

Newsletter

Mayfield West Demonstration School

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Week 11 Term 1

Date: Tuesday, 9 April 2019



Welcome to Week 11, the last week of Term 1. Mayfield West teachers and students have been very busy throughout the term with many activities and events. We wish our community a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing everyone refreshed ready to start Term 2, 30th April 2019.

Change of Staff Development Days.

Following consultation with the P&C we would like everyone to be aware of a change of staff development days. The opportunity has arisen for our teachers to participate in a full day workshop with internationally renowned speaker Dylan William and colleague teachers from across our network of schools.

This means the staff development day for Term 3 Monday the 22nd of July will be moved to Monday August 19th.

In addition we will also be moving our staff development day from Friday the 20th of December forward and staff will work on Sunday August 18th.

We appreciate the support and flexibility of the P&C and community in assisting us in accessing this very valuable professional learning opportunity. We will continue to remind the community of these date changes as we get closer to the event.

Woolworths Fruit Donation

A very big thank you to Mayfield Woolworths for their generous donations of a case of fresh fruit every Wednesday. Each week, a different stage across our school will get the chance to try some delicious fresh fruit. Last week, Stage 3 were lucky enough to sample mandarins, grapes, oranges, blueberries, strawberries, apples, kiwi fruit, pears and plums. Each class received a for their fruit break.

Thank you again to Mrs Freeland in administration for organising it with Mayfield Woolworths and Jonathan at Mayfield Woolworths for reaching out to our school.



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Important Dates

10 th April	Easter Hat Parade and P&C Raffle
12 th April	Last day of Term
29 th April	Staff Development Day
30 th April	Students return for the start of Term 2

Canteen Roster

Wednesday 10 th April	Danielle
Thursday 11 th April	Margaret
Friday 12 th April	Toni, Paula, Michelle, Recess Amber

Term 2

Tuesday 30 th April	Naomi
Wednesday 1 st May	Anne

P&C News

The P&C Easter Raffle will be drawn at Wednesday morning's assembly. Thank you to all students, parents and carers for supporting this fundraiser by purchasing raffle tickets and for your generous donations to make this raffle happen.

Thank you to Kings Coaches for their very kind donation of ticket to Willy Wonker for our Easter Raffle.

Pre-purchase either a book or digital copy today for \$65, and receive special bonus Early Bird Offers.

Follow this link to support our school.

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LIBRARY NEWS

The Library is Open!

While it has been lovely to share the library with Stage 3 this term, I am very excited to say we are back to 'business as usual' in the library! Library lessons will now be held in the library & we will be open during second half lunch Monday to Thursday. It is important for students to remember to bring their library bag so that they can borrow during their library lesson.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2019

So many students have completed the challenge. Congratulations to Olivia Hahn KI, Kaylee Curtis 1/2PK, Asha Follett 1/2PK, Katie Murray 3/4S, Nicholas Gam 5/6RP & Chelsea Lange 5/RP - fantastic reading! A special mention to Asha from Year 2 for completing the Year 3-4 challenge!

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 30th 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



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Watch Out for Leprechauns

Some students participated in a home STEM assignment where they had to come up with a way to catch a leprechaun.

A rainbow to lure the leprechaun into the tunnel where treasure was hidden. When the leprechaun takes the treasure the trapdoor closes and traps him inside.

Travis Wagner





ACTIVATE INCLUSION SPORTS DAYS



A FUN AND INCLUSIVE DAY OF SPORT TO TRY!



FOR PHYSICAL, SENSORY & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

Friday 6th September 2019
10am - 1pm
Hunter Sports High School
Pacific Hwy, Gateshead
Limited places available.
To register attendance [CLICK HERE](#)
or visit sportnsw.com.au/events

Hosted by:



Delivered by:



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Contact:

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ACTIVATE INCLUSION SPORTS DAYS

Giving all kids the opportunity to have a go.

Activate Inclusion Sports Days give kids the opportunity to try sports they might otherwise miss out on. Aimed at kids aged 5-18 with learning difficulties, intellectual, sensory and physical disabilities, the days are an opportunity to have a go in a fun and inclusive environment.

Each day involves:

- a range of sports to try
- specialised coaching
- adaptive equipment
- showbags
- water and fruit
- local sporting club exhibitors
- access to community services
- opportunities to network with other families and teachers

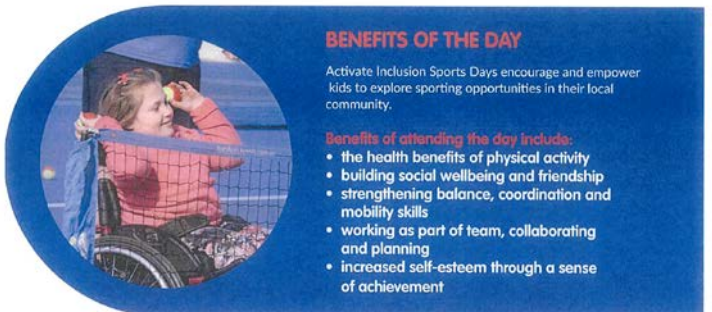


BENEFITS OF THE DAY

Activate Inclusion Sports Days encourage and empower kids to explore sporting opportunities in their local community.

Benefits of attending the day include:

- the health benefits of physical activity
- building social wellbeing and friendship
- strengthening balance, coordination and mobility skills
- working as part of team, collaborating and planning
- increased self-esteem through a sense of achievement



ABOUT SPORT NSW & VARIETY - THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY

Sport NSW and Variety - the Children's Charity have joined together to help kids living with a disability overcome the barriers of enjoying a healthy lifestyle.

Through promotion, advocacy and programs, Sport NSW provides access and equal opportunities for all Australians to enjoy sport and active recreation.

Variety - the Children's Charity helps all Aussie kids have a fair go by providing grants, services, programs, scholarships and events to children living with disabilities, chronic illness, geographic isolation, financial hardship or in need of critical care.

For more information visit:
Sport NSW sportnsw.com.au
Variety - the Children's Charity variety.org.au

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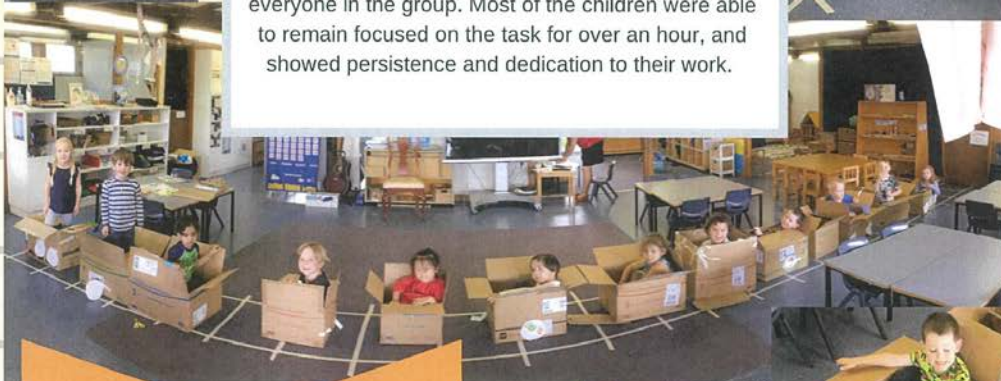
All Aboard the Preschool Express!

Week 10 (Wed-Fri)

Today in the preschool, the children were issued a challenge of building a full-length train out of boxes, paper plates, and other recycled materials.

Mrs. Baker laid down a train-track out of masking tape through the middle of the preschool to spark the children's interest. The children were very excited and had lots of questions and ideas about what they could make and what materials they could use.

They had to use problem-solving, creativity, and reflective thinking to construct and improve upon their designs. The children showed respect and care for their friends by assisting each other on parts of their projects that were difficult, or to ask for help when they needed it - using their strengths to support everyone in the group. Most of the children were able to remain focused on the task for over an hour, and showed persistence and dedication to their work.



EYLF Outcomes:

4.1 Children develop dispositions for learning such as curiosity, cooperation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence, imagination and reflexivity.

4.2 Children develop a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.

5.3 Children express ideas and make meaning using a range of media.

A massive "thank you!" to Louise in the Library and Lyn and Sue in the office for donating so many boxes for our project, as well as all the parents and family members who have donated recyclables for us to use to make sustainable creations!

This learning experience can be linked to Piaget's theories. He believes the child is an active learner and that the child must be given opportunities to explore, discover and experiment. These principles underpin all cognitive development

