

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY, 20 AUGUST 2015

Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 6

Congratulations to fete convenor Rosie O'Toole and the P&C team for co-ordinating our fantastic WOW Festival. What a brilliant community effort ... Manly West SS staff, students, parents and many local community groups worked tirelessly together to raise over significant funds and bring us that much closer to building our outdoor sports court. The final total of funds raised and the long list of sponsors and community helpers will be shared in the P&C section of our school newsletter.

Our P&C president, Robyn Rapson commented: "What a great feeling it was to walk around our school and hear all the wonderful comments about how polite our children are and what a great school community we have. These comments made me very proud to be part of such a wonderful school ..."

Ms Morrison - dunked 30 times in under 40 minutes [/cheesemethod/videos/10206699432380024/](http://cheesemethod/videos/10206699432380024/)

CELEBRATING BOOK WEEK (24-28 August)

This year the theme is 'Books Light Up our World' and we will be celebrating with the following activities:

1. Wednesday 26 August - 'Outer Space' themed **Dress Up day** with a gold coin donation for 'Act for Kids' (Abused Children's Trust) who do wonderful work supporting young children. Students will parade in their costumes during second lunch break. Year 2C and 2D are on an excursion on Wednesday 26 August so they are invited to dress up on Monday 24 August and show their costumes at the school parade.
2. **'Blokes with Books' session** - a number of invited male guests will read to the students, sharing Book Week texts plus their own childhood favourites.
3. Wednesday 26 August – author visit. For younger students, **Dianne Lonergran** will give a presentation about her book, Mavis the Amazing Tugboat, which tells the story of the tugboat who saved the gateway bridge from terrible damage;
4. **Short listed** books will be on display in the Library;
5. **'Poem in your pocket'** (all week) - students bring a short poem (with a space theme) to keep in their pocket to read to friends, classmates, teachers or other adults during the week.

MANLY WEST SINGERS AT SINGFEST – 19 August 2015

Thank you Ms Comiskey for inspiring our young singers with a wonderful Singfest experience! On Wednesday 19 August our choir and Boys Vocal Group participated in a day of small and large group choral experiences at the Old Museum in Bowen Hills. This event culminated in a concert at 6:30pm. Thank you parents for your support!

ENROLLING FOR 2016?

For all new families enrolling in 2016, we would like to invite you to an informative school tour and presentation on:

- Thursday 20 August from 5:00-6:00pm
- Friday 21 August from 9:30-10:30am

Please RSVP to admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au if you are attending one of these sessions.

Kind regards

Lisa Morrison, Principal

Positive Pathways to Learning

This week our learning behaviour focus was :-

EFFORT: Try Your Best

Principal's Awards

The following awards were presented on Parade this week :-

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| Prep B | Oliver Barnes |
| Prep C | Conrad Hunt |
| 1/2A | Cadie Burrowes |
| 1B | Ethan White |
| 1C | Ben Martin |
| 2B | Seth Begave |
| 3B | Ella Steel |
| 3C | Ella Cuttance, Oshin Dhakal |
| 4B | Aimee Easton |
| 5A | Cooper Ray |
| 5B | Lachlan Costigan |

From the Deputy

ICAS

Congratulations to all of the Manly West SS students who competed in the ICAS Science competition in Term 2! Our school achieved outstanding results in the competition with students achieving certificates of participation, credit, merit, distinction and high distinction.

Participation

Year 2 – Madie W, Olivia A, John C, Jeremy D, Joshua L, William M, Ruby M and Ayusha P

Year 3 – Liiarna E, Hamish L and Isaac O

Year 4 – Lara C, Erin F, Ollie H, Oleander H, Grace R, Liam W

Year 5 – Thomas W, Zach M

Year 6 – Paris P, Lilah W

Credit

Year 2 – Madhav A

Year 3 - Oshin D, Tasha R

Year 4 – Joshua M

Year 5 – Dhruv A, Daina F

Merit

Year 4 - William C, Lana H

Year 6 – Amy W

Distinction

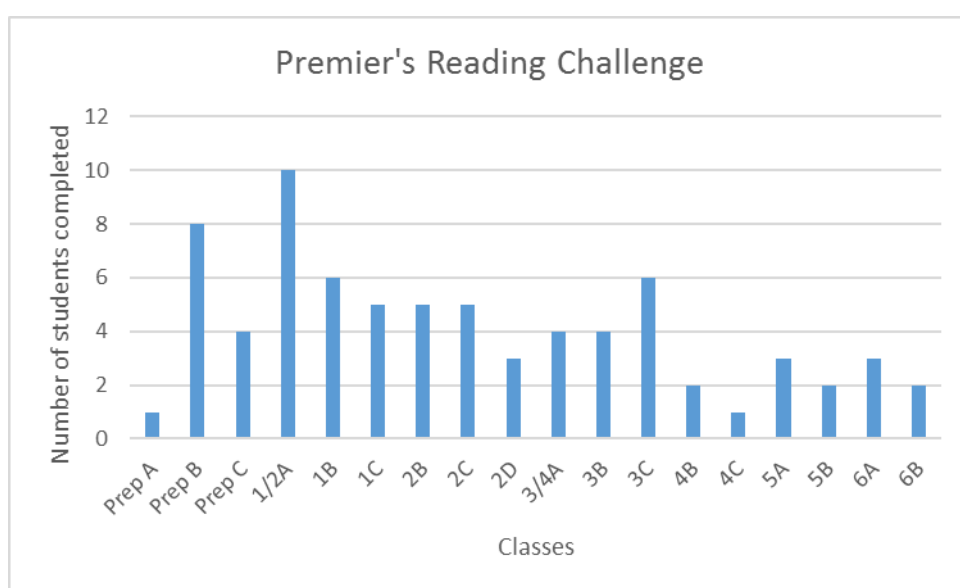
Year 4 – Kayden C, Jemma B

High Distinction

Year 3 – Jasmine D

Premier's Reading Challenge

There is a little over one week left for students to complete their Premier's Reading Challenge and return their reading records to the Library. This graph shows how many students have completed the challenge so far. It's exciting to see that each class has students who have completed the challenge!



From the Office

Payments Due

Year 2 (incl. 1/2A) Small Town, Big History

Due 20 August

Year 3 Kindilan Camp final payment

Due 20 August

Prep Moreton Bay Environmental Ed Centre

Due 25 August

Prep to Year 6 Life Education

Due 28 August

When paying for excursions, activities, etc. by credit card, please remember to include the expiry date on the payment slip.

School Photos

A reminder that school photos will be taken over two days, 24 and 28 August. Letters and order/payment envelopes have been sent home. Please bring them with you on photo day, not beforehand.

Monday, 24/8

Band (at practice), Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5

Friday, 28/8

Prep, Year 6, Choir, BVG, Individual Photos

If you would like to order Band, Choir, BVG photos, they can be ordered online. Students will be given a card to bring home on photo day with instructions on how to order. Cost of these photos will be \$15 and a “proof” copy will be displayed in the office.

Vacancy

A vacancy exists for a Permanent Cleaner at Manly West SS – working 13.75 hours per week, Monday to Friday, afternoon shift. Prospective employees must make application for, and be able to obtain a suitability card from the Public Safety Business Agency (PSBA). The successful applicant may also be subject to a probationary period.

An Application Package is available from the Administration Office. Applications close at 4.00pm on Friday, 21 August 2015.

From Around the School

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Starting this week, for every \$10 you spend at Woolworths you will receive a sticker which can be placed on the Earn & Learn sticker sheet. Once full, place the sticker sheet in the collection box located in the School Office. Ask family and friends to collect their stickers for our school to raise as much as possible to help boost our school’s resources. This program only runs till 8 September, so start collecting!

Uniform Shop News

New arrivals for Winter

Stockings are now available in sizes 4-6, 7-10, 11-14yrs for only \$10 each.

There is limited stock of tracksuit pants available in sizes 3, 4, 6 & 8.

Lost Property

The pile is rapidly growing out of control. Named items have been sorted and are being returned via the classroom but there are a lot of unnamed items. Please check the lost property box located between the Uniform Shop and Tuckshop for missing belongings. HELP US, HELP YOU BY NAMING **ALL** YOUR CHILD’S CLOTHING!

Swimming Lessons & Squad

The swimming season is just around the corner and we will be holding our assessment day on Sunday 13 September from 12pm to 3pm. This is a great way to make sure your kids are swimming in the right level and to reserve your preferred lesson time for the upcoming season. To book an assessment time, visit www.tinyurl.com/baysideswimschool. More information is available by contacting Rachel & Matthew on 0401 440 359 or swim@baysideswimschool.com.au

Student Banking

IMPORTANT INFORMATION regarding Cosmic Light Beam Torch reward item

Concerns have been raised regarding this reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch. While this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards (including the International Standard on Electric Toys (EN62115) and Australian Standard on Safety of Toy Sets (AS8124), we have decided to withdraw the item.

We are taking steps to directly inform the parents/guardians who have already redeemed the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ of our action and to give them further information regarding toys with button batteries. We recommend all ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ be disposed of appropriately and would like to offer all affected students the opportunity to order a replacement reward item.

On Thursday I will be giving these students another Rewards Coupon Card so they can select another prize.

Disneyland Competition

How to enter:

Make 25 or more School Banking deposits during 2015 and automatically go into the draw to win a trip to California's Disneyland for up to two adults & two children. (Children must be an Australian resident aged between 5 and 13 years of age during the Promotion Period). The Promotion period starts on 27/01/2015 and closes on 18/12/2015. The draw will take place on 12/01/2016. The winner will be notified in writing and by phone.

New Term 3 Competition!!!!

This competition is open for students between the ages of 4-13.

How to enter:

Make 3 or more deposits at school during Term 3 and you will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. You can also complete a **Money Mission online** to double your chance of winning a prize. You can start your Money Mission at any time but you'll need to make sure you've made 3 deposits at school by the end of Term 3. Visit commbank.com.au/prizeportal

Prizes:

Ipad minis, Dr.Dre Headphones and Booktopia gift certificates.

Silver Certificates

These students have made 20 deposits:

Nathan & Matthew Elvery, Taine Hancox, Liliarna & Nieva Edwards, Ella Steel, Aiden MacFarquhar and Sharia Oldershaw.

Bronze Certificates

These students have made 10 deposits:

Tyler Greacen and Mia McConnell.

Reward items available

Wallet, Headphones, Knuckles game, Moneybox, Projector Cup, Scented Pencils, Shark Keyring, Swim bag, ET DVD, Handball, Throwing Rocket, Invisible ink pens, Glow in the dark Solar system.

Available in Term 4 Moneybox or Lunar Light Wrist Band.

Remember to bring your banking to school on **Thursday** to receive a silver token. Collect 10 tokens and redeem for a reward prize.

Thank you for supporting the school banking program.

High School Enrolments

Wynnum High are holding several Open Days for 2016 enrolments, the next one being on Thursday, 10 September at 4.30pm. For further information or to make an enrolment appointment, please phone 3906 7333.

Brisbane Bayside State College are holding their next 2016 enrolment session from 1.30 to 5.00pm on Thursday, 17 September. Please contact the school on 3893 5322 or email lkohl8@eq.edu.au.

P&C News

WOW Festival Progress Update

WOW! Our WOW Festival was incredible. We had a great turn out from school families and the wider community. The sun shone, there were happy smiling faces everywhere and it was a great community atmosphere. Some Interesting Facts about the MWSS WOW Festival 2015:

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| Number of volunteers involved in the day | 114 |
| Number of School run stalls | 20 |
| Number of external supplier run stalls | 16 |
| Number of community groups and sports teams | 16 |
| Number of items donated via Class donation boxes | 8860 |
| \$ value of all sponsorship and donations | \$ 12,490 |
| \$ value of all Major Raffle prizes | \$ 8,051 |
| Number of visitors to mwssfete.com.au website in last 30 days | 1290 |
| Number of Manly West State School P&C Page Likes | 126 |
| Number of times Ms Morrison was dunked in the dunk tank | Over 30! |
| Amount of profit we made on the day | WATCH THIS SPACE ☺ |

A HUGE THANK YOU to our **GOLD** Sponsors:



Our **SILVER** Sponsors

Our **BRONZE** Sponsors



Most importantly, thank you to everyone who helped to make the WOW Festival the best day ever!

There are so many people to thank. You know who you are! From the impressive list of sponsors and major raffle prizes, the weekly class donation counters and sorters, the amazing cent auction prize basket wrapper, the chefs in the tuckshop with wonderful international foods, the entertainment in the hall, undercover area and the dunk tank!, the amazing sports zone, the best coffee ever, the delightful and informative Japanese Tea Garden, all the stalls, sideshow alley games, kids activities, art gallery, the expos, the lifters and movers, the marquee shunters and loaders, the BBQ kings and queens, the ice masters, the community groups, the loud and noisy rides, the quiet and fun activities, the money counters, the gate greeters, the admin and wh&s folks. Together we made an awesome team. Thank you.

I know you are all keen to hear how much we raised from all of our efforts. However, we have a few more amounts to finalise before we can officially release our final profit total. Watch this space....

Rosie O'Toole, WOW Festival Co-ordinator

Community News

RQYS Sail & Play is running a program over the September school holidays for children aged 6 to 11 years. Cost per child is \$70 per day or \$335 per week and receive 10% off every second child. For further information on either of these programs, contact RQYS on 3396 8666 or email sailingacademy@rqys.com.au

Did you know the School Dental Service provides **FREE dental treatment** to **all** school students up to Year 10 as well as to those 0-4-year olds, and Year 11 &12 students who hold a Health Care Card or receive the Child Dental Benefits Scheme. Call **1300 300 850** to book an appointment at a clinic near you.

Wynnum Manly Little Athletics are holding their Summer Season Sign-On at The Shed at Moreton Bay Girls College on Saturday, 22 August between 2 and 4pm. Birth certificates are required for new athletes. The season commences on Saturday, 29 August at Moreton Bay Girls College. For further information check out our website at www.wmlac.org.au or email us at wmlac1@gmail.com. Come along and join us for some Family, Fun and Fitness!

Wynnum SHS are holding a **Bush Dance** to raise funds for their instrumental music program. Come along and kick up your heels to the music of the Burning Bush Band at a fantastic night of dancing and fun from 5.30 to 9.30pm on Saturday, 5 September in the Imperial Playhouse. There will be delicious bush tucker, lucky door and best dressed prizes, plus much more. Tickets must be purchased in advance either at the high school or by phoning 3906 7312. Cost is \$10 and children under 10 are free.

Join **Megan Daley from the Children's Book Daily blog** at **Wynnum Library** on **Saturday, August 22 from 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm** as she shares her insights and expertise with practical tips and tricks, take home resources and her literary top ten for children of all ages. This session is a must for all parents and carers of young children. Bookings are required so please phone Wynnum Library on 3403 2199 to reserve your place.

Calendar

Every Monday, 1.30pm

WOW Festival Meetings, Admin Block

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Prep to Year 6, Footsteps Program

Thursday, 20 August

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