georgiona Allen
Yr 2/3	Michael Vokes	Toby Thorpe
Year 3	Oliver Acklin Kiara Kobelt	Rhys Vine Allegra Beer
Year 4	Laila Chinnery Tyson Blurton	Rory Russell Elizabeth Williams
Yr 5/ 6	Cooper Scott Toby Albrecht Alex Newlands Patrick Taplin	Leo Gould-Lemmon Cynthia Coleman Rory Thorpe Max Endersby
MPSDC	Andy Karkotis	Mack Kilmartin

STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO MPSS 2020

Please advise the office if your child **WILL NOT** be attending Mosman Park Primary next year. This will assist with planning and class arrangements for 2020.

2020 BOOKLIST COLLECTION DATE

Please pick up completed book packs from the library on

Thursday, 28th November
8.00am – 9.30am

PP AND YEAR ONE INTERM SWIMMING LESSONS

Interm swimming commences on Monday 9th December 2019 for the Pre Primary and Year 1 classes. Forms have gone home with your child. Cost of the swimming is \$60. If you have not paid this charge, please make payment as soon as possible. Forms regarding these swimming lessons will be sent home shortly.



FORM CREATIVE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

Across Terms Two & Three, Rooms 4 & 5 were fortunate enough to be involved in the Forms Creative Schools Project. In room 5 the main topic was the study of sharks and culminated in the production of a book entitled "Kiss of the Shark" and launched on 17th September to an excited audience.



LIFE EDUCATION VAN

Parent Information Sessions

The Life Education caravan will be open from 2.30pm to 3.10pm on Monday 2nd December.

This is an opportunity for you to find out about the topics your children will be covering during their visit to the Life Education Van, and meet the Educator for an informal chat. You are welcome to visit the van any time during this session.

REMEMBRANCE DAY



We are commemorating this on Monday (11/11) after recess in classrooms with one minute's silence (as 11am falls within the recess break). Teachers will be doing some pre-teaching around this. Poppies are being sold for a gold coin donation in the front office.

STUDENT MOBILE PHONE POLICY

This week, the State Government announced a new Student Mobile Phone Policy to take effect from the start of Term 1 2020. A reminder that MPPS already has a policy in place that all students must hand their phone to the office at the start of the day, and that it can then be collected after the final bell.



KAPTURE SCHOOL PHOTOS

We have been advised by Kapture Photography that all portraits and class groups, sports and/or special team photos taken this year will be removed from their website at the end of this term in readiness for next year's photography. This is your last chance to purchase these photographs. Please visit www.kapture.com.au using our school code; **MZLKJK**

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSURE 2019 AND OPENING 2020

The office will be closed from 11.30am on Friday, 20 December 2019 for the Christmas break and will reopen next year on Tuesday, 28 January 2020.

Students commence on Monday 3rd February 2020.

DEBATING

Ten courageous Year Six students participated in the Great Debate on Monday. Minka and Mabel argued that "Every Child Should Have a Pet" with Cooper, Azaylia and Rosie arguing the negative point of view. Leo and Toby passionately presented the case that "Corporal Punishment Should Be Returned to Schools" with Eva, Lachie and George arguing the opposing case. The adjudicators, Mrs Robb and Mrs Smallbone, were very impressed with the arguments put forward from all teams and had a difficult time determining winners! The Debaters will enjoy 'Pizza with the Principal' to celebrate their success next Monday.



LEIGH HOBBS LIBRARY VISIT



Pre-primary and Year One students were treated to an hour-long art class with Australia's much loved children's author and illustrator, Leigh Hobbs. Armed with four pieces of paper and one lead pencil, the students followed Leigh's entertaining step by step instructions to create amazing drawings of Mr Chicken, Old Tom, Horrible Harriet and one original character of their own. Their concentration was incredible! As was the quality of the drawing! Check out more great photos on the website.

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM/SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship info for Year 7 2020 students can be found at:

<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/scholarships>

If you have a child in Year 5 and would like to apply for the GATE program in Year 7 2021 please see:

www.education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented for more information.

SCHOOL CHARGES AND CONTRIBUTIONS – OVERDUE

Please ensure that the final balance of the 2019 School Charges and Contributions are paid promptly.

There are a number of accounts the school must pay to outside organisations for excursions, dance, Kids'n Sport, swimming lessons etc. and without your contribution, the school is left having to meet the shortfall. This in turn leaves less funds to spend at school level on all the students.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The last sausage sizzle for 2019 is on Thursday 5th December. Please support the Year 6 students who use the funds from sausage sizzles to purchase a gift for the school as they depart for high school.



VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

The staff wishes to thank all the people who have donated their time and talents to Mosman Park Primary School during the 2019 school year.

A morning Tea will be held the morning of 17 December in the Library. Please contact the office on 9384 6667 or mosmanpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au to register your attendance for catering purposes.

We encourage all our wonderful volunteers to continue helping again next year.

TECH TALK

Minecraft:Education

In code club this term we are learning how to use the Minecraft:Education app. Minecraft: Education edition brings the creative and immersive environment of Minecraft to classrooms around the world.

Minecraft is so much more than just a game about breaking and placing blocks - it's an adventure where players work together to create & explore wonderful, imaginative worlds. This is an excellent tool to engage students in learning, collaboration, and critical thinking. It brings school subjects to life, from STEM and history to math and language arts.

Each student is able to login to Minecraft:Education using their education department email. They are not accessing their emails, just using this to log in. They are then taken to another log in screen where they will input their login details that they use at school. They must tick a box to consent to appropriate online use and then they are in.

Thingiverse

For those interested in 3D printing – Thingiverse is a great website to check out. Thingiverse is a website dedicated to the sharing of user-created digital design files. You can download files and print them on a 3D printer, or have a look for some great ideas. Worth a look.

Technologies Specialist, Jess Anderson



UNIFORM SHOP – 2019 OPENING

Open Friday mornings 8.40am – 9.15am.

Special opening for start of 2020

Thursday 30th January 2pm – 4pm

Friday 31st January 9am – 11am

Online Uniform orders: www.quickcliq.com.au

Matt Needham, MPPS Uniform Shop Coordinator
0411 222 630 or email uniform@needhams.net.au

THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF SUPERSTAN

It's not too late to purchase USB copies of the school musical through the online uniform/canteen shop. It is also makes a great Xmas present for relatives who may not have seen the live performances! The USBs cost only \$20 and include both night's performances and a folder of digital photos.

GRADUATION ASSEMBLY – YEAR 6



The Graduation assembly for our Year 6 students will take place on Thursday, 19th December 2019 from 8.50am. The school community is encouraged to come and farewell our Year 6 students as they head off to high school.

END OF YEAR LIBRARY BOOK RETURNS

LIBRARY CLOSED FROM **MONDAY 2 DECEMBER** (WEEK 8)

As the end of the year draws near it's time for me to take stock and stocktake! Therefore, the library will be closed for the last three weeks of the term and all library books must be returned by the **END OF WEEK SEVEN – Friday 29 November**. If your child has a very overdue library book it's time to check under the bed or on the bookshelf and try and locate it. If books can't be found payment or replacement of the book is greatly appreciated.

JAPANESE STUDENT VISIT



Another busy week! It was a fun-packed final week for the Japanese students who left on Tuesday. Amongst the activities were a cooking session, a rowdy bilingual Kahoot and an outdoor game called *hankachiochi* (handkerchief drop). The Japanese students were also teaching the Year 6 students the traditional Soran dance which they will perform at the Graduation Ceremony on December 19. *Dokkoisho!* I would like to express my huge appreciation again to the kind families who hosted the Japanese students and made this fantastic experience happen this year!!

Arigatou gozaimasu! Blair Sensei

STORY DOGS



We are delighted to welcome the Story Dogs Program to MPPS. Story dogs is a reading support program where selected children read to an accredited dog and its handler. Paris and her handler Sara visit the library on Thursday mornings.

