Term 2 – Week 2

Assembly Roster
This week’s assembly will be hosted by 5/6P

After the Storm
We are slowly getting back to normal after the storm. Leaks have been fixed, leaves and branches have been cleared and are awaiting pick up. Drains have been cleared and minor repairs have been carried out. The tree in the bottom playground is on a priority list to be removed and others in the school need high limbs removed. These areas of the playground will remain closed until this work is carried out.

Student Representative Council
Congratulations to our class representatives that received their badges yesterday. Students were elected by their classmates. These representatives, together with our year 6 students, will make up the Student Council. The group will meet each month to participate in school decision making. The skills that the students will learn as part of the process will assist them in their future role as citizen of a democratic society.

Application for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2016
Application for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2016 If your child is seeking Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2016 you must submit the application online between Monday 27 April 2015 and 15 May 2015. The application website is at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Spellcheck
Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:

Important Dates
12th – 14th May NAPLAN Testing
5th May Mother’s Day Stall
21st May School Photos
28th May K – 6 Athletics Carnival
2nd June Years 3 – 6 Athletics Field Event Carnival
10th – 12th May Starstruck
26th June End of Term 2

Girls Netball Knockout
On Wednesday 25th March, 10 girls (Hannah Capper, Lily Black, Skye Duca, Alana Burt, Ada Capper, Ella McDonald, Jessica Jarvis, Justice Bluegum, Alicia Horse and Charlotte Hill) represented our school in the netball knockout team. The girls were enthusiastic and displayed excellent sportspersonship. They played Elemore Vale and were defeated 16 to 20. The girls were down by 7 goals at 3/4 time and were only 2 behind at one stage in the final quarter. Unfortunately it is a knockout competition and they will not go through to the next round. I would like to congratulate the girls on their effort, manners and respect for the umpires and coaches. A special thank you to Mrs. Capper and Mrs Burt for giving up their time to train and umpire the girls. We really appreciate their expertise and dedication to the girls and school.

Student Representative Council

| KA  | Kiara Muxlow | Daniel Neely |
| KJ  | Lucy Manion  | Sofia Stojko |
| KW  | Sebastian Coble | Zaliah Spencer |
| 1B  | Allie Dickinson | Chloe Aitken |
| 1C  | Elyssa Smith  | Oliver James |
| 2G  | Jed Carroll   | Scarlett Price |
| 2R  | Indiana Paul  | Acacia Elers |
| 2/3D | Lana Broadbent-Miller | Hana Levey |
| 2/3T | Henri Hill    | Braedyn Kennett |
| 3C  | Nate Dickinson | Tanika Smith |
| 4T  | Ella McDonald | Kyan Waller |
| 4/5RP | Riley Black   | Tia Elers |
| 5/6M | Joshua Levey  | Levi Winter |
| 5/5P | Jessica Jarvis | Lincoln Pordage |
Lost Property
Our Lost Property bin is already full with items. Please come in and have a look for any of your children’s lost items. To help reduce lost property please clearly mark all items with your child’s name.

Library News
Premier’s Reading Challenge 2015
I’m sure many students had a chance to read lots of great books during the holidays and the subsequent wild weather (possibly by torchlight)! Some have even finished the challenge. Congratulations Ella McDonald & Phoebe Shoemark for completing the PRC - fantastic reading!
It’s not too late to enter the PRC - visit the website for all the details: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html. If you are unsure of your child’s logon & password details (the same as their school logon) please return the form below to me. You are welcome to visit me in the library if you need any help accessing or filling in your record.
Happy reading
Louise Troup
Teacher Librarian

P&C News
Easter Raffle Thanks
We would like to say a huge thank you to the school community for supporting our Easter raffle, by donating prizes & purchasing tickets, together we raised over $1200 for MWDS!

Mother’s Day Stall, 5th May
It’s that time of year again!
Our Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Tuesday the 5th May. We have some fabulous gifts for Mum and Grandma, ranging in price from $1 to $10.
If you can assist on this stall, between 8.45 -11am, please message Katie on 0412781739.
On Friday 8th May, there will be a stall at preschool, followed by a lunchtime stall outside the canteen for any last minute gift purchases by K-6.

2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge Logon Details:
Student name: ______________________________
Class: ______________________________________
Mrs Troup to fill in & return:
Logon: ______________________________________
Password: _________________________________

2015/2016 Entertainment Books
The new Entertainment Books are now available from the school office. At $60 each, they make a perfect gift for Mum & the school receives $12 from each sale.
With 25% off and 2-for-1 offers at businesses like Yoghurtland, The Stag and Hunter, cinemas, and hundreds more, you’ll cover the cost of your Membership in no time!
Follow the link below, and choose between a book or a digital copy which loads directly onto your smart phone.

New Treasurer
The P&C are seeking a new Treasurer to join a dedicated and friendly P&C Association. If you are interested in finding out more about this position please email maywestpvc@live.com.au or call Lauren on 0408 069 583 for more information.

Uniform Shop
Unfortunately the Uniform Shop will only be opened Friday mornings.
We are looking for a volunteer to open another morning/afternoon during the week. If you are interested please leave your details at the office.

Fruit and Veg Box
The Snack Shack will be holding another Fruit & Veg fundraiser. Forms will be sent home today.
MWS is holding another Fruit and Veg Box Fundraiser.

A $35 box of mixed fruit and vegetable will put $7.50 back into the school to buy educational equipment for the students to use at school.

Boxes contain:
8 – 10 different vegies and
5- 7 fruit varieties

*Box content will vary

Name: _____________________________ Mobile: ____________

Student Name: _____________________________ Class: ________

I would like to order _______ mixed box/es $35 each. Total: ________
P&C Internet Banking Details: BSB: 032 505 Acc No. 251 370

Payment by (please tick): Cash [ ] Internet Banking [ ]
Relating as Stepfamilies

This three-session program assists couples to manage the demands of life as a stepfamily.

It will assist parents to:
- examine the challenges and positives of stepfamilies
- examine personal beliefs and the effects of holding onto these
- highlight the losses stepfamilies have suffered
- recognise the importance of developing stepfamily rituals
- compare different communication styles

Thursdays, 10:00am – 12:15pm
23 April | 30 April | 7 May 2015

Cost: $75 per couple ($45 concession)

Venue: Interrelate Newcastle
495 Hunter Street, Newcastle NSW 2300

Bookings essential - Phone 4016 0566