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## **MOWBRAY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### **Issue No. 8 25th March 2020**

#### **This Coming Week:**

**Wed 25th Mar**  
Kindergarten Photo day  
and Catch Ups

**Thurs 26th Mar**  
School Association  
AGM 7:00 pm  
MHPS Boardroom

#### **Key Dates for 2020**

##### **Term 1**

Wed 5th Feb -  
Wed 8th Apr

##### **Term 2**

Mon 27th Apr -  
Fri 3rd July

##### **Term 3**

Tue 21st July -  
Fri 25th Sept

##### **Term 4**

Mon 12th Oct -  
Thur 17th Dec

##### **Easter**

Fri 10th Apr -  
Tues 14th Apr

##### **Professional Learning Days**

9th April  
20th July  
30th November

Dear Families

Once again I thank you very much for your patience, understanding and support for all members of the school community in what continues to be an extremely challenging time. A special thank you to those families who have shown acts of kindness towards our staff. This has been truly appreciated and confirms that we are all in this together.

As you are no doubt aware, schools will continue to remain open for as long as it is safe, and we continue to take a number of precautionary measures.

At the moment we have families choosing to keep their children at home due to COVID-19. We respect that this is an individual decision for each family. We have had many requests for support in relation to learning at home. Please understand that our priority is to the teaching, learning and well-being of the students who are at school during this difficult and uncertain time. It has become unmanageable to provide learning resources for individuals. What we have done however, is put together a website containing resources to support you with your child's learning at home. The link is

<http://learningathomewithmhps.weebly.com/>

This is a short term measure to get us through until the end of term. Further information in relation to learning at home will be provided once we have received advice from the Department of Education.

As we have already seen across the world, this situation is likely to continue for some time and is constantly evolving. Please be assured that we are well supported by the Department of Education and Public Health Authorities, and that we will continue to take all necessary actions to support hygiene and wellbeing in our school.

*Take care  
Sharon*

On Friday, Prep - Year 6 Progress Reports will be either sent home with the students who are at school or posted. Parents are welcome to make contact with teachers if there is something that you would like to discuss in relation to the report. Our preferred method for contact is through e-mail.

## Diary

Wed 25th Mar	Kindergarten Photo Day and Catch Ups
Thurs 26th Mar	School Association AGM 7:00 pm in the Boardroom
Wed 8th April	Last day of Term 1 for students
Thurs 9th April	Last day of Term 1 for staff

## Merit Certificates and Values Champions - Primary Students

Class	Merit	Merit (Respect)	Values Champion
3/4 UP	Elisha	Kanjel	Khloe
3/4 BS	Nancy	Scarlett	Dominic
3/4 Su	Anushka	Litiana	Aayliah
3/4 Sh	Ni Cung	Shakira	Layla
3/4 R	Nathan	Tajaya	Tajaya
5/6 A	Chance	Alka	Taj
5/6 Ge	Cheyanne	Allie	Cheyanne
5/6 Go	Travis	Mei	Albert
5/6 McK C	Janaya	Aayliah	William
5/6 L	Ester	Adril	Claire



## Our School Competition is going ahead

We have some very impressive entries in our school competition! Voting will be happening on Thursday. Please Note: The Northern Brixhibition competition has been cancelled. *Julie McKenzie*

School Photo Day  
Wednesday 25th March  
Kindergarten and Catch Ups



## Obstac-a-thon - CANCELLED

We are still hopeful about holding our Obstac-a-thon sometime this year. If families have collected money they are most welcome to either bring it into school for safe keeping or to keep it safe at home.

## Year 6 Leavers Tops - \$35

Our Year 6 students have the option of wearing a leavers Polo Top. This is a long standing and special tradition at Mowbray Heights Primary School. Order forms were given to Year 6 students last Thursday. Please return orders with payment to the Office by Friday 3rd April.

## School Association Committee

Our AGM will be held on Thursday 26th March at 7:00 pm. School Association Meetings are held in the boardroom.

## Student Absence

Parents and Carers are asked to continue making contact with the school when your child is absent.

We will send text messages when an absence is unexplained.

If your child will be absent for an extended period, please include the dates of absence and an explanation for absence.



The Growing Up Program has been postponed until later in the year.

Keeping your children safe online!



eSmart Digital Licence

Alannah & Madeline Foundation  
Keeping children safe from violence

Dear Parents and Carers,  
The rapid advances in technology have meant rapid changes to the way our children live their lives, and

subsequently to the way we parent and educate.

According to research, one in five young Australians are the target of cyberbullying each year, and 49 per cent of teenagers reported they had added people to their social networking 'friends' list that they had never met face-to-face.

With that in mind, and with support from Google, the Alannah and Madeline Foundation has developed a 'Digital Licence' – an online education tool designed to help protect children from online risks. This engaging resource was designed with cyber safety experts, teachers, and industry leaders in education and technology.

The Digital Licence is the most comprehensive educational resource for online safety and responsibility.

At MHPS we endeavour to embrace the benefits of technology, and at the same time educate and protect our children from cyberbullying and other online risks. Therefore, we are implementing the Digital Licence in Years 5 and 6, and invite you to visit the website [digitallicence.com.au](http://digitallicence.com.au) to learn more about the program.

*Steve Smyth - Assistant Principal*



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