

Newsletter

Mayfield West Demonstration School

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Week 7 Term 1

Date: Tuesday, 12 March 2019



Wow the term is flying past. There will be lots happening in and around the school over the next 5 weeks. We will be having 3 new demountables installed on the Multi-Purpose Court, Cross Country, Responsible Pet Ownership, Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic and the Easter Hat Parade and Raffle.

Selective High School Program Assessment

Applicants for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2020 are required to take the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 14th March 2019.

Applications for placement in Year 7 in 2020 closed on 12 November 2018. Late applications are not accepted.

Test authority letters

Test centre information and test authority letters will be sent by email (unless parents chose to receive mail only) **after 5 pm on 28 February 2019**. If you have not received the test authority letter by 8 March, first check your spam/junk folders, then contact the Team.

Download the printable version of the 2019 [Test centre information for parents and students \(PDF 206KB\)](#). See the section [The test](#) for more information.

Students have been allocated to test centres. Check the [list of test centres](#).

Click on the [map of test centres](#) to plan your route.

Illness/misadventure requests

If your child could not sit the test or some event caused your child to not perform their best on the day, you can request consideration of illness/misadventure. Find more information about [illness/misadventure](#) and the [illness/misadventure form \(PDF 238KB\)](#). The form must be submitted to the Team by **28 March 2019**.

Change of school choices

To change your school choices email the [change of school choice form \(docx 45KB\)](#) to the Unit before 26 April 2019.

Resource Pack

Thank you to the many families who have paid for the resource packs. I am asking that all accounts are finalised as soon as possible. If you are experiencing difficulties a payment plan can be organised.

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K – 2 Cross Country

Kindergarten to Year 2 will be holding their Cross Country on Thursday 21st March 2019. The carnival will begin at 9.20am from under the middle COLA and will finish at 11am. All students are encouraged to participate in the event.

A detailed note went home last week with students.

Cross Country Years 3 – 6

Notes will be going home this week for Years 3 – 6 Cross Country which will be held on Friday 29th March at Stevenson Park Mayfield.

Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic

Kindergarten students and parents are invited to our Teddy Bears Picnic which will be held on Thursday 4th April from 10.40 am – 11 am. Students received a detailed note last week to take home.

Easter Hat Parade and Raffle

We will be holding a whole school Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 10th April 2019 under the Middle COLA after the morning assembly and P&C Raffle. Notes were given out last week for this event.

Shave for a Cure – Out of Uniform Day

A reminder that Wednesday is Out of Uniform Day raising funds for Mitchell Preston a former student who will be shaving his hair off. All monies raised will be donated to for Shave for a Cure.

Medical Notes

Last week a Student Medical Information Form was sent home to students in Kindergarten to Year 2. It would be greatly appreciated if these notes could be completed and returned to Administration. Students that have been flagged with a medical condition will then need to complete an Individual Health Care Plan. These plans will be sent home in the coming weeks.

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Responsible Pet Education Program

Students from Preschool to Year 2 will be participating in a Responsible Pet Education Program on the following days: Preschool Red Monday 18th March, Preschool Blue Friday 22nd March and Kindergarten – 2 Monday 25th March 2019.



**Responsible
Pet Ownership**

**Very soon
the Responsible Pet Education Program
is coming to visit you at your school!**



My pet dog will be coming to help teach you how to be safe around dogs and how to say hello to dog with their owners!



There will be lots of listening, role plays, singing and some dancing.



My dog may even meet you during the visit.

Preschool
Red Group Monday the 18th of March
Blue Group Friday the 22nd of March

P-2 School Visits

K-2
Monday the 25th of March

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Parent/Teacher Interviews

This year MWDS will be trialing a new three-way conference process. These interviews will take place in both Term 1 and Term 3, in lieu of Term 2 interviews. Each interview will be 15 minutes long. To book an interview time please go to: www.schoolinterviews.com.au . Notes were sent home last week.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten have had a fantastic start to the year. They have been very busy learning their sounds, sight words and developing their early reading and writing skills. They have also been enjoying sport time, working on fundamental movement skills and learning singing and dancing techniques on Tuesday afternoon during Kinder singing time. There is plenty left planned for the term with a Teddy Bears Picnic coming up towards the end of this term.



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Important Dates

13 th March	Out of Uniform Day – Shave for a Cure
18 th March	Preschool Red Responsible Pet Education Program
19 th , 20 th 21 st March	School Interviews
21 st March	K – 2 Cross Country
22 nd March	Preschool Blue Responsible Pet Education Program
25 th March	K – 2 Responsible Pet Education Program
27 th March	NRMA Road Show Visit
29 th March	Years 3 – 6 Cross Country
4 th April	Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic
5 th April	Whole School Photos / Preschool Blue Group
8 th April	Preschool Red / catch up photos
10 th April	Easter Hat Parade and P&C Raffle
12 th April	Last day of Term 1

P&C News

The P&C will be holding their annual Easter Raffle on Wednesday 10th April 2019. We are asking for donations of chocolates, Easter eggs, bags and anything you think will make a great prize.

Raffle tickets were sent home on Monday 11th March. Please return sold/unsold tickets to Administration. Additional books are also available.

Please leave your donations in the box in the school foyer. Thank you to everyone who has already donated we do appreciate your generosity.

The P&C will be selling Entertainment Books again this year. You have the option of buying a book or a digital copy. More information to follow.



There are two ways Entertainment™ can help you raise funds...



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Classes are currently able to borrow during 1st half lunch on the following days:

Monday: 1/2F, 1/2P & 1/2W

Tuesday: 1/2C, 1/2K & 1/2PK

Wednesday: Stage 3, 4/5G & Kindergarten

Thursday: 3/4A, 3/4R & 3/4S

Premier's Reading Challenge 2019

The PRC is now underway! I would encourage all students K - 6 to enter as it provides a great incentive to read some wonderful books. To enter just follow these steps:

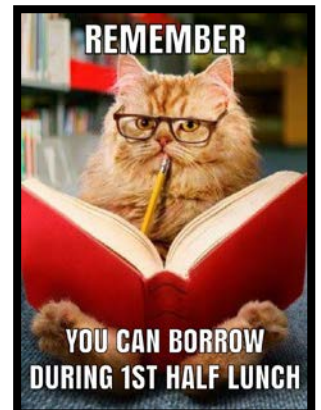
1. Go to the website <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/> or Google 'NSW Premier's Reading Challenge'. On the PRC website, click on the PRC STUDENT SITE image. Click on LOGIN in the top right hand corner. This will take you to the NSW Department of Education portal login page. 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.

Our school has four students who have already completed the challenge - Sofia Stojko 3/4A, Mia Broadbent-Miller 3/4A, Ruby Jones 5/6C & Rifaya Nazmi 5/6RP. Sofia was the first student to finish, and both Sofia and Mia completed the Years 5-6 Challenge while in Year 4. Congratulations, fantastic reading!

Happy reading

Louise Troup Teacher Librarian



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Canteen Roster

Wednesday 13 th March	Help Needed
Thursday 14 th March	Robyn
Friday 15 th March	Toni, Paula, Alice, Recess amber
Monday 18 th March	Lyndall
Tuesday 19 th March	Katie

Exciting times at Mayfield West

