

Manly West State School

Active Minds, Bright Futures

Newsletter



NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY, 24 MARCH 2017

Principal's Message

IF OPPORTUNITY DOESN'T KNOCK, BUILD A DOOR!

Every day I am inspired by the amazingly dedicated efforts of the people in our school to offer each child the best education that can be provided. From our classroom teachers and school leaders, school office, teacher coaches, specialist and support teachers, teacher aides, library, cleaning staff, parents, OSHC and more ...

Together we are building doors to open the way for our young learners!

MANLY WEST SS HARMONY DAY FESTIVAL – Saturday 25 March, 11am-3pm

Thank you Rachel Mackie and the team involved in organising this event. Families, staff, children and the wider community are all invited to the P&C Harmony Day Festival on Saturday 25 March. Come along to enjoy multicultural performances, wonderful food and activities for big or small kids!

1. Thong-throwing competition (with Mr Flack and Mr Willis)
2. Harmony Day Writing competition – theme 'Everyone Belongs' – including a display of work on the day. Children to do their writing at home or school. (with Ms Morrison)
3. An Art activity (with Miss Butler) – including a display of work for the day.
4. A Japanese Tea Room (with Jo Underwood) and a Peace Tree display to welcome our Japanese exchange students from Kyoto Rakusei Junior High.

STOP/DROP/GO PARENT SUPERVISORS

If you can spare approx. 35 minutes in the morning to assist drivers to move efficiently through the Stop/Drop/Go zone please email at admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au or drop a note into the school office with the following details:

1. Your name ...
2. I am available on Monday/ Tuesday / Wednesday/ Thursday/ Friday?
3. I am available in the morning - 8:15-8:50am.

Thank you for contributing to our caring community.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES sharing the learning journey!

This is the final newsletter for Term 1, so I would like to say a big congratulations to our children for their wonderful effort and progress - academically and socially. Every child will be sharing this progress with parents or caregivers at the Student-Led Conferences being held over the next few weeks. A note was sent home for every class for you to set up this special time to hear about your child's learning journey so far! Contact your class teacher for details.

For Term 2 calendar dates for school activities – use the QSchool App and be ready for a wonderful term of learning. Have a safe and spectacular school Easter Break.

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL – SCHOOL COUNCIL PLANNING

As an Independent Public School, we are required to have a school council. To begin the process of setting up our council, a constitution is required.

If you would like to view a copy of the draft constitution, please visit the office or request a copy to be emailed directly to you. Alternately, a copy has been uploaded on the school website. Please give feedback to the school principal via admin@manlywestss.eq.edu.au about this document. The draft copy will be voted on for ratification at the next P&C meeting and then parents and staff who wish to join the council will be asked to nominate. Please attend the P&C meeting on 20 April if you wish to vote.

Kind regards
Lisa Morrison (Principal)

From the Office

Payments Due:

Years 4 to 6 Interschool Sport	\$52.00	Due by 18/4
Prep to Year 6 Footsteps Dance Program	\$20.00	Due by 19/4
Prep The Very Hungry Caterpillar	\$24.00	Due by 21/4

Drop Off Zone Name Tags

In an effort to assist with the smooth operation of the Car Park Pick Up Zone in the afternoons, name tags have been prepared for **EVERY** family and will come home with your child next week. Please pop your name tag on your visor so it's ready for when you want to use the pick up zone.

From Around the School

World of Maths

Our students were involved in World of Maths over 3 days last week. It was lovely to see our MWSS students so enthusiastically engaged and working co-operatively in teams problem solving. All feedback from the World of Maths facilitator was extremely positive and he was impressed with the behaviour and work ethic of the students.



PE and Sport News

Schools with Pools Carnival:

The 2017 'Schools with Pools' Carnival was held last Friday at Moreton Bay Girls College. The students that represented the school should be very proud of their performances. Thank you to the parents and family members who came along and supported the students. The following students were part of the Manly West team; Abbey Bergman, Kayla Richards, Liam Beebe, Mac Frischkorn, Roberta Wang, Emma Roberts, Luke Stringer, Spencer Aldridge, Isabella Quinn, Summer Hamilton, Sam Hodder, Alex Harrison, Olivia Davies, Liliarna Edwards, Elliot Wang, James Rogan, Neve Malloch, Emily Harrison, Ollie Hacon and William Davis.

Cross Country Carnival:

Unfortunately we had to postpone the carnival due to wet weather but that didn't dampen the spirits of our students who are keen to participate next Wednesday, 29 March. Hope you're able to come along and cheer them on.

Mr Burke, PE Teacher

Music News

Choir (Years 4 - 6 boys and girls) rehearses on Thursday mornings from 7.45am - 8.30am. The music room opens at 7.30am so that all musicians can be seated ready to begin on time. Places in the Manly West Choir **close for the year** on Thursday 30 March. No new memberships will be accepted after this date so that the choir can begin to rehearse as a group.

BVG (Boys Vocal Group for Years 4 – 6 students) rehearses on Friday mornings from 7.45am – 8.30am.

Instrumental Music

Levy payment due: A reminder that this payment is due. Invoices for the \$45 levy were sent home earlier in the term. Many payments have been received, thank you.

Advanced Music Workshop: Congratulations to senior players Neve, Katie, Lana, Ollie, Elliot, Kaden and Josh who have been invited to participate in this workshop on 28 and 29 March. Students invited to attend have received their information letters.

No lessons or Senior Band on Tuesday 28 March: Because of the advanced music workshop, there will be no Tuesday lessons or rehearsals.

Tuckshop AGM

An AGM for the Tuckshop Committee will be held at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 29 March at the Tuckshop. Please come along in support.

From the P & C

Congratulations on a wonderfully successful year in 2016. At our AGM last week, all positions were filled. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 20 April at 6.30pm in the Administration Building.

Entertainment Books

The new books are almost here, bigger and better than ever! With over 400 dining offers, 220+ takeaway and attraction offers and 2000+ retail and travel offers, this book is great value for money. Flyers were sent home last week with information on how to order your 2017 Entertainment Book. Order and pay by 27 March to receive Early Bird Bonus offers. 20% from every membership sold contributes towards our fundraising.

Community News

Parents, did you know that children spend 1,500 hours in their school shoes every year! They are jumping, kicking and running around on hard, flat surfaces. At The Athlete's Foot we know that school shoes need to be correctly fitted and need to feel 100%! We stock a massive range of school and sport shoes throughout the year and can help anytime to meet your needs. The Athlete's Foot have teamed up with Manly West SS to offer rewards dollars ... for EVERY pair of shoes purchased, \$5 will be donated to our school. Make sure to ask one of our friendly staff instore how to make sure you are linked up with your school.

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.

Kids Aikido classes at Bayside PCYC Lota will start on Saturday 22 April. For further information, visit www.baysideaikido.com.au or email aikido@ozemail.com.au

The Screen Generation are running weekly **film classes** for children aged 8 to 14 years in Term 2 as well as a holiday program for children aged 12 to 14 years on 3 & 6 April to learn writing, cinematography, directing and acting. Bookings are essential at www.thescreengeneration.com.

School Holiday Activities

Fort Lytton National Park is running a school holiday program "Holding the Fort", a "go back in time" program that aims to teach as well as entertain. Bookings are essential, so phone 3393 4647 for further information or to book.

Can your child tie their shoelaces? The Athlete's Foot at Capalaba Central are running **FREE shoelace tying lessons** outside their store over the school holidays on 11 & 12 April at 11am, 12noon, 1pm and 2pm. Only 20 per class so book your lesson now by calling 3390 3436 or email taf.capalaba@bigpond.com

Are you interested in learning the language and structure of coding and how you can build your own iPhone app using logic and problem solving? **Code Camp** is being held over the holidays for students in Years 2 to 6 at a school near you. For further information, call 1300 263 322 or visit codecamp.com.au

Calendar

Saturday, 25 March

Harmony Day Festival

Monday, 27 March

Special welcome to students from
Kyoto Rakusei Junior High School in Japan

Friday, 31 March

Final day for Term 1

Tuesday, 18 April

School resumes for Term 2

Thursday, 20 April

District Cross Country Carnival

Friday, 21 April

Interschool Sport

Monday, 24 April

Footsteps Dance Program, Prep to Year 6



CHAPPY NEWS



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What's been happening?

Welcome back to 2017, I am Chappy Luke. I am the school chaplain at Manly West. I have been a school Chappy for three years. I am looking forward to a huge year with the Manly West community.

After being down with a throat infection for the last week and a half. However, I am back now.

This term has been big with the winners of our 'Superhero on Paper' competition being announced on Monday. Congratulations go to:

Summer -1B
Maya - 2/3A
Oceane - 3C
Emily - 3C
Dakota - 5C
Jacob - 6C

We had a massive day and the pancakes were a huge hit. Thank you...

Not only in school but also in the September Holidays we have Bayside Wipeout a SU camp that is organised for children from grade 5 to 8.

Upcoming Events

25/03/2017 – Harmony Day

Get Involved!

Each week there are now two trophies that are handed out these are for the senior and junior grades.

This will culminate in an end of year prize to the classes that get 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Please also consider donating to chaplaincy.

Thank You!