

# Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

## Newsletter



**NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY, 21 APRIL 2016**

### Principal's Message

**We are aiming to 'Be the Best We Can Be'!**

Share your clever ideas by completing the attached [Traffic Light Survey](#).

### Drop Off, Pick Up and Parking ...

Keeping everyone safe in and around our school is a priority for all of us. We all know that morning drop off and afternoon pick up will always be busy and that the number of parking spaces will always be limited. Everything we do as adults is observed by our children. They watch, they learn and they copy so this is another opportunity to teach them to be respectful, responsible and safe. Travelling by carpooling, walking, public transport or bike riding every day are ways you can avoid searching for that elusive car park.

To access to our school, you need to comply with Brisbane City Council traffic regulations because the driveway and public carpark are owned by Brisbane City Council. Fines do apply if regulations are not followed:

- The driveway for the public carpark is a public road and strictly not for pedestrians
- No parking on the grassed areas in the driveway
- Observe the 2 minute time limit in the drop-off/pick-up zone
- Park your car in a parking bay if you are intending to stay longer than 2 minutes
- Use of the disabled parking bay is for disabled patrons only
- Look carefully before exiting (left turn only) onto Manly Road as pedestrians and bike riders frequently use the footpath.

Parking in local streets around the school is also an option. Please help to maintain our positive relationships and reputation in our community, with neighbouring householders and the Silky Oaks facility by choosing to park respectfully, responsibly and safely – not across driveways or on yellow lines. Parking at Silky Oaks is only permissible for families with children at the child care centre or when using their services.

### Diary Reminders!

- **ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION:** Manly West SS ANZAC Day Ceremony on Friday, 21 April at 9.00am in the Performing Arts Hall. Manly-Lota RSL March on Monday, 25 April starting from Manly State School at 8.00am. Our students are to wear their school uniform (with checked shirt if possible) and school hat.
- **CLASS CO-ORDINATORS' Meeting** – Friday, 29 May at 9.00am in the OSHC playroom.
- **INTERSCHOOL SPORTS** – starts this Friday. Good luck to all for their first games on the field for this sporting season!

## **We Love Learning about Science at MWSS**

Just like our students I am a very curious and avid learner. My role as principal is to encourage this love of learning in our school staff, students and parents by listening to their learning stories. I have the pleasure each week of hearing many, many learning stories from staff, students and even parents as they grow their knowledge and skills. This week, our Year 6 students shared some amazing learning about 'reversible and irreversible' changes to materials. Below is just a snapshot of their stories:

**Andrew:** A reversible change is the opposite to an irreversible change. For example ice. We melted ice made from water and it turned back into water. When we put the water back into the freezer it returned to its original state which was ice. This is just what we predicted!

**Kayden:** A material change is irreversible if you make the change to a material but then cannot return to its original state; for example we heated up normal white flour that you make pancakes with and it burned. But then when we put it in the freezer to cool it down and it did not go back to its original state. It was still burnt, smelly and was mostly black from being burnt. This was also what we had predicted – we all thought that the flour would burn. When it was burnt it could not turn back to white flour.

***Ask your child what was the best thing they did at school today! All of it involves learning and encourages curiosity!***

Kind regards

Lisa Morrison (Principal)

Our aim - every day, in every classroom, every child learning and achieving!

## **Positive Pathways to Learning**

This week our learning behaviour focus was :-

***RESPECT: Put all rubbish in the bin***

### **From the Office**

#### **Payments Due:**

ICAS Assessments		Various	Due by 27/4
Year 2 Small Town, Big History		\$40.00	Due by 5/5
Year 6 Senior Shirt		\$42.00	Due by 6/5
Year 5 and 6 Life Education		\$14.00	Due by 13/5
Year 4 Camp Maranatha	Deposit	\$100.00	Due by 19/5
	Balance	\$144.00	Due by 9/6

#### **BPOINT Payments:**

A reminder to all parents that if you are taking advantage of using BPoint to pay for your child's excursions/activities, you need to allow up to 48 hours for the payment to register on our system. Payments made after 5.00pm will not be received until two days later.

If you would like to know more or have your email address added to this system, please email [admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au)

## Guidance Grapevine

### Rude vs Mean vs Bullying

I find that the words bully and bullying are bantered around a great deal and often not used in the right context. Whilst not wishing to pretend bullying doesn't exist or minimize anyone's experience with it, I feel it is important to distinguish between rude, mean and bullying so that people in our school community know what to pay attention to and when to intervene.

Rude: Inadvertently saying or doing something that hurts someone else

Mean: Purposefully saying or doing something to hurt someone once (or maybe twice)

Bullying: Intentionally aggressive behaviour, repeated over time, that involves an imbalance of power

Below are links to a couple of excellent resources (a poster and related article) that may help you and your children understand and deal with issues differently.

<http://www.familiesmagazine.com.au/downloads/is-it-bullying-poster/>

<http://thefamilycentre.org.au/rude-vs-mean-vs-bullying-defining-the-differences/>

Cheers

Donna Riches (Guidance Officer – Tues/Thur)

### From Around the School

Last Tuesday 12 April, 5B & 5C visited St Helena Island to learn about life there during Colonial times (1800s). We followed the stories of several prisoners and discovered the cemetery, sugar mill, quarry, Warden's cottage, a lime kiln and lots of wallabies. A big thanks to the parents that came with us, our teachers and the staff from MBEEC.



### We Need Your Help!

This morning Miss Morrison, Daina, Jesse and I had morning tea in the Office. Unfortunately Amara, our other school captain was away sick so she couldn't attend. While we were eating, we started to discuss what we should do for a school event this year. We had a few suggestions, but we couldn't decide. We would like it to be a global cause. We would like the community to send suggestions into the Office. Thank you,

*Henry Meneghello, School Captain*

## **School Banking**

Remember to bring your banking to school on **Thursday** and put it in the classroom bank bag. To receive a silver token you must make your deposit at school. You will not receive a token if you make a deposit at a CBA branch. Collect 10 tokens and redeem for a prize.

### **How to redeem your 10 tokens for a prize**

Use the reward card (or a note with child's name, class and prize) and 10 tokens, bring it to school with your banking on Thursday.

### **Reward items available (while stocks last)**

2016 Term 2 Handball, Bag tag, Flying Snake Tail, Wildlife Writer Set.

2015 prizes still available ET DVD, Intergalactic Rocket, Moneybox, Galaxy Glider Frisbee.

Prizes take 1-3 weeks to be delivered.

### **To Open an Account**

The best way is in person at any Commonwealth Bank branch or online via NetBank for existing Commonwealth Bank customers. An application form from the tuckshop or office. Completed forms should be returned to the School Banking Co-ordinator at the tuckshop on Thursday. Forms may take up to 10 days to process.

Children who have an existing Youthsaver account can participate in the School Banking program. If the child has misplaced their Dollarmites deposit book or deposit wallet they can either request a new one from their local branch or contact their School Banking Co-ordinator, Deanne 0416 213 547. Please visit your CBA branch for an account balance or to make any changes.

You can bank any amount you like (Min. 5 cents), it doesn't matter how much money you bank, it's about getting into the habit of banking regularly. Australian currency only. Foreign money will be left in your yellow wallet and the deposit amount changed. Sometimes we change the amount you have written down as it doesn't match the money in the yellow bank wallet but please be assured that the money is verified twice.

### **Australia Zoo Wildlife Adventure Holiday Competition!**

Meet Bindi and Robert Irwin, pat animals, have pictures taken by a photographer. Airline tickets, accommodation, hire car and spending money. Make 15 or more school banking deposits by the end of Term 3. You will be automatically entered into the draw. Entry is open to MWSS banking students aged 5-13 years.

### **Term 1 Competition**

Well done students we had 127 entries eligible for this draw. Tina from the Commonwealth Bank was at assembly on Monday to draw the lucky winner. Congratulations to Elsie Paternoster in 4C.

### **Bronze Certificates**

Well done Elsie and Avy Paternoster, Olivia Asquith, Annabel Baker and Dylan Dale for making 10 deposits.

### **Term 1 Commission**

Congratulations school banking students, together you made 737 deposits, over \$4500 deposited, 52 new accounts and the school received \$534.50 which goes to the P&C for resources for our school.

Thank you for supporting the school banking program.

## P&C News

### 2016/2017 Entertainment Books are here!

These books offer hundreds of 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, so you'll easily cover the cost of your Entertainment™ Membership. Plus, you can take advantage of additional, valuable Member-only benefits until 1 June 2017!

20% from every Entertainment™ Membership we sell contributes towards the P&C fundraising! The more Entertainment™ Memberships we sell, the more we raise – so please tell your family and friends! You can view a copy of the book online here: [www.entertainmentbook.com.au/entertainment-media](http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/entertainment-media)

To purchase your books go to: <http://www.entbook.com.au/2220g47>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Robyn Rapson on 0466 265 820

## Uniform Shop

Winter uniforms are now in stock as follows :-

Zip Jumper	Sizes 4-18 (limited stock of Size 2)	\$25.00
Track Suit Pants	Sizes 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 & 10	\$20.00
Girls Winter Blend Stockings	Sizes 4-6yrs, 7-10yrs, 11-14yrs	\$12.00

## High School News

**Brisbane Bayside State College** Open Day is on Saturday, 7 May from midday to 3.00pm. Our Signature Programs include STEM, Sports Training Extension Pathways and Bayside Enrichment Academic Program. Apply now to secure an early entrance position within one of these programs. For further information, phone 3893 5333.

**Wynnum State High School** are holding school tours from 4.30pm on Wednesday, 4 and Thursday, 5 May leaving from the Star Theatre. Please book your tour by phoning 3906 7333 or emailing Jackie O'Connor on [jcon1@eq.edu.au](mailto:jcon1@eq.edu.au)

Interviews will be held on Saturday, 21 May and Saturday, 4 June.

The Year 7, 2017 Information Evening will be held on 11 October.

**Queensland Academies Creative Industries Campus** at Kelvin Grove are holding an Open Day from 1.00 to 3.00pm on Wednesday, 27 April. For further information or to book a tour, visit [www.qa.eq.edu.au](http://www.qa.eq.edu.au)

## Community News

After school **AFL Auskick** starts at Manly West SS next Friday, 29 April from 3.15 to 4.15pm for 6 weeks. Flyers have been sent home with all the information you need on how to register on line.

Save the Date for the next **Chaplaincy Gala Dinner** at 6.00pm on Friday, 10 June at the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

Triathlon Queensland is proud to support the **Weetbix Kids TRYathlon series** on 22 May in Brisbane and 29 May on the Sunshine Coast. For further information, visit [www.try.weetbix.com.au](http://www.try.weetbix.com.au)

**Milo T20 Blast Program** starts at Action Indoor Wynnum with a Come and Try afternoon from 4pm on Wednesday, 20 April (the 8 week program commences on 27 April). Girls and boys aged 7-12 years can join in at 242 Preston Road, Wynnum West. For further details, contact Brenton Brien on 3348 6900 or register at [playcricket.com.au](http://playcricket.com.au). Click on the "Where Can I Play" box, and type in 'Action Indoor Sports Wynnum'

## Calendar

### ***Friday, 22 April***

ANZAC Ceremony, 9.00am

Years 4 to 6 Interschool Sport Commences

### ***Monday, 25 April***

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

### ***Tuesday, 26 April***

Year 6 Wynnum SHS Visit

### ***Monday, 2 May***

Labour Day Public Holiday

### ***Wednesday, 4 May***

Mothers' Day Stall

### ***Thursday, 5 May***

Prep Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea, 2.00pm



# 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.