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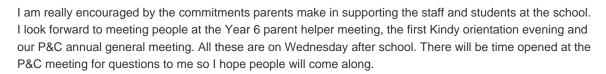
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Week 1 Term 4

Date: Tuesday, 16 October 2018

Thank you for the warm welcome to the community. These first few days have been a whirlwind. I have managed to visit all of our classes and see some of the fantastic teaching and learning I have heard so much about. It really is exciting.





We are really excited by some of the events planned for the term with swimming, and the colour run in the next few weeks.

Matthew Bradley

Important Dates

Monday 22nd October

Wednesday 17th October Kindergarten 2019 Information Session 6 – 7 pm

Year 6 Farewell Parent Volunteer Meeting 4.00 pm Library

P&C AGM 7.00 pm Swimming Years 3 – 6

Wednesday 24th October Kindergarten Orientation 9.30 – 10.30 am

Monday 29th October Swimming Years 3 – 6 20th October – 9th November Swim School Year 2

Wednesday 31st October Kindergarten Orientation 9.30 – 10.30 am

Thursday 1st November Colour Run

Monday 4th November Swimming Years 3 – 6

Wednesday 7th November Kindergarten Orientation 9.30 – 10.30 am

Monday 12th November Swimming Years 3 – 6

Wednesday 14th November Kindergarten Orientation 9.30 – 10.30 am

Monday 19th November Swimming Years 3 – 6

Wednesday 28th November Preschool Orientation 9.30 – 10.30 am Wednesday 5th December Preschool Orientation 9.30 – 10.30 am

Thursday 6th December Year 6 Farewell Tuesday 11th December Presentation Day

Wednesday 19th December Clap Out, Last day of school

Assembly

This week's assembly will be hosted by 1/2C. Assembly commences at 2.30 pm in the hall all welcome.



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P&C News - Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held tomorrow night, 17th October at 7pm. Please join us as we elect a new committee for 2019. Our monthly meeting will immediately follow the AGM. The P&C encourages your involvement and participation in our school. The P&C plays a role in representing parent voice on a range of school related topics as well as providing a significant source of fundraising / financial assistance to the school. The involvement of parents and carers helps to create a dynamic community at MWDS, with enormous benefit for all our children. Joining the P&C is a great way to be involved in your child's school life, support the teaching staff, and contribute to your community.

We encourage all families to get involved and we hope to see you there!

Library News

Term 4 is always busy in the library and this is the time to return any overdue books. The library will be having a stocktake towards the end of the year and it is important that all our resources are accounted for. However, there are lots of new books on the shelves right now, ready to be borrowed.

Happy reading - Mrs Troup

Canteen Roster

Wednesday 17th October Anne, Mandy Thursday 18th October Andreana

Friday 19th October Toni, Kim, Alice, Naomi, Recess Amber

Monday 22nd October Robyn Tuesday 23rd October Amanda

Wednesday 24th October Danielle, Mandy

2018 International Competitions and Assessments

Congratulations to the following students who competed in the 2018 Digital Technologies International Competitions and Assessments for Schools.

Name	Award
Sofia Stojko	High Distinction
Bella Lewis	Distinction
Quang Duy Do	Credit
Allie Dickinson	Credit
Chelsea Lange	Credit
Alice Bradley	Credit
Rylan Sewell	Credit
Liam Curtis	Participation
Addison Thomas	Participation
Sawyer Waller	Participation
Nate Dickinson	Participation
Daniel Paloma	Participation



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Congratulations to the following students who competed in the 2018 Mathematics International Competitions and Assessments for Schools.

Name	Award
Cameron Donovan	Distinction
Oliver James	Distinction
Ren Allan-Denniss	Credit
Mayah Lewis	Credit
Shyla Prasad	Credit
Jeffrey Ludricks	Credit
Sofia Stojko	Credit
Allie Dickinson	Credit
Chelsea Lange	Credit
Lidell McCosker	Credit
Bella Lewis	Credit
Christian Morison	Credit
George Hill	Merit
Sawyer Waller	Merit
Tadgh Cocklin	Participation
Bailey Johnstone	Participation
Luke Marlborough	Participation
Illyana Morison	Participation
Ruby Sar	Participation
Kaitlin Smith	Participation
Liam Curtis	Participation
Jayden Raju	Participation
Oscar Shain	Participation
Senyo Agbola	Participation
Kaitee Kopko	Participation
Alice Bradley	Participation
Alanah Wright	Participation
Nate Dickinson	Participation
Nguyen Anh Do	Participation



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Minime Hackathon



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On the 19th September, 8 coders from Mayfield West went to the University of Newcastle to represent the school at the Minime Hackathon Event. We had the opportunity to code StarLab rovers that were made by 3D printers. We coded from 9 am to 2.15 pm, making the rovers do different actions and movements. For example, moving forward, taking pictures and writing messages on the screen. We also participated in a navigation challenge and the school that did the challenge first, won a prize. Everyone that attended had so much fun and we did too.







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2019 Kindergarten Enrolment Information

Parent Information Session Wednesday 17th October 2018 in the Hall 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm

Parents are invited to attend a Kindergarten Information night. Information will be provided about our school including the school vision, procedures and current practices, Early Stage 1 curriculum and Best Start assessments. We encourage all parents to attend this valuable workshop to understand how your child will develop and learn at Mayfield West Demonstration School.

Visit 1 Wednesday 24th October 2018 9.30 – 10.30 am

Parents and children are invited to meet in the Kindergarten rooms from 9.30 – 10.30 am. Children will engage in a variety of play activities. Parents can attend a Best Start information session lead by Brianna Munro (Kindergarten classroom teacher). Teachers will make general observations about the students during this session. Teachers and children will discuss classroom rules and routines at school.

Visit 2 Wednesday 31st October 2018 9.30 – 10.30 am

Parents and children meet in the Kindergarten rooms. Parents are asked to attend an information session in the hall about literacy lead by our Assistant Principal and Learning Centre specialised teacher. Children complete a literacy and related craft activity. Teachers will make general observation about the students during this session.

Visit 3 Wednesday 7th November 2018 9.30 – 10.30 am

Parents and children meet in the Kindergarten rooms. Parents are asked to attend an information session in the hall about numeracy lead by the Assistant Principal. Children complete a number of numeracy based activities with a craft item to take home. Teachers will make general observation about the students during this session.

Visit 4 Wednesday 14th November 2018 9.30 – 10.30 am

Parents and children are invited into the Kindergarten rooms where they will meet their 2019 Year 6 buddy. Children have a tour of the school, visiting the library, office and are shown their play area. They receive a healthy snack at the canteen and have a picnic with their buddy. Finally they return to the Kindergarten rooms to complete a short activity.

Parents meet in the hall for a final meeting on finalising their enrolment forms and information about what happens on the first day of Kindergarten with the Relieving Principal. Kindergarten 2019 will conduct a short performance for their parents.



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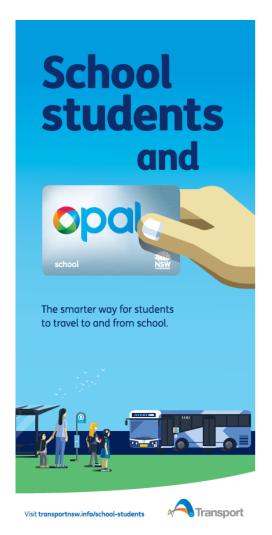
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2019 Bus Passes



Introducing the School Opal card

The School Opal card gives eligible students free or discounted travel between home and school using the train, bus, ferry and light rail services you nominate in your application.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for a School Opal card, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants)

There's no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary)

More than 1.6km straight line distance or at least 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary)

More than 2.0km straight line distance or at least 2.9km walking.



If you live too close to be eligible for free travel, you may still qualify for a School Term Bus Pass, which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.

Who needs to apply

A new application is only required if the student has not had a School Opal card before.

If the student already has a School Opal card and is changing schools, campuses or home address, you will need to update their Opal card for the new school year before mid-December at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts

How to apply

Applications for next year open at the start of Term 4 this year.

Step 1

Once the new school has confirmed your child's enrolment, complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students

Step 2

The school endorses your application.

Step 3

Once Transport for NSW has approved the application, a School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.



A parent or guardian must apply for students 15 years and under. Students 16 years and over must apply for themselves.

