PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Remembrance Day today marks the 97th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the First World War (1914–18). Each year on this day, Australians observe one minute’s silence at 11 am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

Parent input is sought as part of our annual review and for 2016 planning purposes. All parents are encouraged to complete this short survey https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XWTWDZW on aspects of school life related to communication, technology, student wellbeing, and learning. The survey is open until December 4 and your time is much appreciated.

The Student Wellbeing review had a major leap forward on Monday & Tuesday this week with a delegation of staff members attending a 2 day conference on Positive Behaviour for Learning [PBL]. Linked very closely to the Department’s Wellbeing Framework, PBL is a framework for enhancing the implementation of a continuum of evidence-based interventions to achieve academic and social outcomes for ALL students. Over the coming months, staff, student and parent consultation will take place around the development of our 3 core behaviour expectations.

Steve Connelly - Principal
STUDENT HAPPENINGS

Crunch&Sip

Kids love watermelon because it is sweet and juicy. Pack a container of chunks with a fork or spoon for your child to eat during Crunch&Sip. A melon medley of different types and colours can be fun and appealing too.

P&C NEWS

Mini-Mos Charities
We wish to confirm that the panel has gone through the charity selection process to identify 2 charities that we will work with for the next 3 years in partnership with the Mini-Mos.

See Beyond Borders: They are a local charity that focus on providing Cambodian children with access to quality education by training teachers, developing school infrastructure and supporting local families. In working with this charity, it will allow MPS children to learn about similarities and differences between themselves and the primary school-age Cambodian children, as well as directly engaging with each other via technology.

Raise Foundation: They are a locally based Mosman charity providing mentoring programs and personal development workshops to vulnerable young people, through high school and community-based programs. Raise recruit volunteers from the local community to become a mentor for a young person, and have a number of mentees from Mosman High School. We plan to engage with Raise in age-appropriate compatible programs such as dream workshops and buddy training.

The panel would like to thank the parents who nominated charities, as they are worthy organisations that make a difference in their area of focus.

We look forward to the next 3 years in working with our two selected charities.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting will be held at 9.00am on Friday December 4, 2015 in the staff room. Please come and join us to discuss proposed funding options for next year and to elect the 2016 Committee. The Agenda will be available closer to the date.

Canteen News
Thanks to your fundraising efforts at the Open Air Cinema in Term 1 this year we were able to purchase a new oven for the canteen this week as the old one finally expired! Too many muffins apparently.

Michelle Brown is not expiring but she is finishing up in the canteen at the end of next week. Thank you to the wonderful Michelle for all her hard work in the canteen over the past 2 years. In addition, Michelle is a tireless volunteer for the school, helping with ArtFest, Mini-Mos and the sports committee to name a few. We look forward to her continuing support and please pass on your thanks if you see her.

Volunteers Required in 2016
Would you like to be more involved in the P&C and other volunteer activities at the school in the new year? We have a number of vacancies available next year and would love to hear from you. Some of these roles can be shared with a friend or in the case of the Mini-Mos Fair, a group of friends. Please contact laylecarlos@yahoo.co.uk if you would like further information.

Treasurer - P&C Committee
General Committee Member – P&C Committee
Father’s Day Stall Co-ordinator/s
Sports Committee Co-ordinator
Mini-Mos Fair Co-ordinator/s
Mini-Mos BBQ Co-ordinator/s
Term 4 Fundraiser – Spectre Screening at the Hayden Orpheum Cremorne

There are still plenty of tickets available for the screening of the latest James Bond film, “Spectre” next Wednesday evening, November 18. Drinks from 7.00pm and the movie starts at 7.45pm. Tickets are $35 per head for a champagne/soft drink on arrival and cinema ticket. Tickets are available from www.trybooking.com/JNSY

The proceeds of this event will go towards purchasing iPad Apps for each class at the school.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Lifeline Northern Beaches Giant Book Fair: November 20-22, 2015

Venue: Balgowlah Boys Campus
Cnr Sydney Rd & Maretimo St
Balgowlah

Dates/Times:  
Friday November 20 4pm – 9 pm
Saturday November 21 9am – 5 pm
Sunday November 22 9am – 2pm

Please note we accept Visa & Mastercard and also have EFTPOS facility available

(Entry by gold coin donation very much appreciated)

At the Book Fair there will be thousands of good quality books, at bargain prices, in many categories, including a wide range of children’s books suited to all ages.

For the enthusiast/collector we have a large number of award winning and collectible books.

In addition to the above we will also have a wide selection of puzzles, games, CD, vinyls etc so there’s something for everyone!

*With Christmas just around the corner, here is the perfect opportunity to stock up on gifts for loved ones and the Christmas stockings.*

All funds raised support the activities of Lifeline Northern Beaches which, in addition to the crisis line (13 11 14), provides a lot of services to our community, including 24 hour counselling (with suicide prevention a major focus), bereavement support, anger management and problem gambling to name but a few.

Your support for our Book Fairs goes a long way in generating the funds required to continue providing these services to our community.

See you there!

1st Mosman Scouts was the first scout troop in Australia. It was founded in 1908. We have three terrific facilities - a boat shed at Balmoral Beach, the Barn (an old whaling station) in Mosman Bay and Freeston Hall on Upper Spit Road. Scouting offers wonderful adventures including hiking, camping and canoeing. It also teaches young adults how to tie knots, put up a tent, light a fire, cook basic foods, read a map and a lot more.

Come and join us for a world of fun, adventure and friendship. For more information please click onto this site: http://1stmosmanscouts.org.au/ or ring David Day on 0407 476 313.