

MEREWETHER PUBLIC SCHOOL



Thursday 16/5	Friday 17/5	Monday 20/5	Tuesday 21/5	Wednesday 22/5
NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5	National Walk Safely to School Day		School Photos School Banking	NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5

Ronald McDonald House Fundraiser

What a fantastic day we had on Monday with the Head Shave and other activities.

Congratulations to all the head shave participants Mrs Connely, Adelina O, Nash P, Wendy Paterson, Zac M, Joshua L, Des W and Lachlan W. How brave you are to have your heads shaved for a very worthy cause. Each participant helped with the fundraising reaching a amazing total—so far of **\$10,612.85**.

We are keeping the account open for another 2 weeks so you still have time to make a donation.

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.

We will have an assembly on Friday 31 May to hand over the cheque from all our fundraising to Isha Doyle from Ronald McDonald House.

Thank you to all the students, families and community members for participating in our fun day. Everyone enjoyed all the activities.

Thankyou to Baker's Delight -The Junction for their donation of iced buns; Yoghurt land for their donation of frozen yoghurt; Masterfoods for the hamper and Scan Pan and Cup Cake Espresso for the voucher.



Thank you to the following people who have donated:

Melinda Gane Walkom Family Williams family Dell family Jasmin Ann Win Kerry Spicer Clarke
familyMichelle Hatton Thompson family Walter Kaan Cathy Jennings

Kai Jin Everil Chen Scott Sinclair Katerina Razmovski Meaghan O'Sullivan Amanda Brown

Steve & Jim John Prigg Mr Nattapong Louise Bowe Sarah Coater

Zara & Zoe Simpson Jackson Yowe

Clear Sky Australia Pty Ltd The Good Dentist



Crazy Hair Day



**Isha Doyle presenting Mrs Connely
with a certificate and beanies.**



Mrs Connely



Adelina O



Nash P



Wendy Paterson



Zac M



Joshua L



Desmond W



Lachlan W



Haunted House

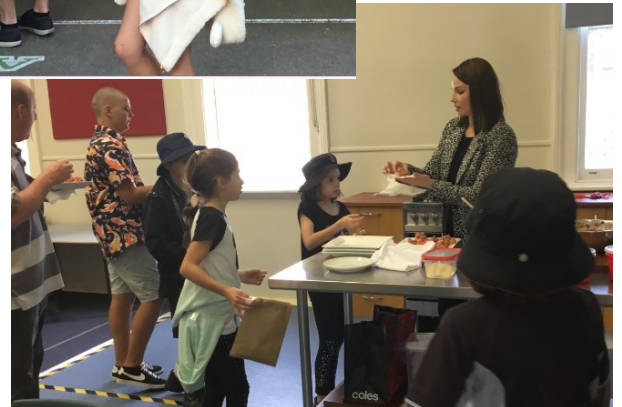


Baker's Delight

Yum!

Cooking Fun

Lining up for
Yoghurtland



Taping Mr Prigg to the Pole



Trash and Treasure

Premier's Spelling Bee

Merewether Public School has entered the 2019 Premier's Spelling Bee competition, which will take place between September 2 and 13 2019.

It is time to consider entering Mrs Kiely's elimination trials. These trials will decide who represents our school in the two divisions.

Junior division for those students in Years 2, 3 and 4 and Senior division Years 5 and 6.

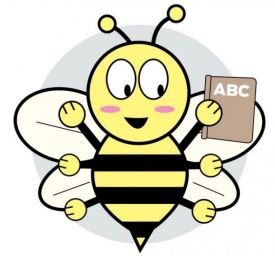
The Junior division trials will be held on Tuesday 28 May, while the Senior division trials will be held on Wednesday 29 May.

If your child is selected they will have access to further information on the 2019 Premier's Spelling Bee website and will be provided with the password to gain access to the practice lists.

They will also find out the correct date and venue details closer to the actual event in September.

Good Luck!

Mrs Kiely (School convener)



Uniforms

Now that winter is fast approaching please make sure that you have your child's school jackets clearly labelled with their name. Students must make sure they put their jackets and hats in a safe place when they take them off.

Uniform shop is open each day from 8:30 to 9:30am and from 2:30 to 3:15pm.

If you are unable to come into the school to purchase uniforms you can order and pay via the phone or send in an order form with money to the school office. We will send the uniforms home via your child.

Principal Meetings

Mr Culhane will always make himself available to see parents but unfortunately first thing in the morning and just before 3pm is a particularly busy time. We ask that you phone the office and make an appointment. If there are any concerns with your child, the classroom teacher is always your starting point. Our Assistant Principals Mr John Prigg (Primary 3-6) and Mrs Kathryn Nagle (Infants K-2) are also available to meet with parents with any concerns.

National Walk Safely to School Day

Walk Safely to School Day (Friday 17 May) is an annual national event when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a community event seeking to promote road safety, health, public transport and the environment.



Opportunity Class 2020– Year 4 Students Only

Applications for Year 5 entry to an optional Opportunity Class in 2020 open and will close on **Friday 17 May 2019** at 5pm. Should you want your child to sit the entrance exam on Wednesday 31 July 2019, please refer to the detailed information online. Please ensure you have read the entire document prior to applying. www.shsocplacement.org.au

Should you have any questions please email Miss Razmovski directly any time at katerina.razmovski@det.nsw.edu.au

Newcastle School Portraits



Your School Photo Day is:

TUESDAY
21ST MAY 2019

Remember to hand in your photo envelope....& Smile

School Photos

Our School Photo day is next Tuesday 21 May. Envelopes were sent home with all students. If your child did not receive their envelope, spare envelopes should be in their classroom. Family photo envelopes are available from the School Office.

Reminder:-

Full school uniform with black shoes and white socks.

Hair neat and tidy and only red or blue hair accessories.

No visible fake tattoos.

Bring your envelope in on the day with the correct amount in the envelope and hand to photographer.

If you have ordered and paid online with Newcastle School Portraits you do not need to return the envelope.

Zone Touch Football

Joe T recently trialled and was selected into the Newcastle PSSA Zone touch football team.



They competed last week at the regional trials against 9 other regions and 90 other students.

Despite winning all of their 5 games, Joe missed out on being selected for the NSW state team.

They only selected 12 players from the 90 students.

We are very proud of his efforts!



Dollarmites School Banking

School Banking is every Tuesday. Bank books will be collect from the classroom first thing in the morning by our wonderful year 6 students. You are also welcome to drop your child's bank book to the office before school on Tuesday mornings.



Each week students receive a token for a deposit, once they reach 10 tokens they can claim a reward.

New rewards this term are Icicle Slapband Ruler and a Yeti Fluffy Notebook.

If you would like your child to participate in Dollarmites school banking, you will need to visit a Commonwealth Bank and open an account. Bring the deposit book to the school and with some money enclosed and they will begin their Dollarmites banking.

Hunter Creative Arts Camp

Nominations are now open for the 2019 Hunter Creative Arts Camp, “When Pigs Fly”, to be held at Camp Toukley Monday 2 September—Friday 6 September. This is aimed at students in Years 5 and 6.

Information sheets are available at the school office.

Dates for your Diary	<i>Date</i>
Naplan	Tuesday 14 May to Wednesday 22 May
Walk Safely to School Day	Friday 17 May
School Photos	Tuesday 21 May
Chess Club begins	Wednesday 22 May
Kindy Club	Thursday 23 May
Athletics Carnival	Friday 24 May
K—2 Teddy Bears Picnic	Tuesday 28 May
N.H.S Year Adviser visit for Year 6	Tuesday 28 May
School Disco	Wednesday 29 May
Starstruck Dance groups rehearsal	Thursday 30 May
Kindy Club	Thursday 30 May
N.H.S Year 4 & 5 Gats Day	Wednesday 5 June
MiniLab Rove Years 5 & 6 Callaghan College Waratah	Thursday 6 June
Kindy Club	Thursday 6 June
Starstruck Choir rehearsal	Friday 7 June
Public Holiday	Monday 10 June
Starstruck Dance groups rehearsal	Wednesday 12 June
Starstruck Dance Groups and Choir rehearsal	Thursday 13 June
Kindy Club	Thursday 13 June
Strastruck Excursion to Matinee performance	Friday 14 June
Starstruck performance Matinee and Evening	Friday 14 June
Starstruck performance Matinee and Evening	Saturday 15 June

Chess Club Term 2

The after school Chess Club Program will recommence next week on Wednesday 22nd May after school 3:10pm in the STEAM Workshop. Please ensure your child brings an afternoon snack and water bottle with them on the day. Prompt collection is appreciated from the STEAM Workshop at 4:10pm. Mr McLaughlin is looking forward to a fun-filled 5 weeks in preparation for yet another Chess tournament later in the term. Stay tuned!



Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that Breakfast Club is now held in the "STEAM" room (old OOSH hall) from 8.30am to 8.45am.



Star Struck Whole School Excursion



A note has been sent home regarding the whole school excursion to Star Struck.

When: Friday 14 June 9.30am—2.15pm (for the 10.30am show).

Where: Newcastle Entertainment Centre

Cost: \$35

Students who are performing in Star Struck do not need to purchase a ticket. Please get in early to secure your child's tickets.

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 Cooper S Denzel T Mia N Rhylie W Jack W	K/1V Smith D Monique F Zara S Madison B Nathaniel L Connor O Jasper B	1/2N Alex B Bodhi M Ruby-Lee M Jay-Dee G Jack H Cohen L	2/3LD Felicity V Skye O Adelina O Henry C Cooper A
3/4P Cooper N Alex L Matilda B Owen P	4/5M Zoe S Olivia H Kayden C Azaria D Amber M Talia J	5/6R Conor C Jacob S Joshua L Rebecca T Mikaela J	



P&C News

Dates for your Diary

Friday 24th May **Athletics Carnival Meal Deal**
Thursday 6th June **Wine Tasting Night**
Monday 24th June **Next P&C Meeting**



Wine Tasting Night



Thursday 6th June
6:30 – 7:30pm
STEAM Hall

Social dinner 7:30pm Sapphire Indian after, all welcome to attend!

FUNDRAISING NEWS STAR STRUCK



This term the P&C are supporting Star Struck. The school has a dance group, choir group, aboriginal dance group, a soloist singer and a featured dancer. There are approximately 40 Students involved, and the P&C are funding the entry fees of \$1500.



Enjoy saving money while
spending it!!

There is an example Entertainment Book in the
Office. Please have a look at what's on offer!

Order online;

<https://www.entbook.com.au/347a81>

News!!

Meal Deal Athletics Carnival Friday 24th May



- Meat Pie **or** Sausage Roll **or** Cheese & Vegemite scroll
- Popcorn
- Juice Popper
(choose popper on the day)



\$5

Order forms went home last week. Spares at office.

Orders **MUST** be in the black P&C drop box; **Tuesday 21st May 3pm.**

What do I need to know?

- All Meal Deals **MUST** be pre-ordered.
- Meal Deal **NOT** sold on the day.
- No other canteen lunch service provided for students.
- If you do not want the Meal Deal for your child, please pack them a full lunch and snacks.

Parents / Carers / Grandparents;

- You can also **pre-order** pies / sausage rolls / scrolls for lunch; **must be pre-ordered** using the form (spares at office).
- The Athletics Facility now *provides a **coffee cart*** onsite: 9am – 11am.
- The P&C will supplement this by selling a simple morning tea option for parents from 9am – 11am.