FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dianne Ehsman Funeral
Today staff, students and parents attended the funeral for Dianne Ehsman. Our thoughts and prayers are with Miss Ehsman and her family at this time.

Sydney Excursion
Our Year 5 and 6 students, Mr Harris, Mrs Standen, Mrs Orr, Mrs Cooke, Mr Lamond and Mr Draper will head off to Sydney tomorrow morning. I am sure that the students and accompanying staff and parents will have a wonderful time. Thank you to the supervising teachers and parents for giving up their time for the excursion.

Term 4 Directors Meeting
On Tuesday I will be holding my Term 4 meeting with our school Education Director Glenn Stewart along with other Principals of the Henry Parkes Learning group.

Risk Assessments Video Conference
Last Tuesday afternoon all of the staff participated in a Video Conference on Risk Assessments facilitated by our WHS Consultant Jenny Cox.

Lost Property
Our lost property bin is very full to overflowing with items of school red jumpers. Unfortunately most of this clothing is not labelled with your child’s name. If you are missing any red school jumpers please call into the office and have a look through the lost property.
KINDERGARTEN 2016
Our Kindergarten children for 2016 will be visiting the Kindergarten classes tomorrow, Tuesday 20th October as another step in their preparation for “Big School”. Most of the children have been attending Middleton Minis for a term now and are well on the way to school. They will have another visit on Tuesday 3rd November for the Parent Information meeting, in addition to Middleton Minis every Friday.

- **Preschool visit** Tuesday 20th October 9.45am - 11.15am
- **Parent Information Meeting** Tuesday 3rd November 10.00am - 11.30am
- **Middleton Minis** every Friday 9.30am - 11.30am or 1.00pm - 3.00pm

If you know of any child starting school here next year who is not yet involved in these activities please let us know, as we want them all to have the best chance for a smooth, happy start to school.

*Mrs C Butler and Mrs A King*

PRIMARY CHOIR
On Saturday 13 of our students represented the school by singing at the St George Anglican Church Fete. These young people were wonderful ambassadors for our school. They looked terrific in their uniforms, their faces showed such enthusiasm and they sang beautifully. I have had many people go out of their way to tell me how much they enjoyed the choir and I am very proud of them.

We are now preparing for the Forbes River Arts Festival on 31st October, where 13 of our members will join a larger choir and sing during the afternoon and at the finale. The students involved will receive another note this week.

*Mrs C Butler*

KINDERGARTEN / YEAR 1 CHOIR
Choir practice will be on each Thursday from 12.00 - 12.20pm. The item “Oh Dear What Can Be The Matter Be” will be performed in Week 8 on Thursday 26th November.

SCHOOL DANCE
The School Dance will be held on Thursday night 5th November from 6.30pm - 8.30pm at the Parkes Leagues Club. Students are busy practising the dances for this popular event.

BOOK CLUB
Book Club was sent home last week. Orders and money are due back tomorrow Tuesday 20th October.

OLD SCHOOL UNIFORMS
We would love to have any old school uniforms if not needed for our clothing pool.

KINDERGARTEN EXCURSION
The Kindergarten excursion will be on Friday 20th November.
Awards

Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their effort last week:
Mikayla Penny (KH), Chelsea McMaster (KP), Mitchell Davies (1M), Amelia Ah-See (1/2SG), Elsie Orr (2W), Cory Baker (3/4DW), Liam Snyman (3/4M), Lowanna Bloomfield (3/4OR), Karma Smith (5/6E), Max Kinsela (5/6H), Connor Mrak (Mrs Butler), Layla Quade (Mrs O’Donnell)
Sam Kinsela (Mr Dumesny) and Makayla Simpson (Mrs Standen).

Well Done!!

MERIT CERTIFICATES — Peer Support Lessons

Well done!!

Infants Sports: Ella Jablonskis (2W)
Primary Sports: Ryan Cotter (3/4OR)
Assembly Item: 2W—Mrs Westgarth

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Students on Target

Kane Godwin

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Show Respect, Be Responsible,
Have a Positive Attitude

PBL Focus for this week
“Kindness Towards Others”

Canteen News

21.10.15 Wednesday A Whiteman
22.10.15 Thursday J Duncan
23.10.15 Friday S Tildsley
26.10.15 Monday J Onley
28.10.15 Wednesday E Quade

ROSTER FOR NEXT YEAR
We desperately need more volunteers to compile a roster for next year. If we don’t get more helpers the canteen will only be open for 3 days a week next year.

Our canteen roster is current to the end of the term. It will be necessary to continue this roster for Term 1. We will be short of workers with some families moving to High School.

If you are currently on the roster and DO NOT wish to continue for next year please let me know. If you are able to help please complete the form below.

Due to our Insurance Policy children are not permitted in the canteen.

Middleton Public School Canteen
Casual Work Available

When: weekly, fortnightly, monthly
Hours: 9.30am to 12.30pm
Experience: Not necessary
Salary: A La Carte lunch

Name:

Phone:

Child’s name and Class:

Please circle
Monday Tuesday Wednesday
Thursday Friday
Weekly Fortnightly Monthly

Mrs B Osborne—Canteen Manager

Drop off and Pick Up
Please ensure that you drop off your child in the Medlyn Street drop off designated area or in Park Street. Encourage your child/ren to use the children pedestrian crossing at all times.
PRIMARY SPORT SWIMMING HELPERS
We are still in need of parent helpers to help with swimming for Years 3 and 4 on Wednesday’s. This week’s swimming helpers at this stage are: Tammy Darcy, Trudy McMaster, Stephen Gaut, Nikki Sutton and Eric Snyman.

PRIMARY SPORT
- Years 3 and 4 will do swimming for sport this week. Students please remember to bring your swimmers, towel, sunscreen. **Cost of swimming for this week is just $2.00 for pool entry (nil if you have a season ticket). The cost of the bus for this week is being paid for through Sporting Schools Grant.**

INFANTS SPORT
Infants sport will take place from 9.35am to 10.15am on Friday’s. This change in times will ensure we are not doing sport in the heat of the afternoon. Any parents/carers who wish to help with Infants Sport are most welcome to attend.

*Mrs D Grady*

GYMNASTICS / OBSTACLE COURSE ACTIVITIES
Gymnastics/obstacle course activities for all students K-6 will commence this week and will take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for each class as indicated below:

- **Tuesdays** 3/4M, 5/6E, 1/2SG, 1M, 3/4OR
- **Wednesdays** 3/4DW, 2W, KP, KH, 5/6H

**Note:** It is very important (due to safety issues) that every student wears the correct footwear (ie joggers) during these activities. Black joggers are best, however, other coloured joggers may be brought to school to change into during activity lessons. All girls should have scungies or shorts to put on under their dresses.

*Mr B Dumesny*

ABIGAIL CARRIES FLAG
At last week’s NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival Middleton’s own Abigail Simpson was selected to be the flag bearer for the Western team during the Carnival’s march past. This is a very prestigious honour, and a first by a Middleton student.

**Congratulations always has done and her school to Abigail who, as herself, her family proud!**
Parent and community volunteers welcome to join us between 12.20pm and 1.50pm each Friday for kitchen and garden classes with Stage 2 students.

In the garden.....
We will be watering our vegetables, mulching the gardens ready for the summer ahead and making labels for the vegetables.

TUPPERWARE RAFFLE
Thank you to the parents and staff for supporting our Tupperware party last week. We had a fabulous result which has enabled us to now have a huge Tupperware raffle with these prizes, listed below:
1st TUPPERWARE Kitchen Picnic Pack, worth over $400. (Includes the popular round dip and nibbles serving platter.)
2nd TUPPERWARE Freezer Mates Jumbo Set, worth over $200.
Tickets are available from the office at the price of 3 for $5.00 or $2.00 each.
Raffle will be drawn at school on 14th December 2015.

ABSENTEER NOTES
Absentee notes must be sent into school when a child has been absent for any reason.

HEAD LICE
Please continue to check you child’s hair daily as there have been a number of students absent with head lice.

TIPS
• Using a long tooth metal comb is the best way to remove lice eggs from the scalp.
• It is usually advised to treat for head lice a week apart to kill any remaining lice eggs that would have hatched.
• It is important to be thorough when treating for head lice. Miss one and soon you will have an infestation again!
• Plaiting or braiding girls’ hair as this can make it difficult for head lice to attach themselves to the bottom of the hair strand.

There have been a number of cases in the school

Waste to Art
• Please start collecting bright coloured plastic bags or soft plastic that can be woven. They need to be a solid colour not patterned. No grey clear bags. We need a large quantity so start collecting now.
• Keep collecting bright coloured bottle tops. Keep recycling and reusing.

NO HAT, NO PLAY
Teachers will be diligent in enforcing this important rule. Broad-brimmed hats are the only acceptable hats to be worn. Hats can be purchased from Totally Workwear, Mensland or Arnold Byrnes.

Term 4 Planner 2015

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Sport and Recreation’s
Swim and Survive lessons

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are $69 for school-aged children and $49 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).