Term 4 – Week 10

Presentation Day
Thank you to everyone who joined us today for Presentation Day and thank you to our special guests and sponsors. Congratulations to all our award winners for 2015. The morning was very successful. Thank you very much to Mrs McLean for her organisation and for staff and school leaders for their assistance. Thank you to Mrs Troup and her helpers for organising a lovely morning tea in the hall for our guests, award winners and their families.

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Assembly Roster
No Assembly this week

Important Dates
10th December Year 6 Farewell
11th December Reports to parents
16th December Last day of Term 4
28th January Term 1 2016

Last Newsletter
This will be the last newsletter for 2015. It has been a very successful and busy year. Here are some of the highlights:
- Swimming and Athletics Carnivals
- Education Week Art Show
- Public Speaking Competitions
- Tournament of Minds
- Creative Arts Camp
- Class and stage excursions
- Starstruck
- Cross Country
- Opera House Choir
- Soccer and netball competitions
- Whole School Musical – Pure Imagination
- Premier’s Reading Challenge
- Spelling Bee
- Premier’s Sporting Challenge
- NAIDOC Day
- Swim School
- Cluster Choir
- Digital Media Festival

We also achieved high results in NAPLAN testing and other school competitions. Our P & C held many events to raise money to purchase air conditioning, technology and school resources. Staff ensured that students were engaged in learning and safe and happy at school. Office and support staff worked hard to ensure the smooth running of the school. A sincere thank you to all our staff!

School Leaders
Thank you to our 2015 school leaders – Joshua, Hannah, Ben, Kayla, Tyler and Justice. Congratulations to our 2016 leaders.
School Captains – Allana and Joshua
Vice Captains – Jessica and Gabriel
Prefects – Ashleigh and Oliver

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P&C News
The P&C would like to say a special ‘Thank You’ to Kerrie Howard and Kate Plowman for their many years of dedication in their roles as Treasurer and Banking coordinator; and involvement in numerous fundraising initiatives throughout their children’s time at Mayfield West.

P&C Executive for 2016
The MWDS P&C Association AGM was held on Wednesday 25th November 2015. The elected P&C Executive for 2016 is:

President Larissa Sewell
Vice President Toni Foot
Treasurer Melissa Shannon
Assistant Treasurer Melinda Bradley
Secretary Lauren Wright
Assistant Secretary Sarah Walker
Uniform Shop Liaison Natalie Brown

Congratulations and thank you to the above people for your valuable contribution

Uniform Shop
Friday 11th December (morning) will be your last opportunity to make purchases from the uniform shop for 2015. We will re-open on the first day of school in 2016. Please note that uniform shop hours may change in the new year.

Glow Bag Showbags
We have a limited number of Glow Bag showbags left over from the Digital Media Festival. They are $6 each and are available for purchase from the school office. They are perfect of New Year’s Eve celebrations with the kids!

Thank You
Lastly, thank you to the Mayfield West school community for supporting the fundraising initiatives of the P&C throughout 2015. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to working with you again in 2016.

Canteen News
Wednesday 8th December Kristy, Jess, Nat
Thursday 10th December Kristy, Jane
Friday 12th December Mandie, Sarah
Monday 14th December Gayle
Tuesday 15th December Kristy, Jess, Nat

Last Day 16th December
The canteen will be closed straight after lunch on the last day of school. NO RECESS

Stock
With the year wrapping up some foods are limited in the canteen. If you have any concerns please contact the canteen.

Chicken wedges will be available

Thank You
Lisa and I would like to thank everyone that has helped throughout the year to provide healthy lunches for the students. We have had so many wonderful times and lots of laughs over the year. We hope you all return in the New Year to welcome new comers. Take care over the holidays and stay safe in whatever your plans maybe.

One of our ladies sons will be leaving at the end of the year to go onto high school. Kyron’s mum, Mandie has worked every Friday for many years at the Snack Shack and has made sure that every student and every teacher that orders a healthy sandwich, wrap, salad tub or roll receives a sticker on the lunch as a reward for healthy eating. It would be sad to see Mandie leave us so maybe if the students pop around next Friday and beg Mandie not to leave she may come back to us next year.

School Banking

School Banking Day Reminder.
Don’t forget that Thursday is School Banking day and Students should bring in their weekly deposit.
For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarsnites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.
Thank you for supporting our School Banking program here at Mayfield West Demonstration School.
Wings Clipped
The chickens at OOSH are growing fast. To stop them from flying over the fence Ibu and Tracey clipped their wings.
Murrook Cultural Day

On Wednesday 2nd of December, our Aboriginal students in year 1 and 2 travelled with Miss Jack to Murrook Cultural Centre. At Murrook, students were taught about the importance of people, language, land and stories to Aboriginal people. The students painted a boomerang, learned a dance and were shown traditional ways to remove seedlings from seedpods. The students also climbed the sand dunes and were told some of the traditional stories of the area.