



Minchinbury Public School

22 May 2018

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Minchinbury, 2770

Principal: Miss Webster

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Wednesday 23 May – School Photo Day

Thursday 24 May – Stage 3 Fundraiser

28 May to 4 June – Life Education

30 YEARS
1988 - 2018

Principal's Message

NAPLAN

Congratulations to all of our Year 3 and Year 5 students who sat for NAPLAN last week. All of the completed test papers have now been sent away to be marked by independent markers. The results of these tasks will be distributed to schools and families during Term 3.

School Photo Day - Wednesday

Tomorrow we will have our second photo day. One of the photos we will be taking tomorrow is a whole school photo in the shape of the number 30.

This photo will be taken at 9.10am. We want all of our students in this photo. Please make the extra effort to have your child arrive at or before 9am.

Life Education

The Life Education van will be at MPS between 28 May and 4 June. Please return notes and money as soon as possible. If there are any challenges with this, please do not hesitate to contact me. We would like every student to have the opportunity to have this experience with his/her class.

Kind regards,

Miss Rebecca Webster
Principal

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23 May	School Photo Day
24 May	Stage 3 Fundraiser; 2.00: Stage 3 assembly
25 May	2.00: Kindergarten assembly
28 May	Life Education begins
29 May	ICAS - Science
31 May	2.00: Stage 2 assembly
1 June	2.00: Stage 1 assembly

Miss Mackey received a little surprise when one of her touch football students returned a note that stated her family gave her permission to play touch football. \$10 was in the envelope. When Miss Mackey questioned the student, the student answered, "Dad wanted you to have this to thank you for teaching me how to play touch football."

This is why Minchinbury is such a great place to be.

PS – Miss Mackey returned the \$10.

Minchinbury Public School Pride Moments

Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to all of the students who represented MPS at the Zone Cross Country Carnival. We are so very proud of you.

We had a number of students finish in the top eight of races. The first eight runners in each event are eligible to compete in the Sydney West Cross Country Championship on 13 June 2018.

Students who finished in the top eight in their race:



12/13 Year Girls – Logan Smith – 7th

12/13 Year Boys – Affan Yousaf – 5th

10 Year Girls – Ella Betham – 4th; Wynter Paluch – 6th

10 Year Boys – Tyran Shields – 1st; Chad Cooper – 5th

8/9 Year Girls – Alara Turkan – 1st

8/9 Year Boys – Eden Carr – 4th



A surprise competitor ran onto the course and had to be carried off the course.

MPS School Gates

Front gate for students to enter the school grounds:
Open at 8.15am.

**Please do not drop students off before 8.15am.
Please do not drive into the car park before 8.15am
and then ask your child to wait in the school grounds**

Notes home

Date	Grade	Title of note
11 May 2018	All grades	Camp Australia: Before and After School Care
15 May 2018	PSSA players	2018 PSSA Team Shirts
17 May 2018	All grades	Stage 3 Fundraiser
17 May 2018	Kindergarten	Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)
18 May 2018	All grades	School Photo Day Number 2

Notes sent home will have a deadline for payments and for notes to be returned to the school. No payments or notes will be accepted after the deadline has passed. If you will not be able to meet the deadline and wish your child to be involved in the 'note activity' you must contact the office **BEFORE** the deadline has passed.

VALUE OF THE MONTH:

Excellence

Striving for the highest personal achievement in all aspects of schooling and individual and community action, work and life-long learning.

In school communities, evidence of this value includes:

- giving recognition to students achieving high standards,
- frequently encouraging and acknowledging individual improvement,
- celebrating school community achievements,
- encouraging students' awareness of broader life opportunities.

In classrooms, evidence of this value includes:

- reaching personal best performance,
- maintaining high learning expectations,
- setting and meeting high standards,
- persisting through challenges and difficulties in learning.



P&C News

President: Karen Pochodyla

Secretary: Debbie Coombes

Fundraising Coordinator: Renae Sing

Vice President: Joanne Shields

Treasurer: Stephanie Loudoun

Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to our P&C and helpers who coordinated our annual Mother's Day Stall. It was a very busy day. There were lots of smiles and students were very carefully selecting gifts for their loved ones.

The money raised at the Mother's Day Stall was \$3412.

Thank you!



Next meeting: Wednesday 20 June at 9.15am

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30th Anniversary News

Photos of MPS from 1988 – 2018

We are putting together a photo exhibition and creating a photo disc with memories from times at MPS. We are asking our families to provide any photos of times at MPS that they may have in their possession. It would be wonderful if photos could be put in an envelope with your name clearly on the front and brought to the office.

Hard Copy Photos

Any hard copy photos will be scanned and returned to you quite promptly.

Digital Photos

We ask that you do not email digital photos.

Please put digital photos onto a USB.

We will copy the images from the USB and return it to you quite promptly.

What photos are we looking for?

We already have official class photos. We are looking for photos of events and experiences – school carnivals, lessons in the classroom, community days, photos with friends / classmates.

If possible, could you please include information about the photo, for example, 1992 Walk-a-thon - Lois Lane, Clark Kent and Lex Luthor. However, even if you don't have this information, we would still really appreciate seeing photos of the past.



Does anybody recognise this smiling staff member?

Community Survey

We are also inviting interested community members to complete a survey about MPS on Survey Monkey.

Responses from the survey will be collated into a memory book.

Included in the survey is an opportunity for you to upload a photo from your time at MPS and a current photo.

Survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N9YM9W2>

Road Safety Information

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?



No Stopping
Do not stop near a No Stopping sign.



No Parking
2 min to drop off or pick up, stay within 3m of vehicle.



Bus Zone
Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone.



Help keep our children safe

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SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*



FACT Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need YOU to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.



No Parking
No waiting. You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.



No Stopping
You must not stop on a length of road with a No Stopping sign. The first 10m from an intersection is a no stopping zone. Yellow kerb lines are also No Stopping zones.



Bus Zone
Only a public bus can stop in a bus zone.



Mobile Phones
Extra fines apply for using mobile phones in a school zone.



May be subject to Double Demerits

Speeding Offences



40km/h is the limit. Children are vulnerable, so slow down in school zones.



May be subject to Double Demerits

Pedestrian Crossings

- In a queue of traffic, no part of your vehicle can stop on a pedestrian crossing.
- Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing as this is a No Stopping zone.



Driveways & Footpaths

Do not park on or across a driveway or footpath.



U turns

Illegal on or near a pedestrian crossing and across double white lines.



Double Parking

Double parking is illegal and is very dangerous in a school zone.



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*Fines current as of March 2018. Fines and demerit points are subject to change. For more information check out the NSW Centre for Road Safety website.



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.



For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.

