## Calendar

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<td>Staff Development Day</td>
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### Principal’s Message

As this is our last newsletter for Term 1, I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Easter break (in a couple of weeks!) As I walk around from classroom to classroom, I am continually impressed at the level of engagement of our students in their learning.

### Working Bee – Thank You

I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the families and staff that spent the day planting, mulching and building. A special thank you to:

- Mrs Boase
- Miss Minenko and Lachie
- Mr and Mrs Martin and Jess
- Mr Jarman
- Mr Vimalan
- Mrs Vani
- Mrs Agnihotri
- Mr Parks
- Mr and Mrs Gauci
- Mrs Dollin
- Mrs Quince
- Mr Sanders
- Mr and Mrs Torrisi

Scenes from a wonderful day!
Play Equipment
I would like to remind parents that students are not allowed to play on the equipment before and after school as we do not have teachers supervising.

Cornelia Road Entrance
I would also like to remind parents not to use the Cornelia Road staff car park to drop off or pick up students. This includes students attending karate lessons on a Friday.

Second Hand Clothing Stall
Our next second hand clothing stall will be run on Tuesday 8 April at 2.45pm. From Term 2 the stall will be run on the first Tuesday of each month beginning Tuesday 6 May.

Education Support Centre
Due to Parent Teacher Interviews we will not be running the Education Support Centre this week. Next Tuesday will be the last session.

Term 2
Staff will return on Monday 28 April and will be participating in the development of our school’s strategic direction for the future of this wonderful school. Parents are invited to next week’s P&C meeting to discuss and have their input in the direction Metella Road PS will head from 2015 and onwards!

Senior Dance Group
The Senior Dance Group has been rehearsing every Tuesday after school in the school hall. They have been busy preparing their Sydney West Dance audition piece, ‘Beat Again’ which tells the story of a community pulling together and helping one another through times of hardship. The girls have been working hard to learn this routine and you can see a preview performance at the K-6 Assembly in week 9. Keep practising at home girls, you are shining like stars!

Miss Jennings
Senior Dance Coordinator

From the Office
Money
Due to the end of term office procedures, NO money will be accepted after Tuesday, 8 April.

All payments for Term 1 invoices, Kindergarten Starter Packs and General School Contributions should be paid by Tuesday, 8 April. Thanking you.

ICAS Competitions
Please note that all permission notes and money for the ICAS competitions are due back on Thursday, 3 April by 12.00pm. No late entries will be accepted.

Mrs C. Ryan
School Administration Manager

Wanderers Program
It has been a wonderful term of football during the Wanderers Program. The students have been involved in a number of sessions focusing on skill development and utilising these skills in game play situations.

Mr L. Byrne
Wanderers Program Organiser

PSSA
The summer PSSA competition games will be played as follows:
Friday, 4 April
Softball vs Beresford Road PS @ Darling Street
Newcombe Ball vs Pendle Hill PS @ Metella Road PS
Cricket vs Pendle Hill PS @ Girraween Oval
T-Ball vs Beresford Road PS @ Darling Street
AFL vs Westmead PS @ Binalong Oval F4

Mrs L. Wilkinson
PSSA Sport Coordinator

MindQuest 2014
MindQuest is an exciting enrichment program designed to challenge and extend gifted and talented students from NSW primary schools. Students from Year 1 to Year 6 are invited to attend. This year Glenwood High School is hosting MindQuest on Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 June from 9.30am – 3.30pm. Students select and participate in one course over the weekend. The courses students may choose from include drama, chemistry, forensic science, mathematics, astronomy, history, marine science, robotics, digital animation, literature and art. The cost of each course is $175 and the closing date for applications is Friday 16 May 2014. If you would like further information or an application form, please contact the school.

Ms S. Curran
Coordinator

School Scripture - Easter Scripture Assembly
The Annual School Easter Scripture Assembly will be held on Wednesday, 9 April, Week 11 during normal Scripture time. If you Do Not want your child to attend this assembly please complete the slip below, cut it off and return it to Miss Diamond. Thank you!

I do not want __________________ of class _____
________________ of class _____
________________ of class _____
________________ of class _____

to attend the Easter Scripture Assembly to be held at Metella Road Public School on Wednesday, 9 April. I understand these students will be supervised elsewhere during this time.

Parent/Carer Signature     Date
MRPS Knockout Netball Team
The MRPS Knockout Netball team will be playing against Kings Langley on Friday 4 April at International Peace Park in Blacktown at 1:30pm.

The girls have been working very hard during training and it has been most rewarding to watch them grow and develop their skills as a team. I wish them the best of luck on Friday!

Mrs N. Bridges
Organiser

Parents Auxiliary News
Chocolate Fundraiser
Congratulations !!! .... to the Lucky Early Bird Prize winners, they are:- Julie V 1H, Gabriella C 5M and Dylan T 4B, enjoy your Cadbury Baskets.

A huge thank you to those who have sold and returned monies. You would have received a note regarding the Fundraiser extension to the end of Term, Friday, 11 April.

We aim to raise money to donate towards significant school purchases. With this Chocolate Fundraiser we look forward to raising funds to update technology throughout the school.

If you would like to sell more chocolates, please contact the school office.

Trivia Night
What a fantastic, fun, fabulous night! Everyone looked great and got their Tropicana on! Congrats to all the winners. We would like to thank Mr Clarke for running the Trivia Night and also to those who put aside time to come and help set up.

K-2 Easter Hat Parade
For those of you who will be attending the K-2 Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 10 April, we will have tea, coffee and cold drinks available for a donation.

Mother’s Day Stall
We would just like to let you know that our Mother’s Day Stall will be held in Term 2, Week 2 on Thursday, 8 May. The gifts will range in price from $2.00 - $5.00. A note will be sent out next term.

If anyone is available to help with the selling on the day of the stall, we would love to see you. The stall will be held under the Hall COLA from approximately 9.00am to recess.

The Good Guys – Skool is Kool
If you shop at Karl Holdsworth – The Good Guys, Prospect, mention at the PAY POINT that you want your SKOOL IS KOOL dollars to be allocated to the Metella Road Public School P & C Association. This is a great way for the P & C to get prizes and giveaways. We supported the chocolate wheel and raffle at the Spring Fete last year from this great sponsorship system. The Good Guys, Shop 17 Homebase Shopping Centre, 19 Stoddart Road, Prospect.

Entertainment Books
The sale of Entertainment Books will be available soon, more information will be forwarded in Term 2.

Happy Easter
WOW !!! How fast has this Term gone and what a great start to 2014 with fundraising. I’d like to thank all those who have helped and supported this Term and look forward to Term 2.

Next Meeting
Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 21 May at 2.00pm in the staffroom. I am sure all of you are looking forward to the holidays. Being the last newsletter for the Term, I would like to wish you all a Happy Easter, remember the Diggers on Anzac Day and have a safe, enjoyable holiday.

Alison Steele
Parents Auxiliary Convenor
Community Noticeboard

Metella Road Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest.

Metella Road Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events.

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School Holiday Gymnastics Clinics
For school aged boys and girls

Come and experience the fun and excitement of gymnastics

- Fun in a safe and structured environment
- Qualified and Professional Coaches
- Olympic Standard Equipment
- Foam Filled Landing Pits
- Trampolines
- Affiliated with Gymnastics Australia and NSW

Full Day Sessions (9.00am-3.00pm) $40.00 per day
Half Day Sessions (9.00am-12.30pm) $30.00 per session

April 14th – 17th and April 22nd – 24th

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Term 2 2014
Enrolments Now Being Taken
Classes for Boys and Girls 2 years and above

Book now on 9620 8323 or sydagym@hotmail.com
Unit 7/32 Artisan Rd Seven Hills
Unit 5/1a Gibbon Rd Winston Hills
www.sydneygymnastics.com.au

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Want ideas on raising healthy, active and happy kids?

FREE healthy lifestyle program for 7 – 13 year olds
Term 2 enrolments close 18th April
For more information or to register for the program:

Free call
1800 780 900

SMS for a call back:
0409 746 645

Register online at
www.mendcentral.org/go4fun

Who can participate?
The program has been specifically designed for children aged 7–13 years who are above a healthy weight, and their parents.

What happens on the Go4Fun® program?
The program runs for 10 weeks. Sessions are held twice a week, for 2 hours, after school. Highlights include:
- Weekly games and activities for children.
- Fun, interactive discussions to teach you easy and effective ways to improve your child’s nutrition, physical activity and self-esteem.
- Practical demonstrations, games and tips about healthy foods, label reading and portion sizes.

Why join Go4Fun®?
- FREE healthy living program to help 7-13 year olds and their families to lead healthier lives
- Make new friends
- Feel more confident and boost self-esteem
- Get fit playing fun games
- Set goals to reach and maintain a healthy weight

How to Register
Places on the program are limited, so register today and make sure you don’t miss out!

Free call 1800 780 900, sms 0409 746 645
for a call back or register online at
www.mendcentral.org/go4fun
**KIDS IN THE PARK APRIL 2014 ACTIVITIES**

**ACTIVITIES FOR ADVENTUROUS KIDS**

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| Stomp!!! | Olympic Armory | Daily (Children Past ages 7-10) | $15-
| Space Race for Kids | Olympic Armory | 16 April | $10 Or $25 For members - Discounts available to members only. |
| Urban Jungle Adventure Park | Aquatic Centre | Daily | $18 per person inc admission cost |
| Working at the Armory | Armory Visitor Centre | 16 April | $5 per person (child must attend with an adult) |

**ACTIVITIES FOR EASTER KIDS**

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