

Marrickville West Primary School newsletter



Work as One

NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

TERM 4 · WEEK 6 2018



Multicultural Munch...



"It has been my first year at this beautiful school and I feel so fortunate to have come across it.

Children are just lovely and very receptive and the management and staff have something that I have not seen in any other community where I have worked before.

I just feel blessed to have been able to participate on this special celebration and I hope all the members of the community feel as proud of the outcome as I am."

— Ms Catherine Rodriguez
Spanish teacher

"My favourite work day of the year! Proud of my heritage and so privileged to be part of this very special school community"

— Ms Bradfield-Ling



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We acknowledge the original owners of this land, the Cadigal People of the Eora Nation and their elders past and present.





Principal's Report

Thank you to those parents who took the time to complete the **Tell Them From Me** survey earlier this term. The data from this survey and other sources will inform our priorities when planning for enhanced student wellbeing, values education and community engagement in 2019.

The way we think has a significant impact on the way we feel, respond and behave. Sometimes the things children say to themselves can form a barrier to building positive relationships, wellbeing and school success. This is the foundation that underlies the 'Keys to Success' (*You Can Do It*).

Next year we will be using two programs across K-6 to help build our students social and emotional capacity.

We will extend the You Can Do It program focusing on positive habits of mind to reinforce the skills of getting along, organisation, persistence, confidence and resilience. Learning will be linked to Personal Development lessons, integrated into whole school practices and featured in classrooms K-6.

We will trial an online resource by the *Lifeskills Group* that will provide teachers and students with guided lessons, mindfulness activities and discussion starters designed to enhance social and emotional development. This program will support students to develop awareness of self and others, empathy, emotional regulation, assertiveness and social problem solving.

Restorative Practice, Peer Support, student leadership, circle time, Kitchen Garden, playground programs and various other strategies will continue to provide opportunities for students to learn and practice these important skills, both in and out of the classroom.

More information about how Wellbeing is evaluated, taught and reinforced at MWPS will be sent home early in the new year.

Ruth Bradfield-Ling
Principal



Congratulations!

Super Stars

These students have earned a **SCHOOL AWARD** for collecting 10 Merit Awards

Mia C.	Tyrell W	Theoni L
Jahkai W-T	Diya L	Lilah C.
Mya D.	Lola C.	Olivia G.
Henry T.	Mia C.	



*Look who came to visit!
Mrs Abousamra!*



*Mrs Abousamra
couldn't stay
away from
Multicultural
Munch.*

From The Office

We are now past the midway point. Each year group has had or will have an excursion experience, learned new cricket and swimming skills and welcomed the new kindergartens coming next year.

To ensure we are all on track, we have a couple of reminders below for your attention.

Outstanding Invoices

Accounts need to be finalised before we finish the school year. Statements will be resent home in the coming weeks. Please settle these at your earliest convenience. Payments can be made via cash or Eftpos at the front office or via the Parent Online Payment (POP) option on our website. When using the online payment option only fill in the areas with asterisks “*”.

Uniforms

If you have had problems with your online uniform order, please come and see the staff at the front office and we will endeavour to have it rectified.

Calendar Dates

Thursday 29th November

Band Information Session – 6:30pm

Monday 3rd December

Stg 1 – Zoo Excursion

Tuesday 4th December

Yr6 High School Transition

Tuesday 4th December

Volunteers Morning Tea

Wednesday 5th December

Assembly – 30 – 2:45pm

Thursday 6th December

P&C Funding Allocation Meeting

Friday 7th December

Stg3 – Fun Day

Friday 7th December

P&C Games Night – 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Tuesday 11th December

Annual School Picnic

Thursday 13th December

Presentation day

Monday 17th December

Year 6 Farewell – 6:00pm

Wednesday 19th December

Year 6 Farewell Assembly – 3:00pm

Wednesday 19th December

Last Day of School



**School banking is
Wednesday 9-9.20am
in the LIBRARY**

by Miss Anne & Miss Stav

The MWPS School Uniform

At Marrickville West we wear green and blue.

- Blue School Hat.
- Green school shirt or dress.
- Blue skort, shorts or track pants.
- Blue and green jacket or track top.
- White socks and black leather shoes or plain black or white runners.

Please help your children show pride in their school by encouraging them to wear their uniform every day.

NAME all items of clothing that come to school and ensure any hats or jackets that come home and belong to someone else are returned to school.

KEEP HEADS SAFE

Children are welcome to ride or scoot to school. For safety please ensure they follow the rules and wear a helmet.



If there are wheels under your feet, there should be a helmet on your head!

SAFETY IN CAR PARKS

All students, parents and visitors need to walk through the pedestrian walkways allocated. No-one should be walking through the carpark.



NO PARENTS ARE TO PARK IN ANY OF THE CARPARKS

Multicultural Munch at MWPS:

Culture Brings us Together ...Back to Our Roots



Colour, music, languages, flavours, friendship and sense of community surrounded the grounds of our school during our traditional Multicultural Munch celebration.

How exciting it is for our teachers, families and students to plan the way they will display their culture through their outfits. Some of them wore traditional clothes, some others went for what they love the most (lots of sport players this year), some children decided to wear bright colors or paint their faces or hair, we even had families who worked together to dance or sing as a display of their culture and values. All these represent multiculturalism; tokens of all that we are and what makes us special.



Our Multicultural Munch was a success this year and we want to thank all the members of our community. Everyone played a role on it. Thanks to the people who shared traditional dishes because food brings us together. Thank you to all the kids who took this as an opportunity to shine. Finally yet importantly, a big thank you to the community language teachers who took this day as an opportunity to display their commitment to making our school an inclusive community where we can all feel proud of who we are.





Some photos from the MWPS Music Showcase at Lazybones.



SRC meeting report

The SRC have been meeting almost every second Tuesday to discuss issues affecting the school.

Over the past 4 terms we have hosted fundraisers such as Farmers Friday, Mufti day, gold coin donations etc. The students have also been involved in adding a recycling bin to the playground to save the environment. Our work was supported by Mrs. Whitfield and Miss Laura who did an amazing job in helping us with all the heavy lifting. All class representatives should be very proud of their accomplishments on the student council. Thanks for the support guys!

By year 6 SRC members



The Giving Tree

This year we are going to continue our tradition of giving by collecting donations of food and goods to donate to the Salvation Army.

The following dates show our giving plan. If you are able to contribute in any way please send in your food/goods to your child's class giving bag

Week 7	26 th November	chocolate/canned food
Week 8	3 rd December	toiletries/packets of food
Week 9	10 th December	toys

Each week the Year 6 will give a short presentation of the school's giving at our morning assemblies.

Structured Play

At the start of week 6, four students from Year 6t (Zaynab, Joelle, Charmaine and Chloe) started structured play to help younger kids on the playground. They buddied up with fabulous Year 4 students so the program can continue next year.

There are three activities we have started with – Lego, cars and skipping. Student buddies help and encourage kids to participate in the activities.

One student from year six and their two Year 4 buddies is in charge of one activity. The students will swap activities every time the event is on.

We hope lots of people will be looking forward to structured play for the rest of the year.

School captains report

Being school captain is an option available to everyone in year five. Although you do have to overcome the fear of writing and performing a speech to help kids choose who they want to vote for, anyone including shy kids could be a great school captain as long as they have and show initiative.

We think that the most important role of a school captain is to really show that you care about what is going on around the school; and making sure that everyone has the opportunity to either give feedback or give suggestions towards making the school a more joyful and better learning environment.

By Mollie and Otto



Modern Masters all STEAMed up

On Tuesday 20 November, Stage 3 went on an excursion to the Art Gallery of NSW.

Students had the opportunity to work in small groups led by volunteer guides. These groups looked at some of the artwork on display in the permanent collection, including electronic artwork, sculptures, Asian artwork, artwork made of gems and crystals and panelled artwork.



In particular, some students were fortunate to see original Sidney Nolan pieces like his famous “Ned Kelley” series. Finn described seeing so much more detail in the original artwork. Kaitlyn remembered works by Grace Cossington Smith, one of Australia’s most celebrated 20th century painters.

Students were then split into two groups to look at the exhibition, “Masters of Modern Art from the Hermitage” – famous works of art from the collection in St Petersburg, Russia. Theo commented that he liked Malevich’s “Black Square” for its symbolism and defiance at the time. Other significant modern artists included: Monet, Kandinsky, Picasso and Matisse.

Erling said that the experience inspired him as he was able to see how creative people can be. Erin commented that he learnt more about how to create artwork. Felix remarked that it allowed him to learn new things about history and culture.

By Year 5 Students and Mrs Collins



On Thursday, 1 November MWPS participated in

Outdoor Classroom Day

Building on the success of the 2017 campaign, the aim was to get as many children as possible playing and learning outside.



When teachers take learning outdoors they report some powerful impacts: children’s behaviour improves, whole classes are excited to learn, and individuals who feel inhibited by the curriculum often thrive in an outdoor environment.

When adults think back to their own happiest memories of childhood, they frequently recall the joy of playing outdoors. Play is not only central to children’s enjoyment of childhood, but teaches critical life skills such as problem-solving, teamwork and creativity.





PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES

We have started a range of exciting new playground activities to increase student choice and participation in games during play breaks. We have a giant car mat where students are encouraged to bring their own cars with their name labelled on them.

Students can also challenge each other in the lego club or participate in more physical activities such as skipping. Congratulations to year 4 for showing their leadership skills and supporting younger students to get involved. If you have any ideas or equipment you would like to donate please let us know.



"SES Maree is a very sweet natured female came into care after she was hit by a car and suffered an injury to her head and the loss of her eye sight. Initially it was hoped that she sight would return but it has been confirmed by a Veterianary Neurologist that the loss is permanent. The accident has also left Maree with damage to her frontal lobe and a tenancy to turn in circles to the right when on the ground. At this point it appears that Maree may be in care long term."

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Farewell from the Omrans

Issabella, Issa, Aleeyah and baby Aleena had their last day at MWPS on the November 12, 2018. We have all been at this school since Playgroup and have many friends who we will miss very much.

On our last day Issabella and her cousin Chloe got to be the principals. They sat in Ms Ling's chair, did some of Ms Ling's jobs and wrote this farewell letter. Issabella even helped solve a problem between two students.

Issa and Aleeyah enjoyed a special Farewell with their classmates in the afternoon.

Before we moved away, our parents helped out a lot in this community. Michael, the dad of the Omran family, has helped our school with special events such as sausage sizzles and a play last year. He even carved out Jack's stone that is near his tree in the Henson playground. Ann, our mum used to help out with playgroup, worked in the canteen and helped run events for the P&C.

From, Issabella, Aleeyah and Issa Omran



We are so gutted to be leaving but everything happens for a reason. *Thank you and goodbye Marrickville West!*



SUPPORT UNIT *update*



All three classes joined together to walk to our local park named after the famous Louisa Lawson. Students have been learning about her poetry, social reform and how she fought for women's rights.

Louisa Lawson is remembered by a plaque in the park placed on the stones that are the remains of her home in Renwick Street. There is also a beautiful mosaic of the front cover of her journal *The Dawn* which was Australia's first journal produced solely by females. She was also the mother to the famous writer Henry Lawson.



Staff Parking

Just a reminder that the car parks are for staff parking only. Some students in the support unit require department transport and park in the disabled car spaces. Please ensure that the access to the parking places is clear to allow the drivers to enter and exit the school. Parking inspectors regularly parole this area and we wouldn't want parents to be booked.



On Monday the 29th of October we went to Parramatta Department of Education building to represent MWPS. As the SRC representatives, we, along with Issabella, had been invited to the Sustainability Forum to discuss our Eco Water Garden and Kitchen Garden programs.

Showcasing our eco water and kitchen garden programs

After attending our regular class, Ms Collins took us to the staffroom to plan our presentation. At 1:45 we took a taxi to Parramatta.

When we arrived, Ms Collins set up our table with posters, pictures of students engaging in garden activities and a basket of fresh produce from the Garden.

Ms Collins let us know when it was our turn to present. People from the Department and some teachers from

other schools asked us questions.

We talked about how the programs help us learn new skills in the garden and the kitchen.

After enjoying some nice fruit and muffins provided by our hosts, we headed back to school.

It was a great experience because we felt proud of MWPS and of how we spoke.

By James and Aliza 5D

THE
AFTER
SCHOOL
KLUB—

MARRICKVILLE

WEST

SUMMER

HOLIDAY

PROGRAM



Please bring –
lunch and
snacks, water
bottle, a sun
safe hat, closed
in shoes, and a
raincoat

Monday 07/01 – Minute to Win it – Summer Series

Tuesday 08/01 - Arty Party – Create a Masterpiece +\$5

Wednesday 09/01 - Movies @ Dendy – How to Train
your Dragon: The Hidden World +\$20

Thursday 10/01 – Super Summer Splash Circus Circuit
+\$15

Friday 11/01 – Retro day – come in your best retro gear

Week 1



Monday 14/01 - “M” Day - All things “M”. Come as your
favourite “M” person or thing

Tuesday 15/01 - TASK Science Fair +\$5

Wednesday 16/01 – Australian Museum Excursion

Thursday 17/01 – Primarily Active – Parkour / Gymnastics
incursion +\$15

Friday 18/01 – Lost in Space Planets & Aliens - Build a
spaceship – Dress ups optional

Week 2



Monday 28 /01 – Public Holiday – NO TASK

Tuesday 29/01 – TASK Picnic @ Kendrick Park Tempe +\$15

Wednesday 30/01 – Back to School

Week 3



Friday 25/01 – Summer Splash – Come prepared to get
wet, with a day of water games

Week 3



Monday 28 /01 -

Public Holiday

Tuesday 29/01 - Pupil free day

TASK picnic @ Kendrick Park

No TASK

Tempe

Wednesday 30/01 –

Back to School

Cost - Daily fee \$60 plus

incursion or excursion.

Regular TASK resumes

from 7am to 6pm

2018 TERM 4 WK6: MWPS CALE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNES
Week 4 2 Dec	3 Yr 1-2 Zoo Excursion	4 Volunteers thank you morning tea Yr 6 High School Orientation	Assembly 2 Hosted b
Week 5 9	10	11 Whole School Picnic	Yr 1-2 Incurs
Week 6 16	17 Yr 6 Farewell Dinner	18	Yr 6 Far Assembly 2 Students l
Week 7 23	24	25 Christmas Day	Boxing l
Week 8 30	31	1 Jan New Year's Day	
Week 9 6	7	8	

LENDAR

pullout & keep!

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 Yr 5 Leadership Speeches 10am P&C Funding meeting 7pm	6 Yr 5 Leadership Speeches 10am P&C Funding meeting 7pm	7 Yr6 Fun Day P&C Board Game evening 6pm	8
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Once upon a
time in a mermaid
place there was a mermaid
who loved exploring
the ocean. 22 NOV 2018

Once upon a time
in a haunted house
there was a zombie
scientist. 22 NOV 2018

~~And~~ Once upon
a time in a deep
hole there lived a
cute little rabbit. 22 NOV 2018

This term kindly began learning about narratives. We know that all narratives have three parts, an orientation, a complication and a conclusion. Check out some of our awesome orientations!



"I love swimming lessons and I love cricket because it was fun."
– Sicily KB
"I loved swimming because I learnt how to do my breaststroke."
– José KB



"I loved swimming lessons and I loved writing a book because it was fun." – Remy KB

Year 1 has been participating in the cricket program. These are some action shots of everyone having fun learning to play cricket!



STAGE

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Year 2 : In Science this term, we are investigating push and pull forces. The children know that pushes and pulls can make things move and make things stop.

“You can push and pull a tree although it may not move.” – Stella



“The top of the paper helicopter was spinning around in circles and slowly pulling it downwards.” – Pepper

“You can push/pull anything on the ground, but it may be hard if it is not on a flat surface.” – Mya



They have been looking at things that move on the ground, in the water and in the air. Some classes have even made a science diary showing the different things they have observed in each of the experiments.

Making things move		
on the ground	in the air	in the water
ball	paper plane	fish
orange	planes	boats
animals	hot air	submarines
people	balloon	Sea animals
transport	balloon	seaweed
cars, buses		swaying
trains		

“We were pushing the paper helicopter up in the air to give it some room to fly.” – Nathan and Kimico



“The paper clip is pulling the paper helicopter down.” – Imahnje and Harper

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Stage 2 have been on a geology expedition. We have been looking at soil samples from different areas of the school and analysing them, observing similarities and differences.



STAGE 3 page

This term, Year 6 has been listening to music by Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunipingu and learning about his life. The music inspired creativity through poetry, below is a small sample.

Trapped in my own thoughts
Giving up on dreams
Losing sight of imagination
Not proud of being me
— *By Zaynab*

You might be fading away
And tears might haunt me forever
But I won't hide them away
Cause you'll be gone forever
But I know you'll always be with me
In my heart and soul
Cause we've always been together
And nothing can tear us apart!
— *By Joelle*

As I flow swiftly through the water
All my feelings and emotions are dreamt away
I lay in endless happiness
Feeling warmth and comfort
— *By Bridgette*

Being sick
Battling through
Seeing what others couldn't
Blinded by my own darkness
Growing up with family
Being taken away
Tears dripping through my soul
Sound of an angel
Music taking me to memories
Forgetting the past
Being grateful of the future
— *By Asma*

All I see is darkness as I stand by the water
Wishing to see what's in front of me
As I hear the voice of an angel, I express my emotions
And wonder what I am missing
I meet new friends along the way, making new beginnings
Experiencing the meaning of true friendship
My life is slowly fading and my time in this wonderful world is ending
I may not have seen the world like others, but I saw it my way
And made people happy.
— *By Chloe*

Has fought through great loss
Has died a thousand times
He can't see the keys
Or how much love he is given
Born with no sight of the world
Can't stand the spotlight
Or the pressure of others
Though he can sing
His voice travels through your heart
Like a pure beam of light
He sings with passion
Greater than a million storms
Or a thousand bushfires
Though he is blind
He sees a different way
Through his voice
He is an angel
— *By Edie*

Warm hugs in love, but
Sometimes lonely
depressed at all times
speechless in pain
ending of love in heaven
— *By Lynie*

An inspiring passionate person
ready to start a new beginning
sharing and giving love to a family
leading them into reality
falling deep down into your feelings
remembering peaceful memories
that you treasure in your mind
an ending with imagination and dreams.
— *By Josephine*

Art Gallery Excursion

On Tuesday the 20th of November stage 3 went on an excursion to the art gallery of NSW. Year 6 was split up into 3 groups.

In our groups we explored the gallery and looked at all the beautiful art. There were many different, interesting styles. Later, we were split up into smaller groups to learn more about the art with guides. It was very interesting and fun learning more about the painting and sculptures and doing the activities. After that we walked across the road to the park to have lunch. Then we got back on the bus to go back to school. Overall it was a great and a very fun experience!

By Victoria & Thuong

Games Day organised by Year 6 to raise money

On the 16th of November, every member from Year 6 participated in making a game to raise money for the Year 6 fun day and graduation dinner.

There were amazing stalls like vortex throw, shake it up, hurdle jump, water balloon and guess the number and many more. Everyone from K-5 paid to play a game and year 6 raised more \$1400. The gelato selling also contributed to the money. Stay tuned to see who wins the raffle! Thank you, Miss Laura, for all the help!

News from The Community Centre

Vivi's Talk at the Boomalli Exhibition Opening for Yarn n Arts

"Our art programs are sweet! They are community!!!

Thanks to all the people big and small, who put that bit of yourselves into what we see here today on the walls and in the portfolios and on the floor.

I'd like to acknowledge that we meet here this evening on the land of the Gaddigal Wangal people and to thank Boomalli for having us, and the support you've shown

us. And to all Aboriginal people here tonight, wherever your origins, we pay our respects.

Art is a safe place, a reflective space, and an experimental space: and those

who came to Yarn n Arts ranged in age from 2 to 72. Mostly there were primary aged children with their parents as well as high-school students. We are people mixing across the generations as families do. This is community.

We were among Bunjalung, Wiradjeri, Kamilaroi, first nations people. And also among friends whose ancestry is from overseas: Japan, Mongolia, Vietnam, Philippines, Bangladesh, Colombia, Venezuela, America, New Zealand, Russian, Ugandan and British. People got to know each other across cultures. This is community.

Yarn n Arts took inspiration from MYRC's Art and Outreach program last year. But also from a similar program that ran at from 2005-2007 at Marrickville West that started out as "Art and Puppet Making" and renamed "Yarn Up" owing the Aboriginal families it attracted. We employed Aboriginal workers and out of this art program grew the Multi Mix Mob, an extraordinary playgroup that ran from 2007-2015 at Connect Marrickville. But

that is another story.

I want to thank the people and organisations that made Yarn and Arts possible:

Inner West Council – for the Community Grant

Marrickville West P&C – for administering the grant.

Valerio di Simone Association – for the support to buy materials and to hold this Exhibition.

Marrickville West, as always for supporting everything Connect Marrickville does, and for all the students who came with their families.

Reverse Garbage for materials, and Food Pantry for food.

I want to say a special thankyou to a relatively new partner Marrickville Youth Resource Centre in collaborating with us at Connect Marrickville on this project (and Marrickville South Collective) and in particular Lizzy for your enthusiasm, creativity and direction. Some young people were able to access support from MYRC as a result of our art program connections.

And last but not least I'd like to thank Marlene Daley Phillips, Bundjalung elder, artist and Marrickville local, who was a real auntie, even if she didn't want to be called auntie. Her presence is gentle and strong and she was our guide. She couldn't be here tonight unfortunately. I'd also like to thank Akiko who is a Japanese artist who ran activities based on nature using collage and texture. What happened in that space was unique.

And our workers and volunteers, Nimfa, Yunita and Sharmilla who put out the playdough and younger children's activities each week. And to Tony who came and helped out and jollied everyone along.

I thank you all and hope you enjoy the Exhibition. We are community!!"

For more information: Follow Connect Marrickville SaCC on Facebook or contact Vivi and Lindy at connectmarrickville@gmail.com





Award for Connect: Dr Sylvia Corish with the delegation from MWPS.



Vietnamese Mothers Group Learn About Centrelink

with Tanja Angielkoski Multicultural Service Officer

The parents were well informed (via the Vietnamese Interpreter) on:

- Family Tax Benefit A & B
- Balancing and Estimating payments
- Avoiding and Overpayment
- Child Care Subsidy and the changes
- Work Training Test for Child Care Subsidy
- How to claim Payments
- Payment and Services Finder
- Information in your language
- the Right to ask for Interpreters in Centrelink and the Multilingual Phone Service 13 12 02
- MyGov and the Centrelink App

I hope the parents that attended can now better understand and navigate these payments and services.

If other parents are interested in us running an Information Session from Centrelink in English, let Vivi or Lindy know.



Ildi

Did you know that Ildi's favorite thing about MWPS is doing maths because she is really good at her timestables?

She also likes to attend ballet lessons. Her favorite animal is a Cat. When she goes to the canteen she likes to buy cheese and Spinach triangles. Ildi's favourite color is yellow. Her favorite food is capsicum. We are so lucky to have a mathematician in year 1 here at our school!



Bill

Did you know that Bill's favourite color is Blue? His favorite food is fruit. Bill loves coming to MWPS to play with his friends. When he goes

to the Zoo he admires Lions. Bill loves the chicken burgers that are sold at our canteen. We are so lucky to have such a canteen food lover here at our school!



Aleah

Did you know that Aleah's favourite thing about MWPS is her friends. Her favourite animal is dogs, and her hobby is playing with her dog. Aleah's

favourite food to eat is curry. Did you know that Aleah's favourite colour is purple? Aleah's favourite event at school is the west walk. We are so grateful to have Aleah at this school.

NOTE: Jude and Baxter (Jaxter) thank Noah in Year 6 for helping out with this article!



P&C UPDATE

DID YOU KNOW?: Thanks to your Voluntary General Contribution to the school YOU are a P&C member!

Next P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be Thursday 6th of Dec 7-9pm. We will be voting on how to spend the \$25,000 we raised in 2018! Thanks to those that got ideas submitted. Come let us know your priorities through your vote and discussion.

If you missed the last meeting, keep your finger on the pulse:

- Do you know the objectives of the P&C? They go beyond fundraising and first and foremost look to promote the interests of the community as a whole by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation. How can you help us achieve those objectives?
- With lots of great work support events this year our final meeting for 2018 will review funding proposals and decide how to spend \$25k of funds raised to support the school & our kids. Start thinking about what you'd like the P&C to invest in with requests for submissions coming soon.
- Ruth shared with the P&C some key points from a recent anti-bullying & student welfare conference she attended noting community works best along with students having a voice. Both areas she echoed that MWPS does well. Check out antibullying.nsw.gov.au for some useful resources
- Kindy Transition is underway so make kids and parents alike feel welcome.... with current Kindy enrolments school numbers for 2019 will be pretty similar to this year.
- Secondhand Wonderland was a great success so thanks to all involved. It achieved its objectives of creating a community gathering, raising funds and encouraging reduce, reuse, recycle.... look

out for an even bigger and better Wonderland in 2019.

- Similarly, the Halloween Disco took it to a whole new level this year and was a great fun night for all successfully raising funds for Yr5/6 – again thanks to the tireless volunteers who made it a success.
- Have you thought about teaching ethics at the school?? Well reach out to Tori Quine to find out how you can get involved. Phone no: 0415 924 783
- Calendar dates – Lazybones will again be used to showcase school talent this year on November 25th and P&C Games Night is scheduled for December 7th to round out the year.

Recycle Cage

We hope you are saving eligible containers for recycling through Return and Earn program. When bringing items to school please place them into the yellow recycling bins next to the cage as we need to ensure all containers are eligible before they go into the cage. Please do not put them directly into cage and please remember glass bottles should be recycled off school grounds. Thank you.

Street Library

Our school was selected as 1 of 10 sites to house a Street Library they sponsor. Students in Stage 1 are currently working on design ideas for decorating the library that will be installed just outside the school

gates on Henson street (near the Community Garden). We look forward to filling it with children's books to share! If you have top/bottom coat paint or a bit of leftover house paint around the house, please get it to Lindy or the school office.





Thanks to Chris, Dave, Bec, Elena, Mel, Naldy, and Lindy for screen printing bags for the Kindy Transition program! The new students will have these bags (with both the school logo and p&c logo) with information about our school and be able to use it for a library bag when they come next year.



Could you, or any members of your family or community, be an ethics teacher for MWPS?

We have many children interested in taking Primary Ethics classes but not enough volunteer teachers to accommodate them all. Without enough volunteer Primary Ethics Teachers, your children may miss out on being offered this class.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two day workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and must be available on Tuesday's at 9.30-10.30 during term time.

In ethics classes, children learn how to think logically, disagree respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than act according to blind habit or peer pressure.

Children discuss topic such as:

- imagining how others feel
- how do we treat living things?
- what is laziness?
- how do we disagree in a respectful way?
- fairness

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au or contact Tori Quine on 0415 924 783

You're invited!

Who: The whole family!

Bub –grandma

What: Game night



When: Friday 7th Dec
6-8pm

Where: School Hall

What to bring: Picnic dinner and drinks
Snacks to share (optional)
card or board game (optional)

Cost: Free

We would love your help packing away tables when we are finished.



facebook.com/MWPandC



facebook.com/groups/mwpspandc

(private group for current parents & teachers)

NEXT P&C MEETING: Thurs 6th Dec 7-9pm

in the Staff Room. All parents are welcome to come along and learn more about the school and give their ideas on how to make it a better place.

Parents

Don't make your children scared of the police

Please don't tell your children that the police will "Arrest them if they are naughty" or "Take them away to Gaol". We want the children to come to us if they are scared, lost or in danger. Not run away from us.



Let your children know we are the good guys and will protect them.

Children

The police will keep you safe

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Ashfield Boys High School Primary School Parent Morning Tea and School Tour

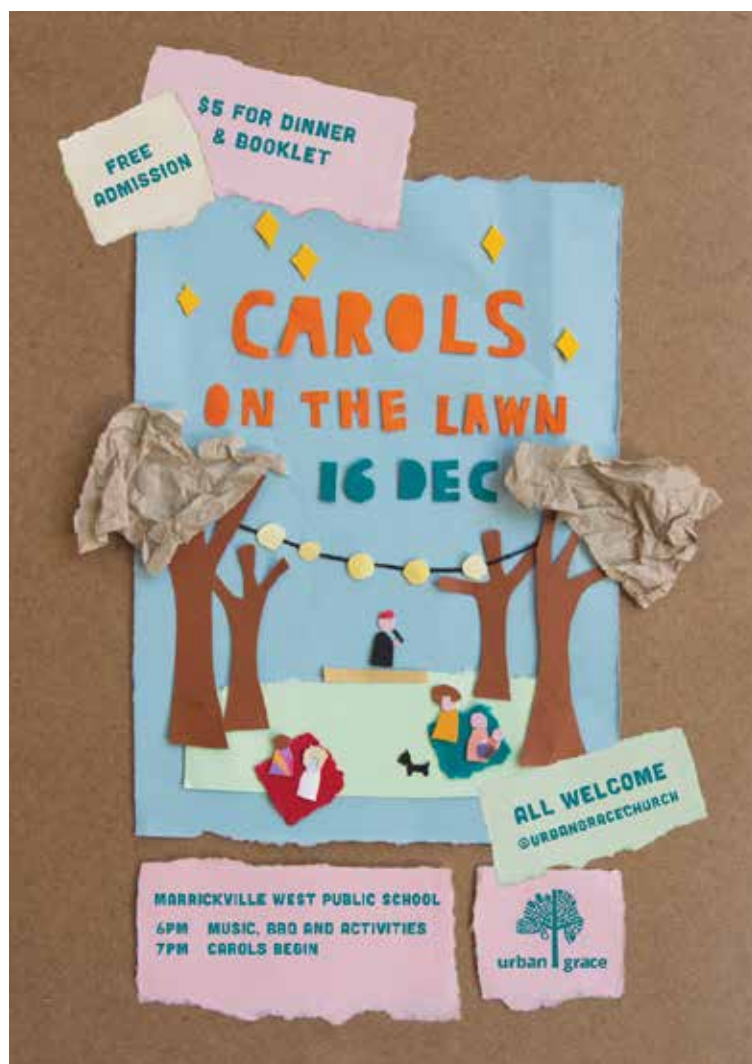


We invite parents with sons in Years 3, 4 and 5 to join us for Morning Tea and a tour of the school. This is an opportunity to meet the Principal, students, staff and ask questions. Have a look at a school recognised as a centre of excellence in quality boys' education.

When: Thursday 6th December, 9.30am.

Please note this is an event for parents not students.

Places are strictly limited. To register for a place please contact Grace Tavella on 9798 6620 or gracetavella1@detnsw.edu.au



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JANUARY 2019

MONDAY 14th & 21st JAN
BRICKS FOR KIDS & SOCCER

TUESDAY 15th & 22nd JAN
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FRIDAY 18th & 25th JAN
BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC

FRIDAY 18th & 25th JAN
NETBALL SKILLS CLINIC

TIME: 8.30AM - 3PM
COST: \$55 PER DAY
OR
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THANK YOU

We would like to show our appreciation

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

- Helen Keller

The strength of Marrickville West is in its volunteers who have worked tirelessly to ensure our children get the best education, our teachers get the most assistance and our community is supported to grow and learn together in a strong and positive environment.

We would like to invite you to a morning tea to say "Thank you!" for all you have contributed to our school and its community this year.

What: *Volunteers' Morning Tea*

Where: *Marrickville West, School Hall*

When: *Tuesday 4th December at 10:30 am*

*Thank You
For All
The Special
Things You Do*

We look forward to seeing you there.



Kind regards,

Ruth Ling, Staff and Students of Marrickville West PS

Please RSVP to MWPS office in person, Phone: 9558 1137 or email;

Marrickviw-p.schools@det.nsw.edu.au

by Friday 30th November 2018 for catering purposes.

RSVP: Volunteers' Morning Tea

I am able /unable to attend to the Volunteers' Morning Tea on Tuesday 4th December 2018.

NAME: _____

Number attending: _____

Please return to the Office. Thank you!

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