

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 3

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WEEK 3 REMINDERS

- NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5 - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
- PSSA Sport begins Friday
- Return BBQ lunch order & money by Friday
- Return Photo Permission Update notes
- Yr 5 2019 OC applications due by Friday



Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to the parents in the P&C who ran the Mother's Day Stall last Wednesday. The students enjoyed visiting the stall to purchase something special for their mums. I hope all mums, grandmas, aunts and carers had a lovely Mother's Day on Sunday!



Cancer Council
NSW



Cancer Council NSW launches interactive Healthy Lunch Box Website for Families

The task of packing healthy school lunch your kids will love is now easier with the Cancer Council NSW's new Healthy Lunch Box website. 93% of children don't eat enough vegetables and this website includes recipes and tips on how to include more fruit and vegetables in the family's diet. It is complete with an interactive lunch box builder to involve the kids at home or on the move with a smartphone or tablet. Thanks to Cancer Council NSW, every family have been provided with a free magnet to assist in lunch box preparation. Visit healthylunchbox.com.au to pack a quick and healthy lunch box today!

TERM 2 CALENDAR – 2018

WEEK 3

Tuesday 15 May - 17 May	NAPLAN
Friday 18 May	PSSA 1 begins - Netball v Malabar, League Jnr v Sth Coogee/ Snr Banksmeadow @ Heffron Chess A @ home, Chess B @ Coogee Boys Prep

WEEK 4

Monday 21 May - 23 May	Book Fair
Wednesday 23 May	MPS Fundraiser
Friday 25 May	ESPSSA Cross Country -no PSSA Sport

WEEK 5

Tuesday 29 May	ICAS Science Test
Friday 1 June	PSSA Round 2

Cross Country

Students who placed in the top four finishers in their age group at the recent Cross Country Carnival were presented with their certificates at Monday's assembly. The winning sporting house was also presented with the Cross Country trophy - congratulations to all students in Banks, the winning house in 2018!



Good luck to the students who will be competing at next week's ESPSSA Zone Cross Country Carnival.

Year 6 Assembly Item

At Monday's assembly, Year 6 showed the wonderful artworks they created in class. The students used oil pastels and paints to create artworks inspired by ANZAC Day. Thank you to Year 6 for sharing their work.



ESPSSA Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to Keilani in Year 6. Keilani participated in the zone netball trials and was selected in the ESPSSA Zone Netball Team. She will be competing at Menai on Monday 21 May. Peta and Keilani trialled for the ESPSSA zone softball team at the end of last week. Both girls made this team and will compete at the Sydney East Softball Carnival to be held at Woollooware in July. Congratulations on these wonderful sporting achievements, Keilani and Peta!

Community Survey Results

One of the focus areas for Matraville Public School in 2018 is aimed at increasing the engagement of our parent and local community in school events and student learning. At the end of Term 1, families received a survey with questions about their engagement with the school. Survey results indicated that:

- Work hours and the times that school events are held are the biggest factors in limiting parent/carer participation
- 71% of survey participants reported that they would like to attend sporting carnivals – our MPS School Fundraiser will be held on Wednesday 23 May and our Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday 3 July. Please keep these dates free as parents are always welcome to attend!
- Approximately 50% of survey participants would be encouraged to become more involved in school events if they were to receive an invitation, a separate note sent home, or an email reminder – please check your inboxes as we will begin to send more email reminders for upcoming events.
- There were a range of times that suited families for events to be held. We will attempt to offer events at different times (rather than always at 9:15am) so that it may allow a greater number of parents to attend at least one event throughout the term/year. We are very interested to hear suggestions for other ways to better engage our community. We would also welcome suggestions of topics for Parents as Partners sessions so that we can meet the needs and interests of our parent community. Please see Ms Hoskins or your class teacher if you have any suggestions.

Thank you to the families who returned their surveys – your feedback is very important to us and will help us to improve the way we engage with you.

Book Fair

We are hosting a BOOK FAIR commencing on Monday, 21 May.

Each class will be invited to preview the books during their library session. They may purchase books during this time or after school.

The selection of books at our Book Fair will include a wide range of quality books. When you or your child buys a book, our school benefits by receiving a commission that can be used to improve our resources.

Our Book Fair selling times will be after 3pm in the library on the following days:

Week 4 - Monday 22 May, Tuesday 23 May, Wednesday 24 May

Week 5 - Monday 28 May, Tuesday 29 May, Wednesday 30 May.

Family and friends are most welcome to share in the magic of matching children and books.

Remember: 'Readers are Achievers'

P&C – Annual General Meeting

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 1 June at 9:15am in the Community Room. At this meeting, new executive members for the P&C will be elected. Positions include President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The AGM will be followed by an ordinary general meeting.

All parents and carers are encouraged to attend the P&C meetings held each month. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other parents, hear about the school and have your say. If you have any questions please contact the P&C executive (email: matravillepublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au). New members are always welcome!

Congratulations to students who received a merit award at assembly last week:

KSC	Harrison, Brayden, Amaan
K/1L	Emilia, Jaedyn, Kenzo
1R	Zoe, Indiana, Kim
2L	Aras, Awsif, Simon
2/3N	Abraham, Alexa, Aleyna
3S	Amber, Annabelle, Ansh
4/5F	Jade, Paula, Destiny
5KM	Chelsea, Daniel By, Owen
6U	Gayashan, Genesis, Ali-Jane

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2018 Major Fundraiser The Matraville Games

Great Games From Around the World
and
Colour Fun Run

Wednesday 23 May 2018

Amazing fundraising prizes to be won.

Start collecting your sponsorship money today!



Helen Grady
DRAMA ACADEMY

Enrolling NOW

Drama Develops Kids

For the past 30 years our self-development drama programme has been helping children (5-17 years) with their creativity, confidence and communication skills. Using fun, creative & educational activities our classes cover speech & language development, improvisations, mime, scripts, drama games, dress ups & lots more fun stuff.

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