

MEREWETHER PUBLIC SCHOOL

P&C NEEDS MORE HELP!

Welcome everyone to 2019!

On Monday night the first P&C meeting of the year and AGM was held to elect a new executive committee for 2019.

We are fortunate that 3 people have indicated they would like to take on positions but we still need volunteers for the following:

*Vice President
Secretary*

A report showing some of the fabulous work the P&C did last year is available on Skoolbag and on the School Website. If you would like to know more about taking on a role or would like to express interest, please see the Principal Greg Culhane.

A meeting will be held on **Monday 25th February at 7pm** to fill all positions. Please get in touch before then if you are keen!

Our Mission: The P&C promotes the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation. We help by fundraising, providing facilities and equipment for the school, and promoting the recreation and welfare of students at the school.

Questions?

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Thursday 14/2	Friday 15/2	Monday 18/2	Tuesday 19/2	Wednesday 20/2
Drone program starts	3/4P Assembly Item		Zone Swimming Book Fair	Book Fair Meet the Teacher 5.00-5.30pm K-2 5.30 -6.00pm 3-6

Ronald McDonald House Fundraiser



Mrs Connely and some of our students have decided to shave their heads on Tuesday 7 May with the aim of raising funds for children and their families at Ronald McDonald House.

We hope to raise over \$4000 which will help maintain a room in Ronald McDonald House that will house a family of 4 while their child is having treatment in the John Hunter Children's hospital.

We are off to a great start with \$1262 raised so far.

How can I make a donation?

A donation of any value can be direct deposited in to the charity Fund Bank Account:

Newcastle Permanent

BSB:- 650000

Account Number:- 534452108

Alternatively, feel free to enclose your donation in a sealed envelope and drop it off at Merewether Public School Office.

Waste Free Wednesday

Merewether Public is a sustainable school. **Every Wednesday is Waste Free lunch day at school.**

Our waste free lunch program educates students about where our waste ends up and how we as individuals, can reduce the amount of waste we generate and send to landfill. Waste free lunches encourage the first step in the waste hierarchy - **AVOIDING** waste. Choosing products that have less packaging results in less waste that you have to dispose of.

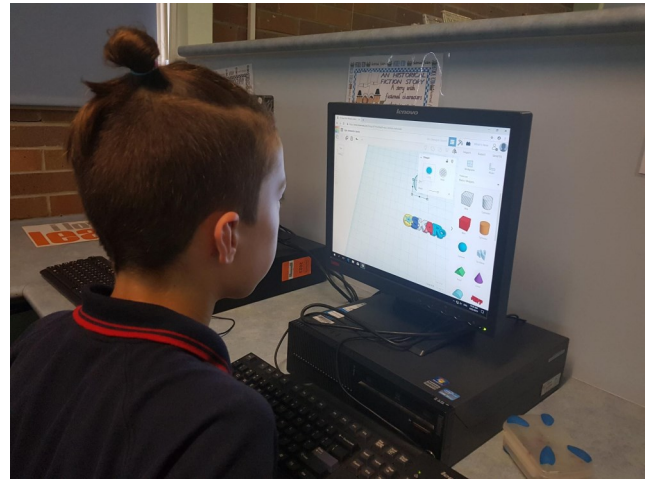
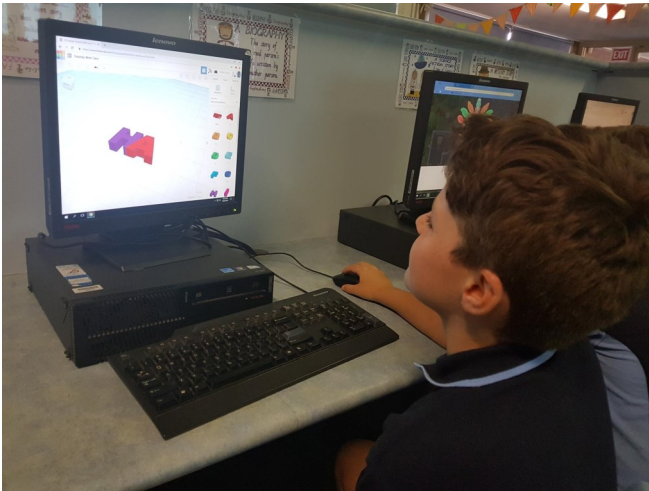
It not only makes good environmental sense but it makes good economic sense too.

Waste free lunches are often cheaper and in most cases a lot healthier too!



In the Classroom.....

45R have been busy designing and creating name tags using the 3D printing program Tinkercad. They love using the 3D printer as part of their technology program this year.



Library Days

Welcome back to our Library.

Borrowing days—Don't forget to bring your library bags.

Monday - 4/5M KJ

Tuesday - 2/3LD 1/2N 5/6R

Wednesday - K/1V

Thursday - 3/4P

Special Religious Education (SRE) and Ethics (SEE)

Parents are reminded that SRE & SEE instruction is provided based on enrolment information, parent preference and the availability of external instructors. SRE and SEE activities carry over from year to year.

Your Child will be included in his/her nominated lessons unless otherwise advised in writing by the parent/carer. Parents can choose to exclude their child from SRE & SEE programs at any time during the year by writing to the Principal and requesting this. More information concerning SRE and SEE is available by visiting: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/learning-across-the-curriculum/religion-and-ethics>

General School Information and Contact Update Note for 2019

Tomorrow Thursday 14 February we will be sending home the "General School Information and Contact Update" note. This will go home with the eldest child. Please read all the information and complete the last 2 pages making sure you sign and date the last page.

Please return to the school office as soon as possible.

School Banking

School banking is on each Tuesday. Bank books will be collected from each classroom or you can drop off your child's bank book to the school office before school.

Students earn a token with each deposit and can claim a reward when they reach 10 tokens.

New awards are available each term.

If you would like your child to participate in the Dollarmites school banking, please visit a Commonwealth Bank and apply for a Dollarmites account. They will give you a deposit book which is then brought to school each Tuesday with money and a slip filled out.



School Assembly

Our weekly school assembly is held every Friday at 9:15am. All parents are welcome to attend.

Weekly awards are presented at the assembly.

Congratulations to all award recipients			
KJ Denzel T Isabella M Jack W Connor P Jett C Grace B	K/1V Nathaniel L Zara S Ruby L Smith D	1/2N Sophie C Felix C Ruby-Lee M Alix S Khloe C	2/3LD Abby G Themba M Adelina O Emily B
3/4P Matilda B Alex L Cooper N Kira S Heath W	4/5M Duncan C Olivia H Zoe S Talia J Bianca C Bianca J	5/6R Angus N Jessica T Johnny M Mikaela J Hayden S	

Ice Blocks

Ice Blocks will be for sale on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday each week only in the second break.

Cost is \$ 1.00 each



Dates for your Diary	Date
Drones	Thursday 14 February
Assembly Item 3/4 P	Friday 15 February
Zone Swimming Carnival	Tuesday 19 February
Meet the Teacher	Wednesday 20 February
Drones	Thursday 21 February
Assembly Item 1/2N	Friday 22 February
Drones	Thursday 28 February
Clean up Australia	Friday 1 March
Assembly Item K/1V	Friday 1 March
Infants Water Day	Tuesday 5 March
Drones	Thursday 7 March
Assembly Item 5/6R	Friday 8 March
Drones	Thursday 14 March
Selective High School Test	Thursday 14 March
Assembly Item 2/3LD	Friday 15 March
Harmony Day	Thursday 21 March
Drones	Thursday 21 march
Cross Country (No Assembly)	Friday 22 March
Drones	Thursday 28 March
Assembly Item 4/5M	Friday 29 March
Drones	Thursday 4 April
Assembly Item KJ	Friday 5 April
Easter Hat Parade	Thursday 11 April
Anzac Day Assembly	Friday 12 April
Last Day of Term 1	Friday 12 April