



# MPS Matters Newsletter

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2025

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*We acknowledge the Cadigal People of the Eora Nation, who are the traditional custodians of the land on which our school is built.*

## Upcoming Events

Week 10	
Thursday 25 September	Whole School Musical Matinee & Evening Performances
Friday 26 September	Last day of Term 3
Term 4 Week 1	
Monday 13 October	School Development Day - staff only
Tuesday 14 October	First Day of Term 4 for students

## Rel Principal Report from Mrs Connell

What a wonderful week it has been at our school as we draw near the end of another busy and exciting term.

The new graphics installation in our library looks absolutely amazing. A huge thank you to our P&C and Ms Mann for bringing this project to life. It has transformed the space into an inspiring and welcoming place for our students. Check out our Facebook page for a 360 view.





Last night, I was proud to be at Sydney Town Hall to support our Primary Proms Choir at their concert. The students performed beautifully, and it was fantastic to see them shine on such a grand stage. Thank you to Ms Hyman for preparing the choir and to Ms Mann for her support throughout the day and evening of the performance.



We are now wrapping up the term with a very special event—tomorrow's matinee and evening performances of *The Jungle Book*. Every student from Kindergarten to Year 6 has worked so hard, and I know you will all enjoy the production.

This musical has truly been a whole-school effort. Special thanks go to Kelly from the canteen, who painted the amazing backdrop; Ms Hutchinson, for her tireless work on costumes; Ms Nicci, Ms Mia and Ms Olivia, for their creativity in prop and set design; Ms Mann, for choreographing many of the dances including our spectacular whole-school finale; and Mr Harding, for working so closely with our Year 6 main cast.

Beyond these, there are so many staff and helpers who have contributed, coaching soloists, rehearsing with classes, decorating the hall, supporting with music and tech, or simply giving up their time whenever needed. To every person who has played a part, big or small, thank you. This production wouldn't have been possible without such a committed and talented team working together.

We can't wait to welcome families and friends tomorrow to watch our school's musical, whether at the 12:00pm matinee or the 6:00pm evening performance. Don't forget to wear



your musical t-shirts to show your support, it's going to be a fantastic celebration of our students' talent, teamwork, and creativity.

I'd also like to thank Mr Duker, who took our Rock Band to Marrickville High School this evening to perform at their CAPA Showcase, a wonderful opportunity for our musicians.




## Final Reminder: Whole School Musical Tomorrow 🎭🎵

Our school musical The Jungle Book is finally here!

For all students:

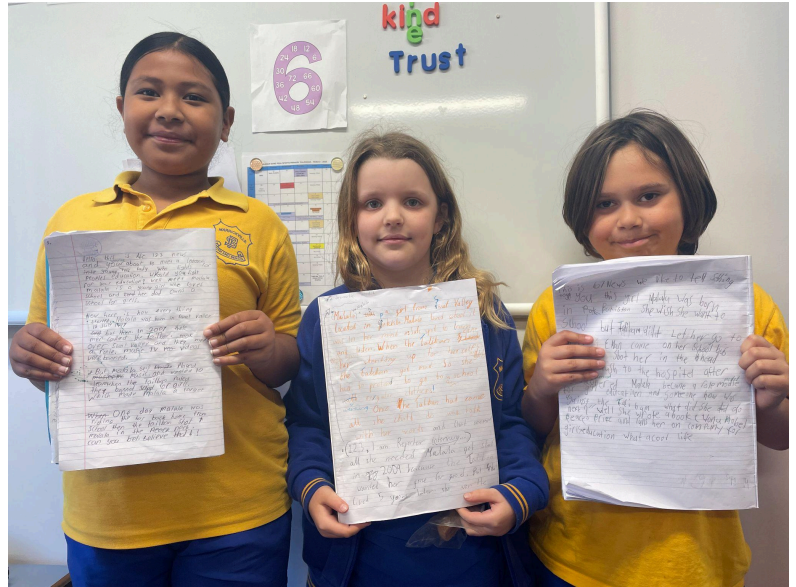
- Please come to school tomorrow wearing your musical t-shirt (or plain black shirt), black pants/tights, black shoes and black socks (except for Year 5, who need to wear their school uniform).
- Students bring their normal Crunch & Sip, recess and lunch.
- After the matinee, students go home as usual.
- For the evening show, students return to school at 5:30 pm (Year 6 at 5:15 pm) having had an early dinner. Students head straight to their classrooms (except 1/2S who will be in 5/6P).
- Students may bring a small healthy snack and a water bottle for the evening performance.

- Students stay with their teachers until the end of the finale under the COLA. Pick up is from there after the performance.

 Families must purchase tickets online using this link [ticketebo.com.au/mps2025](https://ticketebo.com.au/mps2025). Tickets are limited.

## Student Spotlight

This week, Joel, Margot and Charlotte L proudly shared their writing with me. They have been exploring perspective and context in their responses to Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes. It was wonderful to see the depth of their thinking and the way they are developing their skills as thoughtful, reflective writers.



## National Songwriting Competition

The Australian Children's Music Foundation National Songwriting Competition is now open for all school-aged children. Students are encouraged to compose an original song and enter it to be considered for cash prizes to go towards music equipment. The quality of the recording is not important and is not judged so why not support your child to write a song and enter it online. More details can be found at <https://acmf.com.au/national-songwriting-competition/>. If you need any tips, ideas and would like some feedback on your child's entry please contact Mr Duker.

## Planning for 2026 Enrolments

Planning for 2026 is underway and it is critical that we receive information to assist us in this process. If you are aware that your child/ren will not be returning to MPS next year, can you please notify the office as soon as possible. Once again, this year we are hoping to be able to trial students in 2026 classes midway through next term. However, we need accurate information to form potential classes based on enrolments.



Applications are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2026. If your child turns 5 before July 31, 2026 they are eligible to start school next year. To help with our planning, it will be greatly appreciated if you can submit your application as soon as possible.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to [enrol online](#). The online enrolment portal also accepts out-of-area applications. Out-of-area applications will be considered and decisions made as soon as possible.

If you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available from the front office, or you can download it from the [Department's site](#).








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**Instagram**


## **School Musical – Thursday 25 September**


 Go Bananas for Baking!   Our Jungle Book musical is nearly here and we need a jungle feast for the intermission stall!

A big thank you to everyone who has already signed up to bake — you're stars!  But we still need more bakers to make sure the crowd has plenty to roar about.

 Bring the bear necessities with a cake or slice.




 Monkey around with muffins or cupcakes.

 Add to the roar with some savoury bites — quiches, scrolls, or cheesy treats are always welcome.

Let us know what you can bring [here](#) and drop your treats at the school canteen from 3.15pm on show day and help turn intermission into a jungle banquet. Every tasty bite will raise funds and keep the crowd swinging with delight! 

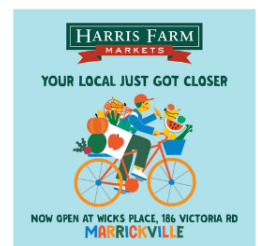
 Keen to help run the stall on the night? Email [hello@mpspandc.org](mailto:hello@mpspandc.org) — every extra set of paws helps make the stall a roaring success.  

## **Silent Auction**

 A huge thank you to everyone who bid, donated and shared our Silent Auction! Together we raised over \$4,300 for the new Nature Playground — a marvellous effort from our school community.  Every dollar brings us closer to creating a beautiful, green space for our kids to enjoy.  And a big shout-out to our wonderful local businesses for their generous support — let's keep supporting local!

## **Rainbow Run Prizes Are On Their Way!**

Prizes are packed, rockets are fuelled — and delivery is scheduled for early Term 4. Get set for a cosmic reward drop!





# Spring VACATION CARE

**29 Sept - 13 Oct 2025**

**The Y | Marrickville Public OSHC**

Child Care Subsidy (CCS) reduced fee available  
In addition to the scheduled activities, we also run sports and outdoor play, arts and crafts, cooking, drama, dance and music, free time plus more every day!

**Secure your spot, book online today!**

\*Dates, activities and prices may be subject to change. View our website for more information.

<b>MON</b> 29 Sept	<b>TUE</b> 30 Sept	<b>WED</b> 1 Oct	<b>THU</b> 2 Oct	<b>FRI</b> 3 Oct
<b>DAY CAMP</b> Wacky Wooden Works	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Silent battling DJs	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Kart Craze	<b>EXCURSION</b> Stardust Circus	<b>DAY CAMP</b> Junior Kitchen Stars
<b>MON</b> 6 Oct	<b>TUE</b> 7 Oct	<b>WED</b> 8 Oct	<b>THU</b> 9 Oct	<b>FRI</b> 10 Oct
<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSED</b>	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Glow-tastic Creations	<b>WORKSHOP</b> Illuminata Electric Circus	<b>EXCURSION</b> Allianz Stadium Tour	<b>DAY CAMP</b> Camp Carnaval
<b>MON</b> 13 Oct				
<b>DAY CAMP</b> Day Dreaming at the Y				

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**FIND OUT MORE**

## BENNELONG MUSIC NEWS

*We have had a wonderful term of music and are now taking enrolments for term 4. If you would like your child/ren to begin music lessons or join the band at MPS next term, please contact us at [info@bennelongmusic.com.au](mailto:info@bennelongmusic.com.au) or check out our website at [www.bennelongmusic.com.au](http://www.bennelongmusic.com.au) for more information on what we offer.*

Regards,

**Vanessa**  
**Administration**



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# **NSW public schools open these holidays!**

We're proudly sharing our space with the  
local community







# LITTLE CODERS

It's after-school fun at your school!



Discover the basics of coding and take your first steps to becoming a coding superstar!



Tuesday 21 Oct - 9 Dec  
3:30PM - 4:45PM



Marrickville Public School



Years 2 - 6

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We're looking forward to more coding fun for Marrickville Public School students in Term 4.

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**Free activities  
for children  
up to 12 years  
at the  
Parliament  
of NSW**

**Friday  
10 October  
9.30am – 3pm**

Visit Australia's oldest  
Parliament, step inside  
history and get creative in  
workshops and role plays.

- Visit our heritage rooms
- Make craft animals and objects
- Play music and draw with Blak Douglas
- Have your say in a committee role play
- Learn how to vote
- Enjoy live music and more...



**FREE ENTRY**

Activities 9.30am to 3pm

**LOCATION**

Parliament of New South Wales,  
6 Macquarie Street  
Opposite Martin Place

**The public café will be open.**

**BOOKINGS  
ESSENTIAL**

P: (02) 9230 2047 or

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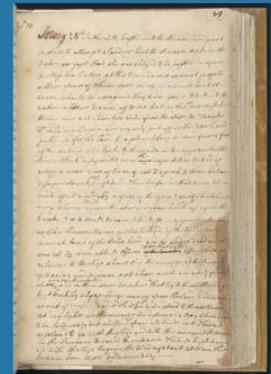


REGISTER NOW FOR THIS IMPORTANT DAY

# *Truth Telling – at Kamay Botany Bay*



*Kamay Botany Bay is the site of first encounter between Lieutenant James Cook and the Gweagal People in 1770 and it is fitting it should also be the place to present a Truth Telling Education Opportunity. Don't miss this unique opportunity to hear our early shared history from factual written records.*



## *Recognise the Truth*

YOU ARE INVITED

[Register HERE NOW](#)

*This invitation comes to you courtesy of:  
The Act of Recognition National Leadership,  
and La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council*

*Visit the website for information  
and to view previous gatherings.*



**Saturday 25 October 2025**

**10am to 4pm**

**Kamay Botany Bay National Park  
KURNELL NSW**

**DONATE  
TODAY.  
CHANGE  
TOMORROW.**

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