



MODANVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Thursday, 20th March, 2014

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P&C Meeting

Wednesday 14th May

6:30pm

Week 3 & 8 each term

Upcoming events

- ❖ Canteen AGM, Tuesday 18th March 3:45pm
- ❖ Year 1/2 Assembly, 21st March 2pm
- ❖ Responsible Pet Ownership, K,1,2 3rd April
- ❖ K/1 Assembly, 4th April, 2pm
- ❖ Scripture Easter Celebration, 11th April
- ❖ LAST DAY OF TERM, Friday 11th April

Dear Parents,

We have put the calendar for the PSSA events for 2014 on our school website. Go to www.modanville-p.schools.nsw.edu.au, look for the tab: Zone PSSA Calendar, and see the link to the 2014 calendar. We hope you find this a useful resource.

Our Cricket team was successful in Round 2 of the State PSSA Cricket Knockout (we had a bye in Round 1) last Thursday. Our match against Mullumbimby P.S. was played at the MCG (Modanville Cricket Ground). Stars with the bat were Sam and Brock who both retired on 40 runs and Perry who was 13 not out. Bailey was impressive in the bowling department, taking 2 wickets for 5 runs and not bowling any wides. Our next match is next Thursday against Bexhill at Sam Trimble Oval.

Congratulations to Jemma for her fantastic effort at the North Coast Regional Swimming Carnival. Jemma beat her PB by 3 seconds and came 8th out of 16 in the 11 yr girls breaststroke final.

Jemma with her proud father:



We also would like to congratulate a former student from Modanville Public School who has been elected as the 2014 Vice Captain of Richmond River High School. Well done Malachi!



Our Crazy Hair Day was a huge success, raising \$287.95 for the Leukaemia Foundation. Four students, Will Y, Josh M, Kyle and Reid, joined myself in having our heads shaved by Leah. Even though Mr Blanch had placed a bounty of \$500 on his moustache, he agreed to have it shaved off in the spirit of the day.

Lennox Head Junior Creative Arts Camp will be held at the Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre, Lennox Head from Sunday 27th July to Friday 1st August. The camp is for students in Year 4,5 or 6 who show above average ability in music, dance, visual arts and drama. The cost is \$480. If you are interested in putting your child's name down for this

camp, please see the office for the paperwork. Please have applications in by Thursday 27th March (next Thursday) - you **do not need to send any money** at this stage.

P&C Executive for 2014 were elected at the AGM yesterday, Wednesday 19th March.

President: Sheree

Vice President: Lisa

Secretary: Liz

Treasurer: Melissa

Fundraising will be collectively taken on by the P&C Committee.

The Canteen AGM resulted in the following people taking on executive roles:

Coordinator: Rose

Secretary: Sarah

Treasurer: Juanita

Purchasing Officer: Sarah

We look forward to working with you all this year for the benefit of the students at MPS.

Midginbil Hill Camp: the notes for Years 3,4,5, and 6 need to be returned by tomorrow so we can begin finalising our camp program and costs. The P&C has agreed to allocate our Bunnings BBQ fundraiser to help offset camp costs and Rose Smith is organising a pie drive to raise funds for the camp. More details about how you can benefit from these fundraisers will follow shortly.

Parents are welcome to contact me if they require further information about the camp before giving consent for their child to attend. Have a look on google if you would like to see more about Midginbil Hill.

Regards,
Barry

Special Assemblies

Year 1/2 Friday 21/3 at 2pm

Kinde/Y1 Friday 4/4 at 2pm

Visiting Mobile Library

The mobile library comes to the school on a regular basis and community members are welcome to make use of this service. The dates are:

March 25 April 8, 22

May 6, 20 June 3, 17

It is here between 2pm and 3:30pm

Trees: Modanville P.S. will shortly have an arborist assess the trees in our playground, following the tragic accident in Sydney recently. All public schools in NSW have been requested to have similar assessments undertaken.

Initial work has been undertaken on the gum trees in our school drop off zone to remove 'dead wood' and reduce any immediate concerns. Additional work may be undertaken once the arborist's report is received.

I have also contacted Lismore City Council to conduct a similar assessment of the trees along the Dunoon Road that adjoin our school playground.

School Parking: Parents are asked to use the spaces available in our car park rather than parking in the drive through section of our school turn-a-round. Once parked in the car park, parents are asked to use the covered pathway at the southern end of the main building rather than walking across the drop off zone. Parents wishing to 'drop and run' can do so near our bus shelter area.

Transition to High School: High school expression of interest forms were sent home with our Year 6 students 2 weeks ago. They must be returned by tomorrow as our local public high schools need the numbers to determine places available for 2015.

Our local feeder high school is Richmond River High School. It receives many applications each year from students out of zone.

Parents who may be looking at the non-public high school option should still return their EOI with RRHS as their preferred high school. If a placement at a non-public high school is obtained later in the year it only requires a phone call to remove the students name from RRHS's list.

Book Fair: This week is the opportunity for students to look at the books and create a wish list to take home to their parents. Teachers will be taking their classes to the Book Fair to see the books. Then next Monday (March 24th), is shopping day! You can come in yourself and look at the display or send the money and your child's wish list in and we will bag up the order for your child to bring home. You can come in on Tuesday as well, but Juanita has more flexibility with her time on the Monday, so we are hoping that you will come in then.



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Kids in the Kitchen: Thank you to all the parents who offered to help us with this program. Hanna will be contacting you soon and discussing what needs to be done and when you would like to run the program. If you would still like to put your name down, please complete the note in this newsletter and return it to the school and we will pass your details on to Hanna.

UNSW Competitions: The UNSW English and Mathematics competitions are coming up. Our school offers this to interested students in Year 4, 5 or 6, and the cost is \$8.00 per entry. The Maths competition will be on 12th August and the English is scheduled for 29th July. If you would like to have your child participate, please complete the permission note attached and return with your child's entry fee.

Working With Children Check: You may recall that we have advised all parents who volunteer at our school to complete the 'prohibited employment declaration' - thank you to all our very valued volunteers who have done this.

Unfortunately, we need to ask you to fill in a different form. This is the 'Working With Children Check - Declaration for volunteers'. It is a bit more involved as you not only need to fill in your details, but you also need to bring the 100pt proof of identity. We keep these details on file at school.

Live Life Well Free Fruit & Veg Workshop: on Friday, April 4th from 2:45 - 4:15 we will be hosting a free workshop run by the Cancer Council NSW. This workshop will focus on healthy meals, helping fussy eaters and you will receive a free recipe book if you attend. Please either send back the registration form on the attached flyer or you can contact the school office and we will put your name down.

Student Banking: The Commonwealth Bank has a prize system set up for children who do student banking through the school. For school organisational purposes, we will check who is eligible **at the end of each term** and let them pick a prize from the choices that the bank is offering online.

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2014: The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools. Participation by schools and students is voluntary.

The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and to enable students to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The PRC runs from the 3rd March to the 29th August, 2014. Miss Kerr is coordinating the challenge at our school and has distributed personal reading logs to interested students. These logs are also available from the school office and from the website

<http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au>

Students in years K-2 need to read 30 books to complete the challenge (25 PRC books and 5 personal choice books). Students in years 3-6 need to read 20 books to complete the challenge (15 PRC books and 5 personal choice books). Many of the books in our school library are marked with PRC stickers. Lists of books can be found on the website. Please see Miss Kerr if you have any questions about the challenge. Get reading!

Class Newsletters: Rose is compiling special newsletters that focus on a particular class twice a term. She did this last year as well and we sent them out as a hard copy. This year, we will continue to send this out as a hard copy and also we will be putting them on the website. To find them, go to www.modanville-p.schools.nsw.edu.au, and go to the tab 'Curriculum & Activities', this is where we will put the class newsletters.

Drama at Corndale: Four senior students, Sarah, Maia, Chris and Bella, joined students from Corndale, Whian Whian, The Channon and Dunoon at a Drama Enrichment Day coordinated by Corndale Public School. The theme was Shipwrecked and our students enjoyed the fun and drama around putting together their group performance.

Art Smart at Clunes: Ashleigh, Lilian, Grace, Josh, Brent and Georgia recently spent 3 days at Clunes P.S. under the art direction of Jamie Hoile. The theme was 'flowers'. Our students enjoyed discovering and learning about new painting techniques and creating their own masterpiece.

Ashleigh and Grace elected to have their work placed on public exhibition later in the year in Lismore.

Well done!!

CANTEEN NEWS

Lunches available Monday and Friday only

The Canteen Menu is on our website

CANTEEN ROSTER:

20/3, R. Smith
21/3, HELP NEEDED 9-2pm, S. Barnsley 12-2
24/3, V. McIntosh
25/3, J. Joseph
27/3, L. Vickers
28/3, HELP NEEDED 9am-2pm, A. Sattler 12-2pm
31/3, H. Mulcahy
1/4, J. Joseph
3/4, R. Smith
4/4, S. Robinson
7/4, H. Gosper
8/4, J. Joseph
10/4, R. Smith
11/4, HELP NEEDED 9am-2pm, S. McInerney 12-2pm

COOKING ROSTER:

20/3, L. McInerney
21/3, S. McInerney
24/3, V. McIntosh
25/3, J. Joseph
27/3, L. Vickers
28/3, DONATIONS NEEDED
31/3, E. Robinson
1/4, B. Cox
3/4, R. Smith
4/4, S. Robinson
7/4, S. Friske
8/4, J. Joseph
10/4, R. Smith
11/4, S. McInerney

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS

WORK OF THE WEEK 6

Blake, a beautiful autumn tree
Michael, fantastic warm/cool colour painting
Stella, great presentation in class movie
Bowen, M.V.P. Award for speed test challenge

Week 7

Annabelle, beautiful handwriting
Will Y, cool 'road' art

Lexi, super sunflower artwork

Ren, crazy hair work

Music Awards Week 6

Samuel, great participation in listening & playing
Imogen, displaying improvement in performing
Jarred, great sight reading in music
Jason, wonderful clave work

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Week 6

Lachlan, trying hard to complete his work
Joshua M, excellent application to all school work
Levi, being a mature, supportive student
Mia, excellent effort in writing
Phoebe, great application during maths lessons
Jayden, confidence in sharing his ideas with others

Week 7

Connor, hard work in maths
Beau, fantastic efforts in literacy
Kaitlyn, great helping and working hard in maths
Michael, being a diligent student
Jarred, great application to school work
Tyrone, great independent research

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

Week 6	Week 7
Organisation: Chelsea	Resilience: Sam
Organisation: Kaleb	Confidence: Tyler
Organisation: Elijah	Getting Along: Will Y

Insights by Michael Grose - parenting educator
"language of resilience"

"Don't worry - relax and see what happens!"

Strategy: acceptance

Good for: kids who worry about exams or performing poorly in any endeavour; pessimists.

"If you've ever been driving to an important event only to be stuck in traffic then you would know that there are some situations you just can't control. The only way to cope is to accept what's happening because worrying and fretting won't get you anywhere. Similarly, parents with a resilience mindset can help kids understand what's worth worrying about and what's not, and that some things won't change no matter how much kids fret or beat themselves up!"



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Live Life Well Message

Be healthy - be active:

Children and adults need physical activity every day. Activity helps build better bones, muscles, joints and helps maintain a healthy weight. Physical activity can also reduce the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers. Get active any way you can - walking, riding, swimming, and playing active games.

Community News

1. Summerland Bonsai Society invites you to come along to the Bexhill Memorial Hall on Saturday 5th April, from 9am to 4pm. There will be exhibition trees, demonstrations, and advice on bonsai
2. Kids Art Lab: holiday program from April 14 - 24. Phone 0429 384 677 for more information
3. Stratheden Public School 100 years celebration on Saturday 12th April, starting at 10am. RSVP 6667 3266.
4. ABA Lismore Group: Celebrating 50 years, the Australian Breastfeeding Association is holding a trivia fundraiser Saturday 29th March, from 2-4pm, at the Rous Mill Hall. Entry is \$10 per team member, free kids activities. For more information email abalismore@gmail.com

UNSW Competition

My child, _____, would like to participate in the:

- ☐ English UNSW competition @ \$8.00
- ☐ Maths UNSW competition @ \$8.00

Parent/Carer Name: _____ Signature: _____

Amount of money enclosed: _____ Date: _____

Kids in the Kitchen

I would like to help with the Kids in the Kitchen program to be held on a Monday

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____