Have you downloaded our school app? If not go to the app store and search Mona Vale Public School. Our app is now our first line of communication to parents.

Please go to the App Store and download – allow push notifications.

Week 8 – Look at people when they are speaking to you. Have ‘eye contact’. (begins Monday 23rd November)

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Under Mona Vale
Leigh Kostiainen
Mrs Stevenson will be holding lunchtime Selective High School Club (in 5S classroom) during Wednesday lunchtime in Weeks 5 to 8 this term and again next year in Term 1 from Weeks 2 to 5. If your child wishes to sit the exam next year and would like some extra guidance please remind them to come along.

Attached to this newsletter is the PCS Extension Class application for 2017. Please complete and return to Narrabeen Sports High if you would like your Year 5 child to sit the Extension Test exam next year.

Administration hours are Monday to Friday 8:30am – 3:15pm

K-2 2016 TEXT AND EXERCISE BOOKS ORDERS
K-2 can order Exercise Books through Five Senses online and Text Books can be ordered through Dominie online NOW! You will find all the notes with information on the school website, under the notes and forms tab. Please read the attachments on the website which have all the instructions on how to order your books, including our school code for Dominie - LAR. We would appreciate it if you could order promptly as this will make sure all the books are delivered to the school ready for day 1, 2016!

Years 3-6 will be able to order Text and Exercise Books online later in the term. A message will be sent via the app and newsletter to inform you when ordering can commence.

YEAR 3 2016 BYOD
In Year 3 students begin the BYOD Program. Information regarding the BYOD Program is on the school website. Go to Notes and Forms, Planning for 2016. Information is listed under BYOD and repeated under Year 3 2016, so that you see it when ordering text and exercise books.

BUS PASSES FOR 2016
If you are in K,1,3,4,5 & 6 and you hold a bus pass for 2015, you will automatically be issued with a Student Opal Card in 2016. Students in Year 2 and new students to Mona Vale Public School will need to apply for a Student Opal Card in 2016. See our website for details or follow the link https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/howToApply

Thanking you

Leonie Gallard
School Administration Manager
CONGRATULATIONS to our 4 Junior Eagle Tag Teams who played in the Rat Park tournament last Thursday.

Our Junior B Girls Team placed 5th and our Junior A Team were the winners of the whole tournament.

Our Junior Boys Teams were up against each other in the final with our A Team winning in a tight battle.

The A Teams will now play in the finals series at Brookvale oval Thursday week.

Looking forward to hearing about the results of the Senior Teams at their tournament on Thursday.

WOW! Well done to all our teams.

Mrs Mel Stevenson

2015 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 4: Last day for students Wednesday 16th December

2016 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1: Staff Development Day - Wednesday 27th January 2016
Students return - Thursday 28th January (Years 1-6)
Year 5 OC students return – Friday 29th January
Kindergarten Best Start Assessments – Thursday 28th,
Friday 29th January & Monday 1st February
Kindergarten starts - Tuesday 2nd February
Easter Break – Friday 25th – Monday 28th March
Students return - Tuesday 29th March
Last day of term - Friday 8th April

Term 2: Staff Development Day – Tuesday 26th April 2016
Students return – Wednesday 27th April
Last day of term – Friday 1st July

Term 3: Staff Development Day – Monday 18th July 2016
Students return – Tuesday 19th July
Last day of term – Friday 23rd September

Term 4: Students and Staff return – Monday 10th October 2016
Last day for students – Friday 16th December 2016
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MVPS TAKES OUT THE ONE DAY PRIMARY SCHOOLS TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday this week MVPS hosted six northern beaches schools stretching from Bilgola to Oxford Falls at the NSW Junior Chess League’s annual Primary Schools One Day Tournament. Our school fielded a large group, making up 11 of the 28 teams aged from Kindergarten (taking part in their first tournament) through to Grade 6.

Mona Vale’s A Team of David T, Seb B and Seb W took out the highest honour of first place and have qualified for the semi final later this month. Mona Vale D Team finished fourth by half a point. Congratulations to everyone who participated for being great sports and ambassadors.

Many thanks to parent helpers Valerie Tulk, Sarah Hampson, Jen Moran and Anita O’Hart for their contribution to another successful tournament. My final one as Chess Club Chair after many years and three children reaping the rewards of a strong MVPS tradition.

As I said at the last P&C meeting, I still don’t know how to play chess and that hasn’t affected my ability to be chair in the slightest – there are many experts!! Volunteering is a great way to feel connected to your child’s learning, and to connect with other like-minded parents & carers.

CHRISTMAS PIZZA PARTY – DECEMBER 2ND OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL HALL

To celebrate the end of another great year of chess all registered players plus key parent helpers and coaches from the Sydney Academy of Chess will be shortly invited to attend our annual pizza party at lunchtime on Wednesday December 2. Please diarise the date & no need to send lunch that day. Send advice regarding allergies to the chess email below.

2016

Next year the P&C Chess Club welcomes a new injection of talent when the OC students arrive, and from Term 2 kindergarten are welcome to enrol.

I wish the club the very best and may it continue to showcase the fine balance of extracurricular actives and opportunities available at MVPS, and our talented students.

If you have any questions regarding chess please email chess@monavalepspca.com.au or give me a call on 0418 428 511.

Regards

Lisa Ratcliff
Chess Club Chair
Dear students, parents, grandparents and teachers.

The last issue of Scholastic Book Club's brochures, issue 8, have now gone out to all students.

Return date of all orders is **Friday 20th November 2015**

If you do the ordering over the net, through LOOP, you then need to log into the Scholastic's website.

Please **DO NOT** hand these orders to me because they will in that case be ordered twice and I will ask for the payment at the same time as you have already paid over the net.

Also, please make sure that you have got the RIGHT CLASS for your child. Paid and ordered items will otherwise be delivered to another class even though you got the right name of your child on the order.

Scroll down in the list of all classes and you will find the right class for your child/children.

Orders that are being paid by cheques or cash need to dropped off at the office and in the Book Club’s own letterbox.
I do all these orders for you all.

I will be closing the ordering on this Friday and if you do place an order after the closing date it will be delivered to your home address with the extra cost.

This is the way Scholastic has set it up. Closing date is to make sure boxes don’t arrive to school at different times and over a long period as well as the extra cost if you do order after I have closed the ordering.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact me!

**Best regards**

Rita Ericsson
Book Club organiser

Remember to read, read, read and read!
A recent major independent research study found that the results of students using Mathletics are up to 9% higher in external Government testing.

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Uniform Shop Details

**REGULAR OPENING HOURS**

Mondays 2:30pm-3:00pm  
Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am-10:30am

Email: uniformshop@monavalepspca.com.au

Next Thursday 28th November the Uniform Shop will be closed from 9:30am due to stocktake. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Volunteers are always needed so if you can spare a couple of hours once or twice a month, please email Kylie your contact details to uniformshop@monavalepspca.com.au

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Profits made during year in the Uniform Shop are given back to the P&C to support initiatives.

Regards

Mrs Kylie Webb  
Uniform Shop Supervisor
The school canteen has a new email address.

Please contact me directly on canteen@monavalepspsa.com.au

After much collaborative work with the P&C, the Student Council and volunteers there will be a new canteen menu on Flexischools in 2016. As ever the P&C have endeavoured to keep all prices as low as possible to ensure that the Canteen is economical as well as extremely practical.

The way Flexischools works will stay exactly the same. The biggest change is that there will be a home cooked meal available every day.

Children are increasingly coming to the canteen as they have arrived at school without their recess or lunch. Recess or lunch is provided to the children by the canteen and parents will be billed.

This week vegetables grown in school organic vegetable garden were used for the first time in the canteen. Lettuces were harvested and used. Cucumbers, corn and tomatoes will be used when ripe and ready to eat. Thank you so much to the students and staff who are growing organic vegetables at school.

The canteen needs approximately 60 volunteers to commit to a monthly canteen duty. Currently we are on 42 including new 2016 Kindergarten parents.

If you are able to volunteer once a month from 9-1 or once a Term from 9-1 please email me on canteen@monavalepspsca.com.au

I look forward to hearing from you.

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Rebecca O'Donnell
Canteen Coordinator
9997 2442
Community News

KEYBOARD LESSON ENROLMENT FOR 2016

-- Fun weekly group lessons on the school grounds

-- Learn the theory and practice of music

-- Competitive rates

CALL 9411 3122 to enrol!

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Pittwater Council

Pittwater Council is currently working on a traffic and parking study for the Mona Vale Town Centre and have requested that each family complete the school travel survey which relates to how your family travels to and from school each day. This information will provide us better understand the reasons and barriers as to why parents choose to drive, walk or cycle for the school pick up and drop off. The link for the survey can be found at Mona Vale School Survey.

We also welcome the school community to an open house on Saturday 28th November at the Mona Vale Memorial Hall between 10am-2pm where we will be discussing the Mona Vale traffic & parking strategy and walking and cycling in Mona Vale.

We will share these results with your school and will work in partnership to provide active travel links to your school to encourage walking and cycling.

Christmas Carols in the Park

Saturday 12th December

6:30pm-9:00pm

Village Park Mona Vale

Free Entry

Special Guest Singer – Samantha Shaw

Food & refreshments

Glow sticks

Santa arrives by fire engine

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- Avoiding adult content

Tue 17 Nov
7 - 9pm
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FREE but bookings essential on youthbookings@warringah.nsw.gov.au
For more information call 9942 2681.