



MEPS MAIL

Create the Future

20th November, 2019

Key Dates

TERM 4

25/11/2019

- Volunteer Morning Tea

28/11/2019

- Presentation Day

3/12/2019

- Year 6 High School
Orientation Day

4/12/2019

- Year 6 Graduation

4/12/2019

- Year 6 Farewell at Club
Merrylands

16/12/2019

- Convict day

17/12/2019

- MEPS got talent

18/12/2019

- Last day of Term 4

29/01/2020

- First day of Term 1 2020
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Principal's report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,



For the past week and a half I have had the privilege of relieving as Principal while Mr Goh is in London on a NSW Department of Education scholarship for the Best Principals' Program. This is a very prestigious award and Mr Goh will be visiting schools in the UK to observe and learn from their best practice. The Merrylands East Public School staff congratulate Mr Goh on this achievement.

We have now completed our Kindergarten Orientation program and were pleased with the number of parents who were able to attend with their children. If you know anyone who has a child who turns five before 31st July 2020, please ask them to visit the office for some more information on Kindergarten enrolment. Please be aware that if the child is born between 1st January 2015 and 31st July 2015, parents have the option to keep them at home for another year and begin their schooling in 2021.

We have only four weeks left of the school year and as always it is a very busy time. The Year 6 Graduation Ceremony and dinner is an important event for our Year 6 students and will be held on Wednesday 4th December this year. All parents, carers and family members are invited to attend the Graduation Ceremony which will be held in the school hall starting at 8.30am. This is a special event and momentous occasion when we get to celebrate the achievements of all the Year 6 students before their attention turns to their future learning which begins at high school. The Graduation Dinner at Club Merrylands is an event for the students and staff only. At this event the students are able to enjoy each other's company and look back at the good times they have enjoyed together at Merrylands East. I'd like to thank Club Merrylands for their continued support of our school and this event.

The day before our Graduation Ceremony is High School Orientation Day. If your Year 6 child is attending a NSW Government High School, they are expected to attend the orientation day for the high school they are attending in 2020. This is an important day and I urge all our Year 6 students to attend.

The bushfires that are burning throughout the country are causing distress and heartache to many people across Australia. Even though we are nowhere near the fires, we are being affected by the smoke and we are making decisions to keep our students indoors when the air quality is very poor. I sincerely hope the conditions improve soon and send my very best wishes to all those who have been directly affected by the fires during the past few weeks. I think everybody would agree that the firefighters have done an outstanding job and they all deserve a medal for their selfless dedication to our bush fire affected communities.

Mr Goh will return to school next week just in time to participate in all our end of year celebrations. Recognising our students and their achievements is one of the most enjoyable things we get to do and we hope you, as parents and family of our students will help celebrate with us.

Jennifer Noble
Relieving Principal

Awards

Merit Awards

ES1 Red & Yellow

Hunain M
Alamdar-Abbas F

S1 Blue

Sophia D

S1 Burgundy & Fuschia

Abiha W
Dre W
Azada Y

S1 Silver

Mezhgan A

S1 Ruby & Violet

Sulaiman F
Cody P

S2 Rose & Wisteria

Mustafa F
John K
Husna S
Agampreet N

S2 Denim

S2 Teal

Layla E
Cecilia S

Stage 3 Magenta, Lime & Crimson

Jawed A Tianyu W

5 Class Awards

Jawed A

Banners

Ayah E
Maitreyi P
Ozan H

Mandy H
Jawed A



P&C News

The P&C **Annual General Meeting** (AGM) was held on Thursday 7th November, 2019. The new committee members are:

President: Sharyn Orel
Vice President: Danielle Forbes
Treasurer: Leonie Forster

Merrylands East Public School would like to thank the outgoing committee for their dedication and commitment to the students of our school.



School sport

PSSA

PSSA T-ball and Softball this week.

Games for Friday 22nd November

T-Ball - against Guildford West at Granville Park

Softball - against Lidcombe at Granville Park

NO bus fare required this week

Games for Friday 29th November

Semi Final week. Venue to be announced. Coaches will notify teams if they have made the semi-finals and whether bus fare is required.

PSSA TRAINING

PSSA T-Ball and Softball training will only continue for teams that make the semi-finals or finals.



Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be closed on Wednesday, 4th December, 2019.

The regular hours for the Uniform Shop are:

Mondays: 7.45am - 8.15am

Wednesdays: 7.45am - 8.15am

Fridays: 7.45am - 8.15am

Extended opening hours:

Term 4, 2019

Monday 16th December: 7.45am - 8.30am
Tuesday 17th December: 7.45am - 8.30am
Wednesday 18th December: 7.45am - 8.30am

Term 1, 2020

Wednesday 29th January: 7.45am - 9.00am
Thursday 30th January: 7.45am - 9.00am
Friday 31st January: 7.45am - 9.00am
Monday 3rd February: 7.45am - 9.00am
Tuesday 4th February: 7.45am - 9.00am
Wednesday 5th February: 7.45am - 9.00am
Thursday 6th February: 7.45am - 9.00am
Friday 7th February: 7.45am - 9.00am

Year 6 Graduation Ceremony

Family and friends are invited to the Year 6 Graduation Ceremony.

Wednesday 4th December, 2019

8.30am

MEPS Assembly Hall

This ceremony celebrates student's achievements and reflects on their journey through primary school. Year 6 and their families always enjoy sharing their memories of their time at MEPS through the video and photo presentations shown at the ceremony.



Year 6 reflections on graduating:

"I feel a little sad about graduating but also excited. I feel sad because I have to leave my friends but excited because I get to experience high school." - Amelia F

"I feel a bit sad about leaving MEPS. I want to encourage myself to go to high school to learn new things and make new friends. My high school is Arthur Phillip. They've nearly finished a big, new building and I'm excited to see it." - Amir M

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

Year 6 students are invited to the

- Year 6 Farewell Dinner -

Date: Wednesday 4th December

Time: 6 - 8 pm

Venue: Merrylands Bowling Club
Newman Street, Merrylands

Dress code: Roaring 1920s or Gala

All permission notes and acceptances must be returned to Miss Mirzaee by 20th November.

Year 6 reflections on their farewell dinner:

"I feel lots of joy for the dinner because everyone gets to gather around and enjoy each other's company and have fun. I think it's a really wild theme and it's very creative and pumps you up." - Yasna R

"I feel good about the dinner because the whole class is just sitting together, having fun and not studying. I really like the theme because it's cool and you get to wear formal clothes." - Shivam P



Presentation Day

This year's Annual Presentation Day will be held on

Thursday, 28th November, 2019

8.30am

MEPS Assembly Hall

The Annual Presentation Day Assembly celebrates the achievements of our students throughout the year. Several awards will be presented to students on this special day and Kindergarten will be sharing a memorable performance with us.

Family and friends are invited to attend this day and celebrate with the staff and students of Merrylands East Public School.

Congratulations Mrs Noble and Ms Greig

Congratulations to Mrs Noble and Ms Greig on receiving the "Award for Excellence in Education" for their work as Deputy Principal Instructional Leaders at the Australian College of Educators 60th Anniversary Dinner.



Volunteer Morning Tea

On Monday the 25th November, MEPS will be holding its annual morning tea to thank our wonderful volunteers.

If you have volunteered in the classroom, the canteen or the P&C and have not yet received your invitation please see the office staff.



Mr Goh in London

Mr Goh was honoured to receive a place in the 2019 Scholarships for our Best Principals Program. This is a prestigious program with a rigorous selection process so MEPS is very proud of Mr Goh for being selected.

The Scholarship Program is a recognition of the NSW Department of Education's highly experienced principals and presents a wonderful opportunity to grow in leadership knowledge and then share this leadership development with other principals and aspiring principals.

The first stage of the Scholarship Program has Mr Goh undertaking a course at the University College London followed by visits to several London schools. We look forward to hearing about his adventures when he returns next week.

Vauxhall Primary School



Stage 1 excursion

Stage 1 students recently participated in an excursion to the Seymour Centre to hear the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. The excursion supported the music component of their Creative Arts program while fostering an appreciation of music.

The students participated in a fun challenge to solve the mystery of what happened to the composer. The whole orchestra was a suspect in this hilarious whodunit that was especially created for children.



Bring your hat to school each day

It is very important for every student to have a hat at school each day. The sun in Australia is very strong so to protect our skin and eyes an appropriate hat is necessary. Hats should be worn during recess and sport.



Highlands Primary School

