

Mount Hunter Public School

Newsletter Week 6 Term 2 2017

Principal's Message

Wooglemai Leadership Day

Last week the Year Five and Six students were privileged to attend Wooglemai to learn some skills demonstrating leadership, persistence and courage. While it was a fun filled day, they also learnt an important message about having a go, being a visible leader and trying to make things that you believe in come true! I hope that our students can take these strategies to High School and grow as leaders.

P & C Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to the parents who took up the opportunity for their child to purchase fabulous presents for Mother's Day. I hope all mums were delighted with their gifts and had a lovely day. Thank you to Mrs Atkins, Mrs Arnot and Ms Jamal who gave their time to help at home wrapping and then serving at school on the stall.



Zone Cross Country

The Zone Cross Country Carnival was held on Friday 26th May 2017, in beautiful, sunny weather. Congratulations to the following children who ran their best over the 2 or 3 km track. All Mount Hunter PS students were successful in completing the event: Mark A, Dylan J, Isla T, Addison H, Pepper OS, Luke A, Ruby W, Jonah L, Tiffany W, Shannon T, James A, Lillian OS. Well done everyone!



ATTENDANCE Notes

Just a reminder to parents that absence notes need to be brought in to school within three days of your child being absent, otherwise an unjustified absence will be marked on the roll. If there are too many unexplained absences, the Home School Liaison Officer will pick up on these and demand a written explanation. Families are also encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during the school term is necessary, an Application for Extended Leave needs to be completed. Absences related to travel will be marked as leave (in most cases) on the class roll and therefore contribute to your child's total justified absences for the year.

Is your child making friends at school?

Kids who get on at school tend to be more engaged in learning. Here are some ideas on how to help your child with social skills:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/devlopment/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>

Mastering spelling

Are you checking your child's weekly spelling homework? Try talking to your child about how you spell, and what you do when you don't know how to spell a word. Here is some advice about how to help your child master spelling. Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/getting-your-child-used-to-writing>

Gala Day

Westbrook have been training very hard, twice a week for our upcoming Hockey Gala Day on Friday 2nd June. Please ensure that the \$5.00 PSSA levy is paid to the office this week. Also, we have yellow football socks for sale at the office for \$6.00. For those students who wish to borrow shin-pads, please take them home this week, as they may need washing.

There was some concern that PSSA Hockey was deemed too dangerous for our students, however, it is fully endorsed by the Department of Education if the skills are taught correctly, the student are well-supervised during game play and qualified officials are used to referee the games. As I have explained previously, we have secured a Sporting Schools grant that enables us to hire Mrs Jo King, a Hockey Australia representative, to train us on Thursdays. On Fridays, we have Mrs Trudy Potts, a former coach whose daughter was an Australian National player, as well as 3 members of the Noble family who have been playing hockey for many years. Our students are receiving high quality coaching and show genuine enthusiasm and skill for the game. The coaches have all commented at the improved skills of the students over the term. **Gala Day dates: FRIDAY 2 JUNE, FRIDAY 23 JUNE, FRIDAY 4 AUGUST.**



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Dates to Remember

Also check our Mount Hunter PS website:

<http://www.mthunter-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/> calendar for all the Term 2 events.

2017	Date	Event
Wk 6	Monday 29 th May	Dairy Excursion. Be at school at 9:30am.
	Tuesday 30 th May	Debating with Mrs Powter at Winmalee.
	Wednesday 31 st May	SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 3:00pm
	Friday 2 nd June	Gala Day 1 - Narellan Hockey Fields 9:30am
Wk 7	Friday 9 th June	Year 6 Fundraiser. Favourite Footy Team Mufti and mini-meat pies. \$3.00
Wk 8	Monday 12 th June	Queen's Birthday Long Weekend
Wk 9	Monday 19 th June	P & C Meeting 7pm
	Wednesday 21 st June	SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 3:00pm
	Friday 23 rd June	Gala Day 2 - Narellan Hockey Fields 9:30am
Wk 10	Monday 26 th June	Reports go home

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

P & C News

It has been a busy couple of weeks for the P&C. We hope all the mums and grandmas liked their gifts purchased from the Mother's Day Stall. We raised \$45 profit on the stall. On Saturday 20th May we had a Bunnings BBQ at the Narellan store and raised over \$1,500 profit, which will go towards the purchase of new home readers for the children. The BBQ would not have been possible without the volunteer help from the Traynor family, Noble family, Osborne-Smith family, Mrs Angille, Mrs & Mr Herrmann, Mrs Powter and Mrs Arnot. Along with the donations from the Farrugia, Ramon, Wickham, Parry, Cranfield, McSweeney and Osborne-Smith families.

A note recently went home regarding a working bee that will be held over the winter months to tidy up the gardens around the school and the formation of a fundraising committee for the organisation of a car boot sale/car show event to be held later this year.

These two events will be discussed at the next P&C meeting on **Monday 19th June at 7pm in the Library** (a week later than normal due to the June long weekend). **We look forward to seeing you there.**

(P & C meetings are generally held on the second Monday of the month.)

Weekly Merit Certificates



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students:

T2 Week 4

Traveller: Lincoln C, Amber W, Eric W, Mark F,

Westbrook: Eve Mc, Jackson P, Tiffany W, Shannon T, Clair F, Addison H, Dylan J, Montana Mc, Pepper OS, Isla T.

T2 Week 5

Traveller: Penny R.

Westbrook: Clair F, Addison H, Isla T, Shannon T, James A, Romanna Mc, Ruby Mc, Ruby W.

T2 Week 6

Traveller: Ben A, Mark F.

Westbrook: Dylan J, Lachlan N, James A, Jonah L, Thomas P, Romanna Mc, Ruby W.

Assembly Merit Certificates



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students:

T2 Week 3 Assembly

Traveller: Addison H, Xavier A, Mark F, Mark A, Alex F, madison M, Isla T, Ben A, Montana M,

Westbrook: Addison H, Dylan J, Lachlan N, Shannon T, James A, Ruby Mc.