# Marsden Road Public School

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# Message from our Principal

Dear parents/caregivers,

I would like start by thanking all students, teachers, parents and carers for a wonderful fund raising effort to support our local farmers. A grand total of \$3529.55 was raised for *Buy a Bale* and *Country Valley Dairy, Picton*. A special mention to our SRC, year 6 students and teachers who helped sell the delicious milkshakes last week.

This term we have also had our 100 Days of Learning celebration, Book Week illustrator visit, Book Parade and the stage 2 and 3 Spelling Bee. There are many more events still to come including our Fathers' Day stall, stage 2 incursion, NAIDOC celebrations, stage 3 camp and LAaFF, just to name a few. No wonder everyone is a bit tired! Our teachers work very hard in ensuring that in the midst of all these activities, we do not lose sight of the fact that we are here for teaching and learning. I would like to say a special thank you to those hard working teachers for their dedication and enthusiasm in ensuring that our students engage in quality learning.

Recently, we have had numerous guests visit our school to view our excellent teaching and learning. These guests have included directors of NSW Public Schools and teachers from other schools. We were fortunate to have a special visit last week from Mrs Lynne Irvine, the Executive Director School Performance Regional South Schools. Mrs Irvine was extremely impressed by the Morning Routine and phonics lessons that she observed.







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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

She complimented the teachers and the students for their commendable attitude towards learning and the respect that students displayed towards each other.

Finally, you may notice THE fence being erected around the school in preparation for the construction of eight new class-rooms. The construction will be confined within the fenced-off area and will not impact on our teaching and learning.

Manisha Gazula Principal

## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY CHANGES



## Attention parents and carers: Changes to School Uniform Policy and associated guidelines

Our school expects students to wear their uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when engaged in school activities out of school hours. When all students wear our school uniform their personal safety is enhanced and a sense of belonging to our school community is created.

A positive school identity is also promoted in our local community.

The NSW Department of Education has revised the School Uniform Policy and associated guidelines following an extensive review and consultation process, including with the NSW Parents and Citizens Association. The revised School Uniform Policy requirements include that:

- \* all students have the opportunity to access the full range of school activities, including physical activities while wearing a school uniform
- \* girls must have the option to wear shorts and pants
- \* consideration is given to cost and how to assist families, including for schools to inform parents how they can access financial support to purchase school uniform items.

The revised School Uniform Policy and associated guidelines can be found at the link: <u>School Uniform Policy</u>.

Where changes are required to a school's uniform, there must be formal consultation with students, teachers and other staff, parents or carers, and the school community (including the Parents and Citizens' Association). Parents and carers should be given up to 3 years to comply with any changes.

#### PARTNERS IN LEARNING PARENTS SURVEY

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement.

The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, ipads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 27 August and 26 October.

Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: <a href="http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au">http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au</a>

To access the survey for our school go to: <a href="https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/mrps18">https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/mrps18</a>

The survey is available in 23 languages.

#### STAGE 2 INCURSION PAYMENTS

This term, Stage 2 is studying natural disasters and to further assist with their development there is an incursion being held at school.

Dates:- Tuesday 4th September for 3P, 3S, 4F and 3/4M

Wednesday 5th September for 4A, 4S and 3K

Cost:- \$13.00

We will have an expert in natural disasters onsite to give a talk and have a hands on workshop for the students.

If you have not yet paid can you please bring your permission note and money to the front office.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

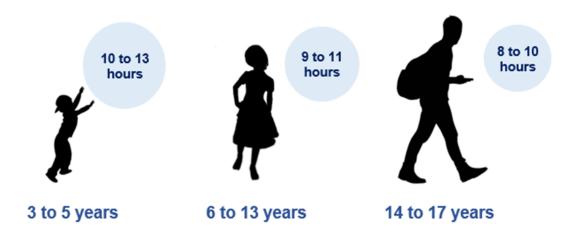
## Is your child getting enough sleep?



Helping your child get enough sleep is one of the best things you can do to support their learning, development and wellbeing. Having a good sleep every night helps your child concentrate and remember things, manage their behaviour and feel happier.

## How much sleep do children need?

The amount of sleep we need changes with age. Everyone is different, but as a guide, children need the following amounts of sleep every night:



## Tips to help children sleep well

Getting enough sleep is as important for your child as healthy eating and exercising. Here are some tips to help your child fall asleep, stay asleep and get enough good quality sleep.



#### Establish a sleep schedule

Make sure your child goes to bed early enough to get the sleep they need.

Once you have set an appropriate bed time, stick to it - even at the weekend.



#### Establish a bedtime routine

Follow the same routine every day: bath or shower, change into pyjamas, brush teeth, read or spend quiet time in their bedroom, lights out and go to sleep.



## Help your child wind down

Busy children need some time to relax. Consider playing soft music or reading to them.



# Make sure the bedroom is suitable for sleep

Ensure the bedroom is dark and quiet. If your child is anxious or afraid at night, use a night light.



#### Avoid stimulants

Make sure your child avoids tea, coffee, chocolate or sports drinks, especially in the afternoon.



#### Turn off technology

Turning off computers, tablets and television 1 hour before bedtime should help your child sleep better.

Source: https://www.healthdirect.gov.au/sleep-tips-for-children

### LOST PROPERTY

Please note that there is currently a lot of lost property at school.

If your child has lost any jumpers, hats, lunch boxes, etc. these can be found in our lost property box located next to the old stage in front of the Kindergarten classrooms.

If you child has lost any items please feel free to look through the box.

We would like to remind everyone to put your child's name inside all of their clothes so that if they are lost these can be returned to you.

Lost property will cleared out on the 14th September and any unclaimed items will be donated to charity.

Office Staff

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS DATES

Please be advised of the following dates for our school Terms

Term 3 ends: Friday 28th September

Term 4 commences: Monday 15th October

Term 4 ends: Wednesday 19th December

2019 commences: Wednesday 30th January (years 1—6 only)

#### SCHOOL GATE FOR ASSEMBLY

On even weeks when our K-2 assembly is on, please kindly note that the main gate will not be opened until after 2pm.

The main gate will be opened for parents to come in and then will be locked again. After the gate has been locked you will require to gain access via the office.

Thank you for your co-operation

## **NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure**



# Marsden Road Public School

## Site establishment notification

August 2018

#### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is spending \$6 billion over four years to deliver more than 170 new and upgraded schools. This includes an additional \$160 million in 2018/19 as part of the record \$747 million maintenance investment announced last year. This is the biggest investment in public school infrastructure in the history of NSW.

#### Marsden Road Public School

A project is underway to upgrade Marsden Road Public School. The project will deliver eight permanent future-focused learning spaces in a new single-storey learning building.

This project is due to be completed in early 2020.

## **Progress summary**

The construction contract has been awarded to Hansen Yuncken Pty Ltd.

Construction will start one to two weeks after site establishment.

#### Site establishment starts 27 August 2018

Site establishment prepares the construction area so that construction works can begin.

As part of the site establishment, construction contractor Hansen Yuncken Pty Ltd will:

- erect construction fencing
- install the site office and work sheds
- deliver equipment

This work will take about one week to complete.

Site establishment and construction work will take place between 7am and 5pm Monday to Saturday.

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

#### For more information contact:

School Infrastructure NSW

Email: schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au

Phone: 1300 482 651

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#### SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

Due to a recent decline in business at our school uniform shop, they will be reducing their hours to just 1 day a week as follows:-

Thursdays 2.30pm—3.30pm

Thank you for your understanding.

#### WINTER UNIFORM STOCK

We are pleased to advise that the long sleeve school polo shirts have now arrived at MUE and are available for \$31.99 each.

If you have pre ordered a shirt and have not been contacted by the uniform shop can you please visit the store at 2/170 George Street Liverpool or contact them on 9601 0812 for collection.



#### STEWART HOUSE COLLECTION

On Monday 3rd September Stewart House bags are being sent home.

If you have any clothes, accessories or manchester for both adults and children that you no longer use, please place these in the bag and return them to the front office.

All bags must be returned by the 14th September.



## **STAGE 3 CAMP**

Stage 3 is about to head off to their Canberra and Snowy Mountain Camp on Monday 10th September until Wednesday 12th September.

Please be reminded that all students going to camp <u>MUST</u> be at school by **6.15am on Monday 10th September** in full school uniform.

If you have not paid in full for the camp yet this is now overdue. Can you please forward all outstanding monies to the office immediately.

Wishing you all a safe trip and a wonderful experience!

## DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS DURING SCHOOL HOURS

At MRPS we understand that some doctors, dentists and specialists appointments can only be made during school hours.

Should you require to pick up your child early can you please present the appointment confirmation to the front office at the time of collecting your child.

This is a requirement any time that a child leaves the school early.

### **UPDATING INFORMATION**

If you have changed your phone number or have moved since you enrolled your child at school can you please urgently visit our office to update your information.

It is important that all your details are correct and up to date in the event of an emergency.

Emergency contact details are also important in the event that we can not contact the primary carers.

Thank you for your co-operation Office Staff



#### SPORTING SCHOOLS



Sporting schools (after school sport) is back on this term. We have had over 40 students from K-2 signed up and almost 50 students from 3-6. It is great to see so many children wanting to be active.

If you missed out on signing up in term 3, don't forget to sign up in term 4.

## Term 3 sessions

K-2 Monday 3.00pm to 4.15pm (week 3 to week 9)

**3-6** Tuesday 3.00pm to 4.15pm (week 3 to week 9)

Sporting schools committee

## **TOILETING ACCIDENTS**

During the colder months we have noted an increase in toileting accidents.

If you child has had an accident and has been sent home with a change of clothes, we ask you to please wash and return these to the school at your earliest convenience.

We understand that accidents do occur so we kindly ask if you can pack a change of clothes in your child's bag in case they do have an accident.

Can you also please ensure that all clothes clearly have your child's name marked inside of their clothes.

Thank you,

Front Office

### **PSSA TOUCH FOOTBALL**

It has been a great season so far. Both Junior and Senior teams are currently third in the competition. It has been amazing to coach these superstars. Hopefully both teams make it through to the finals.

Well done, boys and girls!

## Miss Supwichien



### **FATHER'S DAY STALL**

Father's Day is the day, when all of our wonderful students have the opportunity to thank their hard working dads for their continuing love and support.

On Thursday the 31st August our Father's Day stall will be selling an array of gifts between \$2.00 and \$5.00. Please provide your child with \$5.00 each to purchase a gift from our stall.

These wonderful gifts are a great way to say "Thank You dad"

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

Wednesday 29th August Zone Athletics Carnival	Tuesday 11th September Stage 3 Camp
Thursday 30th August Father's Day Stall	Wednesday 12th September Stage 3 Camp
Friday 31st August PSSA Semi Finals	Monday 17th September Last day for after school sport
Monday 3rd September  Public Speaking Competition (All week long for all students)	Tuesday 18th September Last day for after school sport LAaFF Concert
Tuesday 4th September  Natural Disasters Incursion 3P, 3S, 4F & 3/4M	Wednesday 19th September
Wednesday 5th September Natural Disasters Incursion	Thursday 20th September Korean Expo
4a, 4S, 3K Premier's Spelling Bee Regionals	Friday 28th September Last day for Term 3
Friday 7th September PSSA Finals	Monday 15th October  Term 4 commences
Monday 10th September	
Stage 3 Camp	Monday 29th October School Concert