**Principal’s Report**

You may recall in Semester 1 we rewarded the outstanding job of our SRC and school leaders with a trip to the Royal Easter Show. Once again, the importance of student leadership will be recognised this semester with a trip to ‘Tree Tops Adventure Park’ for our new Semester 2 SRC and school leaders. More information to be sent home soon.

On Thursday 21 August, the SRC will hold a “Yellow Day” to raise money for the Cancer Council. There will be a gold coin donation for being out of uniform.

**Well Done to our “Public Speakers”**

Congratulations to our four wonderfully talented public speakers Kian N, Kailin D, Amber H and Monique W who represented MHPS at the Zone finals of the Lake Macquarie East Division on Monday and Tuesday. The girls competed with over 40 other students in stages 2 & 3 by presenting a three minute prepared speech on a topic of their choice. The quality of speeches was very high, and our students did a fabulous job. Thank you to Mrs Hedley (classroom) and Mrs Phillips for their organisation and preparation of our public speaking program across the school.

**Lost Jumpers**

Spare a thought for the poor, sad & lonely multitude of homeless, nameless school jumpers that are waiting to be taken home. If you think you are the long lost owner of one of these orphaned garments, call in at the school to collect them so that they can resume their vital role in providing winter warmth to ‘goosebumped’ little arms.

**Myuna Bay Excursion**

A reminder for senior students wishing to take part in this year’s Myuna Bay excursion. A deposit of $25 is now due and we are still seeking expressions of interest from any parent helpers who may wish to volunteer to support students at the camp.

**Steve Gately**

Principal

**Attention! - K-2 Parents & Carers**

Are you interested in joining us each Wednesday morning for a cuppa and chat and the opportunity to meet with other parents to find out how you can help support your child in making their primary school education the best it can be? Join us from 10.30am till 11.15am in the Library.
Canteen Roster – Week 6 Term 3

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Important Dates to Remember

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School Assembly
The regular school assembly will take place on Friday at 11.40am. This week’s assembly item will be presented by K/1T.

Year 6 Farewell
There will be a Year 6 Farewell meeting for all parents of Year 6 students in the 5/6S classroom this Friday afternoon 15 August at 3 pm. We will be discussing fundraising ideas for the Year 6 farewell and the gift to the school. Any input would be appreciated so please feel free to come along and share your ideas. Thank you.
Shannon Sampson

Book Week
Next Wednesday 20 August, students are invited to celebrate Book Week 2014 by coming dressed up as their favourite book character. This year’s theme is Connect to Reading, Reading to Connect and is about enjoying the experience of exploring story, and travelling to other worlds. Students will assemble in the hall after lunch at 11:45am to participate in a character parade. All welcome!

Camp Quality Puppet Visit
On Wednesday 27 August the camp Quality Puppet show will visit our school. It is an educational program using puppets to deliver a fun and positive message about supporting children living with cancer and other serious illness. There is no cost to the school or children.

Reminders

- School contributions are due, $20 per child, can be paid at the office.
- All Year 6 parents are asked to attend a farewell meeting this Friday at 3pm in the 5/6S classroom.
- Myuna Bay Senior Camp excursion will be in Term 4, the cost will be $255. A non-refundable deposit of $25 is due by Friday 29 August. Parents can make payments now at the office.
- Uniform Shop will be open tomorrow Thursday 14 August from 2.15pm till 2.45pm.
- The next P&C Meeting is next Wednesday 20 August at 6.45 in the Library.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Belmont Junior Cricket Club
Registration days - Saturday 30 August, Sunday 31 August and Saturday 6 September from 2pm till 4pm at Belmont Sporties Club.

What’s on at the Hunter Valley Electric Vehicle Festival
- Saturday 16th and 17th August
- 10am - 4pm, Cameron Park Dr, Cameron Park
- Entry $5, Children under 16 free
- Electric Car and Bike Show & Display
- EV Prize Draw
- Free entry
- Petrol and Electric Vehicle Demonstrations
- A chance to learn more about electric vehicles and their benefits
- Website: www.vecfest.com.au

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