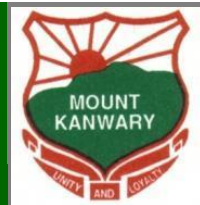


# MOUNT KANWARY PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Term 3 Week 3

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7 August 2018

## PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Happy Education Week everyone!

This week schools across New South Wales are celebrating education week. The theme for this year is "Today's schools - creating tomorrow's world" and highlights how young people are being equipping with the skills and capabilities they need to thrive in a rapidly changing world.

We are living in a time when the traditional walls of the classroom are opening up to new worlds of learning, paving the way for students to connect and collaborate with their peers regionally and globally. Technology is reshaping the way students learn and whilst we do not know what the future holds, schools are very focused on equipping today's students with the skills and knowledge they will need to lead fulfilling lives in the future.

Over the next few weeks, we will be showcasing some of the great programs operating here at Mount Kanwary and as always, we welcome parents and carers to contact us to find out more.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** Our zone sporting representatives once again did the school proud with the manner in which they conducted themselves on Friday. From high level sportmanship to supporting their peers, the students participation and involvement was exemplary. Read on further to hear from our students about their successes on the day.

11 of our Stage 2 and 3 students will represent Mount Kanwary on Wednesday night at the annual MLC Education Week awards. We know they will be fantastic and we wish them a fun evening.

On Thursday 9/8/18 we will be relocating for the day to Iona Public School. All K-6 students will be participating in a day of activities followed by a performance by Meerkat productions based on the book 'BOY'. If you are

yet to return permission notes and money, please do so as soon as you can.

Have a fabulous week everyone!

Michelle Crowfoot

Relieving Principal

### Zone Athletics Carnival

On Friday 3 August Milli, Kaily, Halle, Toby, Harrison and I went to the Zone Athletics Carnival at Woodberry Oval.

We all went in events like 100m, 200m, 800m, Relay, Discus and long jump. We smashed them in the relay in a time of 1.07.33 minutes.

We hope we are fast enough to go to Regionals for the Relay. We all represented Mount Kanwary Public School with pride.

By Harrison and Charlie

### Term 3 Assembly dates:

✚ Friday 10 August 2018

✚ Friday 14 September

### Current Payments

Thank you for your prompt payment:

✚ Year 6 Canberra trip – payments to Largs PS

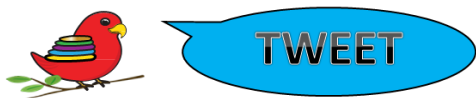
✚ Aussie Bush Camp – Years 3, 4 and 5

✚ Voluntary Contribution - \$47 per student

✚ **Oxford Maths text book- \$23 per student  
(students are currently using these texts  
could you please pay ASAP)**

Payments can be made either by cash/cheque at the office or online through the school website:

### TWEET AWARDS



Congratulations to Isabelle for achieving her 'Yellow feather'.

Congratulations to Haylee for achieving her 'Green feather'.

Well done!

### IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Week 3</b>	EDUCATION WEEK
7 August	Choir Rehearsal MHS
8 August	MLC Education Week Presentation evening – choir performing
9 August	Meerkat Productions – Iona PS
10 August	Assembly 3pm
<b>Week 4</b>	
14 August	Recycling Visit to school

### LIBRARY NEWS

Book Club order forms went home last week. Closing date for all orders is tomorrow, Wednesday 8 August.

Orders can be placed online at [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or at the school office.

Our Book Fair is happening on Thursday 23 August. Students will be able to browse the books and take home a wish list.

### P&C NEWS

#### *Cracker Night*

Cracker Night is only 3 weeks away and it is shaping up to be another huge fun filled night. There are flyers for Cracker night in the office so if each family would like to collect a few and letter box drop their neighbours that would be great. We also need helpers for the Cracker night, 24 & 25 August for setup, 25 August during the night for the school stand and on Sunday 26 August to assist with the site clean-up. If each family is able to spare an hour or so everyone will be able to enjoy the night. Cracker night online ticket sales are [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)

#### *P&C Meeting*

The P&C meeting usually schedule for this week has been postponed till next week 15 August at 3.30pm in the school library. This is due to clashing with Education Week presentation evening. If you have anything you would like to raise please get in contact with Susan or myself so it can be added to the agenda for the meeting.

The agenda and last meeting minutes are attached at the end of the newsletter.

Thanks  
Mark Tobin  
P&C President

Term 2 Events	Date	Details
Maitland Learning Community Education Week Presentation Night	08.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maitland High School 5:30-7:30pm</li> </ul>
Whole-school assembly	10.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3pm</li> <li>Library</li> </ul>
Meerkat Productions	09.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At Iona PS</li> </ul>
Port Stephens Council Recycling session	14.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:10-2:10pm @ Mount Kanwary PS</li> <li>No cost</li> </ul>
Book Week Open Day	23.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9-12pm</li> <li>Book Fair</li> <li>Open classrooms</li> </ul>
P&C Cracker Night	25.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P&amp;C major fundraiser</li> <li>Further details TBA</li> </ul>
Canberra Final Payment date	31.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All final payments due</li> </ul>
Whole-school assembly	14.09.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3pm</li> <li>Library</li> </ul>
Year 6 Canberra Camp	19.09.18-21.09.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attending with Largs PS</li> <li>Final details TBA</li> </ul>
Colour-run	26.09.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P&amp;C fundraising event</li> <li>At Glen William PS</li> </ul>

Last Day Term 3	28.09.18	▪ Last day of term for students and staff
Term 4 Events	Date	Details
First day Term 4	15.10.18	▪ All students and staff return to school
Yrs3/4/5 Aussie Bush Camp	15.10.18-17.10.18	▪ Years 3-5
Year 6 Transition to High School day	05.12.18	▪ Maitland High School 2019 Yr7 Orientation Day (TBC)
Last Day Term 4- Students	19.12.18	▪ Last day of Term 4 for students
Last Day Term 4- Staff	20.12.18	▪ Last day of Term 4 for staff
School CLOSED	21.12.18	▪ No staff onsite

SCHOLASTIC  Book Fairs

You're invited to our Scholastic

# BOOK FAIR!

*Reading Is Out of This World!*



Choose from a huge selection of books at the Fair!

Date **23 AUGUST** Time **9am- 12 noon**

Place **SCHOOL LIBRARY**

## TO THE BOOK FAIR AND BEYOND!

Every purchase earns books and learning resources for our school!





## Mount Kanwary Public School P&C Meeting Minutes



A General P&C meeting will be conducted on the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018 with the following agenda items:

- Opening and Welcome
- Attendance / Apologies
- Minutes of the previous meeting held on: 20.6.18
- Correspondence Inwards
- Correspondence Outwards
- Business arising from previous minutes
  - Cracker Night Update
  - Replacement for shipping container update
- Principal Report
- Treasurer Report
- Fundraising Report
- Uniform Report
- Canteen Report
- General Business
- Next Meeting: 12.9.18

If there are any enquires please contact the undersigned for further information

Mark Tobin  
Mount Kanwary P&C President

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#### Mount Kanwary P&C Meeting Minutes

No	Agenda	Discussion
1	Meeting Opened	Date: 20/8/18 Time: 3.38pm
2	Apologies	Mark Tobin, Deb Tobin, Katrina Cameron, Tamara Stewart, Cassandra Kisielewics, Michelle Boddam, Sally-Anne Carroll
3	Attendance	Kara McDonald, Juliet Thomas, Kristen Garth, Craig Frith, Sandy Paul, Rebecca Nadfalusi, Leanne Yeomans, Rachel McDougall, Rachael O'Brien, Marty Padmos, Susan Nadfalusi, Jeana Porter, Anthony Rodwell from AMU, David Houlahan from WH&S, Lyn Jones.
4	Previous Minutes Acceptance	Moved: Juliet Seconded: Kara
5	Correspondence In	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email from Karen Oldfield re Apple Buy-back and e-waste recycling schemes. Karen is aware that the laptops our children use are quite old and wanted us to know that if we decide to replace them we can get credit from apple for the old ones through the Apple buy-back program to offset the cost.</li> </ul>
6	Correspondence Out	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our Annual Information Statement has been sent to Australian Charities Commission.</li> </ul>
7	Business / Actions from previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See principal's report for P&amp;C shed replacement</li> </ul>
8	Principal's Report	<p>Written Report available. Summary as follows: as tabled by Susan Nadfalusi, copies given out to attendees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our panel to review out of area applications is now only required when we reach 46 students.</li> <li>Yr 6 shirts \$45 by start of term 3. Apologies as we have been trying to finalise the order since term 1.</li> <li>P&amp;C shed replacement (from last year's Cracker Night profits)- Asset Management Unit have agreed to</li> </ul>

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		<p>remove and dispose of current shipping container and are investigating if it is possible to place new shed next to the GA shed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uni student Kate McCullagh has started in Wattles till end of term 2. Yr 10 work experience student from MHS James Forth will be in both classes week 9. Restrictions apply and both will be supervised by teachers. (members commented that James is a former student)</li> <li>• NAIDOC day wed 4/7. Students will learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. A bus has been provided. Students are to wear red, black and yellow or their sports uniform.</li> <li>• Congrats to the P&amp;C for raising \$720.20 at Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.</li> <li>• Green fence beside Banksia's classroom is rotting and needs to be removed. Replace? Or alternate option? - meeting decided it would be simpler to close off under the classroom to prevent balls going under as the fence is not required now that the car park is closed to parents. This needs to be of a product (e.g. Chicken wire or lattice) that will allow air flow to prevent termites, plus it needs to be possible for Tradesmen to access under the building. Changes will have to be approved by the dept.</li> <li>• Education Week Term 3 week 3. Maitland Learning Community Presentation Night will be at MHS. Mrs Tuyt selects 6-8 students to sing in the combined choir. There will be a rehearsal at MHS. Nominations will shortly be requested for this year's community member award. If there are multiple nominations families will be asked to vote. Votes will be counted by a P&amp;C member and the principal. Would we please nominate our rep for the count if required - Rachael O'Brien has agreed to do this.</li> <li>• Parking- I have copied this exactly from Katrina's report. These points were confirmed and elaborated on by Mr Rodwell and Mr Haulahan.</li> </ul> <p><b>Outline-</b> Due to the school and community having concerns about the safety of parking in front of the school site, a meeting was established with Port Stephens Council, Department of Education Asset Management Unit (AMU), Work Health &amp;</p>
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		<p>Safety, Mount Kanwary PS Principal and Mount Kanwary P&amp;C President to discuss concerns. The following measures were proposed at the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parking in front of the pedestrian gate (current bus zone), current car spaces will be clearly defined and marked and new signage will reflect a 15minute time limit to allow parents to drop-off and pick-up students safely and in a timely manner. Works were proposed by Port Stephens Council to begin in approximately 6 weeks (11/7).</li> <li>• The remaining frontage of the school (Hinton side) will have more extensive work, the current fence will be pushed back into the school grounds by approximately 2 metres to allow enough space for marked 45 degree rear angle parking (approximately 10 spaces). There will also be a cement pathway running along the external side of the fence to allow parents/visitors to access their vehicles away from the roadside; cement bollards will separate the footpath from parking. There is no confirmed timeframe as yet, at this stage works could begin as early as July 2018 or to be completed in the 2018 Christmas school holidays. Are there any questions?</li> <li>• The footpath that has been installed will remain in its current location and has been examined by Work Health and Safety as safe. The pedestrian access will be reviewed after the external parking works have been completed in consultation with representatives from AMU, WH&amp;S and the P&amp;C.</li> <li>• Mr Rodwell has requested the school community offer suggestions for the upgrades to the front of the school. For example, a turning circle was brought up at the meeting. It was decided families should send their suggestions to Susan's Email and she will fwd him one document from us all.</li> </ul>
9	Treasurer Report	<p>Fundraising Account as at: end May 2018- unchanged</p> <p>Main Account as at: end May 2018</p> <p>Deposits: \$ 1,397.15</p> <p>Expenses: \$ 463.53</p>

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		Balance \$ 5,767.28
		Petty Cash also tabled
		Moved by: Kristen      Seconded: Kara
10	Fund Raising Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion on what we will be fundraising for this year. As discussed earlier this year perhaps a focus on reading and literacy.</li> <li>Also proposed was playground equipment to replace the Flying Fox. General discussion on possible choices for replacement equipment. Dept visitors suggested several schools we could check out re their playground equipment. Equipment needs to follow dept guidelines and be approved.</li> <li>Final discussion and decision carried over till next meeting.</li> </ul>
11	Uniform Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awaiting delivery of white shirts.</li> <li>Winter uniforms selling well.</li> </ul>
12	Canteen Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Still having problems getting enough volunteers who can spare two hours on one or two Fridays each term. Canteen may need to close as Jeana is doing up to 8 of the 10 weeks each term and was unable to be replaced recently when she was sick.</li> <li>Difficulties with the oven, was checked by an electrician two years ago, who could not find anything wrong, but it still occasionally cuts out. Is old and probably needs replacing. Decision to replace held over as canteen may be closing.</li> </ul>
13	General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting expressed concern that the students are not allowed to eat in classrooms on cold and windy days and they were told this is because they will make a mess. Children eat inside at other schools. General feeling is this is not acceptable due to the health risk to the children and would like the school to review this practice.</li> <li>Approval given for \$500 from Fundraising Account to purchase raffle prizes for Cracker Night Raffle.</li> <li>Discussion on difficulty getting businesses to donate auction prizes for Cracker Night. Businesses state they are being overrun with similar requests. If we all just have a try and do what we can it's ok, but we may</li> </ul>

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		<p>have to accept a reduction in profits from the Auction because of this. Kara to circulate list of last year's donators plus what they gave to help with getting donations for this year. Susan has circulated updated donation request letter. Copies always available at the school office. Mr Houlahan suggested we email bowling and golf clubs etc for donations. Susan to follow up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cards handed out by Mr Houlahan for Glen William School's upcoming fundraiser "Le Tour de Glen William". Details will go in the newsletter. Unfortunately we will be cleaning up Mr Lidbury's property after Cracker Night this day.</li> <li>Our next meeting will need to be re scheduled due to Education Week Awards Night at MHS. Decided to postpone for one week. New date below.</li> </ul>	
14	Next Meeting	Date 15/8/18	Time 3.30pm
	Meeting Closed	Date 20/6/18	Time 4.43pm