

# Newsletter

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## Easter Hat Parade

Just a reminder to start thinking about your Easter hats for **Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March**. The Easter Hat Parade will start at 9.00 am.



## Bluebirds - Science

During this term the Bluebirds class has been leaning about 'Day and Night' for their Science unit. As part of the study the Bluebirds had to construct an Aboriginal shelter for night time.



## Good Friday/Easter Monday

Next week **Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March** and the following **Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> March** will be Easter public holidays.

### Long Service Leave

Mr Egan will be on long service leave from Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March returning on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> May.

*Ms Phelps*

PRINCIPAL

### Clean Up Schools Day

The students did a wonderful job cleaning up around our school on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> March as part of 'Clean Up Schools Day'. Students searched every corner of the school and filled up lots of bags with rubbish! Well done everyone, our school grounds look lovely.

### Harmony Day

It's Harmony Day next Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> March! This year, students are encouraged to wear traditional national costumes from around the world. Families are invited to attend our special Harmony Day assembly to be held at 9am under the shade cloth. The P&C have organised a delicious Mexican theme lunch order for the day. Ensure you have your lunch order and money in by Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March or you will miss out! We can't wait to see everyone's costumes!



### SPORT NEWS

Nicholas has been busy representing our school at various regional trials over the past couple of weeks. He went to the Rugby League trials on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March and the AFL trials on 8<sup>th</sup> March. Nic was successful in gaining a place on the PSSA Hunter Region AFL team!! Well done, Nic! What a fabulous achievement - everyone is very proud of you. We wish you all the best at the state finals!

### Cross Country

Our in-school cross country run was held on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March. The students trained in fitness sessions leading up to the event and the teachers were so impressed by the students' performance on the day. Everyone tried their best and ran lots of laps around the track. Well done! Thank you to the parents who helped out on the day and to the P&C for providing oranges and water for our athletes. The Port Stephen's Zone Cross Country will be held next term. Students will be notified if they have qualified to represent our school at Zone Cross Country closer to the event.

*Cathy Bray*

Hawks Class Teacher and Sport Coordinator

### P & C News

#### P & C REMINDERS

- \*\* Harmony Day lunch orders are due in by this Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> March.
- \*\* \$2 for Easter celebration is due in by this Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March.

#### SAVE THE DATE

Millers Forest Public School P&C will be hosting  
*Cinema under the Stars!*  
Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> April.  
Free entry!

#### P & C MEETINGS FOR 2016

- Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April
- Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May
- Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June
- Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August
- Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September
- Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> November
- Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December

Meetings will be held at 9am and are subject to change at any time if they interfere with normal school routine.

## *Important Dates to Remember*

<b>Book Club Due</b>	Wednesday <b>16<sup>th</sup> March, 2016</b>
<b>High School – Expression of Interest Forms Due Back</b>	Friday <b>18<sup>th</sup> March, 2016</b>
<b>Harmony Day</b>	Monday <b>21<sup>st</sup> March, 2016</b>
<b>Easter Celebrations</b>	Thursday <b>24<sup>th</sup> March, 2016</b>
<b>Good Friday Public Holiday</b>	Friday <b>25<sup>th</sup> March, 2016</b>
<b>Easter Monday Public Holiday</b>	Monday <b>28<sup>th</sup> March, 2016</b>
<b>Last Day of Term 1</b>	Friday <b>8<sup>th</sup> April, 2016</b>
<b>Staff Development Day</b>	Tuesday <b>26<sup>th</sup> April, 2016</b>
<b>Students Return to School</b>	Wednesday <b>27<sup>th</sup> April, 2016</b>

## *Assembly Awards*

<b>Week 6 – Term 1</b>	
<b>Principal's Award</b>	<b>Eleanor</b> – Being a great role model.
<b>Citizenship Award</b>	<b>Malcolm</b> – Helping teachers & other students.
<b>Rainbow Lorikeets Awards</b>	<b>Crystal</b> – Counting on from the biggest number. <b>Matty</b> – Outstanding knowledge of friends of 20.
<b>Bluebirds Awards</b>	<b>Joe</b> – An enthusiastic attitude towards maths lessons. <b>Chloe W</b> – Humorous writing in the perspective of a crayon.
<b>Hawks Awards</b>	<b>Riley R</b> – An excellent effort in narrative writing. <b>Stephanie</b> – A conscientious effort in all activities.
<b>Assembly Award</b>	<b>Michael</b> – Great singing.
<b>Playground Award</b>	<b>Nic</b> – Always displaying sportsmanship.
<b>Fitness Award</b>	<b>Evan</b> – A great effort in touch football.

## *Assembly Awards*

<b>Week 7 – Term 1</b>	
<b>Principal's Award</b>	<b>Blake</b> – Always trying his best with all work.
<b>Citizenship Award</b>	<b>Ally</b> – Being friendly and caring to all students.
<b>Rainbow Lorikeets Awards</b>	<b>Isaac</b> – Massive improvement in his writing. <b>Jade</b> – Quality work.
<b>Bluebirds Awards</b>	<b>Imogen</b> – Wonderful creative ideas to complete her imaginative writing task in the perspective of a snail. <b>Corben</b> – Having a fantastic week & completing quality work.
<b>Hawks Awards</b>	<b>James</b> – Clever observations in science. <b>Naomi</b> – Displaying a positive attitude and maturity.
<b>Mr Egan's Awards</b>	<b>Rhiannon</b> – Helping others in need, kind, caring behaviour. <b>Matilda</b> – Exploring & recording friends of 10. <b>Trey</b> – Recording friends of 20 number sentences.
<b>Art Award</b>	<b>Tayisha</b> – Excellent planning of art work.
<b>Playground Award</b>	<b>Katie</b> – Making others feel included by extending an invitation to play games.
<b>Fitness Award</b>	<b>James &amp; Riley F</b> – Coming first in cross country.
<b>Assembly Award</b>	<b>Imogen</b> – Beautiful singing.
<b>Q Award</b>	<b>Stephanie</b>



Private, In-Home Tutoring

Grades K-6

Reading Skills / Math Skills / Organisational Skills / Help with Projects and Test Preparation

I am a 2015 Higher School Certificate Graduate from All Saints College, Maitland. I charge affordable rates with the first consultation being free. Please contact me and together we can help your child reach their full potential!

Bethany Mate 0403 143211

# Kiwanis

[www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)

KIWANIS CLUB OF EAST MAITLAND  
DISTRICT OF AUSTRALIA  
Andrew Swanson 0409 122 177



**Proceeds will go towards projects at local schools**

Come along to the annual East Maitland Kiwanis Club trivia night. Original questions are aimed at all abilities and types of knowledge. All are welcome!

Notes: Tables generally consist of 8 members (maximum 10 per team - if there are 12, make 2 teams of 6). We can still organise a team for you on the night if you don't have a full team. You may bring snacks to place on your table, but will have to purchase all drinks.

**Great Prizes! Good Fun! Support a local charity!**



**I Knew That !**



**Date: Saturday, 9 April 2016 Time: 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm start**

**Venue: East's Sports and Leisure Club (Maitland Golf Club)  
Tenambit St, East Maitland**

**Cost: \$15 per head**

Advance notice of attendance will be helpful to allow for setting up room and securing your team a table (phone 0409 122 177). Suggest you come along and have dinner in the bistro at the club beforehand to support the club that is supporting us! Bookings for the restaurant are recommended.



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# MY BIG FAT GREEK WEDDING 2

**The original cast is back in this hilarious movie.**

**After spending most of their time focusing on their troubling teenage daughter, Toula and Ian are facing marital problems while also having to deal with yet another Greek wedding - this time, even bigger and fatter.**

**Starring:** John Corbett  
Nia Vardalos  
John Stamos  
Rita Wilson

**WHEN:** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March  
6.00 pm for 6.45pm start

**WHERE:** READING CINEMAS  
Ken Tubman Drive Maitland

**DETAILS:** \$25.00 per person  
includes welcome drink  
Movie Ticket  
Delicious Canapés