REMINDERS:

- **Parents approaching students that are not their own** …… all community members are reminded that any questions or concerns are to be brought directly to myself or executive staff; parents and caregivers are not to address students about matters. Likewise, any questions or concerns with another community member relating to a school matter are also to be brought directly to school staff. We have had a number of occurrences of approaches this year. The Department requires such incidents to be reported to the Safety and Security Directorate; and an Inclosed Lands Act may be issued (this limits adult access to the school and to school events for a period of time).

- **Safety Reminder** …… the staff carpark is not for pedestrian or community car access. Please enter and exit the school grounds via the main school gate and pathway. Thank you for your support.

- **We are an Allergy Aware School** …… we request parents avoid sending peanut butter, Nutella and similar spreads, or whole nuts to school. We also ask that families keep us regularly updated about student’s medical needs.

- **School APP** – don’t forget to use our school App for information from this newsletter, school calendar, school permission notes and to receive notifications about up-to-date school news.

- **Voluntary School Contributions** – families are asked to make a voluntary contribution each year which will support the purchases of books for the library - $30 each student or $50 per family.

- **The following notes and payments are DUE ....**
  - Stage 1 Rouse Hill excursion - for students in Cessna, Wirraway & Spitfire – permission note & $38 due 19 June.

**Upcoming Events**

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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS
Review of Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics in NSW government schools

The NSW Department of Education and Communities has commissioned an independent review of the implementation of Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE) in NSW public schools.

The review is being conducted by an independent research company, ARTD Consultants. This company provides services in evaluating public policy. The review will inform ongoing improvement of SRE and SEE for the Department and providers.

How can you participate in the review?
You can complete a survey up until 31 July 2015 via an online portal, located at this link: http://forms.artd.com.au/s3/Online-contribution-for-parents-carers

The survey is in English and has 19 questions. For most questions you can select an answer from the multiple choice options provided. Only two questions ask for written answers. Extra written feedback for another five questions may be provided if desired but is not essential.

Queries or complaints about the way the review is conducted
For questions or concerns associated with participation in the review or to raise a complaint about the conduct of the review, please contact the Leader, Quality Assurance, on (02) 9244 5025 or by email at SRE-SEE-Review@det.nsw.edu.au. All complaints will be treated confidentially.

PSSA Sport News
Boys OzTag
The junior and senior oztag boy’s teams have played seven games so far and at each game they are getting better and better! Their passing and tagging skills were at their best in round 4 with a big win for both teams against Green Valley PS. The boys are working as a team to defend on the try line as well as to help them score tries. The following students have shown excellent sportsmanship by being respectful opponents and team mates: Ryan N, Gabriel G, Ferdinand C, Sebastian B, Khane L, Tarun R, Nathan B, Minas Y, and Wybeen S.

The team’s offensive skills have provided opportunities to score and with their teamwork and speed have managed to score plenty of tries. Great work by: David F, Sulaiman B, Samko P, Sebastian W, Anthony G, Marcus D, Mason A, and Roman T.

The team has shown great improvement in their tagging ability each week. All the boys work together to get as many tags to prevent the other team scoring. There have even been some awesome dives from players in the team. Excellent job: Marcus S, Noah L, Luke Z, Krishneil S, Adam Q, Nathan Y, Riley H, and Liam C.

I have loved watching the boys learn new skills and improve each week. The boys from MGPS never give up and always try their best! Mrs Prior
NEW LIBRARY PAGE on the school website...Log on to our school website and check out the Library tab! This is a new easier way for you to access Mrs Husarek Library Links weblinks and the PRC weblinks.

**What's On**
- Tuesday 19th May - Littlies in the Library
- 22nd May - uke performance
- 22nd May - Sydney Writer's Festival excursion for Library monitors
- 27th May - Kinders connected classroom with Kemps Creek PS
- 27th May - Debating workshop

**Thank you Parent helpers**
A special thank you to the mums of Annabella-Angel (K), Anthony (Yr 2), Sophia (K), Charlotte (Yr 2), Christopher (K), Danielle (Yr 1) and Aimee (Yr 6) for covering the many new books in the Library. Without your support EVERY student in our school would have to wait longer for these books to reach the shelves...so thank you.

**Our eBEAM Interactive Whiteboard has arrived**
Please drop by the Library on Wednesday 20th May after school (3:15pm) if you would like to see the 21st century technology of ebeam in action. I will demonstrate how the system works and how it is used to support our Library teaching program. Thank you to every parent who has ever supported the MGPS P&C who funded this hardware.

**REQUEST FOR TROUSER HANGER DONATIONS**
Our Big Books in the Library are stored on trouser coat hangers. Each year we purchase a significant number of big books to model and demonstrate reading strategies to students. We store these books on trouser coat hangers to keep them safe. If each family could send in one coat hanger it would reduce our purchasing cost, keep our books safe and make a huge difference to the Library. Thank you.

**Littlies in the Library**
Tuesday 19th May is our next Littlies in the Library storytime - a great way for your preschooler, or a neighbour's pre-schooler, to come to the library to listen to some stories, make something to take home and enjoy morning tea together. Please RSVP through the office to assist with catering.

**MUGS and BUGS - Middleton Grange Ukulele Group & Beginners Uke Group**
All fees for this term's ukulele lessons need to be finalised by Friday. Could you please send the money to school TOMORROW if you have not already finalised this account. Don't forget on Friday 22nd May many of our ukulele players will be performing at Liverpool Catholic Club. Notes MUST be returned ASAP.

**Premier's Reading Challenge**
Keep logging on to the PRC website using student's personal own DEC log on details or print off the PRC Personal Reading Log [https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/readingLog.html](https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/readingLog.html) if you want to record manually. Drop off your completed reading record card into the red library box.

Any student who finishes the PRC at home gets their name put on the PRC starts board in the library and will be invited to attend a PRC Stars Movie day in the library during Book Week. So read...record...and return the sheet or print out the finished list!

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