



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



PERSONAL BEST

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 9 May – P&C Meeting

Friday 12 May – P&C Mothers Day Stall + Secondhand Uniform Sale

Friday 19 May – National Walk Safely to School Day

Wed 31 May – Fri 2 June – Stage 3 Canberra Camp

31 May – 13 June – Life Education lessons

Tuesday 13 June – Parent Info Session with Dr Andrew Martin

Thursday 15 June – K-2 Athletics Carnival

Friday 30 June – Last day of Term 2

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We respect and honour the traditional owners of the Cammeraiagal Country on which we play and learn today.

We pay our respects to our Elders who help us to care for each other, the plants, the animals and the land.

- 10 Class Acknowledgement of Country



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – MOTIVATION & ENGAGEMENT IN CHILDREN

This term our staff are involved in thorough and rich professional learning delivered by University of New South Wales and Dr Andrew Martin around student engagement, motivation and the alignment of high expectations and challenge in learning.

At MHPS we are deeply committed to personal growth and excellence for all students and acknowledge the critical role parents and guardians play in contributing to their child's education and success. We are pleased to offer an opportunity for parents and guardians to engage with leading educational and parenting expert, Dr Andrew Martin, Educational Psychologist, Sydney, AU.

Dr Martin specialises in student motivation, engagement and achievement. He is also published on important areas such as ADHD, gifted and talented, academic resilience and academic buoyancy, adaptability and teacher-student relationships. Dr Martin's research bridges other disciplines through assessing motivation and engagement in sport, music and work.



Dr Andrew Martin
Educational Psychologist

**Motivating & Engaging our Youth
with Dr Andrew Martin**
Parent Information Session
Tuesday 13 June @ 6-7:30pm
MHPS School Hall
[Please register your interest here.](#)

Dr Martin will be presenting a parent information session on **Tuesday 13 June in our school hall from 6-7:30pm**. There is no cost for this session, but we ask that parents register their interest using the link so we can ensure enough seating. Please note this is an adult only event.

PEER SUPPORT

This term students in Kindergarten to Year 5 will take part in weekly Peer Support sessions led by our Year 6 students each Friday. Peer Support is a fantastic student-led program that fosters problem-solving and co-operation across all age groups. Our Year 6 students participated in a 2 day workshop last week to prepare them to lead these sessions commencing this week. We can't wait to see all our Year 6 students grow in this leadership opportunity.

IN OUR THOUGHTS

It is with great sadness I share with our community the recent passing Mr Cameron Guthrie, father to Jack and Lewis in Year 1. Our thoughts and deepest condolences are with Megan, Jack and Lewis at this sad and difficult time.

Laura Barry

Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 15 MAY FOR YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS 2024

Key dates:

15 May – applications close

27 July – placement test

20 October – placement outcome release

Register [here](#)

More information can be found [here](#)

SCHOOL UNIFORM IN TERM 2



Delivery of new winter uniforms has been delayed, with the result that some students may need to wear full summer or full winter uniform until the new supplies arrive. We will officially change to full winter uniform on Monday 8 May.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

The Tell Them From Me student survey asks students about a range of school experiences, including their engagement and wellbeing at school and beyond. It also asks students about teaching practices and the learning environment. The information on this website [Tell Them From Me survey information](#) is for parents and carers, and how they can support their child to participate in the Tell Them From Me student survey. If you do not wish your child to participate in Tell Them from Me, complete [the non-consent form](#) and send it to the classroom teacher.

MHPS LEADERS AT THE ANZAC DAWN SERVICE

On the 25 April, 7 school leaders attended the ANZAC dawn service with Mrs Jaye. It was held at 5:30am at Georges Heights. We listened to people speak about the ANZAC soldiers and listened to a band that played music about World War I. It went for an hour and towards the end, all the leaders placed a special wreath made by students in our school out the front in honour of the ANZACs.

A special thank you to Mrs Jaye for attending the service with the school leaders.


By Henrietta B 5/6T & Sophia D 6I

Carole Jaye

Deputy Principal



OUT AND ABOUT AT MHPS



MHPS STUDENT BLOG

Please check out what our students have been 'out and about' doing at our [Middle Harbour PS Student Blog!](#)

CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS

Please click on the links to view curriculum overviews for each stage for Term 2:

Early Stage 1 - Kindergarten	Stage 1 – Years 1 & 2
Stage 2 – Years 3 & 4	Stage 3 – Years 5 & 6

Resources linked to the new NSW K-2 English and Mathematics syllabus shared at our Parent Information Night can be found [HERE](#).

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you Grandfriends!

We are so grateful to all the students and their special friends who visited the library and donated a book on Thursday 6 April. We are very pleased to announce that we had over \$2000 worth of books donated to our school library for both students and teachers to use and enjoy. Your generosity is hugely appreciated!

Premier's Reading Challenge, Ebooks and much more!

For instructions on how to access eBooks from our school library, Online stories from Storybox Library and information about logging PRC books please check out Library 2023 and contact Mrs Rosenberg via the school office should you have any queries.



NSW Department of Education

2023 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge
Start reading now!

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au

Key dates for students in K-10:
Challenge opens
Monday 27 February
Challenge closes
for student entries
Friday 18 August



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Sarah Rosenberg and Sarah Vaughan
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UNIFORM SHOP

Second hand Uniform Sale

Next Friday 12 May from 8.30 – 10am
Held outside the Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is open Tuesday and Friday 8.45am – 9.15am.

We apologise for the incorrect information in the previous newsletters which said Wednesday and Friday.

P&C NEWS

MOTHERS' AND OTHERS' STALL

The P&C is running its annual fundraising Mothers' and Others' Day stall on Friday 12 May. This will be your child/ren's opportunity to buy something for mum, grandma and other special women in their lives.

Students need to bring **cash only**. Younger students are to bring cash in a zip-lock bag with their name on the bag.

Prices range from \$1 Bookmarks to \$15 real pearl bracelets, with most gifts priced at \$5. There are earrings for pierced ears also. Please tell your child not to buy them if you don't wear earrings.

A reminder will be sent out next week via your class parents.

RITCHES SUPERMARKET COMMUNITY PROGRAM

Did you know that Ritches Supermarket has a community giving program that you can be a part of? If you do your weekly shopping there and have a loyalty card, you can help raise money for MHPS through the P&C. All you have to do is nominate us as your supporting organisation and they'll reward us for your loyalty!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH!

Get your game on with some trivia, win prizes, and sip on the finest drops from the speakeasy that will be dispensing drinks this side of the harbour. Don't forget to come dressed in your Greatest Showman attire! Will you be a ringleader, trapeze artist, or a guest in your finest Opera threads? It's your call.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 29 at 7 pm, and stay tuned for ticket sales starting this term.

But wait, there's more! As part of our planned games for sideshow alley, we'll be asking for donations throughout the next term. We would love your help in making this event even more spectacular!

So, raid your stash - if someone gave you a bottle of white, but you prefer red, donate it! Got unopened cosmetics or beauty items that you have been meaning to regift? We will take them! And if you are not a fan of those choccies you got at a dinner party, get in touch with Dana Lightbody via email at dana@theleadershipinstitute.com.au.

Let's make the MHPS Greatest Showman Trivia Spectacular a night to remember!

P&C MEETING

The next P&C meeting will be Tuesday 9 May at 7.00 pm via Zoom. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87184226403?pwd=Uk5MY3FFU3ptMmJNV2dsdnQ5OUF1dz09>

Meeting ID: 871 8422 6403

Passcode: 758621

Chanel Bornoff
MHPS P&C President

KIDS COTTAGE NEWS

The Kids Cottage Parent Management Committee would like to invite all families to join for a Parent Meeting on Tuesday 30 May 2023 at 5pm-5:45pm at The Kids Cottage.

This meeting gives the opportunity for families to ask questions about the service and how we operate, our Policies and Procedures, along with questions about the Kids Cottage Parent Management Committee along with getting to know our Group Leaders and their role in the service.

RSVP please via email director@kidscottagemiddleharbour.com

MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE - SYSTEM UPDATES

Skoolbag becomes audiri



Skoolbag has changed its name to audiri. The App will still work in the same way for parents but will be rebranded. We use skoolbag for push and email notifications to families from the school and the P&C and to record absences. We will continue to use it this way for the foreseeable future. If you are having any issues please try updating or reinstalling the audiri app. Please let the school office know if you have any questions.

New Finance System – School Bytes Parent portal

Thank you for your patience as we roll out the new finance system. We have had some issues with emails not going to both parents/carer which has now been resolved.

If you are yet to register you can still do so here

<https://portal.schoolbytes.education>

2023 SCHOOL TRAVEL PASSES

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to [apply](#) or [update](#) their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

New Student Opal cards (including new Term Bus Passes) will be sent to the student's nominated postal address within two weeks of their application being approved.