

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY, 11 AUGUST 2016

Principal's Message

WE LOVE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AT MANLY WEST SS

REMINDER - Students are invited to enter our Science Fair Competition in National Science Week 15th-23rd August 2016 – with the theme Droids, Drones and Robots. A prize winner will be selected from every year level. Bring your experiments or displays to the science room on Friday, 12 August.

What are our teachers doing?? Together with teachers from many of our local state schools, MWSS hosted a digital technology learning session. Our teachers were learning about coding.

A special **Science Day** event is being held on 19 August for all students and teachers. This is being co-ordinated by our Science Coach, Chris Toussaint and Kylie Mitchell, Year 2/3A teacher. This will involve every student in hands-on science sessions. **HELP: If you have some clean jars and toilet rolls, please leave them at the Office.**

We won! Special thanks to Mr Darren Wallwork, Principal of Brisbane Bayside State College, for acknowledging our winning team from the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) competition last week. Year 6 students, Harry, Issac and Kayden were presented with the first place trophy on parade this week.



P&C BUSH DANCE

A great time was had by all – ye har!



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: A SHINING PERFORMANCE

To our beginner and senior instrumental students who participated in the 'Bands in the Park' event last Sunday, I wish to extend a huge congratulations. After their first band camp, the beginner level students showed huge improvement in skills and knowledge. Both beginner and senior students were able to showcase their work in a real life situation with a very appreciative community audience. Special thanks to Mike Rander (instrumental teacher), Anne Comiskey (classroom music specialist) and also Louise Goodwin (Beginner Band conductor).



DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all of our students and staff for representing our school so well.

BRIDGE BUILDERS IN ACTION

In a first for MWSS, Bridge Builder student mediators took to the playground to support our younger students resolve their minor conflicts. Conflict occurs naturally in every aspect of life and we are working to teach our students how to reach an agreement and move on. Below is the Bridge Builder 7 steps for resolving conflict. This replaces our high 5. Over the next few months we will gradually learn how to put these behaviours into practice in our school.



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

RESPONSIBILITY: Willingly include others in activities

From the Deputy's Desk

ICAS Science

In May, 36 students from Years 2 to 6 demonstrated great effort participating in the ICAS Science Competition. Congratulations to each of the students below who achieved certificates of Merit, Credit or Distinction!

Merit

Madahv. A (Year 3), Fionn. M (Year 3), Ethan. G (Year 4), Jemma. B (Year 5), Kahlia. R (Year 6)

Credit

Lincoln. M (Year 2), Jeremy. D (Year 3), Ava. J (Year 3), William. C (Year 5), Liam. W (Year 5), Dhruv. A (Year 6), Max. C (Year 6)

Distinction

Theo. F (Year 2), Isaac. C (Year 3), Jacob. C (Year 4), Jasmine. D (Year 4)

From the Office

Payments Due:

Singfest	\$21.00	Due by 15/8
Interschool Sport Gala Day, Years 4 to 6	\$7.00	Due by 16/8
Life Education, Prep to Year 6	\$9.00	Due by 19/8
WAMMM Music Camp, Senior Band		Due by 19/8
Prep Moreton Bay Excursion	\$29.00	Due by 22/8
Year 3 Camp Deposit due	\$137.00	Due by 19/8
Balance due	\$100.00	Due by 2/9
Year 2 Growing Changes by the Sea	\$28.00	Due by 1/9

School Photos:

Don't forget that school photos are being taken next week, on Monday and Friday. Please make sure your child arrives at school on time, in their full and correct school uniform with black shoes, and that they bring back their order form with payment to hand to the photographer. If you've already handed your payment to the Office, it will be passed on to the photographer.

Monday, 15/8: Prep, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6

Friday, 19/8: Year 4, Year 5, Band, BVG, Choir

From Around the School



Year 6 Mural

Are you a renderer? Do you have rendering materials? Then we want you!

Year 6 would like to 'leave their mark' on Manly West State School by painting a mural on the wall of the pool change rooms. In order for this to look fantastic we are hoping to first render the wall. If you are able to assist us with this could you please contact Kylie Blake Year 6 Teacher. kblak45@eq.edu.au or pop into 6A classroom in D block.

Library News

Book Week – 20 to 26 August, 2016

The theme for this year is 'Australia - Story Country' and around this theme we have several displays and activities planned. There will be a **Dress Up Day** - as a character from a book by an Australian Author. This will be held on Wednesday 24 August with a parade of students at **first break**. Students should be working on their entries in our competition: - Prep to Year 3 students to design a book cover for their favourite Australian storybook. Years 4 - 7 to do a book review of any book by an Australian Author. **Entries close Tuesday 16 August** and will be displayed in the Library along with other art work that is currently being completed by students. Prizes will be awarded during Book Week.

At 2nd lunch break each day during Book Week the Library will be open as usual however, the following activities are planned: Stories around the campfire (with some special guests!); episodes of 'Skippy the Bush Kangaroo' to watch, and special puzzles to try.

Missing Books

Thank you to those students who have searched and found some of our missing books however, there is still quite a large number of home readers and Library books that are currently overdue. Could you please have a search at home and return these overdue books as soon as possible. Students who have overdue books are unable to borrow until the book is found or a \$20 fee to replace the book is paid.

1-2-3 Magic Parent Course

Do you want to learn some strategies to help manage your 2 to 12 year old? Would you like advice on engaging their co-operation, setting clear expectations for them, resolving family conflict quietly, tips on being a calm parent? Our Guidance Officer, Donna Riches, is running a **FREE** 3 session program at school for parents on Tuesday, 23 & 30 August and 6 September from 6.00 to 7.30pm. Spaces are limited so please register by emailing drich207@eq.edu.au or phone the office on 3906 8333.

P&C News

2016/2017 Entertainment Books ... Ending Soon!

Have you purchased your Entertainment Book yet? If not, get in quick ... limited time remaining.

You can view a copy of the book online here: www.entertainmentbook.com.au/entertainment-media or 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.

Student Banking

Remember to bring your banking to school on **THURSDAY**.

Tina from the Commonwealth Bank and Pru who is one of the Dollarmites from school banking came to assembly on Monday to talk about the Term 3 prize lights competition and show the current reward items available, also to draw the term 2 competition. Congratulations Daniel Swift.

Term 3 Prize Lights Competition

For students aged 5-13 years.

How to enter the Star Saver draw:

Make 3 or more deposits at school during Term 3.

Prizes: Camping kits, Instant cameras, Magazine subscriptions.

How to enter the Supernova draw:

With the 3 deposits you have made, simply complete the Stargazing Online Activity at commbank.com.au/prizelights

Prize: PlayStation 4 packs.

Win a bag of sports equipment for our school

For the school to be automatically entered into the draw, one of our school banking students must simply make 3 or more deposits at school during Term 3.

The Wildlife Adventure Holiday Competition!

How to enter:

Make 15 or more deposits at school by the end of Term 3, 2016 and you'll automatically be entered into the draw. Entry is open to students aged 5-13 years, find out more at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Prize: A family trip to Australia Zoo for 2 Adults and 3 Children (17 years or under), meet Bindi and Robert Irwin plus: A full day Platinum Zoo Adventure Tour, 4 nights accommodation, 5 days care hire and \$1000 spending money.

The Benefits of banking at School

Not only will your child get in the good habit of saving money, you will also be helping fundraise for our school. It's about getting your child to save money regularly, not how much they deposit. (The minimum amount you can deposit is 5 cents). Also when you make a deposit at school you receive a silver token, collect 10 tokens and redeem for a prize.

Reward prizes currently available

Moneybox, ET DVD, Frisbee, Vortex Rocket, Pencil and Eraser Writer Set, Luggage Bag Tag, an Eraser Pen and a Skipping Rope (while stocks last), A handheld Fan and a Wiggly Worm Toy will be available in Term 4.
Note: The Flying Snake Tail and Handball are no longer available.

How to Redeem 10 Silver Tokens or Gold Token for a Prize

Fill out a coupon from the reward card or a note and the 10 tokens or gold token and bring it to school on Thursday with your banking. Your child should receive the item at school in 1-2 weeks.

How to start banking at school

You need a Youthsaver account from the Commonwealth Bank.

Apply online if you're an existing customer and have NetBank.

Apply at a branch, you'll need to bring your child's birth certificate.

Apply at School, complete and return the form to your child's school. Forms are available at the School Office and Tuckshop or download from the CBA website.

For all inquiries please call Deanne on 0416 213 547 or email deannemc69@gmail.com

Thank you for supporting the school banking program.

Fathers' Day Stall

Our Fathers' Day Stall will be held on Wednesday, 31 August for all classes except Prep A and Prep C – they will be on an excursion. Prep A and Prep C will attend on Tuesday, 30 August.

High School News

Brisbane Bayside State College Open Morning is on Thursday, 1 September from 9.00am. Our Signature Programs include STEM, Sports Training Extension Pathways and Bayside Enrichment Academic Program. For further information, phone 3893 5333.

For more information please email the ELT Head of Department, Tasha Stone (tston44@eq.edu.au), or review the information and brochures: <https://brisbanebaysidesc.eq.edu.au/Enrolments/Pages/Excellence-program.aspx>

Download your application form here:

<https://brisbanebaysidesc.eq.edu.au/Supportandresources/Formsanddocuments/Documents/Enrolments/Signature-programs-application-form.pdf>

Dance Squad applications will be extended. Please contact Arts Head of Department, Mardi Stitt (mstit3@eq.edu.au).

Return applications via email to tston44@eq.edu.au or directly to Brisbane Bayside State College.

Wynnum State High School are holding school tours from 4.30pm on Tuesday, 23 August leaving from the Star Theatre. Please book your tour by phoning 3906 7333 or emailing Jackie O'Connor on jcon1@eq.edu.au

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

Community News

As we have for many years, the School Dental Service still provides **FREE Dental Treatment** to *all* school students up to Year 10 as well as to those 0 to 4 year olds and Year 11 and 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 Smith on 3115 6202 / 0417 436 183 or email david.smit@thesmithfamily.com.au

Calendar

Monday, 15 August

School Photos

Tuesday, 16 August

ICAS Maths Assessment

Thursday, 18 August

Interschool Sport Gala Day, Years 4 to 6

Friday, 19 August

School Photos

Science Day

22 to 26 August

Book Week

25 August to 2 September

Life Education Program, Prep to Year 6