University of NSW Science Results
The results are back from the University of NSW Science tests. The school has once again performed above state average. The following children received special mention:


Distinction: Neve Eardley, Sophie Loiselle, Lara Manning, Ella Simmons

High Distinction: Jodie Manning

Dance: If your child is interested in joining the dance group it is important that the office receives your payment this week.

Ethics Classes
Ethics classes start next Monday the 5th August. If you wish your child to participate you need to write a note asking for them to attend.

Education Week
Education week is a week dedicated to showcasing all the wonderful things that are happening in Public Schools around NSW. At Merewether we welcome parents and visitors at any time as we are proud of our school, our children and our teachers. We hope that you take this opportunity to come and see for yourself what is happening in classrooms and the school in general.

There are lots of things happening this week:
- Debating
- Tug-o-war
- Zone Athletics
- Teacher visit from Elemore Vale PS
- Disco 5.30 till 7
- Open Day–Assembly 9.30 followed by class visit, coffee and tea and monster cake stall.

Visiting Teachers
Over the past week we have had several teachers visit the school to observe and take away details of some of the quality programs that exist at our school. Today a group of teachers from Elemore Vale PS came to see the schools literacy morning in action. They were very impressed by what they saw. This is a credit to our dedicated teachers and our terrific kids.

Road Safety
It is important that both children and parents are mindful of road safety issues in the afternoon when the children are leaving the school. Parents are asked to not park near the crossing as it reduces other motorists view of children and the children's view of motorists. It is important to note that the staff driveway is an out of bounds area for children and parents. Children need to leave the school via the pedestrian gate.
P & C News

Christmas Raffle
During Term 4 the P&C will be holding a special Christmas Raffle. First prize will be a $1000 Westfield voucher, second will be a $500 voucher and the two third prizes will be $250 each. The P&C are looking for businesses that are willing to donate $100. Their names will then be placed on the back of the weekly newsletter. If you own a business or have contacts that could donate and receive the newsletter publicity please contact Susan Manning, Patrice Davis or Craig Robinson.

Thank you Craig Eardley for your kind donation of $100.

Uniform –Skirt Special Sale
Due to a backlog of new skirts in the school office uniform shop the P&C are holding a mark down sale on skirts. The skirts with a pocket will be $25 and without a pocket $15. The P&C would appreciate your support if you are at the stage of needing a new one for your child.

Zone Athletics
Last Friday 9 children represented our school at the Zone Athletics Carnival. All children qualified for the final and Imogen McInnes came first and will progress to Regionals.

Disco
Cost: $5 entry.
Who: Infants and primary combined.
Children will receive a drink and chips at intermission. Children are not to bring ipods or any device to take pictures or video.

Help Wanted
We need helpers to work in the canteen on the following dates:
Thursday 8th Aug
Thursday 15th of Aug
Friday 16th of Aug
Your help would be greatly appreciated by your children.

CALENDAR

Term 3
July
Thur 1st UNSW English Test

August
Fri 2 Open Day and Cake Stall
Mon 12 Year 5 & 6 Camp
Tue 13 UNSW Mathematics
Year 5 & 6 Camp
Wed 14 Year 5 & 6 Camp
Fri 16 Zoo Excursion– Infants

September
Thurs 12 Book Parade
Tues 17 Year 3 &4 Excursion

Library News

We have some new non fiction texts to highlight this week. Our cooks can design creative cookies with ‘Smart Cookie’ in the food section - 641. There are never enough ‘Football Facts - record breakers’ in the sports section 796. A debate rages in the book ‘This or That - Animal Debate’. Would you rather swim with a great white shark or a box jelly fish. Find this book in Animals 590. Practise your dewey numbers to find your favourite topics quickly! Linda Gesling

Principal’s Award
Quality Respect Responsibility

To ……………………………
Richard Hartley

Students to receive awards at this Fridays assembly:

Class Items at Assembly

August
Fri 2 Open Day—Aerobics
Fri 9 Miss Woodward
Fri 16 Mrs Hibbert
Fri 23 Miss Steele
Fri 30 Public Speaking

September
Fri 6 Mr McKay
Fri 13 Miss Martell & Mrs Kiely
Fri 20 Dance groups