DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, 2 June  Breakfast Club  8.15 am – 9.00 am
Tuesday, 3 June  Breakfast Club  8.15 am – 9.00 am
Wednesday, 4 June  ICAS Science
                  Rugby Gala Day
                  Board Meeting  5.30 pm
                  Preschool Subcommittee 7.00pm (in The Hub)
Friday, 6 June    Breakfast Club  8.15 am – 9.00 am
                  Assembly Year 3 / 4  9.15 am
Monday, 9 June   Queen’s Birthday
Tuesday, 10 June Breakfast Club  8.15 am – 9.00 am
                  Year 5 Band Practise at WHPS
                  Sullivan Shield (Round 1)
Wednesday, 11 June James Hird Cup Gala Day
                  SRC Meeting
Friday, 13 June  Breakfast Club  8.15 am – 9.00 am

NOTES GOING HOME THIS WEEK

Year 5 Band Practise at Wanniassa Hills Primary School
Sullivan Shield (Round 1)
James Hird Cup Gala Day
Athletics Carnival (19 June)
Preschool – intentions for 2015

PLEASE RETURN ALL CROSS COUNTRY SPONSORSHIP FORMS AND ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

It is hard to believe that we have reached the halfway point of Term 2. In what has been another very busy week at Monash, I would like to compliment our students on their many wonderful achievements so far.

Our staff are in the final stages of completing Semester One reports. The information contained within these reports is the result of ongoing assessment since the beginning of the year. Unit teaching teams have worked together to discuss the relative achievements and areas for development for individual students. A reminder that these reports will be sent home to parents/carers in Week 9 (27 June).
Feedback from the community is an important part of the continuous improvement process at Monash School. At present, there are two online surveys which I encourage parents/carers to complete. The first survey is designed to ascertain feedback around our school values programme. The link for this survey can be found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BCZJSRY. The other survey relates to ways that we, as a school, can better support parent/school partnerships in terms of providing improved support for parents as co-educators of their children. The link for this survey can be found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/B2NVDFL. More information about these surveys can be found on our school Facebook page. Both of these surveys will only require a short amount of time to complete and I thank parents/carers in anticipation for your support.

On Wednesday of this week, in very chilly conditions, we hosted our annual Preschool picnic. I would like to thank all parents/carers who were able to attend. It was great to learn that so many of our Preschool families intend continuing their association with Monash School into 2015 and beyond. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require any further information about enrolments.

Also, on Wednesday this week, approximately 40 of our 5/6 students participated in the inaugural Buroinjin Tournament at Calwell Oval which involved a number of Southside schools. It was a very successful day both on and off the field and I am pleased to report that 2 of our teams made the semi-finals and one of our teams were crowned the overall champions. The trophy will soon be on display in our new trophy cabinet in the front foyer. Thanks to Mr D for his hard work in training and preparing these teams.

Today saw the unveiling of our Breakfast Club in our Monash Community Hub. This initiative is sponsored by the Red Cross and will be held every Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 8.15 am to 9.00 am. It is open to all students.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Shane Carpenter

**Parent Partnerships - survey**

In our continued efforts to strengthen our partnership, we would love your feedback on how we can better support student learning through shared understandings and language. Please take a moment to complete this short survey. It will allow us to tailor information and programs to best suit your needs in supporting your child’s learning.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/B2NVDFL

**"Hub Happenings"**

This week our Walking Group started, I was joined by a small group – we enjoyed an invigorating 45 minute walk around Monash – I encourage you to come along. Tuesdays, 9.30 am – 10.15 am.

Breakfast Club started today and we had a great turn up for our first day. Breakfast Club is on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.15 am to 9.00 am. This is sponsored by the Red Cross.

The Hub is starting a community choir. That’s right we are going to rock this place. Please parents/carers and staff at Monash get on board put your names down at the front office please.

Father (carer/grandfather) and Son Movie Night – Friday, 27 June at 6.00 pm. Please put names down at the front office if you would like to attend.

Playgroup as normal on Fridays from 9.30 am to 11.30 am.
Hub opening times are Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.15 am to 3.30 pm. Please remember to pop by for a cuppa during these opening times.

See you at The Hub

Dirt to Dish News

This week we have been foraging in the garden to come up with different ingredients that we can use to make our Monash Minestrone. This is a great time of year to make healthy, warming and filling soups. Soup is a great way to use up any leftover ingredients in the veggie drawer too! It is also a fabulous remedy to the common cold that seems to be haunting a few of us at Monash!

Some of the vegetables we used included kale, Chinese cabbage (wombok) beetroot, snow peas, silver beet, carrots and celery. We have also discussed that our pantry at home may have lots of hidden treasures that can be used to make yummy and healthy foods. Like the nearly empty packet of macaroni sitting at the back, or the can of chickpeas you meant to use in that dinner last month but never did…sound familiar?!
These little bits and pieces can make an ordinary soup suddenly a bit fancier, or more filling!

I hope you will have a try of making your own minestrone at home with the treasures in your kitchen or garden – don’t be afraid of getting it wrong, keep experimenting because that is when the yummiest discoveries are made!

If your child has any food allergies that the school may not be aware of (eg: can’t eat coconut or apples) please let the school know so the information can be passed on to me in the kitchen. I always endeavour to cater for individual needs but it helps if I have all the information regarding your children’s allergies. Please note if you have already provided this information to the school there is no need to do it again. We never use any nut products or meat in the kitchen and there is always a gluten/dairy free alternative on offer.

In other news, I would like to invite any families who are interested in joining our Garden Green Team to please get in touch with me via the front office (leave your email address) or by visiting me directly in the Kitchen – the main aim is to have our whole school community involved in the running of the garden as it plays such a crucial role in our cooking program. Any help you can offer is greatly valued and it may even be as simple as a donation of seeds or five minutes of weeding. Mainly it would involve receiving a Green team email from time to time letting you know what is happening in the garden and any ways that you can help.

Every week I write something funny, quirky or interesting on our kitchen fridge – always relating to food. It has been a fun way to engage the children’s interests, often through humour. They have started to notice these quotes and will often come to visit just to read the fridge. I thought it would be nice to share them with you too.

Percentage of people who always eat healthy, balanced meals.

Percentage of people who wish this pie chart was actually pie.

Happy cooking!

Enrolling in an ACT Public School

New arrangements for 2014 and 2015

The ACT Education and Training Directorate has updated the enrolment and transfer arrangements for all ACT public schools.
All new student enrolment applications for 2015 open from 28 April 2014 (day 1 term 2). If you are enrolling your child to start school in 2014 or if your child is transferring to an ACT public school at any stage you will need to use the same online form.

To make this process easier for those wishing to enrol or transfer, please use the online enrolment/transfer form and Parent/carer guide to enrolment/transfer for ACT public schools located on the ‘Enrolling in an ACT Public School’ section of the Education and Training Directorate website www.det.act.gov.au

Preschool applications for 2015 close on 30 May 2014.

**P & C News**

**Canteen**

**Winter Warmers...** Now available to purchase at the canteen (for counter sales only at recess and lunchtime) will be:

- **Garlic Bread** - 50c
- **Rice Pudding** for $1.00. This delicious warm pudding was created by Jess our resident Chef in the Kitchen/Garden Department. It contains rice and coconut milk, so it is dairy free, vegetarian and gluten free!

**Recess Only Snacks** - Nacho’s, Chicken Fingers & Apple Turnovers are available at Recess only (as available). They may be pre-ordered in lunch orders to ensure you don’t miss out 😊

**Did you know?** Flexischools online lunch orders may be placed up to 9.00am the day of the order. You can also place lunch orders the day before/week before. It is very simple and easy to use. Go to flexischools.com.au to register. Setup your account now, so you can pay for your upcoming Athletics Carnival Sausage Sizzle!

**Canteen Roster**

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If you have any questions or are available to help in canteen, please contact Veronica at canteen. Phone 6291 6357 monashpscanteen@outlook.com 😊

**Preschool Sub Committee Meeting**

The Preschool Sub Committee meeting is being held this Wednesday (4 June) 7pm at the Community Hub. All are welcome to attend.

**Second Hand Clothing Pool**

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The Second hand clothing pool will now be running twice a term. The next open day will be on Wednesday 25 June.

**Lost Property**

Please check lost property if you are missing any clothing items. Anything left at the end of term will be donated to a charity or the second hand clothing pool.
ENTERTAINMENT BOOK!

Please return the Entertainment Book that was sent home with your child as soon as possible as we are now finalising the fundraiser.

If you would like to order additional copies of the book, please see the Front Office.

Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL BANKING

Why not join in the fun at your school!! School Banking has begun and will operate each Friday, except the last day of term. Please bring completed bank books to the Front Office.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

School uniforms are available from Savvy School & Formal Wear, shop 32, Homeworld, Soward Way, Tuggeranong. For any enquiries, please phone Savvy on 6293 4342. All Monash parents receive 10% off uniform purchases.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

This term we are giving students, schools and our School Banking Co-ordinators the opportunity to win a share of sunken treasure found in the Lost City of Savings. Students simply need to make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 2, regardless of the value, and they will automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes including:

Major student prize.
- Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
- VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet’n’Wild Gold Coast;
- Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
- A $3,000 travel gift card to get them there.

Runner up student prizes.
130 Toys”R”Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each to spend on their favourite toys.


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