



MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



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Week 3 Term 1

As we head into Week 4, we see our first interschool event of the year with the small school's swimming carnival scheduled for Wednesday. Events such as these not only allow our students the opportunity to show off their skills, but offer invaluable interactions between our local small schools and their students. Other events through the year include the Cross Country, Athletics carnival, Tabloid sports, PSSA Knockout sports and fun days.

Small School's Swimming Carnival – 19th February

Our annual small school's swimming carnival is on at Cessnock Pool on the 19th of February. This carnival joins with our other small schools and acts as both a fun day in the water, as well as selection trials for the Zone Swimming Carnival on the 28th of February. **All students turning 8yrs and above are expected to attend this carnival as it involves activities for all swimming levels.** Parents should ensure that they have listed their child's swimming ability on their permission note so staff can ensure they participate in activities at a safe and enjoyable level. Please return these notes and the \$2.50/student entry fee to the office by 3pm Monday at the latest.



2014 School Contributions

Thank you to all parents who have already paid their school fees for 2014. These contributions help to ensure our students receive the best possible education, and help cover some of the cost of student resources in our classrooms. Our fee structure has stayed the same this year, and is broken up into two parts.

Voluntary Family Contribution - \$20/ Family

Resource Fee - \$10/ student - Many schools ask students to pay for a range of expensive texts books that are used in the classroom. Our school does not use textbooks as we feel they do not cater to each individual learner. Instead teachers create resources to be used in the classroom which can be tailored to each child's ability and learning style. This fee helps us cover the large cost of providing these resources for our students.

These are definitely small prices to pay for top quality education.

Dates for your Calendar

Term 1, 2013

Wednesday 19th February
Small School's Swimming
Carnival
Ages 8-13

Saturday 22nd of February
Bruce Springsteen @
HOPE estate.

Monday 3rd March
Environmors
K-6

Please Return

Swimming Carnival notes
(Turning 8 or older only)
\$2.50

Attachments

- Accounts due
- Unexplained Absences
- Canteen menu

A warm welcome to our new students

A warm Millfield welcome to our new students and families in 2014. It has been fantastic to see how quickly your children have settled into the Millfield family, and we look forward to working with you and your child during their time at Millfield Public School. This leaves our current school enrolment at 52 students, just enough to maintain our 3 classes. It is certainly time to spread the good word about Millfield Public School to neighbours and friends about the benefits of sending their children to our wonderful school.



Name :Stuart
Year : Kindergarten

Mum and Dad are: Amanda and Kris
Siblings: Michael (2) and Kathryn (1)
Favourite food: Green apples and grapes
When I grow up I want to be a: Fireman
Favourite activity: Sounds
Best thing about school so far: Playing Ipads



Name :Alyssa
Year : Kindergarten

Mum and Dad are: Melissa and Gavin
Siblings: Brodie (Yr 5) and Trent (Yr 3)
Favourite food: Apples
When I grow up I want to be a: Lolly shop owner
Favourite activity: Reading
Best thing about school so far: I love my friends and Miss Pringle



Name :Ella
Year : Kindergarten

Mum and Dad are: Kath
Siblings: None
Favourite food: Pizza
When I grow up I want to be a: Princess
Favourite activity: Painting
Best thing about school so far: Playing



Name :Sari
Year : Kindergarten

Mum and Dad are: Kelly and Chris
Siblings: Tane (Year 3)
Favourite food: Apples
When I grow up I want to be a: Teacher
Favourite activity: Writing
Best thing about school so far: Sitting Down



Name : Kaylee
Year : 1

Mum's is: Vanessa
Siblings: None
Favourite food: Banana
When I grow up I want to be a: Doctor
Favourite activity: Painting
Best thing about school so far: Ipads

Labelling of items

Last week we unfortunately had to throw out about 50 drink bottles/lunch boxes from 2013 after numerous attempts to find owners. Add to this about 20 school jumpers that have now been washed placed into the second hand clothing pool. Obviously all of these items have belonged to our students at some point, and have cost parents to purchase. Despite our best efforts, often students don't recognise their own equipment, and it is important that anything brought to school has a clear label.

If your clothing has a label clearly marked, it will find its way home!



Principal's Award

Congratulations to Riley Dederer who receives the year's first Principal's Award. Riley has been demonstrating safe, respectful and responsible behaviours for our new students this year in K/1, modelling some great behaviour and helping when needed. Well done Riley.

Yours in Education, Scott Anderson- Principal



CLASSROOM NEWS

Miss Pringle's Class Awards K/1

Congratulations to this week's award recipients:

Katelyn Shepherd for applying herself in reading

Katelyn Thompson for being settled in class and being a wonderful helper

Mrs Ford's Class Awards 2/3/4

Congratulations to this week's award recipients:

Makayla Cagney for working independently in maths mental

Blake Bodycote for outstanding effort across all areas of learning

Miss Cornish's Class Awards 5/6

Congratulations to this week's award recipients:

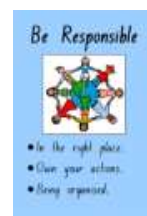
Taylah Hollingshed for demonstrating her learning in creative ways

Chantel Winship for responsible completing all roles as a school leader

Ms Durie's Library Award

Congratulations to this week's award recipients:

Tane Carpenter for always contributing thoughtfully to library discussions



Safe Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arrive after 8.30am.• Sit down until 8.45am.• Sit at office if no teacher on duty• Play in the COLA and concrete areas only.
Responsible Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drop bags off at classrooms and go straight to COLA (after 8.30).• Choose appropriate equipment.• Pack up equipment quickly when the bell goes.• Get to school/class on time (Before 9am).

Positive Learning (

Respectful Students

- Treat equipment with care
- Involve others in games

Behaviour for PBL)

P&C NEWS

P&C meeting – Thank you to all parents who attended our P&C meeting on Tuesday afternoon. There was a great discussion about fundraising ideas for this year and the setting of a goal to build a covered seated eating area for our students.

2014 fundraising will include:

Term 1 – Hope Estate BBQ/ Bulb Fundraiser

Term 2 – Running a school horse sports day at Cessnock Showground. , Mother's Day stall/Raffle

Term 3 – Community Spring Fair, Father's Day Stall/Raffle

Term 4 – Concert BBQ's / Possible Carols Night

If you are interested in helping out with the organisation of these events please see one our P&C reps.

2014 Meeting Dates – On the following Tuesdays at 3.10pm-4pm in the Library

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
11 th of March (AGM)	13 th May	22 nd of July	14 th October
1 st of April	3 rd June	19 th of August	11 th November
	24 th June	9 th September	9 th December

Canteen

Canteen will open this Monday!!!!

A new menu is attached to this newsletter. Please ensure that your child's order is placed in a bag or envelope with the child's name, class, order and amount. It is also nice to have close to the correct money as we don't carry much change.

Discussion was held at the P&C meeting about the possibility of running canteen twice per week (Monday and Friday) if we have enough volunteers. If you are interested in helping out on one of these days please see Karen Ringland or contact the school office.

Handy Help needed !

The school last year purchased a new rock climbing wall for the students to use during class and play times. All we need now is for some handy Dads to prepare a soft fall area and attach the wall. If anyone has some spare time and some building knowledge and think they might be able to help put this together please see Mr Anderson.



SUMMER MENU



Sandwiches/toasties

Chicken	\$2.30
Chicken/Salad	\$3.00
Tuna	\$2.30
Tuna/Salad	\$3.00
Salad	\$2.50
Bake Beans	\$1.50
Vegemite	\$1.00

rolls 50c

Hot/Food

large pies	\$2.50
Mini Pies	\$1.00
Sausage Rolls	\$2.00
pizzas	\$2.50
Chicken Burgers	\$3.30
Chicken nuggets	50c

limit 5 nuggets

Containers

Fresh Salad	\$2.50
Tuna/Salad	\$3.00
Chicken/Salad	\$3.00
4 Chicken nuggets/Salad	\$3.00
Baked beans	\$1.50
Sauces/dressings	30c

Drinks/Treats

Custard	80c
Milo	80c
juices	\$1.00
Bottle water	\$1.00
ice blocks/snacks from	50c

Helpful info

Chicken burgers come with lettuce ,cheese, chicken fillet & mayonnaise.

Salad sandwiches /salad containers have lettuce , tomatoe , carrot , beetroot & cheese unless otherwise stated on lunch order.*

Please enclose the correct amount of money in a brown paper bag along with name/class & order. If your child has money to purchase at recess or extra items ensure they have it safely enclosed in a purse.

The simplest way

to include all 5 food groups in a Lunch Box

A well packed lunch box will provide your kids with the energy they need to learn and play. Remember to include lunch box items from the **5 food groups**:



Breads and cereals: Try wholemeal bread, wraps and pita. Or try pikelets, rice cakes or homemade muffins and slices.

Fruit: Should be a lunch box staple as its high in fibre, vitamins and minerals. Serve fruit in fun ways: try fruit kebabs or fruit in jelly.

Vegies: Pack carrot and celery sticks with hummus or salsa, or a cold zucchini slice.

Low Fat Dairy: Cheese slices, yoghurts and custards are all great lunch box items.

Lean Protein: Include a variety of sandwich fillings: cooked chicken, tuna, egg or roast meat. Legumes like red kidney beans and chickpeas are a good source of protein and fibre.

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