

# Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

## Newsletter



**NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY, 11 JUNE 2015**

### **Principal's Message**

#### **Farewell Chappy Taidgh**

After two and a half years serving the Manly West SS community, our School Chaplain, Taidgh Retford, farewells our school to pursue a career as a mechanic, taking up an apprenticeship with Barton's in Wynnum.

Over his time at our school, Chappy has hosted a number of morning events for Active School Travel and Chaplaincy and no doubt his pancakes will be sorely missed by our students. He has volunteered his time on Monday and Friday mornings to support Homework Club, cooking a healthy breakfast for those students who attend. Chappy has been active in school life, attending a variety of camps and excursions, joining classes for specialist lessons including French and Japanese, and working alongside students in the classroom.

Chappy has quietly supported our school community, offering pastoral care to students and families alike. Outside of the school day Chappy has actively supported our P&C, and has successfully run a Bunnings BBQ to support chaplaincy in Bayside.

On behalf of the students, staff and families at Manly West SS I wish Taidgh the very best for his future and thank him for the work he has done for our community since 2013.

We are working closely with Scripture Union to appoint a new School Chaplain, who will commence work at our school in Term 3.

### **Students Learning Beyond the Classroom**

A number of learning activities beyond the classroom have been or are underway at this very busy time of the year. Last week a number of students from Years 2 to 6 competed in the ICAS Science Competition. Students have been busily reading and already many have returned their completed Premier's Reading Challenge Records. Students in Prep have enjoyed a Reef Puppet Show this week, and our Year 4 students will head off to Camp Maranatha on Monday next week for two nights.

This Friday the Winter Interschool Sport season ends. I commend each of our students in Years 4 to 6 who have participated in the sports offered – Soccer, Netball and Lawn Bowls. They have demonstrated excellent effort and sportsmanship, proudly representing our school. Congratulations to the Year 6 Netball Team 1, who have played their way to the Final being played at Wynnum West tomorrow afternoon. Congratulations also to our Boys Senior Green Soccer team and both Senior Girls Soccer teams who have qualified to play in semi-finals tomorrow afternoon.

This weekend, students and families are invited to walk as a group at the Wynnum/Manly Illuminations Festival. Students need an adult to walk with them. We will be meeting as a group in Bandstand Park on The Esplanade opposite Picton Parade. Students wishing to purchase a lantern for this event can do so from outside the Library between 8:00 and 8:30am tomorrow morning. Lanterns cost \$4.50 each. The proceeds from their sale will be put towards the Year 6 Social at the end of the year.

### **Positive Pathways to Learning**

I am always impressed walking around our school and hearing students politely greeting staff in a friendly manner, which is one way we all practice this week's learning behaviour. Taking turns, using respectful language, saying please and thank you and being polite to each other are also ways our students practice this learning behaviour. This week we are practising

### ***Respect: Use Your Manners***

### **Goodbye from Chappy**

As some of you might know, I recently had to make the hard decision to find myself a new full time job because of the possibility of a reduction in my hours as a result of some Chaplaincy funding issues. I have found that job with Bartons at Wynnum as a 1<sup>st</sup> Year Apprentice in Mechanics (some of you may also be aware that I have a bit of a strong interest in and passion for cars). I start in this role on Monday, 15 June, meaning that Wednesday this week was my last day at Manly West State School.

Though I am very excited about this new journey, I am going to greatly miss all of the children, staff and families that make up this beautiful school community. I would like to thank you all very much for supporting me over the last 2 and a half years in my role as School Chaplain, I am very blessed to have been in such an amazing school with amazing people!

I will still show my face from time to time at various events, like the WOW Festival, the Trivia Night on Friday (you should all come along), and at other times also.

There will be someone coming into the chaplaincy role at the start of next term, and I am super excited to see the direction the program goes under a new Chappy – great things happen with fresh hands and feet! =)

The Manly West school community will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers forever.

Farewell for now,  
Chappy Taidhg

### **Reporting**

Teachers are currently in the process of reporting on student achievement for Semester 1. Reports will be sent home with students from the Wednesday of the last week of term.

If you require a duplicate copy of your child's report (ie where parents are separated) please email [admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au)

### **From the Office**

#### **Payments Due**

Prep to Year 6, Footsteps	Friday, 19/6
Beginners Music Camp	Thursday, 25/6

### **From Around the School**

#### **Uniform Shop**

We're getting ready for winter and now have stockings for sale - \$10/pair.

#### **Tuckshop**

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).

### **Don't go a day without your Entertainment Membership!**

The 2014 | 2015 Entertainment™ Books and Digital Memberships have just expired. If you haven't already purchased a new 2015 | 2016 Entertainment™ Membership now is the time to do so. Plus, 20% of every Membership we sell contributes towards Manly West State School! For just \$65, you'll receive over \$20,000 worth of valuable offers in the new 2015 | 2016 Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and surrounds Entertainment™ Membership! Use just a few of the hundreds of 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, and you'll more than cover the cost plus it's valid until 1 June 2016! The more Entertainment™ Memberships we sell, the more we raise, so please let your family and friends know!

Simply order online now at this link and pick up your book from the school office OR receive an email with instructions on how to download the app immediately: [www.entbook.com.au/2220g47](http://www.entbook.com.au/2220g47)

## High School Enrolments

Wynnum High are holding several Open Days for 2016 enrolments, the next one being on Tuesday, 4 August at 4.30pm. For further information or to make an enrolment appointment, please phone 3906 7333.

Queensland Academies Creative Industries Campus at 61 Musk Avenue, Kelvin Grove Urban Village is the perfect Senior State High School for Creative Young Minds. Visit the Academy in a business as usual environment and take advantage of our Alumni Led Tours between 1pm - 3pm on Wednesday 17 June. For further information, visit [www.qaci.eq.edu.au](http://www.qaci.eq.edu.au) or phone 3377 9366.

## P&C News

### Next Meeting: Thursday, 11 June

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 11 June at 6.30pm in the Admin Block. **PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A WEEK EARLIER THAN USUAL.** All welcome, so please come along and see what you can do to make a difference to YOUR child's school.

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

Check out our website at [www.mwssfete.com.au](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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 15 June:

**Plastic shopping bags.**

**Last chance to bring in any of the previously requested weekly items.**

### Dates for your Calendar

#### **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!!)

## Community News

### **School Holiday Programs**

Malpass Tennis are holding a holiday clinic at Wynnum Tennis, Colina Street, Wynnum from 29 June to 2 July, 8 to 11am. For further information, or to book please email [malpasstennis@bigpond.com](mailto:malpasstennis@bigpond.com)

Due to the great success of the last holiday program, Wynnum Baptist Church are running another program – Kingdom Rock - from 29 June to 3 July, 9am to noon each day. Cost is \$3 per day or \$10 per week which includes morning tea. To register, email [admin@wybc.org.au](mailto:admin@wybc.org.au) or phone 3390 5833.

Wynnum Manly Leagues Club are running a Rugby League Skills Camp during the school holidays, 9am to noon from 29/6 to 1/7, for children aged between 6 and 10 years of age. Cost is \$40 for the 3 day program but be quick, numbers are limited. Registration forms are available from the Office.

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

**Ladies Sailing** is on Thursday mornings, from 10am to 1pm for any mums and caregivers over 18 interested in trying their hand at sailing. Come and enjoy a relaxing, social morning – no experience necessary.

Looking for a productive, **7-week-long Sunday activity for your WHOLE family** to get involved in? Start Sailing is a course for teens & adults – *Start Crewing & Helming* - This course is running in sync with Tackers levels 1 – 3, but starts one week later.

#### **Tackers 1 – 3:**

26<sup>th</sup> July – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015, every Sunday for 7 weeks from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Age group: 6 – 12

#### **Start Crewing & Helming:**

2<sup>nd</sup> August – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015, every Sunday for 6 weeks from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Age group: 13 +

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

PCYC Lota are now running Acrobatic classes. For further information, phone 3396 5017.

Point Lookout Hall, North Stradbroke Island will be transformed from Monday, July 6 into a creative hub and all day open studio, with half-day workshops for young people in t-shirt up-cycling and stencilling, body art, eco art and clay. Adults can join in all day workshops in woven sculpture and wood lithography. Creative studios dates are July 6, September 28 and January 4. The Stone, Water and Living Earth exhibition will be on display at the Redland Art Gallery until 25 June. Bookings [info@linesinthesand.com.au](mailto:info@linesinthesand.com.au)

## Calendar

### **Every Monday, 1.30pm**

WOW Festival Meetings, Admin Block

### **Every Friday**

Years 4 to 6, Interschool Sport

### **Thursday, 11 June**

P&C Meeting, 6.30pm

### **Friday, 12 June**

P&C Trivia Night

### **Monday, 15 to Wednesday, 17 June**

Year 4 Camp Maranatha

### **Friday, 19 June**

School Disco

### **Friday, 26 June**

Final day Term 2

### **Monday, 13 July**

Back to school for Term 3