Learning For Life

Term 3 – Week 5

Opera House Choir
Congratulations to the students who performed in Sydney last week. Well done!

Stage 3 Excursion
Stage 3 are off to the zoo today. I hope that they have a fantastic day and the weather remains fine. Thank you to the teachers for organising the excursion and to the students and parents who paid on time. It was wonderful not having to chase anyone for the paperwork. Hopefully the weather will be kind and students will have a wonderful time.

Premier’s Spelling Bee
The Premier’s Spelling Bee has been around since 2004 and is a fun and educational way for children to engage in spelling. This year we have entered the spelling bee and children will be doing some additional spelling this week so we can find the best speller in each year level. Two students from stage 2 and 3 will go on to attend the zone final. School winners, from each grade K - 6, will be announced towards the end of the term.

Road Safety
A reminder to all parents to take extra care in cars outside the school. There was nearly an accident this morning involving a student on the crossing. It is important to be patient and allow children to cross safely.

Assembly
This week’s assembly will be a year 3 - 6 assembly. The assembly will commence at the later time of 2.30pm and parents are invited to attend.

Book Week Parade
The Book Week Parade will be held next Monday 18th August. Children will quickly go to their rooms to have the roll marked and lunches collected. The parade will commence shortly after 9.00am under the COLA.

Speaking with Teachers
Teachers often have meeting before and after school and are teaching during class time. Parents who need to talk to teachers need to call and make an appointment with a class teacher so that discussions can take place at a mutually convenient time.

Life Education
The Life Education Van will be here next week and the money and note need to be returned by Friday 15th August.

Important Dates
18th August Book Parade
19th – 28th August Life Education
28th August Year 5 and 6 Netball/Soccer
21st August Cluster Choir Rehearsal
4th September Cluster Choir Concert
22nd October Wizard of Oz

Skoolbag App
Just a reminder that our Skoolbag app for iPhone and iPad is available from the Apple Store and the android version is available from the Google Play Store. To install the App on your iPhone, just look for our school name "Mayfield West Demonstration School" in the Apple App Store, and click install. Please note that if you are downloading onto an iPad, select iPhone app, download as usual and then click the 2x button in the bottom right hand corner.

The App is designed to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. You will receive notifications when information has been updated in the App, including excursion notes, the weekly newsletter and important dates to remember. In the App along the bottom toolbar is an option called ‘more’. Select this option to filter the notifications you will receive. Within Parent eForms, if your child has been absent you can now complete a note for the teacher online. There are many sections to explore and more information will be added to the App each week.

School Leader and House Captain Photographs
Photos of the School Leaders and House Captains are on display in the foyer. They can be ordered from the photographer for $15 each. All orders and payment needs to be into the office by Friday 15th August.

Wizard of Oz
Due to an overwhelming response all tickets have now been sold for the Wizard of Oz concert.
Bang! Clatter! The next thing I knew I was on the ground. The animals have vanished but I ran around the corner and..........

There was a crocodile, it was chasing an old granny! There was a turtle on the baby, a possum on the building, and a koala hanging of the light in the library. What have I done!

Ella Manion 2K

Bam! The baby crocodile came out of its water cage "aaaaaaarrrrrrgggg" screamed mum. "It's out it's out" shouted Nima "ohhhhhhh it's a cute baby crocodile".

Savannah Dorsett 2K

Bam! Thump! Aaaaaarrrggh! This is the worst day of my life. There are crashes and lots of traffic jams. There were also people who were robbing banks and throwing bombs onto the roads.

Explosions everywhere. The ground started shaking.....

Cameron Skellams 2K

Quality Kids

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DYI Cupcake

THURSDAY 14TH AUGUST

Cupcake forms and monies have to be in by tomorrow. This is a great Red day that the kids enjoy so much.
Pre 3 Wednesday 13th
Pre 2 - Year 6 Thursday 14th.

Premier’s Reading Challenge 2014

There are less than two weeks to have PRC Reading Records completed online. The challenge closes on Friday, 22nd August. Visit the website for all the details: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html .
Happy reading
Louise Troup
Teacher Librarian

Library News

Book Week 2014 - “Connect to Reading”

Next week will be a very exciting one for the library - Book Week! The library will be running some competitions, hosting a Book Fair and the Book Week Parade will be held on Monday. Hopefully students are busy gathering ideas and making their costumes for the day. I expect to see lots of great outfits - fairytale characters, superheroes, Grug, the Cat in the Hat, The Very Hungry Caterpillar & maybe a Harry Potter or two! Details for both the Book Week Parade & the Book Fair are in this newsletter.
Your invitation to our MWDS Book Fair

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

You are invited to help our school celebrate Book Week with our Scholastic Book Fair.

The Book Fair will be held next week in the library at the following times:

Monday 18th August : 10.30am - 11.00am (following the Book Week Parade) and 3.00pm - 4.00pm
Tuesday 19th August : 3.00pm - 4.00pm

*Please note that the Book Fair will not be open during lunchtime or recess.

There will be a huge range of books, posters, stationery and other items for sale.

A percentage of the profits will be given to the library, so we would love your support.

Join us at the M.W.D.S. Library Book Fair!

MWDS Book Week Parade
Connect to Reading!

Monday 18th August 2014
9.15am in the COLA

You are invited to help us celebrate books and reading at our Book Week Parade.
Join the fun and watch our students show us they can CONNECT TO READING!
How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

**iPhone & iPad Users**
1. Click the “App Store” icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click “Free” then “install”.
4. If iPad, change the drop list to “iPhone Apps”, your school will then be visible, click “Free” then “install”.
5. When installed click “Open”.
6. Select “OK” to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

**Android Users**
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
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2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the “Install” button.
5. Click “Accept” for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click “Open” when installed.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
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