



MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



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Week 6, Term 1

Champions Again!

For the second year running we are the Cessnock Agricultural Society's school Champion judged at last week's Cessnock Show. Our range of cucumbers, corn, tomatoes, zucchinis and eggs were of a high quality, despite the tough growing conditions experienced by all schools. Well done kids, we look forward to going for the hat trick next year! Just to check the judges knew what they were talking about, we all gave them a taste test, giving a thumbs up for tastiness!!!



Learning Support Meetings for all students

Thank you to all parents who have been so proactive in attending these meetings. It is great to see so many parents valuing their children's education. These meetings have formed the starting point for a co-ordinated and strategic effort to improve the individual outcomes for each student. Students are now working on SMART goals (Specific, Measureable, Achievable, Relevant and Time based) for the following 5 weeks. If you have any further questions about this process or require further support on helping reach your child's goals please see your child's teacher.

Learning some new skills through Debating.

Our school debating team will participate in a workshop at Edgeworth Public School on Monday to develop a range of debating skills in preparation for this year's interschool debating competition. Students will develop their skills in the areas of organisation, planning, speaking and rebuttal. This year's debating team consists of Erin, Jack, Blake, Angelina and Drew

P&C News

AGM – Our 2015 Annual General Meeting will be held next Tuesday 10th March starting at 3pm in the Library. We encourage all parents to attend this meeting. Some positions will be open for anyone wishing to support the school P&C in an executive role. Kids are welcome, and coffee and cake will be provided.

Dates for your Calendar

Term 1 2015

Mon 9th March
Debating Workshop
(School debating team)

Mon 9th March
Yr 6 High School info
night (MVHS)
5.30-6.30pm

Wed 11th March
League Tag Day

Fri 13th March
Cross Country
Fun Run
10-10.30am

Attachments

- Accounts due
- Unexplained Absences
- Overdue library books

Please Return

Kitchen garden
donations

Fun Run Sponsorship
Forms and money
By Friday 20th March

From the Kitchen Garden Corner



Teacher Training Days

Last week, Miss Pringle and Miss Cornish travelled to Sydney to participate in a two day Kitchen Garden workshop. They learnt about how to successfully implement the program at our school and gained lots of ideas from schools that have already started the program.

Miss Pringle learnt essential skills of safety, meal preparation and using fresh ingredients in the kitchen while Miss Cornish made beanstalk tee-pees, wicking boxes and learnt about the composting process in the garden sessions.

The program philosophy focuses on students growing their own produce to use in the kitchen so they can appreciate seasonal vegetables and new flavour combinations while learning new skills.

We have big plans for our program and hope to begin classes in Term 2. Please keep your donations coming!



The next step

We are now up to the planning of our kitchen and garden designs. It will then be all hands on deck to get these areas built/costructed in time for a Term 2 kickoff.

Thankyou to all families who have donated items for our kitchen

There is still time to donate any kitchen or garden equipment to support this program. It is a great time to clean out your kitchen cupboards or garden shed and put spare items to good use. Thank you to the following families who have donated kitchen or garden equipment for our new Kitchen Garden Program. It will certainly be put to good use!

The Dooleys	The Bedfords
The McCarrys	The Hollingsheds
The Brells	The Tiedemans
The Hindmarshes	The Henrys
The Mortons	The Russells



League Tag Day

Fourteen of our students will head to the Basin on Tuesday for a League Tag competition. This is a mixed competition organised by NSWRL to promote fitness and fun. The team will be coached by Mrs Butler.

Year 7 Information Night

Parents and students interested in enrolling at Mount View HS next year are invited to attend an information night this Monday 9th March. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet Mount View High School Staff, hear about the subjects on offer, be advised of the enrolment process, and receive information about this year's Transition Program.

Recognising Safe, Responsible and Respectful students

Class Awards – Miss Pringle

Congratulations to this week's award recipients:

Mason Duncombe-King using his 5L's in class

Chain Golledge outstanding work with numbers and groups

Class Awards – Miss Cornish

Congratulations to this week's award recipients:

Bethany Shepherd clever reasoning in numeracy

Tony Golledge always having a positive attitude towards learning

Class Awards – Mrs Butler

Congratulations to this week's award recipients

Rose Brell enthusiastic participation in PE activities

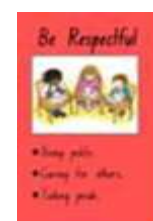
Keegan Shepherd his thoughtful and valuable contributions in class discussions

SRC Student of the Month:

Congratulations to this month's award recipients:

Junior: Sari Carpenter

Senior: Trent Singleton



Principal's Award

Congratulations to Katelyn who receives this week's Principal's award. Katelyn has been consistently demonstrating our values of Safe, Respectful and Responsible both in and out of the classroom. Well done Katelyn.



COMMUNITY NEWS

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AN INVITATION TO CARERS

**Do you provide care and support to another person?
 You are invited to Carer Connections
 Take the Opportunity to Connect with other Carers
 and listen to our Guest Speaker!**

Carers are usually family members or friends who provide support to children or adults who have a disability, mental illness, chronic condition or who are frail aged.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Kathie Nickerson, Clinical Nurse Specialist
 Hunter Integrated Pain Service (Hunter New England Health)

TOPIC: "The Meaning of Chronic Pain: and Hunter Integrated Pain Service's approach to Improving Life"

VENUE: East Maitland Bowling Club, Bank Street, East Maitland

TIME: 10.00am – 12.00pm

COST: Free - includes Morning Tea

WHEN: Monday 23 March 2015

RSVP: Wednesday 18 March 2015



For more information or to Register Contact:
 HNE Carer Education & Support Program – Hunter
 on: 4921 4895 or 1300 887 776
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 (We ask that you RSVP for catering purposes)



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