

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – WEDNESDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER 2015

Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 9

CELEBRATING NAPLAN and School Opinion Data 2015

Firstly thank you for your feedback through email, face to face conversations and the School Opinion Survey. Most parents, staff and students say that our school is a good school and that they would recommend it to others. Of the 35 families (out of 315) who completed the online survey, 32 were positive and only 3 expressed concerns. The School Opinion Survey does not give enough detail for us to respond to these 3 families, so I have attached the Traffic Light Survey and hope that these concerns can be explained. **All families are invited to complete the traffic light survey to provide timely feedback as we continue to focus on providing the very best service for our students.**

Our NAPLAN data has continued to improve. Below is a table that tells a wonderful achievement story. It especially highlights how our students are improving to move into the upper two bands of test results. Congratulations to all students, staff and parents/caregivers.

MANLY WEST State School	Year 3					Year 5				
	READ	WRITE	SPELL	Grammar	Maths	READ	WRITE	SPELL	Grammar	Maths
This is how many of our students are now achieving at or above the national minimum standard.										
2015 (%) at or above NMS	98.3%	98.2%	93.2%	94.9%	91%	100%	92%	98%	88%	93.9%
This is how many of our students are now achieving in the upper two bands. Shows past 3 years.										
2015 Upper 2 Bands	51%	44%	46%	60%	40%	38%	16%	30%	42%	24.5%
2014 Upper 2 Bands	56.7%	29.1%	43.5%	45.2%	36.5%	29.3%	6.8%	18.7%	32.3%	15.6%
2013 Upper 2 Bands	42%	29.8%	36.2%	34%	19.1%	36.2%	4.3%	34%	25.5%	24%

Science Day @ Manly West

Just a reminder that, coming up this Friday 11 September, staff and students will be getting messy with some great science learning. Across the school from 9am to 1pm, students will participate in science workshops. Parents and community members are very welcome to attend and join in the learning. Very special thanks go to Mrs Kylie Mitchell and Mrs Kellie McKillop for co-ordinating this day of science learning.

Athletics Team – well done!

Congratulations to the following students who represented Manly West SS at the district athletics: Aimee Easton, Shannah Evans, Maya Apelila, Aaliyah Beattie, Emma Hircock, Jesseca Hill, Salote Senituli, Jacinta Siebuhr, Helaina Fulton, Baden Hammermeister, Booker Robinson, Riley Bergin, Nicholas Katheklakis, Will Maguire, Euan Day, Jonah Robinson-Hall.

Baden Hammermeister competed in finals for the 800m, 100m and 200m against some very talented competition, just missing out on team selection this year. Both Nicholas Katheklakis and Salote Senituli were selected in the Metropolitan East Regional Team. Nicholas with a first in the shot put and Salote Senituli was selected in the following (para) events: shot put, 100m, 200m and long jump.

On behalf of Salote, I would like to say a very special thank you to Athletes Foot Garden City who generously donated running shoes and socks to her to wear in this carnival.



Band Captain 2015

Each year, as our MWSS instrumental students enter Year 6, they are invited into the Senior Band. As the band begins to mature and is ready to perform, a student from the group is selected by the music staff to be the Band Captain. I would like to congratulate Dylan Conti who was selected as MWSS Band Captain for 2015.

Kind regards
Lisa Morrison, Principal

Positive Pathways to Learning

This week our learning behaviour focus was :-

EFFORT: Try to solve your own problems

Principal's Awards

The following awards were presented on Parade this week :-

Prep A	Thomas Seeary
Prep B	Eden Tanuvasa
Prep C	Jade Williams
1B	Malaya Robbins
1/2A	Abigail Rapson
2C	Rylee Duncan
2D	Lucas Longley
3B	Jacob Bates, Enya Ruebesamen
3/4A	Blake Perry
4B	Mikayla Landsmann
5A	Beth Strange
5B	Krysten Chapman
6B	Grace Kneeshaw

From the Office

Payments Due

Year 5 Gold Rush	Due 17 September
1B, 1C Habitat Heroes	Due 16 October

School Photos

If you forgot to return your school photos order, it's not too late. Simply phone Silver Rose Photography on 3262 5788 or visit schools@silverrose.com.au.

If you would like to order Band, Choir, BVG photos, they can be ordered online. Students in Years 3 to 6 have been given a card with instructions on how to order. Cost of these photos will be \$15 and a "proof" copy will be displayed in the office.

From Around the School

Woolworths Earn & Learn

This program ended on Tuesday, 8 September. Please fill up your sticker sheets and return them to the Office by tomorrow – Thursday, 10 September.

Talent Quest

Auditions will start straight after the holidays, so if you want to enter this year's Talent Quest, make sure you return your entry form and \$1.00 entry fee **by next Thursday, 17 September**.

Swimming Lessons, Squad and Holiday Intensives

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.

The September holidays are just around the corner and we'll again be running our Learn to Swim Intensive for kids from 3yrs & up and Squad Boot Camp. These lessons run for 5 consecutive days and are designed to give their swimming a boost, kick starting the season after Winter hibernation. Lessons will run in the 2nd week of the holidays and are \$95 for the week. Places fill quickly so book your child's place today <http://sep2015holidayintensive.eventbrite.com>.

More information is available by contacting Rachel & Matthew on 0401 440 359 or swim@baysideswimschool.com.au

Super Science Day

On Friday, 11 September, students from Years 1 to 6 will participate in 'Super Science Day'. As an extension from our Science Fair and Science Week, the students will be immersed in hands-on science experiences rotating through different activities for either the morning session (Years 1-3) or middle session (Years 4-6).

To make this experience a success, we are asking for some donations of items that we need to conduct the experiments. If you are able to donate any of the following items, please send them to Mrs Mitchell or Mrs McKillop in a plastic bag labelled Super Science Day:

- 2 L empty soft drink bottles (washed out please)
- Empty plastic water bottles (washed out please)
- Pop tops (tops off the small 'pop top' fruit drink bottles)

Your support is kindly appreciated.

The Science Team

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

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Thursday, 17 September from 6.30pm in the Admin Block.

Community News

Victoria Point Magic Football Club have started their **after school soccer program** at Manly West State School for Prep to Year 4 pupils. It's not too late to sign up, so visit www.vpmagicfc.com.au or call Robbie Smith on 0410 128 610 or Andy Robinson on 0413 888 643. Find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/VPMagicFC. The program will be delivered through Victoria Point Magic Football. Through the Club, players can apply for the get started voucher \$150. <http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/funding/getinthegame/parents-carers.html>

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 0-4year 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.

From 10am to 3pm on Saturday, 12 September the **Wynnum Ambulance Station** are holding an **Open Day**. Come along and walk around the station, talk to paramedics, check out what's inside an ambulance both new and old, have a go at doing CPR – a very important, lifesaving skill you could learn. There will be a free sausage sizzle, face painting and more.

From 21 to 24 September, Malpass Tennis Coaching will be offering a **holiday tennis clinic** at the Wynnum Tennis Association, Colina St, Wynnum. The clinic runs from 8 – 11am each day and is priced at \$140 for the 4 days or \$40 per day. Our clinics cater to all ages and standards of player and are run by Tennis Australia certified coaches. For all bookings or enquiries please email malpasstennis@bigpond.com

Hooray!!! We're bringing Netball back to the bay. Wynnum and District Netball in partnership with Wynnum Bugs Rugby is running Net Set GO from Term 4. This 9 week program will focus on Netball skills for Juniors from 5-10 years old. The club is now also taking registrations for the 2016 season. To register your interest please email us your details to ladybugs.netball@gmail.com or call Trent Randel on 0404 433 813.

Bayside PCYC are holding their **Blue Light Disco** on Friday, 18 September from 6 to 8pm for Prep to Year 6. Entry is \$6 or \$10 with a meal deal. The canteen will be open for sale of food, drinks and glowsticks. For further information, phone 3396 5071. Flyers are available from the Office.

Starting next term, **Wynnum Manly District Cricket** are running two separate cricket programs for children aged 5-8 or 7-12 years. Registration fees include lots of cool stuff. Please check all the details on the flyers which have been sent home via the classroom. For further information or to register, visit playcricket.com.au or phone Trish McPherson on 0411 149 059.

Calendar

Wednesday, 9 September

Instrumental Music Recruitment Evening, 6.00pm

Thursday, 10 September

Choir and BVG Spring Showcase, 5.15pm

Friday, 11 September

Years 1 to 6, Super Science Day

Monday, 14 September

Prep to Year 6, Footsteps Dance Showcase

Monday, 14 to Wednesday, 16 September

Year 3 Kindilan Camp

Thursday, 17 September

P&C Meeting, 6.30pm

Friday, 18 September

Final day of school for Term 3

Monday, 5 October

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday, 6 October

School resumes for Term 4

TRAFFIC LIGHT SURVEY

My name _____ (optional) My child's name _____ (optional)

GO! Everyone needs praise and so we love to hear the good news!

These are the things **I really like** about Manly West SS the things I would like to see continued. These are the things I believe are working well!

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WAIT! We are keen to hear your clever ideas!

These are **my ideas** for helping improve our school things for you to consider!

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STOP! Schools are busy places. We try our best and may not be aware that this is not working.

These are the things I believe you **need to change** in order to make our school an even better place for learning.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH for sharing your thoughts and ideas.