



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



PERSONAL BEST

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 29 Aug:** Year 3 and 4 Coal Loader Excursion
- 30 Aug:** Banksia Concert – Senior Strings
- 1 Sep:** Kindergarten Information Evening
- 2 Sep:** Fathers' Day stall
- 2 Sep:** Jump Off – Jump Rope For Heart
- 21-22 Sep:** School Show
- 23 Sep:** Footy Colours Day
- 23 Sep:** Last day of Term 3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

EDUCATION WEEK EVENTS

It was wonderful to be able to welcome so many visitors back onsite for some of the special events organised as part of Education Week this year. Thank you to our bands, strings, choir and Whipper Skippers for outstanding performances at our Education Week Special Assembly. It is always a pleasure to watch them perform and see the continued progress and achievement of our talented students.

The return of our **BOLD ARCHY** event showcasing student art from Years 5 & 6 was a sensational end to the week. Thank you to all the parents, carers (and some neighbours!) who joined us for a wonderful evening of art, canapes and fun.



Education Week!



Congratulations to all our talented artists and winners!

- Guest Judge vote Best Picture - Max RC*
- Guest Judge vote Best Diorama - Ariana R*
- Parents Best Picture - Ruby C*
- Parents Best Diorama - Miles W*
- Parents Best description - Brae S*
- Best recycled materials - Amelie S*
- Teachers vote - Josh H*
- Student vote - Tilly B*

Special thanks to our guest artist, Mrs Holly Kendall, for judging the artworks, and Ms Dushanka Pizurika for her beautiful music on the night. Thank you to the P&C and parent organising committee for making it such a wonderful evening! Thank you also to Miss Hesketh and our Stage 3 teachers for their preparation and support for the event.

STAGE 3 CAMP WOMBAROO

I had the absolute pleasure of joining students in Years 5 & 6 at their camp last week in the beautiful (but very cold!) Southern Highlands last week. Outdoor Education Group had organised a number of great activities that encouraged the children to explore and appreciate the outdoors, develop their teamwork and leadership skills, and show persistence and resilience in the face of challenges. I was extremely proud of all our students for their enthusiasm and involvement in all activities, as well as their behaviour throughout the 3 days and 2 nights. Little sleep was had, but most importantly, much fun was. A HUGE thank you to our AMAZING teaching staff - Miss Hesketh, Miss Irving, Mrs Southey, Ms Merrick, Ms Inkinen, Mr Price and Mrs Renauf - for going above and beyond for our students.



Laura Barry

Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

THE MHPS SCHOOL SHOW IS BACK!

Matinee (\$10 entry) and Evening (\$20, ticketed) Performances on both **Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 September**. Click [HERE](#) for detailed information.



Performance	Session	Time	Date	Cost
Years K-2 Show: <i>Welcome back</i>	Matinee	9:30-10:30am	Wednesday 21 September	\$10 entry
Years 3- 6 Show: <i>Welcome back</i>	Matinee	11:30-12:30pm	Wednesday 21 September	\$10 entry
Years K-2 Show: <i>Welcome back</i>	Early Evening	5:00-6:00pm	Wednesday 21 September	Ticketed
Years 3- 6 Show: <i>Welcome back</i>	Late Evening	6:30-7:30pm	Wednesday 21 September	Ticketed
Years K-2 Show: <i>Welcome back</i>	Early Evening	5:00-6:00pm	Thursday 22 September	Ticketed
Years 3- 6 Show: <i>Welcome back</i>	Late Evening	6:30-7:30pm	Thursday 22 September	Ticketed

Tickets for the evening performances will be on sale through Trybooking, **Monday 29 August**.

<https://www.trybooking.com/CBSMV>

Jump Rope for Heart is well underway and it is great to see so many children out in the playground skipping with smiles on their faces. 79 MHPS families have already raised \$2,572 towards our \$15,000 target.

It is not long until our Jump Off Day on Friday 2 September so keep on practicing those tricks! And do not forget to share your online fundraising page with friends and family to raise money for a great cause! Still need to sign up online? It is easy just follow this link and enter your details.

www.jump rope.org.au/parents



The Tell Them From Me surveys (conducted later this term) provide schools with student, teacher and parent perspectives about the engagement and wellbeing of their students. This information is valuable to schools and can be used to identify strengths and successes, as well as areas to target for improvement. Information about the surveys is available on the Department of Education website.

Carole Jaye

Deputy Principal

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT 2023

KINDERGARTEN 2023 – PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

We look forward to meeting our Kindergarten 2023 parents and carers at our Kindergarten 2023 Information Evening which will be held in the Kindergarten classrooms on **Thursday 1 September from 6 until 7pm**. Please enter the school via our Hale Road entrance. Our Kindergarten teachers will be there to guide you to the classrooms. This event is for adults only.

Do you have a child who turns five years of age before 31 July 2023 and will be ready to start school?



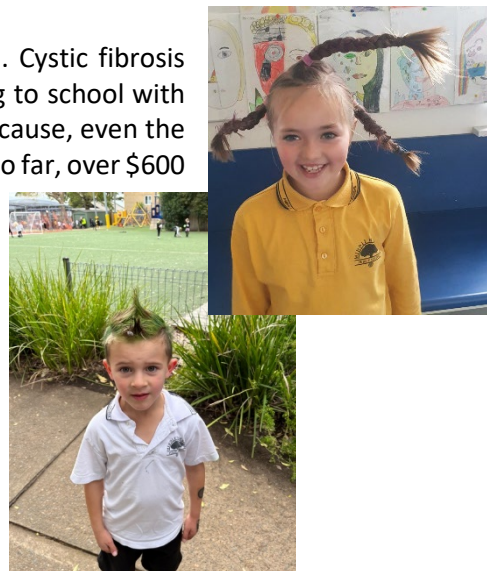
We encourage all families with children starting school next year to complete an Application for Enrolment form if you have not already done so. This can be done online or through the school office. Please also spread the word to other local families interested in enrolling at our school. Information about enrolment at Middle Harbour PS and the online Application for Enrolment can be found online at the following link: [Enrolment Information - Middle Harbour Public School](#). If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP NEWS

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Crazy Hair Day is a great way to raise money for cystic fibrosis research. Cystic fibrosis damages the lungs and digestive systems of those who have it. By coming to school with crazy hair today, everyone was involved in helping to raise money for this cause, even the little kids. Thank you to everyone who participated in crazy hair day today. So far, over \$600 has been raised!

By Issy VA and Amber H



SCIENCE WEEK

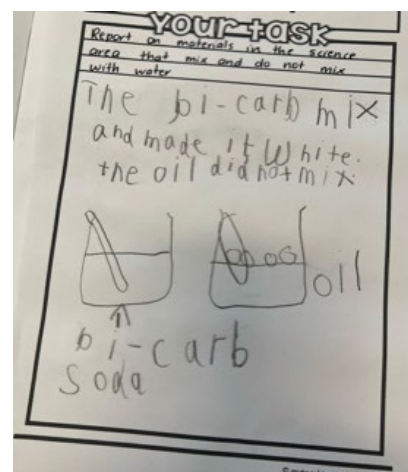
Last week it was science week. Stage 1 was experimenting and learning about mixing materials to see how they can be changed.

We made sculptures using recycled materials including foil, paddle pop sticks, blue tack, pipe cleaners and paper clips. We came up with many different designs from little animals to great big towers

We also got to make playdough and see how salt, flour, water, oil and cream of tartar mixed together make a soft, squishy playdough that we used in our Investigation area.

We learnt some interesting facts about mixing materials like, did you know that red food colouring is made from bugs???

It was so much fun – we love science week!



By Harry J and Harriette B

BEAR PIT PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION



Congratulations to our champion speakers!

Mila A was the winner in the Stage 2 category.

Ruby C came runner up in the Stage 3 category.

Well done – we are so proud of you both!

Bear Pit speaking experience By Mila A

When I first walked into the Parliament House, I wasn't scared, but when I sat down, that's when the real nerves began. Firstly, the people there introduced everyone who was doing their speeches to the judges, adjudicator (who is the one who tells people when to speak) and audience. When the first person got up to do their speech, I made sure I looked carefully at what they were doing, so I could do the same thing. For example, how they used the microphone, I was particularly scared about how to use the mic, but after the first person finished, I wasn't so worried about that anymore. By the time the second person started to speak I was the MOST NERVOUS, in fact I got so worried, I felt like I was going to be sick! But the one thing I was most happy about..... was that I was to speak last. By the time there were four more people left until my speech I said to myself "I've done my speech many times before, and I have practiced hard, and I am going to do my best!" Once it was my turn to speak, I didn't feel so nervous anymore, so when I put my mouth to the mic, I told myself one more time 'I can do this'. Since I was the last one to do my speech, after I spoke, it was morning tea. Once I found my family who came to Parliament House to support me, they all told me that was the best they had ever heard me present my speech, and that they were all so proud of me. Once morning tea was over, we all went back into the room we were presenting in, and stage three started doing their speeches. After they finished, the judges had to decide who was the winner? Meanwhile, someone was telling us about parliament, and it was very interesting. Once they finished deciding, the judges told everyone who the runner ups and winners were. When they said my name for the winner, I was filled with joy - and I was also really happy for Ruby, who got runner up! So, I guess all I can say is, trying your best is all you really need to do.

PERSONAL BEST



Lauren C was chosen as the Junior Swans mascot for Isaac Heeney's 150th game. Well done Lauren!



Congratulations to our amazing Kids Cottage team for winning the Local Business Awards North Shore!

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to our Zone Athletes for two successful carnivals this week! An outstanding effort by all our athletes, with special mention going to Ruby C, Lewis L, Sam H, Miles W, Amelie G and our Senior Boys relay team for all making it to the Regionals. Well done team!

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK WEEK 2022

Thank you to all of the families who visited the library before school during Book Week. It was lovely to see families reading and playing together in our special space. Congratulations to the students who entered the Book Week Colouring and Art Competition. Our finalists will have their entries displayed on the library doors from next week. A special thank you to Scholastic for donating prizes for this event.



Thank you to Linda Deitz for her amazing photographs of the book parade!



Another highlight this week was the costume parade, our teachers and students did not disappoint! What a spectacular display of creativity. If you were unable to attend, we will endeavour to display as many photos as we can on the library windows in week 7. We were able to award students due to the generous number of gifts donated by Dymocks in Neutral Bay, a store who have long supported our library space. You can support Gina and her team by following them on [Facebook](#) and visiting the store soon.

This week also saw the opening of our new reading space, 'The Nook' in honour of Amelie G. The Year 2 parents gifted the school with furniture and books to establish a special space for students to read, reflect and relax. Thank you to all your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Well done to all of the students who completed this years' PRC. All K-2 students complete the challenge during our library sessions. We will celebrate the efforts of the Yr 3-6 students who have completed this independently with a Pizza Party (date TBC).



P&C NEWS

Fundraising - The P&C is busy planning and budgeting for 2023. As part of that process, we are thinking about what fundraising events will be held next year. And we would love your thoughts. The below survey takes 2 minutes and will assist us in our planning. The survey closes on 5th September.

Fundraising Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/353KG5W>

Sparkle - A reminder that our major fundraiser for the year – Sparkle – will be held at the Kirribilli Club on the 11th November. **PLEASE SEE FLYER AT END OF NEWSLETTER FOR MORE DETAILS.** If you have items that would be suitable to auction at the event, please contact Nina Marshall Garlinge at ninagarlinge@gmail.com

Grants - Recently the P&C had a \$4000 Community Grant from Mosman Council approved. The P&C and the school are liaising to ensure the money is put to good use.

Thank You - Many thanks to Cath O'Sullivan and the lovely team of volunteers who recently organised Bold Archie. It was a lovely event showcasing all of the amazing artistic talent our students have. And it was also a great opportunity for Year 5 & 6 parents to get together. Thank you to all involved.

Father's Day Stall -The P&C Father's Day Stall will be held next Friday 2nd September. It will be a cash only event with lots of gifts for Dads, Grandpas and significant males. Thank you to those that have already volunteered to assist on the day. There is nothing nicer than seeing a child's face when they think they have found the perfect gift!



Colour Run - And last but certainly not least, at the end of Term 4 the P&C will be organising a colour run for the Students. This will be a fundraising event and also a "we made it to the end of the year" fun event for everyone. More information to come but it will be fantastically colourful day

BAND AND STRINGS NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS AMY!

The Arts Unit provides a number of opportunities for students to extend themselves in creative, performing, literature and language arts. Amy, in the MHPS Senior Strings Ensemble, successfully auditioned for the NSW Junior State Music Camp.

"On the first week of term 3 I went to State Music Camp. It was really fun and I got to meet people who love music just as much as I do! We got split up into different orchestras to learn some pieces to perform in one week in front of our parents. Some of the pieces we played were even written by some of the conductors! Overall it was an amazing experience and I can't wait to go back next year."

Amy K -5B



STRINGS WORKSHOP

"On Sunday all strings enjoyed a fun-filled workshop.

The senior strings group continued to practice for the upcoming Opera House performance while the younger groups continued to build on their emerging skills. We enjoyed small group learning which was beneficial to our individual skills development as well as our skills playing as a group.

The highlight of the day was putting on a special performance for our families. We are so happy to be able to put on a performance as we missed this during Covid. Some great music was played by all groups.



A special thank you to our music tutors, the parents that helped out and all the families for coming to watch us. We always welcome new players into our strings program."
Max U 5/6M

KIDS COTTAGE NEWS

Upcoming Spring Vacation Care:

Our Spring Vacation Care is out for MHPS families. We have some exciting excursions planned! From a day spent at Cables & Aqua Park in Penrith, to Aquatopia Water Park in Prairiewood and watching Zoom at the Sydney Opera House!

For more information, email us at info@kidscottagemiddleharbour.com

Staffing Spotlight:

Meet Bec, the Paediatric Occupational Therapist!

My name is Rebecca Bell, known at Kids Cottage as Bec. I previously worked at Kids cottage while I was studying to be an OT. I now have been working as an OT for 5 years, working with children with all different conditions and needs in Australia and the UK.



I wanted to introduce myself and say hello! I wanted to offer up my time while I am here for the next 3 weeks, see if any parents would like to have a chat, if they have any concerns or would like to discuss through resources that I can provide. If you have any questions, please contact me at Rebecca.bell135@gmail.com or info@kidscottagemiddleharbour.com

Current Changes to the Management:

Last Friday the 19 of August we said goodbye to our Acting Director, former Assistant Director, Eleanor Rolph who has made the move to another Centre. Jacqui Abdullah will be returning from Maternity Leave on September 19. In the interim, Katrina Sparkes is the current Acting Director. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Katrina at info@kidscottagemiddleharbour.com or call her on 02 9056 1113.

NOT RETURNING TO MHPS IN 2023?

As we are in the process of planning for next year, we would ask that you please advise us if you know that your child /children (excluding Year 6) will be leaving us at the end of the year. This will assist us in not only securing staff for the whole school and being able to formulate 2023 classes, but also allow us to be able to offer placement to those on our waitlist. Kindly click on this link to notify us: <https://forms.gle/X6Ej1W7EAc8WySu9A>

HIGH SCHOOL NOTICES



Willoughby Girl's High School

Academic Excellence Student Centred Learning Empowering Young Women Good Citizenship & Values Learning Community

151 Mowbray Road, Willoughby NSW 2068
Phone: 9958 4141 email: willoughbg-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

SCHOOL TOURS FOR NEW STUDENTS & PARENTS

Willoughby Girls High School is a leader in girl's education and is consistently ranked among the top Comprehensive Schools in NSW for HSC achievement. Willoughby Girls High School students are life-long learners who value citizenship and friendship. Students learn in a collaborative environment with many co-curricular opportunities including an extensive sporting program, music, drama and vocal ensembles, debating, public speaking and leadership programs.

Willoughby Girls High School is excited to offer small group Guided Tours of the school. If you have a daughter who is hoping to attend Willoughby, and would like to **organise a tour, or if you have any questions about enrolment, please contact 02 9958 4141 or email willoughbg-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au**

We also have a virtual tour online where you can meet and hear from teachers and students and find out about opportunities for your daughter, subjects, extra-curricular activities and more. [Click here](#)



....for important SPARKLE 2022 information on the next page!!

Get your sparkle on and join us for a night of All That Glitters

We are excited to share details of Sparkle 2022!

Date: Friday 11th November

Time: 7 pm

Location: Kirribilli Club

Dress: Formal Glam

Cost: \$140 per ticket

Your generous ticket donation will cover:

- Two-course meal
- Unlimited wine, beer, and soft drinks from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm
- An auction and prizes
- Exclusive access to purchase and personalize bricks for the school garden

It promises to be a great night to catch up with fellow parents and hopefully raise a little money for the school to revamp the playground and create more shaded areas for our kids.

We are setting up an online auction site selling items generously donated by local businesses and our parent community. We will also have a live auction of some exciting items.

Our major auction item will be a commission-free property sale campaign generously donated by Scott Thornton from The Agency. Still, undoubtedly the highlight of the night will be the opportunity to bid for your child's class artwork which they are currently busy creating!

Tickets go on sale on Monday here:



2022 - All That Glitters! Tickets,

www.trybooking.com



FREE FOOTY TICKETS

Bulldogs v Sea Eagles

6:00pm, Friday 2 September 2022
Accor Stadium

Thanks to the Bulldogs, Venues NSW and VenuesLive, students and staff at your school have the opportunity to witness these two Sydney giants go head to head!

As your school is participating in this year's NSW Premier's School Sport Challenge, *each* student and staff member can redeem up to four (4) free tickets to this event (subject to availability).

Tickets are limited so be sure to secure them quickly for what will be a great evening of rugby league.

To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should follow the below easy steps:

1. Simply go to the following website: <https://accorstadium.com.au/premiers-sporting-challenge/>
2. Register their details via the form
3. Print out the vouchers and bring each voucher with them on the day to gain entry through Gate E into general admission seating at Accor Stadium.

For additional information, please visit the Accor Stadium website by [clicking here](#).

Please note:

- *Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer.*
- *Each student is entitled to redeem up to four (4) free tickets (limited to one registration per student), with redemptions subject to availability.*
- *Match ticket voucher must be printed and presented at the Accor Stadium entry gates for entry to this match.*
- *There is a limit of 2,000 x family passes available for redemption (equal to 8,000 x individual tickets)*
- *Entry may be refused if match ticket vouchers are damaged or defaced in any way or redeemed in an unauthorised manner.*
- *If a match ticket voucher is resold or redeemed in an unauthorised manner it may be cancelled and the bearer of the ticket refused entry.*
- *Accessible seating is available within the allocated general admission seating area.*