### Dates to Remember

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#### HOLIDAYS - April 3 – April 20

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**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**Student well-being** is of paramount importance in all schools and I thank all parents who have taken the time to complete their Working With Children Checks at the office. I also thank all parents who remember to sign in and out at the office each time they visit the school. Whilst it may be inconvenient, it is essential we know who is on site in case of emergencies such as lock downs or evacuations.

Students who forget their lunch from next Monday will be supplied with a vegemite sandwich [gluten free & dairy-free options available] rather than the old system of canteen passes. Should a child forget their lunch regularly, parents will be contacted to discuss the situation. This student well-being action has resulted from the number of children ‘losing’ their lunch in favour of a more appealing treat from the canteen and the resultant cost to parents with surprise canteen bills.

My thanks to all students wearing the correct school uniform – we look great as a school in our blue and white. Year 6 students will be permitted to wear their commemorative shirts on Wednesdays & Fridays only, with the exception of school excursions. Parents are asked to ensure girls aren’t wearing nail polish or dangly earrings. It is also advisable that hair is tied back tightly to avoid the spread of nits – which seem to be a particular problem at the moment.
Parent / Teacher Interview bookings will CLOSE NEXT WEDNESDAY at 5pm. Bookings can only be made online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au then entering event code EP5RR. You will be sent an email confirmation with your times and details on the running of the interview. To date, 395 interviews have been booked, which means 133 students are yet to have their bookings made and I encourage parents to take advantage of this opportunity. If you’re having difficulty accessing the site, contact the office and we’ll help.

All parents should have received the following automated confirmation message, however, it appears some may not have:

Your booking/s is/are listed below.

Please print this confirmation, and bring it with you to your interviews.

Interviews will be conducted in your child’s classroom.

Interviews are strictly 10 minutes only. The smooth running of our parent-teacher interviews relies on all parents keeping to the timetable. Please consider other parents and end on time. If you need more time with a particular teacher, arrange a separate meeting or phone call.

Interviews for students in Kindergarten to Year 4 are teacher/parent conversations and students are discouraged from attending. Stage 3 Senior School students are encouraged to attend the interview to discuss their progress.

To make the most of your interviews, parents may wish to consider the following questions:
1. What are your child's strengths?
2. Where would you like to see your child develop further this year?
3. What are your child's interests?
4. Is there anything in your child's life outside school that could be impacting on their educational development?

School Zone Signs: The NSW Government has provided funding for the placement of school zone signs with flashing lights at all schools by the end of next year to alert motorists of the 40km speed limit required during school drop off and pick up times. Installing these flashing lights in schools zones has been shown to improve driver awareness of the need to drive at a lower speed to ensure the safety of children and others coming and going from the school area. Roads and Maritime Services is delivering this safety initiative and plan to install signs outside Mosman Public School on Belmont Road in the week beginning Monday March 2, 2015 outside of 40km school zone hours, weather permitting. For more information about the flashing lights program please visit the Centre for Road Safety website at www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe (go to the schools section) or you can contact our team on 1800 726 958 or flashinglights@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Did you know that Earth Hour originated in Sydney and this year it falls on March 28 @ 8:30-9:30pm? Your child/ren may be interested in entering the competition at https://earthhour.org.au/schools-competition/

Steve Connelly – Principal

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
School class photographs will be taken on Monday March 16 for all students. Please complete and return your payment envelope to the class teacher by no later than Friday March 13. Students will need to return their individual envelope, even if payment is enclosed in a sibling's envelope.

Family photos for all years will be taken on Monday March 23. If you would like to order a family photo, envelopes are available at the school office. Family photographs are only for siblings attending Mosman Public School.

MOVING INTO YEAR 7
Parents of all Year 6 students need to complete and return the form Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2016 to the class teacher, by no later than March 13 2015. This form still needs to be completed and returned even if your child will not be attending a government school.

THANK YOU
Thank you to the parents who volunteered their time at the working bee on Monday morning. The team of parents worked efficiently and as a result the Kindergarten ‘Maths Treasure Boxes’ are almost complete and ready to be used in the classroom. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated by all the Kindergarten teachers and students.

Nadia Tobia
Deputy Principal
SPORT REPORT
Swimming Carnival Age Champions

Well done to all students who participated in our school swimming carnival. The Zone swimming team has been selected and information regarding the event has been issued to participants. This carnival will be held on Tuesday March 10 at North Sydney Olympic Pool.
PSSA Basketball Trials
Well done to Harry G and Liam W for participating at the Zone PSSA basketball trials at Allambie Heights on Thursday February 12. The trial was fast and extremely competitive. Both boys were successful on the day and were selected to attend the Sydney North area trials at Terrigal on Thursday February 19.

PSSA Cricket Trials
Well done to James S and Charlie B for participating at the Zone PSSA cricket trials on Tuesday February 10.

PSSA Tennis Trials
Well done to James S, Charlie B, Flora M and Natalie W for participating at the Zone PSSA tennis trials on Wednesday February 18.

Mr Dowler
Senior Stars
Senior School

Senior Buddies
Every Tuesday Senior Stars visits their buddy class, KA. Other senior classes also visit their buddy classes throughout the week. This week we helped them during an art lesson. It was really fun. We all enjoyed spending time with our buddies. We also help out our buddies in the playground if they need help.

Charlie B & Rachel R - Senior Stars

Classroom Art
Last week we had a discussion on what a self-portrait is and what it should include. We decided it must include detail because then it will look more like you. We should also use shading so it looks more realistic. Lots of expression was needed because then you look normal. It would stand out if you make it all about you e.g. I like swimming so I made my background the texture of the ocean.

Emma D & Tahlia W - Senior Stars

Year 6 School Service
This year, all of Year 6 has been given important jobs to do each week. The jobs include canteen monitoring, making sure that the children wait in line and don't run in the canteen area. Library monitors help in the library to put away books and help students find and borrow books for home. Some other important responsibilities that Year 6 students have are note couriering, hall set-up, playground and environment helpers and helping to manage lost property items.

Hanna D & Amelie S - Senior Stars
**Year 6 Fair 2015**

**Date:** Wednesday March 18  
**Time:** 12.30pm – 2.00pm  
**Where:** Belmont, Gouldsbury & Myahgah playgrounds  

**Stalls include:**  
- cupcake decorating  
- sundaes  
- spiders  
- snack stores  
- soccer  
- basketball shoot out  
- sponge splat  
- obstacle course  
- face painting  
- hair spraying  
- raffle  
- and much more...

So start saving your coins & get ready for a fun day on our playgrounds!

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**Harmony Day**  
**Friday March 20, 2015**

Mosman Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday March 20. Harmony Day is about celebrating Australia’s cultural diversity. It is a day of cultural respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

To help celebrate Harmony Day we are asking all students to dress up in traditional/cultural clothes or in orange (the Harmony Day colour). All students are asked to bring in a gold coin donation. Donations on the day will go towards student welfare within the school.

The canteen will also have special items for sale on the day with proceeds contributing to the same cause.

There will be a school parade in Belmont playground at 9.15am and parents are welcome to attend. This will be an exciting way for the students to show case their cultural diversity.

There will be an art exhibition on display in the library for Harmony Day. Students are asked to design an ‘Everybody Belongs’ logo to show that everybody belongs in our school community. Class teachers will hand out the Harmony Day Logo paper and students are asked to return the logo art work by Wednesday March 18 to their class teacher.

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**Harmony Day**

www.harmony.gov.au
ArtFest card & poster update
The ladies at reception have asked that we hold off delivering the posters & photo books until the cards arrive so we can deliver everyone's orders at the same time.
The cards are coming from The States & are due to arrive late next week.
If you have any questions please email me on dale@dollcreative.com.au
Thanks Dale and the ArtFest Team

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This is the Roster for Weeks 7 and 8. Thank you to all our volunteers, we really appreciate your continuing commitment. A thank you and good bye to one of our lovely volunteers Becky Lewis who is leaving the school. We have quite a few gaps during this period, so if you can help at all please add your name to the roster outside the canteen or contact me laylecarlos@yahoo.co.uk. Thank you

COMMUNITY NEWS

Parenting Master Class – March 18 at the Hayden Orpheum in Cremorne. People who will get the most from this masterclass include: mothers, fathers, grandparents, child educators and professionals.
Tickets are on sale at: www.newparadigmparenting.co

Calling all school mums who love gorgeous original kids clothes and accessories!
How would you like to get creative during school hours and learn to make some sweet felt items for your lovelies to wear proudly? In this three day felt course designed especially for school mums between drop off and pick-up hours, come discover the delights of wet wool felting.

Felting Children’s Clothes
Beautiful merino wool fibres that can be creatively turned into scarves, hats, bags or little vests - you decide as you go. Bring a friend, have a laugh, find creativity within yourself that perhaps lays dormant. More experienced felters also welcome and can adapt the days to suit your needs.

Class Dates: 5, 19 and 26 March 2015

Mosman Community College
Day = Evening = Weekend
dare to learn

Class Dates: 5, 19 and 26 March 2015
For full details and to enrol, see our website: www.mec.nsw.edu.au
Course code: 10160A
DID YOU KNOW?

Dinosaurs will once again roam Australian soil when the spectacular production, WALKING WITH DINOSAURS - THE ARENA SPECTACULAR, based on the award-winning BBC television series, returns in 2015.

The original production of Dinosaurs in rehearsal realised the desire to use the latest technological advances to explore the world of dinosaurs. It was the beginning of an exciting journey to bring the dinosaurs back to life.

In the past decade, however, there has been a remarkable development in the technology and science of dinosaurs. With the discovery that the dinosaurs lived on the ground, not in the air, the question of how they could have been so large and so successful is no longer a problem. The answer is that the dinosaurs were not just big, they were also very small, and this is where the new technology comes in.

The dinosaurs in the show are based on the latest scientific research, and are created using the latest computer animation and technology to bring them to life in a way that has never been seen before.

SPECIAL OFFER - MOSMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS & FAMILIES
Sydney Olympic Hall
A RESERVE TICKETS $299 PER PERSON (plus credit card charges)

For performances on Wed 18 March (7pm) and Thurs 19 March (11am and 7pm)

Access the link below and select one of the special offer performances (password required)