The first of this week’s photos was taken at Cromwell Park at Sunday’s P&C fun afternoon. Thanks to all the families who made the effort to come and join in with some Easter hopping madness. Special thanks to Cherie for doing most of the organising as usual. Thanks to the big Easter Bunnies who planted the PEGS for the little hopping bunnies to find. Special thanks to Evan also for popping into say hello.

Navy Band

Once again we have been fortunate to host for the fourth year, the Royal Australian Navy Band. The band has stated they enjoy the responsive nature of the students and returning to the school.

5/6M performed with the Navy Band. A video of this performance can be found on our Youtube channel. Photos of today’s event can be viewed on the school’s website and in next week’s ‘Settler’.

Our next visit will be with four members of the Australian Chamber Orchestra on April 9th.

Preschool Meet and Greet

It was a great turn out at the Preschool meet and greet last Wednesday. Parents and carers had the opportunity to meet their child’s playmates. A BBQ cooked by Simon, one of the parents and who is also one of our scripture teachers, was enjoyed by all.

School Photos

The following times are scheduled for the school photos on Tuesday 9th April. All sibling photos will be taken before class photos from 9am. Order forms were sent home last week and there are limited copies in the office.

Stewart House

$156.90 and a large number of clothes were donated as the school community supported Stewart House. Two of our students will be heading to Stewart House for an amazing experience over the next two weeks.

Annual School Report

The 2012 Annual School Report has been placed onto the school’s website. Select the link below or choose the ‘Our School’ tab and look for the Annual School Report link on the right hand side.

Kindergarten 2014

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2014. If any students have siblings who will be starting next year or know of anyone who would like to become part of our school community please pick up an enrolment form from the office or download one from our website www.matravilss-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. Please do not hesitate to contact the office on 9311 1175 if you have any questions regarding enrolments.

School Cross Country

The School Cross Country for students in Years 3 – 6 and those Year 2 students who turn 8 this year will be held on Wednesday 27th March at Pioneer Park.

Children will come to school at normal time and will leave at 11:30am to walk to Pioneer Park. They will return to school at approximately 3pm.

Sports Uniform is to be worn. Please ensure your child has sport shoes, sunscreen, school hat and a water bottle.

Students with Asthma should carry medication with them as required.

Please ensure permission notes have been returned.

Sport

PSSA Round 6 Fri 5th April

Cricket Vs Malabar at Pioneer Park (Upper)
Softball Vs Malabar at Pioneer Park (Upper)
AFL Vs Matraville at Heffron Park

Please send a $1 Coin with your child each Friday

Easter Egg Raffle

Thank you to everyone for donating Easter Eggs to go towards this fundraising event. Congratulations to those who won one of the many baskets raffled today.

Easter Break

School will be closed on Good Friday 29th March and Easter Monday 1st April for Easter Public Holidays. We wish all families a safe and enjoyable break.

School Disco

Will be held on Thursday 4th April in the school hall between 5 pm and 6.30 pm. Easter Theme.

Uniform Shop

Will be open this week on:
Monday & Friday 9.00 – 9.30am

Please note that there are no eftpos facilities at our school if parents could please assist the uniform shop and office by paying by cash or cheque.
Parent Interviews

Parent/teacher interviews will be held on:

Mon 8th April: 5/6M, 5A and 1/2C.

Tues 9th April: KJ, KH and 1M.

Wed 10th April: 3R and 4J.

Our online booking system is open for parents to book up interviews with the teachers. Just follow the simple instructions below.

Alternatively, please call the school if you are unable to access a computer.

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Positive Behaviours for Learning Certificates

Responsibility:
KH: Charlotte Moen
KJ: Grace Paterson, Amelie Corrie, Eric Saliba, Zakary Lester

Learning:
KH: Thomas Butler, Christine Leong, Zakaria Mackey
KJ: Kai Todd, Jodie Donnan, Baya Lowe, Isaac Barkho, Noel Que, Charlee-Rose Noble, Henry Huang

Respect:
KJ: Zakary Lester, Grace Paterson

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following children

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Thank you to Maya Bell, Sophia Lu and Cleo Sissian Turnbull for volunteering to participate in the Books In Homes writing competition. It is great to see that these students recognised that they received free books from this program and wanted to support the program by participating in their activities.

Koori Parent Meeting

Last Wednesday evening we discussed the following.

1. Personalised Learning Plans and how they are to be developed through our interview week;
2. Possible funding ideas; and
Community News

Disclaimer: Matraville Soldiers’ Settlement Public School as a service to parents will advertise community events, which may be of interest. MSSPS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility to the management or organisation of these events.

CAKE DECORATING SOLUTIONS HAVE NOW OPENED OUR 4TH STORE
405 Gardeners Road, Rosebery
(Stocking Bakels, Satin Ice, Wilton, Fat Daddios and much more)
Cake Decorating Classes
Children’s Cupcake Decorating Classes (starting Apr 13)
Custom Edible Images
In-Store kids play area
5% discount for all parents excluding Bakels 7kg RTR and classes
Phone: 9667 0520
www.cakedecoratingsolutions.com.au

Surviving Tantrums
A free workshop for parents/grandparents & carers,
Looking after children 2 to 6 yrs of age.
Share some tips & tactics to help cope with tantrums.
Date: Wednesday April 3rd     Time 10.30 am till 12.30 pm
Venue: Shop 2, Albert St, off Avoca St, Randwick.
Facilitator: Janet Harris; Family Partnership Trainer.
Bookings essential; phone Janet on 9382 0928, or e-mail: janet.harris@sesias.health.nsw.gov.au
Unfortunately no child care available, unable to accommodate young children.

School Holiday Camps

April School Holiday Camps at Moore Park and Matraville
Our Sports Fun Holiday Camps are for children aged 3 – 8 years old. The Camps are multi-sport camps, with between 3 and 5 sports taught each day. The Camps run at the following times:

8.30-3.00pm (full day) - $60.00 per child per day – 10% discount for 3 or more days, groups of 5 or more & siblings.
9.30 – 1.00 pm (half day) - $50.00 per child per day – 10% discount for 3 or more days, groups of 5 or more & siblings.

Moore Park Tennis:
Mon 15th, Wed 17th & Fri 19th April
Mon 22nd, Wed 24th & Fri 26th April

Matraville Sports Centre:
Mon 15th, Wed 17th & Fri 19th April
Mon 22nd, Wed 24th & Fri 26th April

To book please contact Dan on 0427 138 124 or email rds@sportsfun.com.au for more details

Also weekly sports classes for 2.5 to 7 year olds run at both venues, including Saturday mornings at Matraville, and we will also run classes at Alexandria on Thursday mornings.

www.sportsfun.com.au

Easter Holiday road safety tips

As the Easter long weekend approaches, thousands of families are set to hit the roads for holiday trips. A concern for everyone across the country is always that of road safety over the long weekend. There are more people using our roads at this time meaning there is a higher risk for accident, injury or even death. Motorists are urged to be extra cautious especially at night and when passing through residential areas, due to the unpredictable actions of pedestrians. Some useful road safety tips you can take in to make sure your journey is a safe one:

• Don’t set off on a long trip at the end of a day’s work.
• Sleep well before travelling. Don’t drive at times you would normally be asleep.
• Take a 15 minute break outside your car every two hours.
• Eat well balanced meals at regular times. You need the energy for brain activity and concentration while driving.
• Do not use your mobile phone while driving. Turn off your mobile phone or keep it on silent.
• Pack some quiet activities for the children in the car such as portable DVD players, books, small computer games, portable music player with headphones.

Please remember that children are inexperienced road users and that it’s important they are supervised in the traffic environment. Please remember to:

• Hold your child’s hand while in the car park, on the footpath and when crossing the road.
• Always buckle up in your seatbelt and follow the national child restraint laws for 0-7 year olds.
• Help your children exit the car using the rear passenger door on the footpath side.
• Ensure your child wears a helmet and rides in a safe place away from the road while on a bike, scooter or skateboard.

Have a happy & safe Easter from Soldiers’ Settlement Public School
Please be considerate of the two preschools as you wait for your children. Some smokers are dropping the butts outside on the pavement. Our neighbours at Master Kids Preschool are asking us to please help them maintain a clean and safe area.