

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2015

Principal's Message

OUR PREP TRANSITION SESSIONS ARE A HIT!!

The final of our three prep transition sessions will take place next week on Tuesday, 17 November from 10-11am. This little 2016 preppie is dressed and ready to go ...



MANLY WEST COMMUNITY – CHRISTMAS HAMPER



Please donate for our annual collection for the Silky Oaks Childrens' Haven Christmas Hamper. It has become a tradition that our student councillors and captains co-ordinate this project and this year they are working to make the hampers the best ever!

Silky Oaks advises that this list works best for hampers:
Christmas pudding, tinned ham/fruit/vegetables or fish, shortbread, biscuits, chips, chocolate, lifelong milk, juice poppers, sugar, tea, coffee, laundry and dishwashing detergent, toilet paper, toothbrush and toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner, nappies, baby wipes, Christmas bonbons and decorations, any toys/clothing/books.

PAST MANLY WEST STUDENTS – NOW HIGH SCHOOL STARS!

Recently, I had the pleasure of attending both the Wynnum and Brisbane Bayside High School annual award evenings and it was wonderful to see many past Manly West students achieving excellence. Congratulations to all of our past students.

MANLY WEST CHAPLAINCY BBQ SUPPORTERS – Thank You!



INTERSCHOOL SPORTS IN 2015

Congratulations to our Manly West interschool sports champion – Casey Flack. All year Mr Flack has tirelessly worked on creating great sporting opportunities for our students. From the conventional interschool sports on the bus each Friday to Gala Days and securing a Sporting Schools grant.

Last year we surveyed our cluster schools to explore the notion of Interschool Sports through the Gala Day model and this year both the traditional and gala day models were implemented. We are now seeking feedback to make our interschool sports 2016 program the very best it can be. Please let us know your thoughts – email to admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au

DATE CLAIMER: SCHOOL MUSICAL

Rehearsals are well underway for our School Musical “Cinderella and Rockerfella”. Please mark **Saturday, 21 November** on your calendar. Details and ticket information have been sent home and we ask that you **purchase your tickets by next Wednesday, 18 November.**

Mrs Bye is looking to borrow some items of clothing for the school musical. If you are able to lend any of the items please bring them to the Office or Mrs Bye **URGENTLY**. They will be named and returned after the musical.

- 5 pairs of gum boots - ladies size 8 and 9 - any colours or patterns
- Two cheerleader outfits or tennis/netball skirts – ladies size 10-12, any colour
- Girls stockings – colourful - to use in making fairy wings – these will not be able to be returned
- Also need a small amount of sewing done too, if anyone can help.

A UNIQUE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Last week our three female school captains were invited to spend morning tea with the Hon. Julie Bishop MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs. The girls were treated to a detailed explanation about Australian foreign interests abroad and a run-down of how the United Nations operates.



THANKS MANLY WEST BUNNINGS FOR OUR NEW BBQ



AMENDED DATE FOR RETURN TO SCHOOL IN 2016

Because of the gazetted day for the Australia Day Public Holiday next year, students will return to school on **Wednesday, 27 January 2016.**

Kind regards

Lisa Morrison, Principal

Positive Pathways to Learning

This week our learning behaviour focus was :-

EFFORT: Manage your time effectively

From the Office

Parents are asked **NOT** to use the driveway next to Silky Oaks to park or to drop off/pick up children. This is for school deliveries and emergency access only!

Term 4 is such a busy term so at the end of this week's newsletter, we've included a number of items to the calendar at the end of this newsletter to assist with your planning.

From Around the School

Family Movie Night: Friday, 13 November

Come along to a **FREE** family movie night at the Hall next Friday, 13 November, featuring "Inside Out". Pizza and cold drinks can be purchased from 5pm. The movie starts at 6pm sharp. ***Please note that children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.***

Can you Help?

This term, 3/4A are running a raffle to raise money to purchase an iPad for one of the students in the class. This student has cystic fibrosis and as part of his treatment, must stay in hospital for extended periods. The iPad would be used to help him continue his learning while in hospital, as well as allowing him to stay connected with his teacher and classmates. All proceeds raised through the raffle will be used to purchase the iPad and accessories. Tickets cost \$5 and can be bought at the Tuckshop ... there are 3 amazing prizes ... A Dinner Cruise for Two on the Kookaburra Queen, A 'Beat the Boredom' Holiday Hamper (value \$150) and A Fitness King Sports Equipment voucher (value \$100).

Active School Travel: Walking Wheeling Wednesday Hilarious Krazy Krash Helmets

Walk or wheel to school next Wednesday, 18 November and for a gold coin donation, join Chappy for a BBQ before school, from 7.30 to 8.30am, outside the Tuckshop. Decorate your helmet to have a chance to win one of three prizes for best decorated helmet.

WOW Festival Raffle Prizes

There are still a number of raffle prizes that weren't collected after this year's fete. Please check to see if you still have one of the following tickets: Purple C01, Purple C02, Purple B13, Ticket No. 2073. Prizes will be held until Friday, 4 December.

Library Closed

The Library is currently closed for borrowing while some reorganisation is being carried out. We apologise to parents and students for the inconvenience.

Community News

Manly West Dental Clinic will re-open at the end of November to provide **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.

Do you need help with school costs? The Smith Family offers **Savers Plus**, a program you can join that will match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for educational costs such as uniforms, text books, excursions/camps, music tuition, instrument hire and more. To find out if you are eligible, contact David Smit on 3115 6202/0417 436 183 or email david.smit@thesmithfamily.com.au.

RQYS Learn to Sail for Kids – Tackers courses are commencing again! Two courses are available on Saturday 17 October to Saturday 28 November, and Sunday 18 October to Sunday 29 November. Cost is \$395.00 per course.

Parents, we also have an adults Learn-to-Sail course running at the same time as Tackers! \$430.00 for the adults course.

Sail & Play Holiday Program is back these Christmas Holidays! Weeks 1, 4 and 5 (14 to 18 December 2015, 4 to 15 January 2016, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Cost is \$335 per week or \$70 per day with 10% off for every second child paid for by you!

Calendar

Friday, 13 November

6A Fort Lytton Excursion
FREE Family Movie Night

Monday, 16 November

Camp Quality School Visit

Tuesday, 17 November

Prep 2016 Transition Session, 10 to 11am

Saturday, 21 November

2016 Prep interviews
School Musical, "Cinderella and Rockerfella" 3.30
and 6.30pm

Tuesday, 24 November

Junior Swimming Carnival

Thursday, 26 November

Senior Swimming Carnival
Prep Older Persons Day

Friday, 27 November

Prep Swimming Carnival

Wednesday, 2 December

Prep C Walk to the Vet and Post Box
Silver Awards Movie Session

Thursday, 3 December

Prep A & B Walk to the Vet and Post Box
Academic Achievers Afternoon Tea
Christmas Carols Concert

Monday, 7 December

Talent Quest Grand Final, 9am
Step Up Day, 11.30am
Year 6 Social

Wednesday, 9 December

Awards Day, 9.00am
Year 6 Plantation Excursion

Thursday, 10 December

Break Up Day

Friday, 11 December

Final Day of School