Principal's News

This will be our last newsletter for the term. Next week the students will be very involved with the concert. We hope you have an opportunity to come along and share in their excitement.

CONGRATULATIONS to the girls’ basketball team who travelled to Bathurst on Monday to compete in the state finals of the PSSA Basketball knockout competition. The girls played extremely well and came fifth overall in New South Wales. They represented Ashtonfield with pride, skills and wonderful sportsmanship qualities. Miss Osland would like to pass on a big thank you to the girls and their families for their commitment and support. Congratulations also to Miss Osland for her coaching efforts.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY, MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER—Pupil Free Day
Please remember that our school development day was changed from the beginning of this term until next Monday, 14th September so the staff can be involved with our high school and neighbouring schools in a professional development opportunity with renowned presenter Bill Rogers. Children are not to attend school as there will be no supervision on the day.

VARIETY CONCERT TICKETS ARE SELLING FAST. Both evening concerts are now sold out. There are still tickets available for both matinee concerts. Tickets cost $10 each. If you cannot come in to purchase tickets please send money in an envelope clearly stating how many tickets and for which performance. Tickets will then be sent home with your child. Please check which concerts you have tickets for and ensure you are here for the correct concerts. You will not be allowed in with incorrect tickets, especially for the evening concerts as we will be at maximum capacity.

VARIETY CONCERT LUCKY TICKET PRIZE As a thank you to our wonderful audience for remaining in their seats, at the end of each concert we will draw lucky seat prizes. Please hold onto your ticket as your seat number could be called out. Remember you do have to be in your seat to claim your prize. There will be great gifts available, all valued at $50 or more. Thank you for supporting our students and good luck!

VARIETY CONCERT COSTUMES If your child’s class requires a $5 hire fee please pay this as soon as possible so costumes can be organised. Our dress rehearsal is next Tuesday, 16th September so please ensure your child’s costume items are in the classroom by tomorrow.

SCHOOL PHOTOS have been sent home with students today. An order form is also included if your child had a school leader, sport leader, parliament or librarian photo taken on the day. A copy of these photos is available to view at the office. Orders must be made either online direct to MSP or handed to the school office by 16th October.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER NEXT FRIDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER. Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite teacher next Friday for a gold coin donation. Teachers will be coming dressed as students!

Have a successful week, Narelle and Staff.
FATHERS’ DAY BREAKFAST  Thank you to all our fathers and male carers who came along for our Fathers’ Day Breakfast. It is very important for our students to have such wonderful male role models. Thank you also to Mr Labecki and Ms Harris and the team who all worked hard to put together the morning. It is not easy to cater for almost a thousand people in such a short time frame. Even if some of the mouths are quite little they seem to be able to eat a hearty breakfast. It was great to see the number of dads in the library and lab and on the oval. (We trust the mums were given a great opportunity for a sleep in too.)

YEAR 5 & 6, 2016 BATHURST/RICHMOND EXCURSION  notes and deposits are due now. Please return your note so numbers can be confirmed. Please indicate on the note if your child will not be attending.

YEAR 2 INTENSIVE SWIMMING  notes were sent home last week. There is a limit of 60 places on a first in basis and places are filling fast.

DONATIONS  2K have been working on a unit in which we have planned and designed an imaginative playground for all students at our school. We would now like to build the playground in our school grounds. We are asking for donations from our local community to make this happen.

We are looking for:
- an unwanted cubby house;
- cans of spray paint in black or brightly coloured outdoor paint;
- bags of cement; and
- logs of wood (10cm high and 20cm diameter).

If you are able to help our class with any of these items please contact the school office.

A REMINDER TO PARENTS  that the SMS service previously used by the school is about to expire. Please do not send messages to this number regarding your child’s absence. An SMS will be sent to parents when their child is marked absent. Please respond to that SMS.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK  There is one Entertainment Book still available for purchase ($60) from the uniform shop.

A BIG THANK YOU  to Office Works, Rutherford for their generous donation of a paper trimmer this week. It is greatly appreciated.

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Will you...
Walk
With Me

A short walk for some can be a challenge for others. Join our community walk side by side with people with disability. Raise awareness and support a world where all are truly included.

When:  Wednesday 23 September 2015
Time:  10.00am – 2.00pm
Where:  Newcastle Foreshore Park
          (near Railway Carriage Sheds)
Activities include:
- BBQ for gold coin donation
- Reptile petting zoo
- Jumping castle
- Photo booth
- Craft activities
- Northcott NDIS awareness stand
- Market Stalls
- Wheelchair Sports Display
- Police Community Display in adjacent parkland

For more information contact:
P:  (02) 4935 0400
e:  donna.sughair@northcott.com.au
w:  www.northcott.com.au
# Class Awards

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# Canteen News

The canteen will be closed next Monday and Friday. **TOMORROW WILL BE THE LAST CANTEEN DAY FOR TERM 3.**

The canteen will re-open on Friday, 9th October.

If you are able to volunteer in the canteen next term please contact Cheryl Lucas on 0466 542 041.

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# Canteen Roster—September 2015

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Variety Concert Tickets ......

On sale NOW

Matinee Concert - 12 noon, Wednesday, 16th September
Evening Concert - 6:30pm, Wednesday, 16th September—SOLD OUT
Matinee Concert - 12 noon, Thursday, 17th September
Evening Concert - 6:30pm, Thursday, 17th September—SOLD OUT

$10 per ticket
(pre-school age children may sit on parent’s lap – no seat will be allocated)

FUN WITH FOOD

The Fun with Food program is a 6 week program that offers a fun and friendly environment for your child to experiment with foods in a positive way.

Hurry limited places available.
WHEN: TERM 4
Thursday 8th October – 18th November 2015
TIME: 10.30am – 12pm
COST: $240 for 6 week program

Maitland Private Hospital

School Readiness Program

IS YOUR CHILD READY FOR SCHOOL?

Maitland Private Hospital is offering an 8 week School Readiness Program covering the basic skills, concepts and behaviours required for successfully commencing Kindergarten. These skills include recognition of colours, shapes, sizes, letters and numbers; holding a pencil; sitting in a group; attention; concentration; co-ordination skills and more.

The program is developed and administered by Vanessa Taska, Occupational Therapist (BHlthSc.OT) and Grace Wilson, Speech Pathologist (BaSpTh).

WHEN: Monday 12th Oct – Monday 7th Dec.
TIME: 9.30 - 10.30am
Cost: $200 for 8 weeks
WHERE: Allied Health Outpatient Clinic, Suite 10, Medical Centre 2, Maitland Private Hospital

To register your child, please call 49312311.

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# Paid Advertisements

**Ashtonfield Computer Services**

68 Chisholm Road, Ashtonfield  
Phone: 0466 289390

- New computers
- Repairs & fault finding
- Virus and malware removal
- Network setup and trouble shooting
- Broadband setup and fault finding

**SPECIALS ONLINE** - New computers under $500

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**Hunter Valley Paintball**

Italia Road, Raymond Terrace  
Great idea for birthdays, social clubs & team building  
Gift vouchers available  
All players must be 16 years +  
**PHONE:** 4934 2212

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**CarCams Australia**

[Image of car camera]

www.carcamsoz.com.au  
info@carcamsoz.com.au  
0439 139 708

- Vehicle DVRs
- Reversing Sensors
- Mirror DVRs
- Reversing Monitors

Mention this ad & receive a 5% discount

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**NuCerity**

[Image of skincare product]

The World’s ONLY Nightly Breathable Masque

- Cosmetic: Fine Lines and Wrinkles - Age Spots
- Large Pores - Stretch Marks - Rough, Dry Skin
- Clinical: Acne - Scars - Fissures - Rosacea - Psoriasis

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**Are you interested in advertising in our newsletter? Contact the school office for details.**
Maitland Christian School presents

NARINA
~ The Musical ~

Thursday, 8th October, 10:30am
Friday, 9th October, 10:30am & 7:00pm
Saturday, 10th October, 7:00pm
At Metford Community Baptist Church
83 Chelmsford Drive, Metford NSW

Tickets: School Children $10
         Adults       $15
Available from www.flexischools.com.au
or at the door

Parental Guidance: Some scenes in this production
may be frightening for very young children.

For group bookings
contact Maitland Christian School
on 02 4933 7633 or events@maitlandcs.nsw.edu.au

Narnia
Based on C.S. Lewis’
‘The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe’

Book by Jules Tasca
Music by Thomas Tierney
Lyrics by Ted Dietchen

By arrangement with ORIGINS THEATRICAL
the exclusive representatives of Dramatic Publishing
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BIODIVERSITY DAY
AT BLUE GUM HILLS REGIONAL PARK

Fantastic free community day
Thursday 24th September, 10am - 3pm
Blue Gum Hills Regional Park, Mimmee

- Free activities
- Crazy animal photo booth
- Bid biz
- Free plant giveaway
- Beer bottles and planting boxes
- Interact with live animals
- Discover bushcraft and frogs
- Treasure hunt
- Prizes to be won
- Bluff art activity (free planting guided walks)
- Bush poetry with the Mimmee Magpie
- Sustainable hair and beauty and more...

Bring a blanket, water bottle and hat

Biodiversity is the variety of all life forms, the genes they contain and the ecosystems of which they form part.
Spring Vacation Care
Maitland Baptist Church Child Care Inc.
ABN 94 288 377 301

21st September—2nd October - Ashtonfield, Metford, Rutherford & Thornton Centres Open
Open 6.30 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. Monday to Friday

Quality care for Children 5-12 years, who attend infants or primary school.
Organised activities such as Craft, Sports, Indoor & Outdoor Games, Movies and Excursions.

“Child Care Benefit (CCB)” and Child Care Rebate (CCR) is available pending eligibility
Full fees will apply until CCB and/or CCR is authorised by “Dept of Human Services” (adjustments will then be made)

4 convenient locations - Rutherford, Thornton, Metford and Ashtonfield.
Daily fees after CCB range from $5.24 (1 child with 100% CCB) to $46.00 per child
Plus excursion fee if applicable. Fees to be paid on first day of care each week.

Bookings can be made at our centers and Main office from
Monday 24th August 2015

Sorry no phone/fax or email bookings (Original Booking Forms only)

Please note: Bookings are essential and 5 FULL WORKING DAYS (Working Days are Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm excluding Public Holidays) written notice must be given to book out or else full fees will be charged.

Supported by Community Services, Department of Family and Community Services NSW
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