

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2015

Principal's Message

NAPLAN

Congratulations to all of our students in Years 3 and 5, who have been making a great effort to show what they know and can do this week as they undertake the NAPLAN tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Safety in the Drop-off Zone and Car Park

Our car park is a busy area each afternoon, as parents collect their children. There are a number of families making their way out to parked cars, and vehicles moving constantly through the drop-off zone. Safety for all of our students and their family is our priority in this busy zone.

Students are encouraged to sit in the designated area and look out for their car. When students move out to the pick-up area they are encouraged to follow the yellow line on the footpath to remain a safe distance from moving vehicles. The drop-off zone is designed so that three vehicles can pull up and load at the same time. Students are directed along the path to allow for this more efficient use of the zone, and avoid long waiting periods for other vehicles. Displaying family names on the passenger side visor helps the teacher on duty call for students being collected. If you do not have a name tag for your vehicle, contact the office and one will be sent home.

In order to maintain the safety of all who use the car park and drop-off zone, students are not encouraged to leave through this gate without an adult. We also discourage the practice of parents or older siblings escorting students down the driveway as there is heavy traffic throughout this area. Parents opting to park their car and walk their children out of school should do so through

the pedestrian gates located at the front of the school on Manly Road or via Ringara Street.

State Education Week

In the past we have celebrated State Education Week in May. This year, State Education Week has been moved to the week of October 25 – 31. We will be celebrating with our usual activities in Term 4.

Life Education

The Life Education Program offers engaging, interactive HPE Health lessons for all year levels in primary school, complementing the HPE curriculum. Life Education will be offered to all students from Prep to Year 6 in Term 3 as part of our Health units of work.

This term Life Education staff will be presenting the 'Talk About It' Program for our Year 5 and 6 classes. The program is mapped against the National Curriculum and is designed to prepare young people for the changes and possible challenges they will experience during adolescence. It provides the students with information on how to look after themselves and each other during this important stage of their development. All students in Years 5 and 6 are encouraged to participate in this program. Payments are due to the office by this Friday, 15 May.

Positive Pathways to Learning

Our rule focus this week is:

Safety: We walk on the concrete paths and inside classrooms.

Our students are practising walking around the school on the concrete paths. Students are encouraged to walk in two lines, quietly, on the left. When out and about on their own, students are encouraged to walk on concrete paths to stay safe.

The safest way to move around inside our classrooms is walking.

Principals Award

Prep A	Ever Melvin
Prep B	Alex Richardson
Prep C	Harlow Marsh
1/2A	Alex Harrison
1B	Sara James
2C	Joshua Lochran
2D	Lucas Longley
4B	Callum Grundy
5A	Henry Meneghello
5B	Abbey O'Toole
6A	Mia Arnold
6B	Benedict Ong

From the Office

Payments Due

Years 5 & 6 Life Education	Friday, 15/5
Year 4 Camp Deposit	Thursday, 21/5
Prep Puppet Show	Wednesday, 3/6

Reading to Learn Parent Workshops

R2L or Reading to Learn, is the teaching and learning methodology used at school which aims to support every student to read and write challenging texts at their grade level. Our upper school workshops are starting soon, with daytime and evening options.

The focus of the workshop will be to explain what R2L is, what it looks like in the classroom, and is aimed to provide helpful strategies for interacting with your child when reading and writing at home.

Please be aware that you need to be able to **commit to both sessions** as there will be different and important information provided at each session.

Upper school sessions (Years 3 to 6) will be held in the Science Room as follows :-

Daytime:	Workshop 1:	2-3pm, 28 May
	Workshop 2:	2-3pm, 4 June
Evening:	Workshop 1:	5.30-6.30pm, 28 May
	Workshop 2:	5.30-6.30pm, 4 June

A flyer has been sent home to all students in Years 3 to 6 and needs to be returned by 21 May.

From Around the School

Under 8s Day

This year's Under 8s Day – themed, *Voices of Children: Look, Listen, Hear and Respond* is on Friday, 22 May. This special day commences at 8.45am and concludes at 1pm. We would love to see as many family members joining in and helping supervise the activities and you are more than welcome to bring younger siblings. Please add your name to the list outside the Prep to Year 3 classrooms.

Tuckshop

The new deadline for order sushi is now Tuesday morning for delivery on Wednesday.

Flyers were sent home for our Homestyle Bake fundraising. If you would like to order some of the delicious products available, please return your order and payment by Friday, 12 June. Orders will be available for collection during the last week of term (date to be confirmed).

Entertainment Books are Back !

This has been a successful fundraiser in past years and will raise \$13 for every book sold. Flyers providing details on how to order your Entertainment Book have been sent home. If you wish to purchase an Entertainment Book, please see the ladies in the Office. Cost is \$65 per book and you can pay by cash (CORRECT MONEY) or credit card.

High School Enrolments

Wynnum High are holding several Open Days for 2016 enrolments, the next one being on Tuesday, 26 May at 4.30pm.

Enrolment interviews are being held on 16 & 30 May, between 8.30am and 2.30pm.

For further information or to make an enrolment appointment, please phone 3906 7333.

P&C News

Saturday, 15 August - WOW Festival - 10am - 3pm

Check out our website at www.mwssfete.com.au. In line with Education Queensland's social media policy, we have renamed our facebook page. Please like us at www.facebook.com/ManlyWestStateSchoolPandC

We need your help ...

We need everybody's support to make the WOW Festival our best ever school fete. Without volunteers the WOW Festival will not happen so please contact Rosie at pandcsecretary@manlywestss.eq.edu.au if you can help. Thank you to all of those parents who have already put up their hands to volunteer.

Right now we still need the following help:

1. International Food team volunteers – to prepare food prior to the festival and help serve in the Tuckshop. Can you make tacos, curries, won tons, noodles, crepes or any other delicious international food?
2. Donation Count Team – we need people to count and store weekly class donations.
3. Promotional Team – can you organise the posters, flyers and lawn signs we need to let the whole community know about the WOW Festival?
4. Major Raffle Administration Team - to help with the counting of raffle ticket money and number of tickets sold.
5. Signage - do you have a prominent house/yard to display a WOW Festival sign?
6. Set up and Pack Away – we need muscle power to put up/take down marquees, move equipment, help set up stalls and pack away. We need people 3pm - 6pm on Friday 14th August, 6am - 10am on Saturday 15th August and 3pm - 6pm on Saturday 15th August.

If you can help in any of these roles, please email Rosie at pandcsecretary@manlywestss.eq.edu.au urgently.

WOW Festival Meetings ...

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our first WOW Festival planning meeting. As a result there are now class donation boxes in every classroom.

WOW Festival meetings will take place every Monday 1:30-2:30pm. Please come and join us at the school office. Younger siblings are welcome.

Class Donations Competition ...

We are running a competition this term to see which class can bring in the most donations for the WOW Festival. The winning class will receive a **free pizza lunch** at the end of term. See below for the full schedule.

All items must be in good working order. Please note - there will be **NO** Trash & Treasure stall.

Week Commencing 11 May:

New laundry baskets, gift baskets or gift boxes to display the Cent Auction prizes. Ribbons, tissue paper and cellophane for wrapping.

Dates for your Calendar

Friday, 22 May – FREE Family Movie Night ...

Come along with a blanket or cushion to our FREE Family Movie Night in the Hall. Hot food and drinks will be available between 5 and 6pm, with the movie starting at 6pm. To assist with catering, please return your order form to the Office by next Monday, 18 May. Children **MUST** be supervised by an accompanying adult.

Friday, 12 June - Trivia Night ...

Starts at 7.30pm in the Performing Arts Hall. Beach Themed - Come in your beach wear. BYO snacks to share at your table. Beer, wine, spirits and soft drink for sale at the bar. Tickets cost only \$15 per person. Tables of 8. (If you don't have 8 don't worry, we'll find a team for you!!) **Contact the school office by Friday 5th June to book your table.**

Community News

Grasshopper Soccer is a fun program for girls and boys aged 2 to 12, held at Cleveland SS on Saturday mornings and Gumdale SS on Monday afternoons. Call now for a FREE trial session on 0400 129 656.

Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron are running a Sail and Play Childrens' Holiday Program from 29 June to 3 July.

Tackers for Levels 1-3 are back every Sunday from 3 May to 14 June.

For further information regarding either of these programs, please phone Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron on 3396 8666.

Zoe's Angels is a charity organization that works in partnership with Arthritis Queensland to assist children living with Juvenile arthritis. To raise funds to support life changing programs for the children living with this often painful and debilitating condition, Zoe's Angels are holding a Fun Run & Walk from 7.00am on Sunday, 24 May at the Wynnum Foreshore (near the wading pool). Schools, children and adults can enter a team in this 2.5km event. Please visit give.everydayhero.com.au/zoe-s-angels and click on the "Join Team" button. Random prizes and raffles will be drawn following the event and coffee, drinks and a BBQ will be available for purchase.

This year's Wynnum Manly Chaplaincy Gala Event "Growing Hope in the Bayside" will be held at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club at 6.00pm on Friday, 15 May. The evening will feature a 2 course dinner and entertainment and the cost is \$30 per person. Please phone the Leagues Club on 3906 7800 to book your seat.

A Chappy's Big Breakkie is planned for Saturday, 9 May to be held at Bandstand Park, Esplanade from 9am to 12noon to support the Wynnum Manly Chaplaincy Program. Cost is \$5 per child which includes rides, activities, etc. A sausage sizzle and cold drinks will be available. Chappy will be selling the ride bracelets.

Calendar

Every Monday, 1.30pm

WOW Festival Meetings, Admin Block

Every Friday

Years 4 to 6, Interschool Sport

Tuesday, 12 to Thursday, 14 May

Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN Testing

Thursday, 14 May

Reading to Learn Parent Workshop, Session 2

Friday, 22 May

Under 8s Day

P&C Movie Night