

Newsletter

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Week 10 Term 3

Date: Wednesday, 21 September 2022

Important Dates	
Fri 23 rd Sep	Last day of Term 3
Mon 10 th Oct	First day of Term 4
24 th Oct - 4 th Nov	Year 2 Swim School (10 consecutive days)
Fri 4 th Nov	Colour Run
14 th Nov - 18 th Nov	Life Education Van visit
Wed 7 th Dec	Presentation Day
Fri 16 th Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Mon 19 th Dec	Year 6 Clap Out
Mon 19 th Dec	Last day of school for 2022
Tues 31 st Jan 2023	First Day of School 2023 for Year 1 – 6
31 st Jan - 2 nd Feb 2023	Kindergarten Best Start Interviews
Fri 3 rd Feb 2023	First day of School 2023 for Kindergarten

Year 2 Swim School

Year 2 students have been invited to participate in The Department of Education School Swimming and Water Safety Program. It is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The Program is conducted over ten consecutive days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes. The cost is \$80 per child. This includes entry to the pool each day and daily travel to and from the pool on the bus. There is no cost for the swimming lessons, this is provided free of charge by the Department of Education. Notes have been sent home with students and need to be returned by Week 1, Term 4.



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Tournament of Minds

Tournament of Minds (TOM) is an international educational program developed for creative students across all sectors of primary and secondary school education. It provides a dynamic approach to learning, whilst developing students' enthusiasm for experimentation, problem finding and problem-solving.

Students are formed into vertically grouped team structures at Primary and Secondary levels and undertake one of the four discipline groups: STEM; The Arts; Language Literature; and Social Sciences. Team members work together for six weeks - without assistance from teachers, parents or peers - to develop a creative way to communicate their solution to a panel of judges and an audience, working within pre-determined parameters, complex criteria and the deadline of Tournament Day. The teams must also participate in an unseen Spontaneous Challenge on the day.

Mayfield West Demonstration School entered a team into the competition again this year and our team chose to compete in the STEM section. The team had to compete at the regional level initially, against public and private schools from the Hunter/Central Coast region. It was a difficult problem that had to be solved and the team worked hard, often outside school hours, to complete the task.

The Mayfield West TOM team were successful at the regional level, winning on tournament day and gaining a place in the state final, held at the University of New South Wales in Sydney. It was a highly competitive field at the state final and the team showed great determination and teamwork. Although they did not win on the day, they were impressive in their STEM design and the way that they persevered through challenges. They demonstrated teamwork and creativity and are to be commended on the way they represented the school.

Well done team and I am looking forward to next year!

– Mrs Dabboussy



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Stage 2 Gravity Experiments

Stage 2 have been learning about gravity. We tested gravity by dropping objects off the stage 2 balcony to see which one hit the ground first. Amazingly, most objects hit the floor at the same time!

– Chelsea W 3/4S



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MayWest 2022 Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Purdue (blue) house who are the 2022 Athletics Champions! House captains, Ally M and Nicko G proudly accepted our school Athletics Trophy on behalf of their house.

2022 Newcastle City Zone Athletics Carnival

It was so exciting to be able to have students represent our school at the Newcastle City Zone Athletics Carnival this year. This carnival was held at the Hunter Sports Centre, Glendale and students from the 24 schools across our Zone competed throughout the day.

Our Athletics team were outstanding ambassadors for our school, competing with pride, determination and sportsmanship. Mrs Troup, Mrs Bradley and Mrs RP were very impressed with the team's encouragement of each other and their manners throughout the day.

Congratulations to our 2022 Zone Athletics Team:

Oliver Jeans, Leo Forbes, Sam Owens, Chloe Buckland, Isla Coves, Evelyn Kurtz, Taylah Shannon, Charlotte Berlin, Chelsea Jayan, Kai Wagner, Alex Johnston, Max Falla, Amy Curtis, Abigail Maher, Archie Gissane, Oliver Dunnage, Rhys Neville, Conor Laird, Miranda Lange, Audrey James, Chevy Richards, Ellie Growth, Nicko Gyger, Jasper Rice, Bailey Johnstone, Mason Cadogan, Toby Shannon, Izla Holdstock, Jenny Huynh, Ava Murchie, Eliza Rudge, Gabby Mulholland, Juliet McNicol, Sierra Tugaga, Koby Berlin and Mason Dunnage.

Gratitude and appreciation to all the families who provided transport to the carnival so that their children could compete on the day. Your support, encouragement and presence are highly valued - thank you.

Kindergarten and Preschool Enrolments

Preschool enrolment forms can be picked up from administration, downloaded from the school website, or we can email them through to you. OOSH Services are now available to our Preschool students. Please contact administration on 02 4968 1539 if you have any further questions.

Kindergarten enrolments can now be processed through our online enrolment system. Go to this link and follow the steps <https://enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/#/?schoolCode=2507> If your child is currently enrolled in our Preschool, there is no need for you to do anything. Pre-filled enrolment forms will be provided to parents and carers later in the year.



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Book Week – Dreaming With Eyes Open

We held our CBCA Book Week Parade in Week 7 this term. The theme was ‘Dreaming With Eyes Open’. Thank you to all the students that participated and for the parents and carers that were able to attend.

Preschool Wattle and Banksia



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