Welcome
A very friendly, Mount Hutton welcome to our two new families who started at our school this week. As you would expect, our students and staff have made all six new students feel right at home. I’m sure they will enjoy the wonderful educational journey which lies ahead for them at MHPS. Speaking of enrolments, we have had a significant increase in the number of students seeking Kindergarten enrolment in 2015. Our Junior Kookaburras program has been a big hit and word is spreading fast that MHPS offers a high quality, 21st century standard education for our local kids in a safe, happy learning environment! If you know of any children looking to commence school next year who are yet to advise us of their intention to enrol, ask them to contact the school asap as planning for 2015 is already underway.

NAPLAN
There have been a number of reports about upcoming NAPLAN results in the media this week. Individual student results are made available to schools in early September and we will endeavour to make these results available to parents of our Year 3 & 5 students shortly after. As always, if you have any questions about how your child is performing at school, please feel free to phone and make an appointment with myself and/or your child’s class teacher.

Police Youth Liaison Officer
Yesterday our year 4 to 6 students were excited to receive a visit from Lake Macquarie’s Police Youth Liaison Officer (PYLO) and our Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) These two ladies spoke with students on a range of issues including the importance of regular school attendance, cyber safety and appropriate behaviour on public transport. Most students were surprised to learn that children must be over the age of 13 to open a Facebook or Instagram account. PYLO Vanessa stressed the importance of students communicating openly with parents about their use of social media to ensure that they stay safe online.

Book Week Parade
Book week parade a big hit! Well done to our fabulous students who got into literacy mode by dressing up for “Book Week” today at MHPS. All sorts of interesting literary characters made an appearance including lots of Superheroes, Princesses and sports stars.

Musical News - Beyond the Sea
It is always an exciting time in production preparations when you start to talk about costumes. If you have not yet received a note regarding costume requirements for your child, you soon will. We are trying our best to keep costs to a minimum and hope you have most costume requirements on hand. If you are finding it difficult to acquire costume pieces please speak to your child’s teacher, I’m sure they’ll be able to help. Please remember it is important to write your child’s name in all parts of their costume (with 20 plus identical costumes being stored in the one place things can get confusing!).

We have asked all costumes to be at school by 5 Sep allowing us to review costumes and perform a dress rehearsal before the end of term. I thank you in advance for your organisation and cooperation in this matter.

Mrs Hamilton

PBL focus for this week…..

Dunkley says
“I keep my hands and feet to myself”

PBL Education Week Award Recipients
At last Friday’s assembly PBL awards were presented to students who have demonstrated excellence in our three core areas of “Safety, Respect and Learning”. The following students received awards last week

K/1T: Ninjirah B & Toby RL
K/1S: Saxon B & Sienna A
2H: Isabella D & Jye A
2/3M: Lucy D & Thomas K
3/4/5P: Noah Q, Kiara P & Marli S
5/6S: Lakota O’N, Christian N & Tyler D
K6K: Jessie-Lee S

The following students reached GOLD level last week by collecting 30 Dunkleys & 2 assembly awards. They were treated to a FREE lunch with the principal on Friday. Well done to these 14 kids for being the first in 2014 to reach GOLD level!


Steve Gately
Principal
**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 3/4/5P.

**Year 6 Fundraising Pizza Day**
Next Wednesday 27 August the Year 6 fundraising committee will be holding a Pizza Day. Students can order a pizza and a drink for $5. Order forms were sent home with every student today. The cost is $5 per student and orders with full payment have to be at the office by 9am on Tuesday 26 August. As we are on a deadline to place the orders we cannot accept any late orders.

**Reminders**
- Tomorrow Thursday 21 August is Yellow Day. Come dressed in yellow for a gold coin donation.
- Next Wednesday 27 August Year 6 fundraising are having a Pizza Day all orders need to in at the office by 9am on Tuesday 26 August.
- School contributions are due, $20 per child, can be paid at the office.
- 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 next Thursday 28 August from 2.15pm till 2.45pm.
- The next P&C Meeting is next Wednesday 27 August at 6.45 in the Library.

**Thank You Donut King**
A big thank you to Donut King at Charlestown (food court near Reading Cinemas) for their very kind donation of donuts to the Year 6 cake stall.

**Canteen Roster – Week 7 Term 3**

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