PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS
Welcome back to Term 2—what a wild start! We have had some damage around the school and for the safety of our students we have kept them indoors for the past few days. I hope there has not been much damage to the homes of our families. Unfortunately, we have not had access to the Skoolbag App, Internet and our phones were down. I apologise to the parents who believe we neglected to inform them of what was going on as we certainly made every effort through the radio stations, school sign, etc with regular updates. While phones were working we answered each call. I am quite happy to speak to anyone who believes we have not done the right thing by our students and community. We have also been working hard assessing the risks around the school to ensure the safety of our students and that all resources are functioning for smooth operations.

NAPLAN Testing
This will take place during Week 4 of this term - Monday 12th to Thursday 14th May. We wish our Year 3 & 5 students well for this annual assessment.

School Cross Country
The annual School Cross Country Carnival will take place on the school grounds on Tuesday 5th May ably organised by Mr Rath.

Speech Therapy
This term we have secured the services of All Areas Speech Pathology to work with many of our students at school. To commence with, many of our students will be screened and have reports made up by the Therapists at a cost of $35.00 per student which will be met by the school. Follow-up meetings will be held with teachers and programs will be put into place where a speech therapist will be employed to work with children every Monday. Also involved in this project will be Staff Professional Learning Sessions, a Parent Session and training of our Support Staff. It is anticipated that the whole cost of this worthwhile program will be over $20,000 for the rest of the year, which the school will cover.

Life Education Van
The Life education Van will again be at our School during Week 10 this term from the 22nd to the 25th June. I know our students are keen to catch up with Healthy Harold again.

Trivia Night
Following the success of last year’s Trivia Night we have now secured a date for this year, again to be held at Doyalson RSL. This will be on Saturday 6th June so start organising your team for this fun event.

Peter Mandroules
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 2

Term 2
Sat 25 April: ANZAC Day - Students March at Doyalson RSL
Mon 27 April: Anzac Day Ceremony
Mon 4 May: NAPLAN Year 3 & 5
Mon 18 May: SRC Grip Leadership - Newcastle
Sun 24—Tues 26 May: Future Leaders Camp - Pt Wolstonecraft
Sun 31 May: P&C Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser - Morisset
Sat 6 June: MPPS Trivia Night - Doyalson RSL
22-25 June: Life Education Van

ANZAC March
Due to the weather events and many students still not being able to make it to school, we have decided to postpone the school ANZAC commemorative service to 9:20am Monday 27th April. Parents and community members are welcome to attend. Each class will be putting together a small wreath/bunch of flowers to lay. If you have some nice flowers or foliage in your garden (that has not blown to the next suburb!!) could you please send some cuttings with your child to contribute to the class bunch. Please note, we do not expect anyone to go and purchase flowers for this.

Doyalson/Wyee RSL Club ANZAC March & Ceremony
As this is a very important anniversary for our ANZACs it would be great to see as many MPPS students attend the march at Doyalson Wyee RSL as possible. We will meet at 8:00am at the Anglican Church on Wyee Rd (just near Doyalson traffic lights) for an 8:30 march and 9:00am service. It really means a lot to our local veterans to have young people attend this ceremony. Students attending are asked to wear full school uniform, along with their ANZAC medal presented at school during term 1.

Fundraising News
Hi all, welcome back for term 2. I hope you are all as ok as possible with the storms!

Mothers Day Stall
Date: Wednesday 6 May 2015 from 9:15am. (Students will visit the stall with their class).
Donations: We appreciate donations of gifts to sell at the stall. Please leave donations at the office.
Volunteers: We need volunteers to help run the stall. Please leave a message for me at the office if you are able to help, for any amount of time, at the stall.
Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser  
Date: Sunday 31 May 2015  
Time: Anytime you can spare from 9am—4pm. (Feel free to group with your friends and let me know times that suit you). How many people do we need? We generally try to have at least 2-3 people for each shift. 3-4 people may be needed for busy times from about 9am—2pm. We try to do shifts of 2-3 hours if we have enough people. The more people we have—the shorter the shifts.  
BBQ jobs:  
• Cooking sausages and onions  
• Serving customers.  

Donations  
Another way of helping us is by donating items for the BBQ. Items may include: sausages, bread, onions, napkins, ice, sauces or drinks.  

Thanks for your support.  
Jeannette.

Canteen News  
Welcome Back!!  
Hashbrowns for sale—$1.00 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8.30am—9.00am.  
Volunteers urgently needed anytime you can spare.  
Thank you, Sam.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY  
The school cross country K-6 will be held on Tuesday May 5 at school starting at 11:30am. The Zone Cross Country will be held at Wyong Racecourse on Friday May 29, 2015.  
Mr Rath.

School Banking Rewards now available! Term 2  
The School banking program encourages good savings habits by rewarding students with awesome reward items. New rewards have just been released for Term 2, and are available while stocks last:  
• ET DVD (term 2 reward still available while stocks last)  
• Planet Handball (term 2 reward still available while stocks last)  
• Invisible Ink Martian Pens – released term 2  
• Intergalactic Rockets – released term 2

You could win a family trip to Disneyland  
In a School Banking first, students who make 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically receive one entry into the competition draw to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland. The prize includes return airfares, five nights accommodation, transfers and three days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus $10,052.00 spending money.  
For more information, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

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Mannering Park Community Hall

Wednesday - 4pm Children’s Class  
Wednesday - 5pm Teens Class  
Thursday - 9.30 am Ladies class  
PH Suzi on: 43591563 or 0412698746

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MPPS Mother’s Day Stall Fundraiser

Date: Wednesday 6 May 2015
Time: 9.15am – 1pm
(Students will visit the stall with their class)
Where: Community Room (MPPS OOSH room)

Looking for a gift for someone special for Mother’s day?

Cards & Gift bags from 50c
Gifts from $1.00

Gifts include:
- Pot Plants
- Vases
- Photo Frames
- Shower gel & body lotion gift packs
- Candles
- Soaps, cosmetics
- Pens, notebooks, address books
- Bookmarks, key rings
- Magnets & charms
- Mugs
- Tote Bags
- Puzzle Books
- Gifts for grandparents
- Bath crystals

The money raised will go towards new school resources.
Mannering Park Public School & P and C Presents.....

TRIVIA NIGHT

6.30pm Saturday 6th June 2015

Doyalson RSL

Get your friends together
$80 per table! Or join others
$10 per head

Table Bookings or
Single Bookings!

Awesome Prizes!

Silent Auction and In-between Games

Tickets available from the school office or
at the door on the night.
Limited seats and tables, so be quick!!
Enquiries: Contact the school on
4359 1184.