



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

Friday 31st August

Fathers Day Breakfast

Monday 3rd Sep

Thompsons Pie Drive Order
Forms Due Back

Wednesday 5th September

Rugby League Pickers Cup

Thursday 6th September

Regatta boat race

Friday 7th September

Colour Run Fundraiser

Monday 10th September

Book Club Order closes

Tuesday 11th September

Pie Drive Delivery

Thursday 13th September

Touch Gala Day Yrs 3-6

Monday 24th September

Concert rehearsal

Tuesday 25th September

School Concert

Wednesday 26th September

School Concert

Friday 28th September

Last day of school

Thought of week

*"Do what is right,
not what is easy."*

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Flanno for the farmers-

what an amazing response we had to such a worthy cause. We have raised a whopping \$910.00 so far.



Principals Lunch -

Congratulation to the following students– Riley, Tatiana, Braydon, Janda, Sean, Lilliana, Xzara, Mekari, Noah, Hayley, Jarryd, Leilana and Kobi.



Week of Taste

What a wonderful experience year 4 have had! Week of Tastes has shown just how brave our students are. We blindfold tasted for sweet, sour, salty, bitter and umami. We also learnt that holding your nose can change how something tastes and that noise can impact on how we taste and eat chocolate. This was the first part to our Week of Tastes experience. On Tuesday Desley Gossip, an Operations Manager at Hunter Valley Hotel Academy, came and cooked with the kids making potato gnocchi with a *salsa verde*. The students got to smell and taste the different types of fresh herbs that were used in the salsa as well as the anchovies and olives that added salt. Things got a little messy when rolling the gnocchi but that just made our cooking experience even more fun.

Newsletter Term 3 Week 6

Library News

In Term 2, Stage 2 and Stage 3 children participated in The Write Now Challenge during their Library lessons. Some students continued to work independently on their piece of writing and entered their writing into the competition. The title of the writing was I Woke Up In The Library..... and over 90 students from many schools entered the competition. Last Wednesday, our students were awarded a certificate for participation in the challenge, recognising the tremendous effort they made. Well done to each and every one of you!



SCHOOL CALENDAR

| 2018 Term 3 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 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 | |
| Wk6 Aug 27th-31st | | School Photos | | | Fathers Day Breakfast |
| Wk7 Sept 3rd-7th | Pie Drive Order Forms Due Back | | Rugby League Pickers Cup | MPS Regatta boat race | Colour Run fundraiser |
| Wk8 Sept 10th -14th | Book Club Order Closes | Pie Drive Delivery | | Touch Gala Day Yr 3-6 boys & girls | |
| Wk9 Sept 17th- 21st | | | | | |
| Wk10 Sept 24th- 28th | School Concert Rehearsal | School Concert "Better when I'm dancing" | School Concert "Better when I'm dancing" | | Last Day of Term |

Notes and Payments due

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| Thompsons Pie Drive Order Forms | 3-9-18 | |
| Pickers Cup | 3-9-18 | |
| Colour Run Note | | |



Counting is a critical foundation to working with mathematics concepts. Counting backwards for example assists in the understanding of subtraction.

At Metford Public School the students and teachers in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are working hard on their backward number counting at different levels across the grades.

If you would like to support your child's learning in backward number counting you can play some fun, simple games. We will be putting these games into the newsletter each week this term. Check out the Metford Public School FaceBook page for demonstrations of the games.

These games will only need dice, ordinary playing cards and something to count such as buttons, pebbles, small coins or even pieces of cereal.

The first game is called **Take Away** and you will need dice, 50 counters and a bowl.

How to play: Each player needs 50 counters. The first player rolls the dice and then takes that number away from their pile of counters counting each one. (E.g. the player rolls a five and they say 5, and put a counter in the bowl, 4 and put another counter in the bowl, 3, 2, 1).

The next player has their turn in the same way.

The first player to have no counters left is the winner.

If you would like to make the game harder. Add more dice to make the number to count back from bigger. You can also count backwards by 10s, 5s or 2s.

GOOD LUCK





DUST OFF YOUR FROCK DROUGHT RELIEF

Formal dresses needed

Every girl deserves to celebrate the completion of thirteen years of public education with an amazing Year 12 formal dress. The current drought situation in rural NSW makes it very difficult for many families to realise this dream.

If you have a formal dress in good condition please consider donating it and we will ensure that it is delivered to a deserving recipient.

Please give your dresses to your local school and we will collect and coordinate the distribution.

**Wanted: pre-loved
Formal Dresses**

**Australians
helping
Australians**

**City supporting
NSW
Country**

**Donations
appreciated by 10
September 2018**

**NSW DEPARTMENT
OF EDUCATION**

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Newsletter Term 3 Week 6

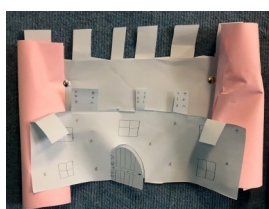
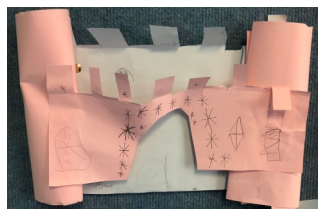
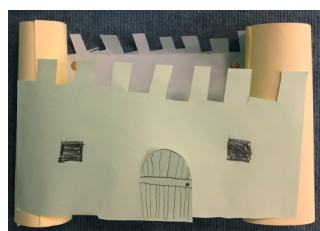
Don't forget we are collecting the items listed below for our whole school STEM challenge coming up in Week 7.

| Collecting from home | Newly purchased |
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| Berry punnets | Paper & plastic plates |
| Egg Cartons | Elastic bands |
| Margarine, yoghurt, ice - cream containers | Straws |
| Magazines & catalogues | Wooden skewers |
| Newspapers | Sticky, Masking & Packing tape |
| Large & small boxes | Blue-Tac |
| Material scraps (old clothes, etc) | Cotton buds & cotton wool |
| Plastic bottles | Tissues |
| Styrofoam | Toothpicks |
| Cardboard & cardboard tubes (no toilet rolls) | Playdough |
| Buttons | Paddle pop sticks |
| Wool | Foil, baking paper & cling wrap |
| Bottle tops and lids | Patty cake papers |
| Packing foam & bubble wrap | Crepe & tissue paper |
| Corks | Coloured cardboard |
| Envelopes | Balloons |
| Clean coffee pods | Plastic cutlery |

We ask that items be washed out and clean before bringing into school.

Foyer Display

Year 2 have been making 3D castles, Come and visit our display in G block.





"Let your taste buds decide"

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For: Metford Public School P&C Canteen

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Name: _____

Contact Phone No. _____

Order forms to be returned by 3pm Monday 3rd September 2018.

Collection time & date: 9.30am Tuesday 11th September 2018 from

MPS Hall