

Mount Hunter Public School

Newsletter Week 9 Term 4 2015

Principal's Message

Thank you

As this is the last Newsletter for 2015, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students for their hard work and excellent behaviour since my arrival at Mount Hunter PS. I have come to value each student's character and individuality and have enjoyed getting to know each of them. Thank you to the teachers, office staff, SLSOs and our GA for the dedication and commitment they show towards our students. I would now like to say a special thank you to the parents and families who are leaving us this year. We hope your experience at Mount Hunter Public School has been a productive and satisfying one. Whatever your involvement has been, we hope your family will leave with fond memories of our school, staff and students.

Satisfaction Survey

Thank you to the 15 families who completed the Parent Satisfaction survey that was sent home in Week 5. The information gathered has been very valuable for our planning and directions for 2016.

I would like to share some data with you:

Out of a possible 240 responses -

- 86% (207) responded strongly/agree
- 11% (26) responded disagree/strongly disagree
- 3% (7) no response

Here are some suggestions made by you to help improve Mount Hunter PS (no particular order):

- Enforce the uniform policy more strongly
- Use Computers and ipads more often
- Notify parents when their child is receiving an award at assembly
- Acknowledge all Award recipients in the Newsletter
- Use the Skoolbag APP more to communicate information
- Publish the P & C minutes on the school Website
- Embrace our rural environment and incorporate it into student learning
- Reduce the number of extra curricular activities
- Adopt a Healthy School Canteen Policy - Open the canteen only one day per week
- Monitor students leaving via the car-park more closely in the afternoon
- Comment - Blue, Silver, Gold system is out dated.



Thank you for your valuable suggestions. The staff and I will endeavor to apply your suggestions in 2016 where possible.

Kinder Orientation

We have completed our Orientation sessions for our 5 new Kinders for 2016. The teachers and I were really impressed with our gorgeous little newcomers who settled so well into the classroom and enjoyed all the activities. We are really looking forward to them starting at school next year.

Wishing you all a happy and safe Christmas season and best wishes for the New Year.

Mrs Doris Herrmann Principal/R



Dates to Remember

Also check our Mount Hunter PS website:

<http://www.mthunter-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>
calendar for all the Term 4 events.

Date	Event
Week 9	NO ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK in lieu of Presentation Day Week 10
30.11.15	Swim Scheme commences- Week 1 Students leave school @ 12:45pm
1.12.15	Ambassador 2016 - Speeches
3.12.15	Year 6 – Camden High School Orientation Day
Week 10	Swim Scheme continues- Week 2 Students leave school @ 12:45pm
7.12.15	
8.12.15	Presentation Day – All welcome. Commences at 10:00am
9.12.15	Parent Helper - Afternoon tea
10.12.15	Year 6 Farewell (6:00pm)
11.12.15	Reports home today
14.12.15	Reward Day – Games and Afternoon tea
14.12.15	Laser Tag & Panarotti's Year 5/6 (4:45pm)
15.12.15	Year 6 and leaving families- Farewell arch. 3:15 pm
16.12.15	Movie Day – Dumaresq St cinemas.
16.12.15	LAST DAY FOR ALL STUDENTS
17-18.12.15	SDD for teachers
2016 - Term 1	
27.01.16	Staff Development Day
28.01.16	All Students return to school

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Remember: Our school website has an electronic calendar that we continually update with the latest happenings and information.

P&C News

Thank you to those parents who came along to our last P & C meeting. This is the forum for you to voice your opinions and get involved with supporting your children at school. Please come along in 2016 and support your children by being involved with this hard working group of volunteers.

Our next P&C meeting will be held @ **6.30pm** on **Monday 8th February 2016, held in the school Library.** The Annual General meeting (AGM) will also be conducted on this night.



Congratulations to all the students who brought their bike to school last Monday for Bike-day, run by Camden-Narellan area Police. Snr Constable Mark Scamary was very impressed by our riding skills and our bike safety knowledge. We had a great day learning about bikes and riding safely!



Reminder: Absent notes due before end of the year
Absences must be explained promptly in writing and will be recorded as an unjustified absence by the school after seven days. Absence explanation notes should be dated, with your child's name and class, dates they were absent, the reason for the absence and signed by the parent/caregiver.

Ambassador's Column

This Tuesday, 4 Year 5 students will be conducting their Ambassador speeches, in order for students and teachers to vote for our new Ambassador, 2016. Good luck to all the candidates presenting their speeches!

Community Support and Sponsorship

We would like to acknowledge the kind donation from the following organisations towards our end of year award presentations: **Wollondilly Council, Wollondilly North Rotary Club, St**

Paul's Church, Mt Hunter and Cobbitty Village Markets. Thank you for your support!

Community News

Cobbitty Village Markets

The markets are held on **Cobbitty Public School** grounds on the first Saturday of each month except for January and February. **The next Market Day will be SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER. 8:00am - 1:00pm.** The markets provide quality unique crafts and produce, drawing large crowds from local and wider NSW areas. We warmly welcome all visitors to our market, and encourage anyone interested in joining our volunteer market committee to contact us. **Ph: 0438 512728**

Wollondilly Library News



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Ages: 5 - 12

Summertime Crafts

Have fun making a range of Springtime crafts. Decorate a terracotta pot and plant your very own seedling. Make a 'Grasshead' and take it home to watch it grow and more....

Date: Thursday 7th January '16
Venue: Wollondilly Shire Hall
Time: 10.00 - 11.30am
Ages: 5+



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Library Services

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