Today I was very proud to be part of the Maroubra Junction Public School family. I was fortunate enough to be invited to two very important events;

1. **NAIDOC commemorations at La Perouse PS** where our Year 6 students learnt about the significance of NAIDOC week and the cultural identity of Aboriginal Australia. Our students sat beautifully in an assembly, had a fantastic lunch and were immersed in a range of activities with the La Pa students. What a great day, thanks to Mr Elletson for the invite and to the whole La Perouse community for making us feel so welcome. Thanks also to our wonderful teachers Miss Noble, Miss Saunig, Miss Tulip and Mrs Katon and to our beautiful Year 6 students who represented the school with respect and dignity.

2. **Term 2 BAND CONCERT** hosted by our band company Directions in Music. A fantastic repertoire of music from the Junior Band, Senior Band, trumpet and saxophone ensembles and individual piano excellence showcasing the talent here at MJPS. Learning a musical instrument has so many benefits for your life in terms of teamwork, perseverance, increased memory, coordination and mathematical skills, and I thank all of our students for getting involved in the Arts. A sensational concert, attended by many parents who I’m sure were all impressed with how far the students have come in 2014. Keep up the great work kids!

Two wonderful events that make me very proud of Public Education and the work we do here at Maroubra Junction Public School. Well done to all involved.

**Athletics Carnival**

What a fantastic day we had yesterday at our Primary Athletics Carnival. In cold and windy conditions, the students were sensational with many personal bests achieved on the day. A big thanks to Mr Wiblen, Miss Carlon and the team for all their organisation, to the parents who supported the students on the day and to our beautiful kids for such amazing efforts. Well done, MJPS!

Enjoy your holidays, I hope you spend quality time with family and friends and return on the 15th July safe and ready for an action packed term three.

**Matt Ackerman**

Principal (rel)
BYOD (repeat)

The student and parent surveys for BYOD will close at the end of the term. For students who haven’t accessed the survey yet, please go to your email. For parents, please click on the link below. To date 62 parents have completed the survey, and we would like as many as possible to have their say. The parent survey has raised a few issues which we will address in a parent meeting next term before making a decision on the future of this strategy.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SSDXRMZ

Stage 3 Debating Team

On Tuesday 17th June, the Year 5 and 6 debating team debated against Woollahra PS at Glenmore Road PS. Unfortunately Elana T was not able to attend because she was sick with the flu. Even though Elana did not attend the debate she still played an important part. She still sent lots of information over to Joey, who was originally the fourth speaker but had to step up to being third speaker on the day. We are very thankful that Elana is on our Year 5 debating team and if it wasn’t for her sharing and emailing us her great ideas we may have had a different outcome.

By Joey H 5L

School Banking

Congratulations to all those students who banked in term 2. We had record numbers of depositors banking each week! We have some new rewards on offer in term 3, so keep depositing and collecting your tokens. For those who are wondering how school banking works, there’s lots of information on the website https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/youth-students/school-banking-program.html

Don’t forget, Tuesday is banking day! Davina.

Year 2 Visit Loftus Tram Museum

All people should visit the Tramway Museum to see and experience how interesting and fun trams really are. Firstly, you can learn all about how people lived in Sydney a long time ago. This is very important because Sydney is our home. Also, Mr McCallum who volunteers at the museum will teach you how trams are a sustainable form of transport for people who need to travel. Secondly, you can practice your drawing skills with a friend and copy a real life tram. This helps you learn how to work in a pair and cooperate with different people and make new friends. Finally, you can have a new experience by riding on two old trams, which is awesome and exciting! It is obvious that the Loftus Tramway Museum is a great place where people of all ages learn and have a great time with their friends.

Exposition written by 2B

Arts @ MJPS

NIDA success

Congratulations to Robert P (6N) who recently auditioned for a part in a NIDA production called Rice Paper Tales. Robert has been told he was successful, and will be doing a workshop over the holidays to work on this production at NIDA.

Dance Workshop

Students in Years 3-6 from NSW Public Schools are invited to apply to take part in Dance Workshop. The Dance Workshops are aimed at all students interested in dance regardless of ability levels.

Date: Wednesday 16 July 2014
Time: 8:45 am - 3:00 pm
Cost: $70 for a full day of dance under the guidance and supervision of Department of Education and Communities dance teachers and professionals.

Please fill in an online form so that an Acceptance Package can be emailed to you, once the information has been processed.

Playground Message of Week (Week 9)

Play in the correct areas.
During play times, no play in out of bounds areas. (near library including inside building, near flagpole, behind Greek room, behind sports container, near Care Centre, the car park, stairs, upstairs on balcony near classrooms).
Extra equipment
Spiky balls - play with on Grass Court and paddock.
No skipping ropes this week as not all of them have been returned. If children find any skipping ropes, please return to 4G classroom.
SPORTS INFORMATION

Last week’s results

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Netball

Juniors v Matraville SS

A : WON                Whole Team
B : WON                Whole Team

Seniors v Matraville SS

A : LOST                Lola P
B : WON                Clare L

There will be no sport this Friday

Sport will resume in Week 1, Friday 18 July

Athletics Carnival

Chilly temperatures and icy cold winds were not enough to dampen the spirits of MJPS athletes at our primary athletics carnival. Hensley Athletic Field played host to over 300 students who competed in track and field events. It was great to see such fierce athletic competition combined with excellent sportsmanship from our students. Congratulations to all the students who participated and a big thank you to the staff and parents who assisted on the day. The carnival couldn’t run without you!

Listed below is the link to the first four placegetters in each event. Students who have been **bolded** have qualified for the Zone carnival to be held over two days (Friday 8 and 15 of August).—Mr Wiblen

https://www.smore.com/ts8jg

Stay safe these holidays

*Keep our kids safe near roads*

School holiday time is a great opportunity for families to have conversations with their children about road safety. Here are some important tips for families to talk about.

- Hold your child’s hand while in the car park, on the footpath and when crossing the road. Children should hold an adult’s hand up until they are eight years old.
- **Stop, Look, Listen, and Think!**
- Always buckle up in your seatbelt and follow the national child restraint laws for 0-7 year olds.
- Help your child exit the car using the rear passenger door on the footpath side.

Ensure your child wears a helmet and rides in a safe place away from the road while on a bike, scooter or skateboard.

Thousands of families will be on the roads setting off on road trips these holidays. As more people use our roads, it increases the risk of road trauma!

Here are some useful road safety tips to make sure your family’s journey is a safe one:

- Set off on a long trip feeling refreshed. Sleep well before travelling.
- Drive at times you’d normally be awake. Take a 15 minute break outside your car every two hours.
- Observe the speed limit and drive to the conditions. Take your time and enjoy the scenery.
- Eat well balanced meals at regular times. You need the energy for brain activity and concentration while driving.
- Secure your mobile in a fixed cradle mount and operate hands free or via Bluetooth only.

Pack some quiet activities for the children such as portable DVD players, books, small computer games, portable music player with headphones.

Visit the Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW for more information about keeping safe on or near roads.


Have a happy & safe holiday
Uniform Shop

Uniform Stock
Long sleeved polos are finally on their way to school! We are expecting them by Thursday at the latest.

EFTPOS facilities
We are happy to announce that the Uniform Shop is entering the 21st Century and will have an EFTPOS machine in Term 3!
With that convenience to parents comes some inevitable charges:
• If you pay by credit card (VISA or Mastercard only), you will pay a $2 fee per order.
• If you pay by debit card, you will pay a $1 fee per order.
• If you later need a refund / exchange, these will be done by cash only, but the original charges will not be refunded.

Please remember we are all volunteers working in the shop so we want to ensure the transition is easy and manageable. We also need to make sure that costs coming from our bank are covered. Thanks for your understanding in this regard.
You can always still pay by cash and cheque - these options are not going away!
An updated order form has been drawn up to incorporate the new payment option. A copy of the new form can be seen by clicking here.

Entertainment Book Fundraiser
The new 2014 | 2015 Sydney and Sydney North Entertainment™ Memberships are available now and packed with thousands of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers.
This year you have the choice between the Entertainment™ Book Membership and the new Entertainment™ Digital Membership!

From every Entertainment™ Membership we sell, 20% goes towards our fund-raising.

The more Entertainment™ Memberships we sell, the more we raise.

For just $70, you’ll receive over $20,000 worth of valuable offers.
Use just a few of these offers and you’ll more than cover the cost of your Entertainment™ Membership.

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P&C Executive positions from this November
After two years of service to MJPS, the current Exec will be stepping down at the AGM to be held early in Term 4. It has been an exciting and rewarding experience for us all and we are very proud of helping to deliver many initiatives, including:
• the Centenary celebration last year which truly brought the school community together;
• an upgraded playground all our kids are taking full advantage of (including our lovely new turf); and
• improved communication between the school and parents through use of a new look newsletter, emails and website.

Anyone interested in nominating for an Executive role (or voting for a nomination!) must be a current P&C member. With only 3 meetings left before the AGM, now is the time to come along and join up.

There are 5-6 potential roles to fill. Don’t be shy if you have ideas of your own or friends you think could work together. Take the opportunity to get involved because it really is good fun, while helping our school and our kids benefit from the best possible facilities and opportunities.

An explanation of what the roles involve can be found by clicking here. You are also welcome to email mjpspandc@gmail.com with any questions. Don’t worry: we will all be here at MJPS next year and look forward to supporting the incoming Exec for 2015 with plenty of guidance, documentation and manpower!

See you in Term 3
Wishing you all a wonderful restful Winter break and look forward to seeing you in the playground next term.

Leigh Marshall, Vice-President
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