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Term 2 - Important Dates

- 1 May: First day of Term 2
- 2 May: Years 3-6 Assembly
- 3 May: School X Country
- 4 May: Winter PSSA Commences
- 9 May: Years K-2 Assembly
- 10 May: Mother's Day Stall**
- 14 May: Parent Information Session- Primary Ethics Program
- 15-18 May: NAPLAN
- 16 May: P&C Meeting**
- 16 May: Years 3-6 Assembly
- 23 May: Years K-2 Assembly
- Zone X Country
- 30 May: Years 3-6 Assembly
- 6-8 June: Music Camp
- 11 June: Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)
- 13 June: Years 3-6 Assembly
- 20 June: P&C Meeting**
- 6 July: Last day of Term 2
- 24 July: First day of Term 3

Welcome to Term 2

The P&C team have been very busy updating the P&C website, especially the uniform shop, check out our website at <http://mbpspandc.org.au/>

Thank you to PJ Sullivan and AGS Financial Group for the kind donation of a laptop to the P&C.



Good luck to all those children in Years 3 and 5 who will be sitting NAPLAN this term.

▪ **ANZAC Dawn Service**

Congratulations to Ms Attard and Ms Le for organising our school's presence at Burwood Park for the ANZAC Dawn Service. The children were very well behaved and were excellent representatives of our school.



▪ **Mother's Day Stall**



Mother's Day stall is back again this year. A sample of the gifts are in this article.



Children will be able to purchase Mother's Day gifts on Thursday, 10 May in the school auditorium.



Prices start from \$2. Please ensure your child brings their money with them on the day.



Any parents or caregivers, **especially dads**, are encouraged to come along to help. We will meet at the auditorium foyer at 9am.



Let us know via email pcmbps+mothersday@gmail.com, or complete the form on the [Volunteers](http://mbpspandc.org.au/volunteers/) page on our website <http://mbpspandc.org.au/volunteers/>



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▪ Coles Vouchers

We've accumulated over **16,000** vouchers!!! We are now waiting for Coles to confirm. Thanks to everyone for collecting the Coles vouchers, so give yourselves a pat on the back!!

The Coles promotion has now ended.

A BIG thankyou to the mothers and grandparents who helped count the vouchers. It was a mammoth task.



▪ Earn & Learn



Our Woolworths Earn & Learn campaign resulted in over \$1200 worth of sporting goods and equipment for our school.

These included:

- Sensory Ball Pack
- T-Ball Bat
- Ultimate Hula Hoop
- Summit Advance Touch Ball
- Flag Belts
- General Road Safety Signs
- Balls And Nets Kit
- PVC Balls
- Hit It! Kit
- Ultra Soft Foam Ball

- Tennis Balls
- Orbit English Willow Cricket Bat
- Pony Tee Ball Bat
- Orbit Tennis Bat
- T-Ball Tee
- Airflow Ball

▪ Grants



To date, we have submitted a \$10,000 grant for a soccer coach for K-2 and soccer equipment. As the school already has soccer lessons for Years 3-6, if we succeed with this grant, this will ensure the whole school have the opportunity to learn soccer skills and ensure inclusiveness at playtimes. We thank Shirley Soo for her time and efforts.

We have prepared a submission for terrace at the side of the playground, but the quote received was too high for the grant submission. We will review the quotation requirements before a decision will be made. We thank Yen Yee for her time and efforts in this endeavour.

Upcoming applications:

- We will be applying for an event grant from Strathfield Council to assist with our Family Fun Fair this year.
- Music Equipment Bank. We plan to apply for a grant to purchase musical

instruments for school use and student hire. For example, instead of outlaying \$600 for a violin, you may only need to pay a fraction of this to hire. However, we will require parents to volunteer in the Music Committee to make this a reality. We only need 2 or 3 parents. If you are interested email to pcmbps+music@gmail.com.

We currently have a number of assets on the purchase plan. They range from \$30,000 to \$200,000. It is very rare for a grant to cover for the full cost of a purchase. As such, through P&C run fundraising activities, we aim to accumulate funds for the big but essential purchases. For example, we need air-conditioning for the new Building D to be completed by Term 4, air-conditioning for the auditorium, seating for the children to use during lunchtimes, several big COLA shades for sun protection to name a few.

▪ Hindi classes 2018

Be quick, there are limited places available in the classes. Classes are held every Wednesday 3:45pm to 4:45pm. For more details contact Alicia at pcmbps+hindi@gmail.com.

End of Year Event

▪ Family Fun Fair

We received lots of fantastic entries in the Family Fun Fair Logo Competition. We were very impressed with the hard work all the children had put in to their designs. It was difficult to choose just one winner!



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Congratulations to the winner of the MBPS Family Fun Fair logo design competition:

Kaithlynn of 2/3N



We loved the colourful, fun, happy design Kaithlynn has created and look forward to using it proudly to represent our school's exciting end of year event.

IMPORTANT: Please make sure you have marked Saturday 3rd November in your diary. The kids are really not going to want to miss out on this fun day! Let all your friends and family know too so they can keep the date free!

When: **Saturday, 3 November 2018**

Time: **10am – 4pm**

Where: **MBPS**

We will be sending a note home this week to let you know a little more about how plans for our fair are coming along.

The note will include a call out to all MBPS families to have a think about how you would most like to be involved in our end of year event! There are lots of exciting opportunities.

If you have any questions or would like to chat with anyone on the Fun Fair committee just email mbpsfunfair@gmail.com

<http://mbpspandc.org.au/familyfunfair/>

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop Team would like to extend a big

Thank You

to Alicia who has dedicated her time in running the Uniform Shop for over 3 years. Some of her greatest achievements for the school has been the successful running of the School Fete, Movie Night and the Tea Towel fundraising drive, some might say single-handedly ran the P&C. She has been part of our P&C family since our school opened, dedicating her time to ensure the school is equipped with the best resources for our children. We thank her for her generosity and are all grateful for her continued support of the P&C. Can you spare an hour or 2 on Wednesdays and like to meet other parents at our school? Come and help out our great team in the Uniform Shop. Drop in or send us an email, we would love you to join us.

Anne Lieu & Carol Cheung (Uniform Shop Managers) and the Uniform Shop Team
<http://mbpspandc.org.au/uniform-shop-2/>
pcmbps+uniformshop@gmail.com

School Banking

Dollarmites



Last term we had a special guest appearance, at our morning assembly. Lucas, a new dollarmite, who inspired the children to save.



The Commonwealth Bank will be **phasing out physical Dollarmite tokens** and instead, the number of tokens earned will be recorded electronically. Children will be able to keep track of their tokens earned via the CommBank Youth app which can be downloaded onto any iOS 9+ device. Visit www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking to find out more.



The School Banking Coordinators will also keep track of the number of deposits made by students on the Commonwealth Bank School Banking Portal. Students who have reached 10 deposits will be given a reward redemption card to order a reward item. Students who return their completed redemption card, will be given their prize towards the end of the Term.



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Term 2 Prizes are:
Sparkle Glitter Pens



Glow Light



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Volunteers

▪ **Class Parents**

We are running the Class Parents program this year and are still seeking parent volunteers for the following classes: 1K, 3B, 4LG, 5L and 6K.

This is a great opportunity to get involved with your child's class and can be rewarding.

For more information or to volunteer, email us at pcmbps+volunteer@gmail.com

▪ **Ethics classes**

Ethics classes are a great way for a parent, grandparent or community member to assist the children to practice useful skills such as critical thinking and ethical reasoning. As a trained volunteer you facilitate the children listening to each other and building on each other's ideas. See the recent article about our school, <https://primaryethics.com.au/2018/03/15/professor-bashir-guest-at-primary-ethics-class/>

If you have any spare time, special skills, magical super powers, or just a mere mortal like the rest us, come and get involved in our school and be a part of a great team making Marie Bashir Public School second to none.

Your children will love to see you helping out at school in any way. Whether it is helping at the Uniform Shop, School Banking, writing grants, organising an event, working on a BBQ, baking cakes, writing a newsletter, updating our facebook page,

<https://www.facebook.com/mbps.pnc/>, or working on the P&C Executive. Every little bit helps, you get to meet other great parents and caregivers at our school, your efforts are greatly appreciated by the teachers, and especially, your **children!** <http://mbpsandc.org.au/volunteers/>

Entertainment Book

The P&C would like to offer the digital version of the Entertainment Book for 2018/2019.

The Entertainment™ Book is your guide to the most popular restaurants, attractions, shopping, travel and more, all with valuable up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers.

Digital memberships are \$70 and further details can be found at

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/>

We will need minimum numbers to place an order, so we're seeking interest before we run with this fundraiser.

If you're interested in purchasing a digital membership this year, please email

pcmbps+entertainment@gmail.com