New Teacher
Following the merit selection process and the passing of the ten day appeal period, I can now inform you that the new Assistant Principal and classroom teacher for our Year 5 class will be Mrs Lisa Butterfield.

Mrs Butterfield is currently Assistant Principal at Helensburgh PS and will commence duty at Miranda North from Monday 29 April (beginning of Term 2).

Kidz in Sports
The Kidz in Sports program finished this week. Our kids really loved the activities and the coaches from the program really enjoyed working with our kids. Well done everyone!

Zone Cross Country
A note has been given out to those students who will be representing MNPS at the Zone Cross Country on Monday 13 May at Miranda Park.

We will be training the students on Monday and Thursday afternoons at Miranda Park from 3.45pm for approximately half an hour, commencing Thursday 2 May. We understand many families have after school commitments but if your child can attend that would be great. You will need to provide transport for your child and stay for supervision.

Please return the permission note with $4 resource levy to the office.
Kate Fifield, Kathy Hails and Tracey Barley.

ANZAC Day Ceremony
As ANZAC Day falls during the holidays, we will be holding our annual ANZAC Service at school tomorrow (Thursday 11 April) at 10.30am

We will also be participating in the ANZAC Dawn Service held by the Miranda RSL Sub Branch on Thursday 25 April. This is an optional activity—please see Mr Meades if your child would like to participate. Students need to be able to march and stand very quietly for approximately one hour.

Permission to Publish Notes
We still have significant number of students who have not yet returned their permission note allowing (or not) their photos to be published on our school website or in other promotional materials. At this stage a non return of a note is being treated as a ‘no permission given’ and so we have to sort through what photos we have to ensure we don’t include the wrong kids. This is quite a tedious process and could be helped by all students responding on way or the other.

Canteen
Volunteers are still needed for Mondays and/or Thursdays in our school canteen. Please contact Tracey if you can help—0433 736 055, or leave your name and contact details with preferred day at the canteen on the above days.

A new price list has been sent home to every family. A huge thank you to John Stark—Active Mail, Caringbah for printing these at no charge to our school.

Please be reminded that tomorrow (Thursday 11 April) is the last day of school for students.
We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday!
Students return Tuesday 30 April
**Student of the Week—Term 1 Week 9**

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<td>Eliza</td>
<td>An excellent effort in reading groups.</td>
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<td>Marcus</td>
<td>Taking pride in all his work.</td>
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<td>KW</td>
<td>Lyla</td>
<td>Being a focussed learner and responsible class member.</td>
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<td>1B</td>
<td>Kyara</td>
<td>Being a happy friend and steady worker.</td>
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<td>Isha</td>
<td>Always putting in your best effort.</td>
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<td>3M</td>
<td>Lachlan</td>
<td>Excellent concentration and work habits.</td>
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<td>4F</td>
<td>Olivia</td>
<td>Being a delightful student at all times.</td>
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<td>Stanley</td>
<td>Being a technology whiz!</td>
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<td>Emma</td>
<td>Working consistently in all areas.</td>
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<td>5A</td>
<td>Ellie</td>
<td>Beautiful bookwork.</td>
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<td>6H</td>
<td>Patrick</td>
<td>An improved attitude in all areas.</td>
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**Term 1 Dates to Remember**

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<td>Wednesday 1 May</td>
<td>Mother’s Day Stall</td>
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<td>Friday 3 May</td>
<td>PSSA Netball &amp; Football starts</td>
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<td>1B—Hospital Excursion K-2 Gymnastics starts</td>
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<td>1D—Hospital Excursion P&amp;C Meeting NAPLAN commences</td>
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<td>Claymation</td>
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<td>ICAS Computer Test</td>
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**Messages from the Office**

Notes/Payments due:
- Semester 1 Dance now OVERDUE
- Year 6 T-shirt $20 now OVERDUE
- 1B Hospital Excursion $3 due 3 May
- K-2 Gymnastics $50 due 3 May
- Years 5 & 6 Canberra deposit $50 due 3 May
- Zone Cross Country $4 due 9 May
- 1D Hospital Excursion $3 due 10 May
- Years 1 and 2 Royal National Park $22 due 24 May

**Crunch & Sip Tips**

Why shouldn't students eat snacks like muesli bars or fruit leathers during Crunch&Sip?

Foods such as fruit topped muesli bars and fruit leathers are often high in sugar and energy, and lower in other nutrients such as vitamins and minerals. Fruit and vegetables are lower in energy and high in nutrients, making them the ideal snack option.

Fruit leathers, roll ups and sticky muesli bars also have the tendency to cling to teeth, which increases the risk of tooth decay.
The Easter Hat Parade was very popular again this year. The entire school turned out in fur and feathers for a fun afternoon. Thank you to our P&C, Lucey and Natalie and all our parent volunteers for organising the cake stall and raffles for the day.
IS YOUR CHILD SAFE? UNDERSTANDING BULLYING

Bullying in Australian schools is a huge concern for teachers, parents and students. While schools are promoted as a safe place for children and anti-bullying policies are in place, there is a gap in linking parents and school professionals to work together in understanding and providing early intervention.

This workshop will assist parents in identifying bullying, the different forms of bullying and what proactive strategies can be implemented.

Without appropriate support and intervention, bullying can have lifelong negative consequences for the child and their family.

Date: Wednesday 29 May, 2013
Time: 6.00pm-9.00pm
Venue: Learning Links Penshurst
10 Railway Parade, Penshurst NSW 2222
Cost: FREE*
Suitable for: Parents and Carers ONLY

For enquiries and bookings please phone Dana on 8568 8200

* This workshop is funded by the Department of Education and Communities.
**Community News**

**Free Mother’s Day Family Night**

Thursday 9 May 6-8pm
Join us for a free night of fun and gift making.
Bookings recommended
For more info visit www.bunnings.com.au/caringbah

**CLAUDINE SCHOOLWEAR**

To assist students in their preparation for winter, Claudine Schoolwear are offering 10% off all purchases made between Monday 25 March and Saturday 20 April.

Uniform inquiries: Yvonne 9526 2525

**Relay For Life**

*Celebrate Remember Fight Back!*

Live entertainment / celebrities
music / food / kids rides / camping
fundraising to fight cancer

4th & 5th MAY 2013
Sylvania Waters Athletics Track

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**Who Will You Relay For?**

**Little Kickers**

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The world’s most loved pre-school soccer program for BOYS and GIRLS aged 18 months to 7th birthday

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**Go4Fun**

FREE fun program for kids to become healthier, fitter and happier!

Go4Fun® is a healthy lifestyle program to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children above their ideal weight. Go4Fun® runs for 10 weeks during school term for children and their parents. Sessions are run after school and include games, activities, tips on healthy food, label reading and portion sizes plus much more!

A program will be running during school term 2, 2013 at:
Kirrawee Public School
Bath Rd, Kirrawee

Other programs will be held across Sydney, please phone to find out other locations.

To book in to a program phone 1800 780 900 or for more information contact Emma Sainsbury on 9382 8646

**Taekwondo**

is a form of self defence using bare hands and feet. It is suitable for boys and girls. Grand Master Kwak has the highest black belt (9th Dan) in Australia and has over fifty years of experience.

He has classes at Miranda North PS on Wednesday afternoons 4-5pm. New members welcome! For enquiries

Miranda North Community Church meets every Sunday from 10am in the School Hall. We’d love to welcome you and your family. Morning tea, Sunday School and Créche for the kids all provided. 10am Sunday, all welcome!