



**Commitment, Respect and Responsibility**

### Dates to remember

**Tuesdays** -School banking  
-Assembly 2pm  
**Wednesdays**- Principals Lunch  
Playgroup 9am-10am  
**Thursdays**- Drum Corp  
**Thursdays**-Aboriginal Dance  
**Fridays** -PUPs 9am- 11am

Term 4

**Friday 16th November**  
2019 Kinder Expo  
**Friday 23rd November**  
2019 Kinder Interviews  
**Tuesday 27th November**  
Presentation Day  
**Wednesday 28th November**  
Book Club orders close  
**Friday 30th November**  
2019 Kinder Interviews  
**Friday 7th December**  
Carols Under The COLA  
**Wednesday 12th December**  
Year 6 Farewell  
**Tuesday 18th December**  
Year 6 Assembly

### *Thought of week*

"If you want to be more powerful in life, educate yourself. Its that simple."

# Metford Public School

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### New Maitland Hospital Information

At tonight's P&C meeting, Gillian Gerahty will be talking to the meeting about the contractor of the new Maitland Hospital. If you wish to hear this, come to the library at 6pm. Gillian will be the first speaker. We would love you to stay, but if you cant that is ok.

### Parking

The parking inspector has been patrolling parking at school drop offs & pick up times. Please avoid fines by following the rules.



## Newsletter Term 4 Week 5

### Metford Junior AECG

Some of our senior students have been working on a project that has been facilitated by Maitland regional Art Gallery. They are using photography to express how they see their Metford community. The end product will be displayed at the Gallery in 2019.

### Metford PS Drum Corp

Our drumming students will be participating in more lessons over the next 2 weeks, leading up to the final lesson for the year on 29th November. This is to support Drum Corp participating in lots of school presentations.

Lessons will be as follows:

Monday 19th Nov 1.40-2.10

Thursday 22nd Nov 1.40-2.10

Monday 26th Nov 1.40-2.10

Tuesday 27th Presentation Day 10am

Thursday 29th Nov 1.40-2.10 Fun last lesson for 2018.

**Principals Lunch— Respect— Caring for school environment and equipment-** Brody, Chelsea, Oscar, Meka, Jackson, Phoebe, Kiarra, Devyani, Shelby, John, Kirana, John, Mackenzie, Jordan and Xali.

**Next weeks focus is—Complying with requests from all staff**



### Swimming Scheme

It was great to hear how much improvement our students made through our two week swimming School at Beresfield Pool. Our swimmers were very excited to tell me their new skills and confidence. Thank you to our wonderful teachers and support staff who ensured that all our swimmers needs were met. Don't forget to keep practising so that you can show your new skills in the pool at our swimming carnival which will be held in early February 2019.

## Every day counts!

### It's not okay to be away!

**Every day counts...** because children achieve better when they attend school all day, every day.

**Every day counts...** because going to school means getting a chance at life.

**Every day counts...** because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.

**Every day counts...** because going to school is a legal requirement.

**School attendance is the responsibility of parents and caregivers.**

If your child is absent from school, parents are legally required to notify the school, explaining the absence, within 7 days. This can be done in many ways:

☑ **Phone or email** – If you know your child is going to be away from school please contact the school via phone (02) 49332655 or email ([metfordp.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:metfordp.school@det.nsw.edu.au)) to explain the absence.

☑ **Letter** – on the day your child returns to school after an absence send a note explaining the absence. This note is to be handed in at the school Administration Office or to Class Teachers.

☑ **Reply to SMS** – the school sends out an SMS message each day to notify parents that their child is absent. Please reply to the SMS stating if your child is sick or absent due to family business.

**Please note** – you can only reply to an SMS on the day it is sent, as the SMS number is only active for that day.

Teagan Pilgrim

Attendance Co-ordinator







### MAGPIE HIGH MARKETS

The Magpie High Twilight Markets are an exciting initiative by Maitland High School to develop the entrepreneurial skills of its students. Come along and enjoy a variety of food, clothes and craft stalls, along with live entertainment, and even a Silent Disco! There will be limited access to card facilities so remember to bring along cash to get your hands on all the amazing goodies Magpie High Markets will have on offer – you can even get a start on your Christmas shopping!

### J Block News

K/6L were very sad to farewell Tatiana whose dad got a new job in Victoria.

#### **We learned lots and had fun at Swimming**

**Shakeah:** I liked being in Mrs King's group. Mrs Thompson is a great bus buddy.

**B-Jay:** I learned to push off and glide.

**Justin:** I like being under the water.

**Christian:** Mrs Sully watched us swim.

**Brody:** I like swimming in the deep end with Ms Linn.

**Matthew K:** I like swimming deep with Mrs Vandy.

**Matthew D:** I liked doing backskull and watching the sky – it was beautiful.

**Jonathan:** Mrs Newell taught me scissor kicking on my side.

**Riley:** I liked doing freestyle in the deep end.

**Jye:** Mr Peate took me swimming in the deep end.



# Newsletter Term 4 Week 5

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

2018 Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Every Week		Student Banking	Principals Lunch	Drum Corp 1.40pm	PUPs 9.00am-11.00am
		School Assembly 2.00pm	Possums Playgroup 9.00am- 10.00am	Aboriginal Girls Dance Group 1.40pm	
Wk5 Nov 12th-16th					2019 Kinder Expo
Wk6 Nov 19th-23rd		Last day of Scripture lessons			2019 Kinder Interviews
Wk7 Nov 26th -30th		Presentation Day 10am	Book Club Orders Close	Last day Drum lessons	2019 Kinder Interviews
Wk8 Dec 3rd-7th					Carols Under The COLA
Wk9 Dec 10th– 14th			Year 6 Farewell		
Wk10 Dec 17th– 21st		Year 6 Assembly	Students last Day of School		

## NOTES AND PAYMENTS DUE

Yearly School Contribution	First Child \$30.00 Or \$55.50 for family.
Year 6 Farewell	\$22.00



### **School Banking**

The School Banking program provides a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good saving habits. Run nationally since 1931 through participating primary schools, School Banking encourages children to regularly deposit money into their Youthsaver account and earn silver Dollarmites tokens, which can then be redeemed for an exciting reward through our School Banking Rewards Program. The Youthsaver account is a savings account that has no monthly account fees and offers a competitive bonus interest rate when you make at least one deposit and no withdrawals in a calendar month on balances up to \$50,000.