School News

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

As you read this I will be in Canberra with Year 6. They are having a very educational and enjoyable week. As the term draws to a close, keep in mind that we have reports going home today and the P&C trivia night, parent teacher interviews, Club Zero celebration and school photos still to occur.

Parent Teacher Interviews

A reminder that Semester 1 Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on Monday 24th June & Wednesday 26th June, 2013. Parents need to book interviews online this week.

Go to: www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Use the event code: MNPGP

All classes except 5/6S and 6T will be held on Monday 24th June & 5/6S and 6T will be held on Wednesday 26th June, 2013.

If you have no internet access at home, interviews can still be booked by visiting the school office or calling the office in school hours. Bookings are taken on a first in basis, so make your booking as soon as possible. Bookings will close Friday 21st June, 2013.

Trivia Night

Thank you to the P&C, in particular Nicole Perlman (0408 208 781) and Kylie Munro (0418 668 133), who have organised what we are sure will be a very successful night this Saturday. If you would like to attend, contact the school office or the organisers to purchase your tickets before the night. Also, purchases of raffle tickets for the night can be made by sending money to the school office by this Friday morning.

School Photos Reminder

School photos will be taken next Thursday 27th June, 2013. Order envelopes need to be returned by photo day, as the photo company imposes an additional late fee to parents who order after photo day. The closest option to the old pack is option C, which gives you everything our old pack had, plus the ability to download your child’s individual photo digitally and print off as many copies as you like, or email them to family and friends. Option D will give you your class photo, an individual portrait, the digital download to print yourself, but not the extra smaller photos. Of course, the brochure will give you other options as well, but options C & D are the closest to what we are used to. A sample photobook is available at the school office if you would like to see it.

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program Seminars

Next term parents will be invited to attend three Triple P ‘Positive Parenting Program’ information sessions, to be held in the school. You may attend one or all of these free, worthwhile and informative sessions, which are a partnership with the Department of Health. They will provide new suggestions and ideas on positive parenting to help you enjoy being a parent and help your child develop well. The topics for the seminars are:

- The Power of Positive Parenting
- Raising Resilient Children
- Raising Confident, Competent Children.

A note with dates of the sessions and their content accompanies this newsletter, so that parents can lock dates into their diaries for next term. Ring the school office to put your name down for one or all of the sessions.

I hope you all have a great Term 2 holiday break, and look forward to our return to school in Term 3. Students return on Tuesday 16th July, 2013.

Camps

Year 4 and Year 5 children will be attending camps in term 4. These camps cost a considerable amount of money. Could I please strongly urge parents to start paying off this money on a weekly basis. Any payment your budget allows will help reduce the balance before the camp.

Awards

Parents are reminded to put child’s full name and class on envelopes when sending in minis, merits, etc.

Lost Property

Lost property is kept in a basket in the library. We now have many jackets and jumpers in the basket – most are unlabelled. If your child has lost any clothing please get them to check the basket in the library.

Staff Parking Only

The staff parking area is for STAFF ONLY during the hours of 8.00 am – 4.00 pm.

In recent times a number of parents have ignored the sign at the front of the school.

For safety reasons we ask parents to support this request.

No cars are to be parked in loading zone at any time.

Mr P. Mallia
Principal

Student News

Silver/Gold Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received their Silver and Gold awards at the assembly held on Thursday 13th June, 2013.

28/5/13

SILVER

Ella Benn 2W

31/5/13

SILVER

Cohen Field 1K

Senna Agius 1/2H

Lucy Gveric 2/3H

Holy Uljanić 2/3H
Shelby Gestro 3KB  
Indiana Glancey 3KB  
Caleb Whitelaw 3/4B  
Oliver MacDonald 5/6S  

Brendan Ross 5/6S  
David Truong 5/6S  
Ryan Boyce 6T  

GOLD  
Travis Rae 5SR  

7/6/13  
SILVER  
Alison Critcher 1/2H  
Riley Osborne 4KB  
Isobel Mendez 5SR  
Ryan Mills 5SR  
Hannah Morecroft 5/6S  

12/6/13  
SILVER  
Jackson Cunnion 1/2H  

Special Science Program  
On Wednesday 19th June, 2013 we had the wonderful opportunity of being chosen to represent Mawarra at Elderslie High School for a special science program with children from other local primary schools. We neutralised acids to make them 7 on the PH scale, which is neutral. We then drew a graph on our results. After that, with the help of year 10 students, we constructed a variety of molecules. It was great fun. A special thanks to Mrs Taylor for taking us.

Mawarra Movers  
Next week we will be holding our end of term Mawarra Movers celebration called “Club Zero”. Students who have remained on Level 0 for the term or who have received only 1 notification slip for the term, which did not lead to a detention, will be invited to attend. Students who attend this event are to be commended for their excellent behavior this term. Students will all begin term 3 on level 0 so any student who is not able to attend this term will have the opportunity to work towards attending at the end of term 3.

Sport News  

Term 2 Sporting Results  
Term 2 has shown some great results on the sporting field by Mawarra’s students.

* Lachlan Roberts was a member of the Sydney South West AFL team that competed at the NSW championships.

* Makenzie Skinner was selected to compete at the NSW netball championships in Broken Hill. Makenzie & Sophie Rix were members of the Razorback netball team who were runners up at the Sydney South West carnival.

* Nicholas Zelesco selected to compete at the NSW golf championships in Port Macquarie. Nicholas also finished 4th at the Sydney South West golf championships. A great effort by a year 5 student.

* Chelsea Kerr was a member of the Razorback touch football team who were runners up at the Sydney South West carnival.

* Lachlan Hammond competed at the Sydney South West Cross Country Carnival.

* The State knockout netball team has had two victories against Harrington Park 23-2 and Bradbury 24-8 and now enters Round 3 of the competition.

Girls State Knockout Soccer  
Last Tuesday 11th June, 2013 the ‘Mawarriors’ played their second round of the State Knockout Competition in 2013. We competed against Mt Annan Public School in this game. As a newly formed team of year 6 girls who love soccer we are lucky to have the right mix of fun and skill. Only one member of our team plays on Saturday, so all girls were new to the sport. We began the game well with energy and spirit. Hannah Morecroft and Sophie Rix were fearless in goal using their netball skills to considerable advantage. Our back line was solid with Keziah Holderness, Jasmin Fernie, Kiana Shimmin, Tegan White and Rhiannon Walton defending well and reading the play. Our mid field were tireless with Tess Tyquin, Mackenzie Hayes and Lauren Kenny. Our front line was giving 100% effort. The interplay, passing, team encouragement and sportsmanship were inspiring. Unfortunately we were valiant in defeat with a score of 2-0 against us. Many thanks also to Mrs Walton our team photographer.

Congratulations girls on the success of your teamwork and effort. Regardless of the score you never gave up working hard until the final whistle. You are making memories and friendships on the field that will last a lifetime. Go ‘Mawarriors’.

Mrs Sharon Kynaston  
Girls Soccer Coach

Library News  

Book Week  
This year the theme for Book Week is “Read! Across the Universe”. The children have been colouring-in aliens who are holding books. These have been put up in the library creating a wonderful display. Another activity we are going to have this year is a photo competition of children reading in the most unusual places. During the holidays take photos of your child / children reading a book in a very unusual place. Next term send in the best photo to be displayed in the library. Please remember to write your child’s name and class on the back. Photos will be grouped in the children’s grades and a book prize will be given to the most unusual reading place in each grade. Due to the limited space I can only accept one photo from each child.

Premier’s Reading Challenge  

www.mawarra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au  
Phone (02) 4658 0990  
mawarra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au  
Fax. (02) 4658 0223
If your child has completed the challenge please fill in the validation slip at the end of this newsletter and I will go online and register them as finished. Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes later in Term 3. Please ensure all books your child/children have read have been entered and the validation slip is filled in and sent to me so I can process their records before the closing date.

Mrs D Cronshaw
Teacher / Librarian

P&C News

P&C Mowing Roster
The next mowing day will be on Saturday 29th June, 2013. The following parents rostered for this day include; David Gow, Deborah Warr, Andrew Wood, Nick Nikolovski and Dennis Eagles (Coordinator).

Community News

MAWARRA VACATION CARE
Autumn Holiday Program, for ages 5-12yrs.
Monday 1st July – Friday 12th July, 2013. 8.00am – 5.30pm

The familiar place your child knows is now offering Vacation Care. Everyday will be busy with activities that your child will love, such as:
* Proper breakfasts to make your mornings less stressful
* Sport programs and healthy activities to keep their minds and bodies active
* Arts and crafts, cooking plus lots more.

Places are limited so please call Pam on 0428 216 220
Email: mawarraoshc@uccs.org.au
Fax: 02 4658 0223

Singing
Singing teacher offering private lessons in local area, **first lesson is free**. For more information please contact Anneliese Drieman on 0433 903 773.

Infinity Health Outdoor Fitness
Come and get fit so you can keep up with your children.
**Tuesday & Thursday** - 5.30-6.30pm @ Elizabeth Park, Waterworth Drive, Narellan Vale.
**Saturday** – 7.30-8.30am @ Birriwa Reserve Netball Courts, Fitzpatrick Rd, Mt Annan. All sessions $12.00.
Please contact Alison Holderness on 0409 325 663 or Alison.holderness@bigpond.com

Choir of Children from Africa
Watoto presents beautiful Africa a new generation choir, performing at Camden Civic Centre on Saturday 22nd June, 2013 at 6pm, admission free.

Hosting Exchange Students
STS Student Exchange is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation, with over 50 years of experience and a global network of 22 offices. Our organisation is registered with the Department of Education in your State and a founding member of CASEO (Council of Australian Student Exchange Organisations).

STS has placed many students from all around the world with Australian host families over the last 25 years. We have a number of exchange students who are arriving in July 2013 and are very keen to become part of an Australian family. From experience the “best” families have come from a request in the school newsletter. If you are interested in hosting, more information is available from the school office.

Upcoming Events

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Premiers Reading Challenge Validation Slip

I certify that my child_________________________of class_______
Has completed the Premiers’ Reading Challenge 2013 and has abided by the set rules and conditions.

Signed_____________________________________Date___________
Parent/Guardian

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