Welcome to Term 2

I trust that all students and families had a restful break and caught up with friends and family over the two weeks. Here at school we have had air conditioning installed in the Year 6 classrooms and planted new bushes around the Kiss’n’Go area. This project was designed and implemented by one of our fantastic mums, Sophie. Once they get growing they will make the area a much softer and more inviting place to wait. Thanks Sophie. All staff are excited and ready to go for Term 2.

School Uniforms

With the recent cold and wintery snap, many parents have been asking what to do with school uniform.

As parents, the school asks that you dress your children in appropriate clothing for the weather of the day. All students should be in Winter uniform on Monday 4 May and beyond. Until then, parents are permitted to decide whether Summer or Winter uniform is appropriate. Tuesday 28 April is our school photos and Summer uniform MUST be worn on this day. If your child has sport on Tuesday they are also to come in normal Summer uniform for the photos.

With wet weather gear, gumboots and raincoats are fine to wear to school but need to be taken off once in the classroom. Please ensure school shoes are packed in the school bag.

ANZAC Commemorations

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings. On Thursday, Mrs Pierce and myself will accompany Cyrus and Natasha, our School Captains, to the RSL and Schools Remember ANZAC Commemoration Service at Hyde Park. We will also meet Mr Elletson and the La Perouse leaders and pay our respects at this most important service.

At 1.45pm in the School Hall, Years 2 to 6 will participate in the Maroubra Junction ANZAC service. This will be led by our student leaders and will feature a tribute to the relatives of our students and staff that have enlisted in the armed forces over the years. Parents are welcome to join us for this special event.

Have a great week everyone.

Matt Ackerman
Principal (rel)
School Photos

Our 2015 school photo day has been scheduled for Tuesday 28 April.
Pre order envelopes were sent home today for all children. Envelopes will need to be returned to your child’s class teacher by photo day.
If you also require a sibling photo to be taken, please collect a separate family order envelope from the front office.

Banking

Welcome back to school banking, well done to everyone remembered to bank on the first day back. Today we processed 42 deposits for over $550. Last term your combined banking efforts contributed over $400 in commissions directly to the school, we’ll be asking bankers to vote this term on a wish list from Mr Ackerman regarding what we will buy for the school. If you’d like to be part of the school banking team meet us in the office around 9am on Tuesday mornings.

Book Bonus 2015

Well done to Jake and Sophia who between them have already raised nearly $600 in books for our school. To reach the team target of $3000 they need your support. Students that raise $200 receive a book of their own and a full $200 worth of books for the school – join the team or make a donation now – every dollar you donate equals a dollar for the school.
Press the Give Now button on the team page to donate or press the Join Team button to really make a contribution. Huge thanks for your support.

Cake Stall

Year 6 will be holding a cake stall on Thursday 30th April at recess. Individual cakes, biscuits and slices will be on sale.
Prices from 50c to $2.50.
Bring along some pocket money and buy a special treat!
All money raised goes towards the Year 6 Farewell.

Sports Information

PSSA Winter Sport Trials
Trials for rugby league, soccer and netball will be postponed until Friday 24 April, weather permitting.
Please ensure that students wishing to trial bring the appropriate sports uniform and equipment.
Mouth guards will be required to trial for rugby league as some tackling will be involved.

Sports Star

Congratulations to Chase D (5G) who won both the Tasmanian State Age Silver Tennis Championship AND the Tasmanian State Age Gold Tennis Championships over the holidays!
Welcome back to school everyone. I hope everyone is staying safe this week as we are hit with ferocious weather.

**P&C Meeting**

Come along to our first meeting of Term 2 to be held on Thursday 7th May at 7pm in the library. At this meeting the school's wish list will be further discussed. The school is requesting that the P&C contribute $40,000 to the installation of artificial turf on the landscape area. The installation of the turf will provide more useable space for our children and meet the needs of our growing school. We will also be discussing issues we are having with the staffing of the Uniform Shop on Tuesdays and a way forward.

**Easter Raffle, BBQ and Mufti**

Thank you to all our families who donated items for our Easter Raffle prizes and to those who purchased tickets. We had 17 raffle prizes and every child (& teachers & staff!) in the school also received an Easter egg, courtesy of the Easter Bunny. We also donated eggs to our sister school La Perouse. Through your generosity, we have collected over $3,400, which will continue to support all our children. Thanks to all those involved.

The last 2 weeks of Term 1 were very busy. Without your support we would not have achieved the success we did. Our election BBQ raised in excess of $2900 and coupled with the Easter Raffle and Mufti Day brings the total funds raised in the last weeks of Term 1 to over $7,000. Thanks to all those involved.

**Mothers Day**

The Mothers Day stall will be held on Friday of Week 3, 8th May. The P&C has purchased a variety of gorgeous gifts for kids to buy for $5, $7 and one gift selection for $10. The kids love choosing a special present to spoil their mum, so please send your child to school on Friday 8 May with a shopping bag and $5-$10 to spend. Lots of helpers are needed to set up and sell from 8.30am to 11am on the Friday morning. If you are able to help out please email Karen at mjpsevents@gmail.com.

**Entertainment Books**

In previous years, the P&C have sold Entertainment Books with proceeds going back to the school. We would like to continue this again. If you are interested in running this please email mjpspandc@gmail.com if you would like more details.

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**Uniform Shop**

**Days and hours - Term 2 2015**

Due to a lack of parent volunteers for Tuesday afternoons, FROM WEEK 2, the shop will only be open on FRIDAY mornings, until further notice. It will also be open every Friday at 8.45am-9.15am, as per usual.

If you cannot make it to the shop on Fridays, please fill out a form available at the school office or online. Your order will be processed as soon as possible, as per normal practice. [http://www.maroubrajn-p.schoo]lsl.nsw.edu.au/our-school/uniform-shop

Thank you for your understanding. If anyone is wiling to assist in the shop, please email mjpsuniformshop@gmail.com. Thanks to Kiran Thwaites for organising the roster during this challenging period.

**SUMMER UNIFORM / WINTER CHANGE IN TERM 2**

Your child has the choice to wear their summer uniform up until Tuesday, April 28th, which is school photo day (when they must wear summer uniform). From Monday 4th May they are to wear their WINTER uniform.

Karen Birrell, President mjpspandc@gmail.com
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