

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – WEDNESDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2014

Principal's Message

READING TO LEARN (R2L)

Last week Balmoral and Wynnum State High School teachers visited our Year 6/7 classes. Both schools are currently implementing R2L. They provided great feedback for our teachers Georgina Van Balen, Casey Flack and Stuart Houliston and the 6/7 students: *"Hi Lisa just thought you would like to know the Wynnum High teachers who visited today were super impressed and have come back buzzing with discussion about what they need to do in their R2L practice to improve!!"*

Special thanks to Rebekah Ide (R2L coach) for keeping us moving on our R2L journey. There has been some amazingly positive feedback from parents who are currently training with Rebekah. Parent training continues next term:

Workshop 3: Wednesday, 15 October

Workshop 4: Wednesday, 29 October

All sessions will be held from 2:00-3:00pm in the Science Room above OHSC.

YOUR CHILD WILL ACHIEVE BETTER WHEN THEY GO TO SCHOOL ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Why is regular attendance at school important? Research shows that in Queensland, higher student attendance at school is associated with higher student achievement. Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day.

- they learn better
- they make friends and are happier
- they have a brighter future

Over 20% of absences at Manly West SS are related to students taking extra holidays during school time. With our very busy learning schedule driven by the implementation of the Australian Curriculum, it is now difficult for our young learners to 'catch up' if they have been away for an extended time. Please be mindful of this and try to avoid holidaying during school time.

PREP/EARLY YEARS EXPO

Last week Terran Jackson (Prep teacher) and Tracey Longley (Director, Silky Oaks Child Care Centre) were instrumental in bringing together numerous local organisations, presenters, families and educators, to build relationships and share their expertise about young children and their learning needs. It was such a success and everyone agreed on the night that this was just the beginning! Well done! Thank you to all of the other staff who helped make this event such a success; especially Christine Meadows and Nadine Moore who presented on the night.

CHAPLAINCY TRIVIA NIGHT – Battle of the Schools

A great time was had by all! Our Manly West SS teams came 3rd and 4th. We also won best dressed (decked out in MWSS footy jerseys). Thanks Chappy Taidhg – lots of fun!

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM 2015

Year 3 and 4 students seeking entry into the instrumental program for 2015, please return your expression of interest form to the school office this week.

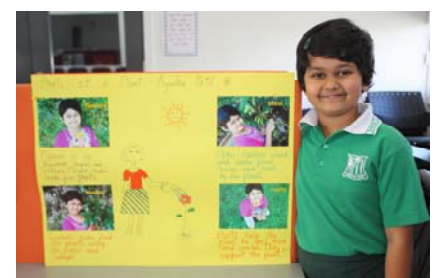
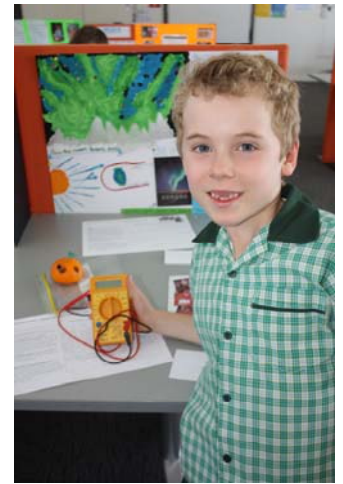
SCIENCE@MANLY WEST

Special thanks to Rhonda Brown, teachers, students and parents from Manly West, Wynnum SHS and Bayside SC for a wonderfully successful term of 'working scientifically'. Many parents and

visitors provided positive feedback about last Friday's sharing of science work across year levels. To all teachers - thanks for all your hard work in supporting your students' engagement with science this term. Friday's sharing of scientific learning really captured their interest.

Why do we need our students to love science? Click on this link for the ABC's Q&A story - <http://www.abc.net.au/tv/ganda/txt/s4069393.htm>

Science Fair competition prizes will be awarded on parade on 13 October. See below - some of our young scientists at work



STAFF NEWS

From our school community, we wish the newly-weds, Stuart Houlston and his new wife Michelle all the best for their future life together. With Petra Von Richter away on long service leave, Mark Smith from Calamvale Community College, has stepped in as our Deputy Principal. Mark is currently in the Metropolitan Regional Aspiring Leaders' program. Farewell to Deb Tuck and thanks so much for all your efforts in the school office. Melinda Malone will be taking up this role in the school office for Term 4.

END OF TERM ARTS PARADE – Friday, 19 September

Families are invited to our ARTS PARADE on Friday this week at 9:00-10:00am. We will be celebrating musical and visual arts learning with:

- a Musical co-ordinated by Year 7 students Lydia Owen and Luke Dowsett ;
- Ukulele, Choir, BVG and instrumental music performances ;
- and art displays

Have a wonderful, safe holiday break! School resumes on **Tuesday, 7 October** as the Monday, 6 October is a public holiday.

Lisa Morrison, Principal

Our aim - every child, in every classroom, every day, learning and achieving!

From the Deputy's Desk

Premier's Reading Challenge

Our students have made a great effort with the Premier's Reading Challenge! Altogether 128 boys and girls completed the challenge, reading their way through thousands of books! We will have a celebration in November when the students will receive their certificates signed by the Premier.

Super Science Morning and Science Fair

On Friday we celebrated all things scientific with a Super Science Morning. It was fantastic to see so many students learning from each other and the many parents, younger siblings and grandparents who came along to see what our students have been learning in class for Science this year. We'd like to thank our special guests Dr Jane, and

Science teachers from Wynnum SHS and Brisbane Bayside SC.

Congratulations to all of those students who entered the Science Fair! There were a range of different experiments and investigations and entries from all year levels. What a wonderful effort these students put in to show us what they have learned.

Lydia O & Luke 6/7A	Jeremy 1B	Neve & Indigo 3B
Josie 5B	Regan 1D	Grace 3C
Teneesha 5B	Roberta 1B	Lana H & Lana L 2/3A
Amy 5C	Lili 2B	Dhruv 4B
Eamonn 5B	Madison 2B &	Eli 6B
Benny 5B	Helaina 5B	Danielle and Olivia T 6/7A
Chloe 5B	Hamish 2C	Madhav 1C
Alana 5B	Katie and	Benny 5B
Caitlin 5B	Sienna 2/3A	Zach 4/5A
Spencer P/1A	Ollie 3B	Joshua 2/3A
Piper 1D	Erin 3B	
Ayusha 1B	Liam 3C	

The winners will be announced at a special Parade early in Term 4.

Thank you to Ms Rhonda Brown and Mrs Kylie Mitchell for organising all the different Science events we have enjoyed throughout Term 3!

From the Office

School Photos

Silver Rose came this Tuesday to take photos of our "other" groups (sport, choir, BVG). To order online, simply log on to www.silverrose.com.au, click on schools and follow the prompts.

Payments Due

Year 4/5 Camp final payment – Thursday 18/9
Prep to Year 7 Dance Program – Thursday 9/10

From Around the School

Jump Rope for Heart

On Thursday, 18 September we will be holding a Jump Off at school to raise funds for the Heart Foundation. Flyers/sponsorship forms have been sent home for you to ask family and friends to donate to this very worthwhile cause.

Library News

Scholastic Book Fair

Please mark your calendar now - Manly West Scholastic Book Fair will be held from Monday 27 to Friday 31 October. This year we have been lucky enough to have a special guest - Author Kate Forsyth! Kate will visit Manly West on Thursday 30 October from 1.30pm. Years 5, 6 and 7 will be able to attend a presentation by Kate followed by autograph signing of copies of her book. The first book in the series 'The Impossible Quest - Escape from Wolfhaven Castle' has just been released and will be available for purchase from the Book Fair.

In conjunction with Kate Forsyth's visit we will be running a story writing competition for Years 5 to 7 (to be judged by Kate) at her visit. The theme for your story will be 'Fantasy' so please get creative and start writing your own fantasy story now! There will also be activity sheets available from the Resource Centre at lunch times for you to complete.

Library Books

ALL Library books are due back this week, so please return them to the Library immediately.

Have a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to an exciting Term 4.

Term 4 Swimming

We're back in the pool for our PE lessons next term, starting in week 1 for Prep to Year 7. While it is an expectation that all students participate, we still require parent permission. Letters showing class timetables were sent home. Please return your child's permission form to the class teacher by the end of this week. To ensure safety, parent helpers are also required for lessons to proceed, so please consider adding your name to the class roster.

Swim Club Sign On

We are holding another Sign On day this coming Friday, 19 September from 2.30pm at both the drop off zone and the front of the Hall. For further information or to sign on, visit mwmantarays@gmail.com.

Year 6/7 Fundraising

8am to 12.30pm this Saturday, 13 September at IGA Manly. Please come along and support us.

Dental Clinic

Some small changes were recently made to the school dental program. We now ask that a parent or legal guardian attend dental appointments with their child but to fit in with busy families, we offer this free treatment at any of our public clinics across the region. All appointments need to be made by phoning 1300 300 850.

Swim School

Holiday Intensives and Term 4 Enrolments

The sun is out, the temperature is rising and classes are filling. There are just a couple of spaces left for our Holiday Intensive classes next week and registrations are busy for term 4. If you're thinking of joining us in the pool this season, log onto www.baysideswimschool.com.au/registration to secure your child's place. Term 4 lessons commence in week 1. Please email Matthew & Rachel swim@baysideswimschool.com.au or give us a call 0448 434 885 if you have any questions or would like more information. See you poolside!

From the P&C

Next Meeting: Thursday, 18 September at 6.30pm in the Admin Block.

Our New Executive Team



The image is a graphic titled "Introducing the MWSS P&C Executive team....". It features a logo for the P&C on the left, which includes a stylized 'S' and 'P' with a swimmer. To the right of the logo, the title is written in a blue serif font. Below the title, there are six individual headshots of the executive team members, arranged in two rows of three. Each headshot is accompanied by the member's name and their role in a small, black, sans-serif font.

Name	Role
Morgan McPherson	President
Tanya Holt	Treasurer
Rosie O'Toole	Secretary & Fete Convenor
Robyn Rapson	Vice President
Joanna Harrison	Assistant Treasurer
Andrea Asquith	Assistant Secretary

Community News

Drop in to Bunnings at Cannon Hill on 25 September between 6 and 8pm and see Matt Golinski cooking up some great recipes. Please RSVP to 3906 5000 by 22 September.

Families are being given a great opportunity to see Annie: The Musical (performed by Savoyards Musical Comedy Society) at a very reasonable price. The Preview Night (the night prior to Opening) will be held at Iona Theatre on Friday, 26 September and ticket prices **for this night only** are \$20 (students), \$25 (adults). Normal prices for other shows are \$25 (students), \$45 (adults). If you are interested in taking up this very special offer, please contact Mrs Bye, 2B at gbye2@eq.edu.au. Purchase of tickets on other nights are to be done via www.savoyards.com.au

Register now for the summer season of Futsal 5-A-Side Soccer being held at Gumdale SS. Phone 0408 012 921 or visit www.australianfutsal.com for more information.

Looking for some fun activities to keep the kids occupied over the school holidays? Sleeman Sports are running a program from 22 September to 3 October - Monday to Friday, 12.30 to 2.30pm \$7 which includes waterslide fun, obstacle course, mini inflatable and Saturday and Sunday, 1.00 to 4.00pm \$6 which includes the indoor waterslide. For further information, visit www.sleemansports.com.au or phone 3131 9620.

Dive Back into Swimming these school holidays with Bayside Swim School. Once again, we are running Learn to Swim Intensives which are a great way for the kids to get back into swimming and helps boost their confidence after the winter break. Each program runs for 5 days, catering for all levels from complete beginner to mini-squad. For more information, phone Matthew or Rachel on 0448 434 885 or visit swim@baysideswimschool.com.au. Places are limited, so register early to reserve your place at www.baysideswimschool.com.au/registration.

Wynnum Manly Leagues Club are holding a Rugby League Skills Camp at Kougari Oval from 22 to 24 September, 9am to noon, for children aged 6 to 10 years. Cost is \$40 which includes a football, tshirt, sausage sizzle and drink. Numbers are limited so be quick to book.

Malpass Tennis will be holding a school holiday clinic at Wynnum Tennis Centre from 22 to 25 September for children aged 4 to 15 years. Half and full day programs are available. For further information email malpasstennis@bigpond.com

Wolves Football Club at Boundary Street, Tingalpa is hosting an end of season 6-a-side competition for all age groups every Friday starting 10 October to 12 December. For further information or to register a team, phone Gavin Hall on 0434 042 114 or email wolvesfc6aside@gmail.com

Brisbane Lego Fan Expo is on at Sleemans Complex, Chandler from 4 to 6 October. Tickets are available via www.trybooking.com/FJYT.

Wynnum Relay for Life is being held on Saturday, 18 to Sunday, 19 October to raise funds for the Cancer Council. For further information, phone 1300 656 585 or email info@1300epromo.com.au

Run under the moon and stars alongside a sparkling waterfront at this year's Wynnum Twilight Bay Run. 1km, 5km, 10km and 21km events will start from 4.00pm. For more information, or to register, visit www.twilightbayrun.com.au.

Calendar

Every Friday

Interschool Sport, Year 4 to 7

Thursday, 18 September

Jump Rope for Heart "Jump Off"

P&C Meeting, 6.30pm

Friday, 19 September

Arts Parade, 9.00am

Last day of School for Term 3

Monday, 6 October

Public Holiday

Tuesday, 7 October

School returns for Term 4

Monday, 20 October

PUPIL FREE DAY

