**PRINCIPAL’S NEWS AND VIEWS**

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www.morpeth-ps.schools.nsw.edu.au

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Monday 2nd June 2014**  
Maitland Art Gallery Excursion

**Friday 6th June 2014**  
Planet savers excursion - Yr 3 to 6

**Monday 9th June 2014**  
June Long Weekend - No school

**Thursday 19th June 2014**: NEW DATE  
Athletics Carnival - All students

**Thursday 26th June 2014**  
NAIDOC Week performance: No cost

**Friday 27th June 2014**  
Yr 6 Mini Fete - info sent home soon

**Monday 14th July 2014**  
Staff Development Day

**Tuesday 15th July 2014**  
Students return to school for Term 3

**UNIFORM SHOP**

The P&C Uniform Co-ordinator will be available for fitting and uniform purchases at the following times:

- Monday - 8.45 to 9.30am
- Friday - 8.45 to 9.30am
- also Assembly Friday from 2pm
- Other times by appointment
  
Please contact Jodi Lovell on 0438 131 447 or email the uniform shop morpethpsuniforms@gmail.com

**Direct Depositing**

**SCHOOL Payments**

Account Name - Morpeth PS  
BSB No - 032 001  
Account No - 143579

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**Donuts and Milkshakes Day**: Thank you to our resourceful year 6 students for their outstanding ‘Donut and Milkshake’ fundraiser last Tuesday. Students from K-6 pre-ordered their selection and our senior students were responsible for organising the orders, making the milkshakes and also running a lunch time stall. The day was extremely successful with all proceeds going to support the year 6 students’ gift to the school. Thank you to James Porter, father of Hayden in 1 / 2T, for his generous support.

**Knights Knockout Under 10s**: Congratulations to our under 10 Rugby League players for their outstanding efforts during Thursday’s Knights Knockout competition. The boys played four games and faced some very tough opponents in the process. However, all players tried their best and demonstrated the legendary Morpeth spirit throughout the tournament. A huge thank you to Miss Stevens for her organisation and to our trusty band of parent helpers for assisting with transport.

**Tennis Program**: Our exciting new ‘Hotshots’ tennis program began last week. Students in 2/3L, 3/4F, 4/5A and 5/6S are involved in the program that will continue until the end of the term. Last week our students were involved in lots of interesting skills based activities using our excellent new resources, supplied by Tennis Australia. Our students enjoyed the activities, as did Mr Scanlan who enjoyed demonstrating his impressive range of strokes, some of which appeared to be accidental!

**Year 4 Gala Day**: On Thursday our Year 4 students travelled by bus to Maitland High School for a combined sports day. Students from Local Management Group schools, feeders to Maitland High, attended the whole day event and were involved in a range of sporting and fitness activities. The sports gala day represents an aspect of the transition to high school program, with students enjoying the opportunity to meet students from other schools in the local area.

**Waterwatch**: Last Wednesday Mrs Fincher’s 3 / 4F class walked to Queen’s Wharf in Morpeth to conduct a series of tests regarding the quality of water in the Hunter River. Under the umbrella of our Waterwatch program, students made observations and used testing techniques to assess the turbidity, electrical conductivity and pH levels of the water before uploading the data to the Catchment Management Authority’s website. Our data is used to monitor water quality in our area and, along with similar tests in various other catchment areas, is used to capture snapshots of water quality in the Hunter area. — Peter Edmonds
Canteen News

**Week 6 - Term 2, 2014**

- Monday 2.6.14  Sharyn Watson, Lainie Hopkins
- Tuesday 3.6.14  Kylie Brand, Jason Newby
- Wed 4.6.14  Kim Tull, Louise Vercoe
- Thurs 5.6.14  Mel Anderson, Kellie Upton
- Friday 6.6.14  Kath Formosa, Kristen Gadd

**Week 7 - Term 2, 2014**

- Monday 9.6.14  Sarah Worthington, Carly Fiddock
- Tuesday 10.6.14  Kerrie Wilesmith, **HELP NEEDED**
- Wed 11.6.14  Sally Godwin, Ein Wilkes
- Thurs 12.6.14  Fiona Emmett, Sharee Oldham
- Friday 13.6.14  Nicole Hanson, Rachael Perry

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**COMMONWEALTH BANK STUDENT BANKING**

Congratulations to all those student who have banked 10 times and received their first reward.

Please note that rewards have to be ordered from the bank and may take a couple of weeks to arrive.

**P & C Email**

The P&C now have their own email address. Families who wish to receive a copy of the meeting minutes can do so by sending a request to the Secretary. Likewise if you would like to have something added to the agenda please feel free to email your request to the email address below.

morpethspandc@gmail.com

**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

**THURSDAY 19TH JUNE 2014**

Smythe Field, Maitland
Recycling: Thank you to all those students who have brought in recycling items to the Economy. We appreciate it if students can count their items and ensure that bags are CLEARLY labelled with their name and class. Without this information, students will not be paid for their recycling.

Extra Recycling Items: For the remainder of this term, the Economy is collecting:

- Empty cordial bottles (with lids) - rinsed please
- Empty steel cans (no sharp edges) – rinsed please

Students will be paid $2(P) for each item brought in.

These will be used to create sculptures and themed artworks for the Sprung Festival held at Charles Sturt University in Bathurst.

A note from the counsellor:

Newcastle University Psychology Clinic is running program designed to help children develop effective ways to respond to bullying behaviour. The program is designed for 9-12 year olds and their parents.

It will cover assertiveness skills, unwritten rules of friendship, practical strategies, communication, power dynamics and regulating emotions.

The program commences on the 30th May (an assessment is required prior to commencement). It will run 3:30 – 5pm on Fridays at University Psychology Clinic. The cost of the clinic is $85.

To refer your or for further information child please call 49215075.
Does your child order their lunch?
We now have re-useable lunch order bags available to purchase as part of a P & C fundraiser

Stickybeaks “Lunch Wallets” come in black with your choice of PINK, BLUE, GREEN, RED, YELLOW, GREY or PURPLE binding.

Whether it is daily, once a week or once a month, most children will get the opportunity to order their lunch. If this is your child, we would like you to consider purchasing a Stickybeaks Lunch Wallet.

Not only will you help the P & C raise much needed funds for our school, you will also be rewarded with the ease of using the lunch wallet along with helping to reduce our paper waste.

Keep and reuse the lunch order & name slips. They are available to print for FREE from the Stickybeaks website.

The lunch wallets fold flat, and have a separate zipper pocket to keep money separate from food and provide a re-usable bag for your child’s lunch.

*SAMPLES ARE IN THE CANTEEN FOR YOUR VIEWING*
STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE CANTEEN

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LUNCH WALLETS ORDER FORM

Child’s Name: ____________________________________________________________
Child’s Class: ____________________________________________________________

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The simplest way
...to use leftovers in the lunchbox

Leftovers are an easy way to pack your kids a nutritious lunch, whilst clearing out the fridge.

Your kids will love these tasty leftovers and their lunch box will be sure to come home empty.

Try some of these ideas:

- Cottage pie or spag bol sandwiches - both taste great on wholemeal bread
- Healthy fried rice or stir-frys are a fun alternative to a sandwich
- Turn leftover vegies into a frittata
- Add leftover baked veg to a sandwich or use steamed sweet potato or pumpkin as a sandwich spread with cheese (then add your favourite salad).

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

KINDER 2015
Please contact the school office now to register your child for Kinder next year

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE HERE NOW
Email the P&C or purchase directly from the Canteen

BOOKCLUB DUE 18th JUNE