

# Newsletter

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## Harmony Day

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, Mayfield West celebrated Harmony Day. It was a day when we celebrate Australia's cultural diversity. We are a vibrant and multicultural country — from the oldest continuous culture of our first Australians to the cultures of our newest arrivals from around the world. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, the freedom of ideas, mutual respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

At Mayfield West Demonstration School we have students from many different cultural backgrounds and we value highly this diversity. This year all students have contributed to colourful class artworks which are on display in our hall.



## Newcastle City PSSA Touch Football Trials

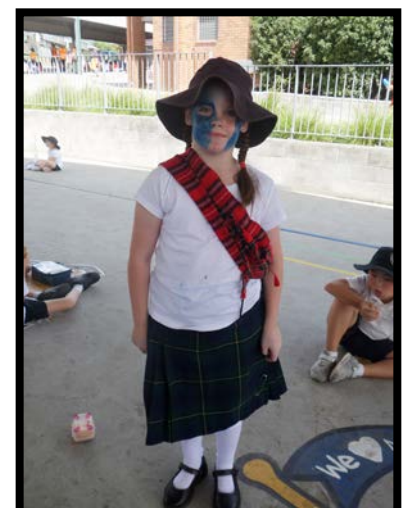
Last week, Cailin Ngahue, Kaylee Livermore and Ellazae and Acacia Elers attended the Newcastle City PSSA Touch Football trials.

Congratulations to Kaylee, Ellaze and Acacia who were selected to be members of the Newcastle City PSSA Touch football team and will be representatives at the Hunter Regional Touch Football Carnival. We wish these girls all the best as they pursue higher representative honours.

## Newcastle City AFL Team

Congratulations to Finn Merber and Cameron Masters who were members of the Newcastle City PSSA AFL team who yesterday played at the Hunter Regional AFL Carnival.

Cameron has been selected as a member of the Hunter Regional PSSA AFL team and will be competing in Sydney later next term.



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## K-2 Cross Country

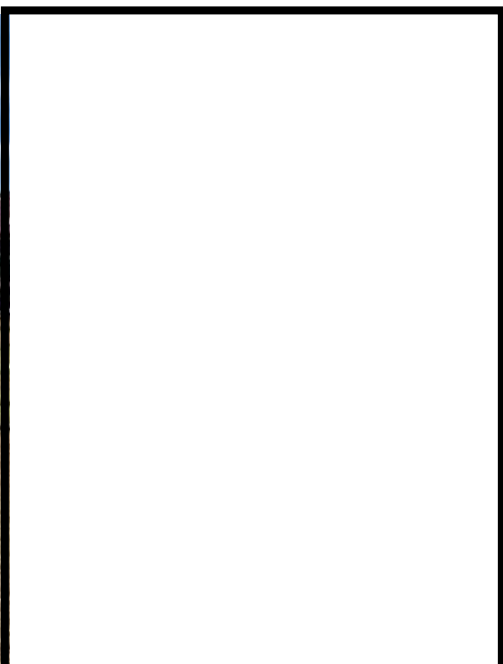
K-2 students participated in our Cross Country event on Thursday 21 March 2019. The students ran extremely well and navigated their way around the track which included an uphill effort.

Congratulations to all K-2 students for your commitment and enthusiasm shown on the day.

A huge thank you to our School Captains, House Captains and Leaders who assisted on the day.

Thank you to all staff who supported the day and to all of the parents and carers who came along to cheer on the MWDS students.

The winning house will be announced in due course.



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## School Photos

School photos will be taken on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019, for the whole school and Pre School Blue and a catch up shoot will be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and also Pre School Red. Family photo envelopes can be collected from Administration.

Envelopes will be sent home today. You can order your photos online by following the instructions below or return your envelop to Administration with the correct money enclosed. The school will pass on the envelopes to the photographer.



## Mayfield West Public School 2019 School Photos

**2019 School Photos can be ordered online.**

To view packages and to place your order please visit  
[www.newcastleschoolportraits.com](http://www.newcastleschoolportraits.com)  
and enter your code.

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Orders to be done before photo day to avoid late fee.  
Payments can be made with any Mastercard or Visa cards.

### School Packages

Qty Ordered	Package	Price
1	A Pack	\$65
1	B Pack	\$45
1	C Pack	\$38
1	D Pack	\$26
1	E Pack	\$22
1	F Pack	\$65
1	Photo Album	\$25

**Family Package are also available online but must be ordered by 9pm the night before Family photo day.**

### Family Packages

Qty Ordered	Package	Price
1	Family A Pack	\$25
1	Family B Pack	\$35

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## NAPLAN Online

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy – important skills that each child needs to succeed in school and life. The NAPLAN tests are designed to help us make sure students are on track with their literacy and numeracy development. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN tests for reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Between 14<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> May our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. Students do not need to be computer experts to take the NAPLAN test online. Making sure students have computer skills is part of our school curriculum, and our teachers will ensure your child is familiar with the online format. To see the types of questions and interactive features of NAPLAN Online, visit [the public demonstration site](#). In the next few weeks, students in Years 3 and 5 will have the opportunity to participate in a NAPLAN Online practice test. The test will be an omnibus test, which will have a range of literacy and numeracy questions.

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact Mrs Roberts-Prisk (our school's NAPLAN Online Coordinator) or your child's teacher.

*For more info:*

- [How to support your child during NAPLAN](#)
- [information for parents and carers](#)
- [Watch a video that explains NAPLAN Online](#)
- [Subscribe to ACARA's monthly parent newsletter, Parent Update](#)

## Important Dates

27 <sup>th</sup> March	NRMA Road Show Visit
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Years 3 – 6 Cross Country
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic
5 <sup>th</sup> April	Whole School Photos / Preschool Blue Group
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Preschool Red / catch up photos
10 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Hat Parade and P&C Raffle
12 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Term 1

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## K-2 Pet Safety

K-2 students participated in a Living Safely with Pets session on Monday 25 March 2019. The program educates students on what it means to be a responsible pet owner and how to live safely with dogs. We were lucky enough to meet Alec, the Siberian Husky and his trainer Mel. Students participated in role plays and were taught what to do when they encounter dogs. Some students were even lucky enough to pat Alec.

Students are able to visit Victor and Victoria's Pet Town at <http://www.pets.nsw.gov.au/>.



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## LIBRARY NEWS

### Premier's Reading Challenge 2019

Three more students have completed the challenge. Congratulations to Freya Walsh 1/2F, Cameron Masters 5/6RP & Finn Merber 5/6RP - fantastic reading!

To enter the PRC just follow these steps:

1. Go to the website <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>

or Google 'NSW Premier's Reading Challenge'. On the PRC website, click on the PRC STUDENT SITE image. Click on LOGIN in the top right hand corner. This will take you to the NSW Department of Education portal login page. Students need to enter their username and password here. Most students will know this information. If your child is in Kinder or is unsure of their details, please see me in the library and I will supply these for you. You should then find your Online Reading Record.

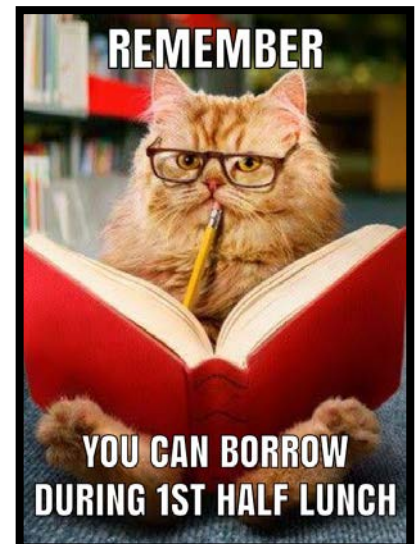
2. You are required to read 30 books (K - 2) or 20 books (3 - 6) by 30<sup>th</sup> August from the PRC book list. Five books can be of your own choice, however they should be of similar quality to those on the list. Students can borrow PRC books from the school library and public libraries also have a large selection.

3. Fill in the Online Reading Record as you go along.

Please see Mrs Troup in the library if you need any help accessing or filling in your record.

Happy reading

Louise Troup      Teacher Librarian



## Canteen Roster

Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Anne
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Margaret
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Toni, Alice, Recess amber
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Lyndall
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Kate, Naomi



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Learning For Life



## Preschool – Year 6 Easter Hat Parade

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Middle COLA after the P&C Raffle

Please start making your Easter hats and bonnets at home for our whole school Easter Hat Parade.

Parents and carers are welcome to join us for our Easter Hat Parade which will be held after the P & C Easter Raffle.

**When:** Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**Where:** Middle COLA

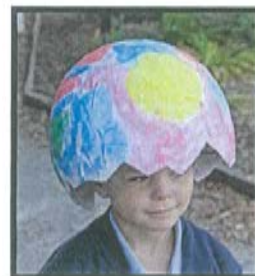
**Time:** The Parade will follow on from the morning assembly and P&C Easter Raffle

## P & C Easter Raffle

The P&C will be holding their annual Easter Raffle on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019. We are asking for donations of chocolates, Easter eggs, bags and anything you think will make a great prize. Please leave your donations in the box in the school foyer.

The more prizes we have, the more chances for everyone to win!

Raffle tickets will be sent home next week.



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## MWDS P&C

### KID'S TRAVEL BOOK FUNDRAISER

This is not just another single-use colouring-in book or activity book for kids, but a one-of-a-kind travel book full of thoughtful conversation starters, facts and figures, and activities that encourage kids (and parents) to think about the world around them. <https://itcheefeet.com/product-category/books/activity-books/>

'Around the World in 80 Ways' has been featured in dozens of newspapers and magazines and the author Jane Tara has been interviewed on radio and TV. The book is so effective at entertaining children that Virgin airlines used it as part of their in flight entertainment.

Age range 6 to 13, with a chapter written especially for toddlers.

So, get on board and grab a copy (or 2) before school holidays are upon you. Support our school while ensuring you have the tools to enjoy that long road trip or long-haul flight with your loved ones over the Easter break.

#### Praise for 'Around the World in 80 Ways'

"I recommend that 80 Ways be included on every smart traveller's packing list." Susan Grant, commercial airline pilot, best-selling author, and mum

"Helps parents and children enjoy the journey as much as the destination." On The Road RACQ Magazine

"Creative, thought-provoking and fun..." Jennifer Nicholls, Institute of Early Childhood, Macquarie University

#### TRAVEL BOOK ORDER FORM

Please return to the office by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

STUDENTS NAME: ..... CLASS: .....

NUMBER OF BOOKS: (Please circle)

1 FOR \$6.00 OR 2 FOR \$10.00

PAYMENT METHOD: (Payment must accompany this form)

CASH: \$. ..... enclosed

ONLINE: Amount Paid: ..... Receipt number: ..... If paying online please use student name and 'Travel Book' as reference.

BSB: 032 505, Account Number: 251 370, Account Name: Mayfield West Demonstration School P&C