

Newsletter

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Movie Night

Movie Night is on this Friday night, 29th April. Please come along and enjoy the fun and a great **free** movie **Epic** on the big screen. Don't forget to bring a chair or beanbag to sit on.



A.N.Z.A.C. School Service

Thank you to Wendy Wilkinson for providing the wreath for our school A.N.Z.A.C. service and the Dawn Service on Monday. Thank you to our leaders for a most moving service. Our guest speaker James Carter spoke about the significance of the Poppy and Rosemary which was most informative.

Students also enjoyed a special cupcake and drink at recess. The commemorative penny is a great keepsake for students.



P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 3rd May at 9.00am**. All are welcome to attend.

Attendance

Please note if your child/children are absent from school we require a written explanation. We are required to contact you if your child is away for two days or more. If a reminder is sent home from the office about an absence, please complete the slip and return.

Term Two - Ten Weeks

This term is a ten week term. The last day of term is Friday, 1st July. Students then have two weeks winter holidays and resume back at school on **Tuesday, 19th July** for third term.

Parent Interviews

In week ten of this term parents will receive a written report on their child/children's progress. The parent/teacher interviews will be held separately this year. Each class teacher will send home a schedule of times for the interviews. Mr Walker's class interviews will take place on Wednesday, 18th May. Mrs Avery's interviews will be on Thursday, 19th May and Mrs Bray's interviews will be held on Friday, 20th May.

Winter Uniform

Students are please asked to wear their winter school uniform in terms two and three.

New Front Gate

Millers Forest Public School staff, students and parents would like to thank the Humphrey's family for their generous donation of a new front gate. This is very much appreciated.



Working Bee

Thank you to those families who so kindly donated their time to complete some much needed work around the playground over the holidays. We now have new garden surrounds in the front garden area, a freshly painted wall, slashed grass around our school sign on Raymond Terrace Road and a new climbing wall for our Sensory Garden. Parents will plant a passionfruit vine on the metal wall to continue the beauty in our garden area.

Leo Jordan

Our General Assistant, Leo Jordan has had his operation during the school holidays and the procedure was very successful. Leo is still in the John Hunter Hospital recovering. We have sent him some flowers to wish him well.

Guitar Tuition

Students in Years 1 to 6 will be doing guitar lessons again this term. The cost of the lessons is **\$45.00 per student** and is due for payment to the school office by **Tuesday, 17th May**.

C. Phelps

PRINCIPAL

ANZAC Ceremony

Thank you to the students who represented our school magnificently at the Beresfield ANZAC Day dawn service. It was wonderful to see so many of our students at the ceremony. Well done to Nic who read 'A Prayer For Peace' at the service and to Tayisha who read her ANZAC essay.



Congratulations to Tayisha who won the Beresfield R.S.L. ANZAC Essay & Poem Competition. Congratulations also to Naomi, who came second. Well done, girls.

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Thank you to all the families who sent in the Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers. Our school has benefitted with many new Maths, Science, Literacy and playground resources!



Fun Run

Our School Fun Run will be held on Thursday, 19th May after our morning assembly. Families are invited to come along and support our students and even join in the run! Sponsorship forms were sent home before the holidays. Thank you to the families who have been busy fundraising for the event. The proceeds will go towards new learning resources for our students. Sponsorship forms and money are due back to the office on or before 23rd May, 2016. You can also take advantage of online fundraising by creating a student profile page at schoolfunrun.com.au. See the sponsorship form for more details.



Sport

Students thoroughly enjoyed their Touch Football sessions last term. This term students will be doing tennis for Sport with a qualified coach from Maitland Tennis Centre. Millers Forest Public School has again been successful in gaining a grant through 'Sporting Schools' to run our Sport program so there will be no cost to students for the tennis program.



Zone Cross Country

The Port Stephen's Zone Cross Country will be on Friday, 6th May at Lakeside Sporting Complex. Congratulations to the students selected to represent our school at the event: Malcolm, Haydan, Eddie, Monique, Riley F, Eleanor, Stephanie, Kaiden, Tyrone, Ryley B, James & Nic. Please send in completed permission notes to Mrs Bray or the office as soon as possible if you haven't already done so. If any students are unable to go, please let Mrs Bray or the office know. We wish our athletes all the best for the event!

Athletics Carnival

Please be advised that the Small School's Athletics Carnival is to be held at Woodberry Oval on Friday, 27th May. More information will be provided nearer to the event.

Cathy Bray

Hawks Class Teacher and Sports Coordinator

<i>Assembly Awards</i>	
Week 11 – Term 1	
Principal's Award	Axel – Improved maths work.
Citizenship Award	Evan – Being a terrific role model.
Rainbow Lorikeets Awards	Shelby – Growing in confidence as a writer. Matilda – Amazing development of reading skills.
Bluebirds Awards	Eddie – Always giving 100% in the classroom. Kiara – Excellent independent work during maths.
Hawks Awards	Eleanor – Excellent research and presentation of her science project. Stephanie – A thoroughly researched and beautifully presented science project.
Art Award	Haydan – Improved art work.
Playground Award	Charlotte – Being considerate to others.
Fitness Award	Ally – 'Having a Go' in soccer.
Assembly Award	Jade – Good behaviour in assembly.

Important Dates to Remember

Cinema Under the Stars	Friday 29th April, 2016
P & C Meeting	Tuesday 3rd May, 2016
Zone Cross Country	Friday 6th May, 2016
Book Club Due	Monday 9th May, 2016
NAPLAN Years 3 & 5	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10th, 11th & 12th May, 2016. (Testing in Bluebirds room.)
Guitar Payment Due	Tuesday 17th May, 2016
Parent Teacher Interviews	Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 18th, 19th & 20th May, 2016
School Fun Run	Thursday 19th May, 2016
Fun Run Money Due	Monday 23rd May, 2016
Small Schools Athletics Carnival	Friday 27th May, 2016

