

*Mount Hunter Public School  
Newsletter Week 6 Term 3 2015*

## **Principal's Message**

It has been wonderful to share some time with our school community at our Athletics Carnival and during Education Week.

## Athletics Carnival

We had a great day out at our athletics Carnival and were fortunate with the weather. I have heard many comments from staff, students and parents on how much they enjoyed our time. Thank you to all who attended supported and helped with events on the day. It ran smoothly thanks to your involvement. A big thank you goes to Mr. Lenard for setting/packing up . He is an amazing asset to our school

## Education Week

Thank you to all who attended. The day really highlighted what a wonderful community and family school Mount Hunter is. I enjoyed walking around chatting to people whilst they were picnicking with their families and thank all grandparents and other relatives for attending. Our teachers were able to demonstrate some of the varied learning experiences students receive at Mount Hunter and the students loved you all visiting their classrooms.

## Book Fair

The Book Fair was a great success again this year. We sold over \$1000 in books which gave us sizeable commission for our library as well as increasing our collection thanks to the donations by families. It does show that digital devices have not ended a child's love of a book. Thanks to all who visited and purchased books for their children and a big thank you to those students who helped me set up, run and pack up the fair.

## Gala Day

Our students played admirably in the recent Netball Gala Days. It was pleasing to hear reports of students excellent behavior. Their ability to work together as a team yielded great results with the Juniors winning the division and the Seniors runners up in their competition.

Finally I appreciate everyone's support and good wishes as I relieve as Principal whilst Mrs. Herrmann is on leave. I would also like to thank you for all your concern and wishes during my illness at the end of last term and since my return. I have had good reports from the Doctor and am thankful for the return of my health.

Please remember that if you have any questions at anytime, don't hesitate to speak with us. We have a very busy and interesting few weeks ahead so keep an eye on the notes that come home.

**Mrs Janelle Powter**  
**Principal/R**



## Dates to Remember

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Week 6</b> 19.08.15	Year 6 Fundraiser – Mufti/ Sausage Sizzle \$5.00
<b>Week 7</b> <b>25.08.15</b>	Book Parade and Meal Deal
<b>Week 7</b> 27.08.15 28.08.15	Zone Carnival Field Events Zone Carnival Track Events
<b>Week 9</b> 9.09.15	Spelling Bee Finals
<b>Week 9</b> 9.09.15	Sustainable Schools Expo
<b>Week 9</b> 9.09.15	Camden H.S. Showcase

## Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) finishes soon

Online Student Reading Records need to be completed by 21 August 2015. Below is a list of the required number of books to be read and recorded online (or brought to school for teachers to log in).

Premier's Reading Challenge	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books
K-2	30	25
3-4	20	15
5-6	20	15

## Book Week

Mon 24th August - Fri 28th August is Book Week  
On Tuesday 25th we have a performance by Wollondilly  
Library, presenting some Book of the Year winners  
and activities for both classes.

There will also be a Book parade on Wednesday 26th at 10:30am, where children can come dressed as a character from a book and explain why that book "Lights up your World" (the theme this year). A meal deal picnic will follow at 12:30pm.



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### Camden High School Community of Schools

The community of schools will be holding a performance night at Camden Civic Centre on Wednesday 9th September. Our school is involved with a dance and drama group plus a Whole School Choir. Please watch for notes about the organisation of the night in the near future.

### Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

Recently all schools have been asked to input some data from the school for use by the Department of Education. Please read the letter included in this Newsletter for information on privacy and use of Data.

### World Vision Child

A few years ago students and staff adopted a World Vision boy from Africa. If anyone would like to help support this boy through small donations or spare change it would be much appreciated.

### Science Week

This week is Science Week. The theme this year is 'Making Waves the Science of Light'. This fits in well with our book week theme. In Science this week classes will be looking at aspects of light. Keep an eye out for activities in the Sydney Museums this coming weekend. The Enviromentors will also visit during science week on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August (change of date as of Friday) for a free lesson and performance on litter and recycling.

### Spelling Bee

Class competitions were held recently and four competitors will represent our school in the Finals. Junior - Ruby McManus and Jonah large Senior -Bethany McManus and Bailey Morris We wish them all the best for the day.

### Macarthur Sustainable Schools Expo

Eight of our senior students will be attending this day of workshops on sustainability within our schools. We have attended this event for a few years now and students have always come back with great ideas and enthusiasm to help our school support sustainability.

### P&C News

As discussed at the P and C meeting a new **Excursion Policy** has been written. It is available from the office (as an excerpt) for those who are interested. Our Next P&C meeting will be held @ 6.30pm on **Monday 14th September, held in the school Library.**

**Thank you to the parents/grandparents who have offered to help with reading and Multilit, giving up their free time and volunteering on Monday to Friday. Your time and effort is much appreciated.**

### Assembly

Assembly will be on this week at 3:00 pm. Our next Assembly has been changed to Week 10 Wed 16<sup>th</sup> September, due to all our commitments in Week 9

### Staff Leave

Mrs Herrmann has sent an email from Ireland to say she arrived safely and is enjoying her time overseas. Mrs Gray will be on Long Service leave from the end of this week. We wish her safe travelling on her adventure.



### Mount Hunter PS Student's Corner

#### Year 6 Fundraising Term 3 ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

The Year 6 students cake and drink stall during Education Day produces some amazing treats and raised \$140

The Year 6 students will be holding two more fundraising events this term:

**1- Mufti/ Sausage Sizzle - \$5.00 (Wk. 6) 19/08/15.**

**2- Sports /Reward Day** wearing favourite sporting team colours - \$2.00 (Wk. 10) 16/09/15.



### Student Report

We have had a fantastic couple of weeks and a great term so far. We had excellent winter gala days for this year with juniors winning and seniors coming second in the grade. We had heaps of fun at the athletics carnival in week four congratulations to everyone that went. Coming up we have a Year 6 fundraiser with a mufti – Fantasy/Dress up/ Dinosaur day plus a sausage sizzle and a drink on the 19<sup>th</sup> of this month, don't forget to bring your five dollars. Emma Toovey

### Idea for Book Week costumes

<http://www.kidspot.com.au/25-book-week-costumes-from-last-minute-mum-to-award-winning-moty/>

<http://www.essentialkids.com.au/younger-kids/kids-education/book-week-costume-ideas-20140805-3d5i9.html>

<https://www.pinterest.com/marcitate/book-character-dress-up-day/>

<http://theorganisedhousewife.com.au/craft/kids-craft/book-week-costume-ideas/>

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