Assembly Roster
This week’s assembly will be hosted by 4T

NAPLAN Testing
Students in year 3 and 5 will be completing their NAPLAN testing today, tomorrow and Thursday. Thank you to everyone who had students here at school on time.

School Photos
A reminder that school photos will be taken next week. Please ensure that the envelope supplied has been returned.

P & C and School Council Meeting
Next Wednesday 20th May there is a School Council Meeting at 5.00pm and a P & C Meeting at 7.00pm. Both meetings will be held in the staff room.

Attendance at School
Did you know?
If students miss as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a year of education. Education in NSW is compulsory from six years of age until they turn 17.

Why is it important to be on time?
Arriving at school and class on time ensures that children don’t miss important learning early in the day when they are most alert, helps them learn the importance of punctuality and routine and reduces the classroom disruption (for all students). Principals are responsible for deciding if the reason given for an absence is justified. Medical certificates may be required for long or frequent absences explained as being due to illness.

It is important to understand that the NSW Department of Education may prosecute parents if children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unjustified absences from school. Parents that have difficulty getting their child to school on time should contact the school for assistance.


Review of Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics in NSW government schools
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The review is being conducted by an independent research company, ARTD Consultants. This company provides services in evaluating public policy. The review will inform ongoing improvement of SRE and SEE for the Department and providers.

How can you participate in the review?
You can complete a survey up until 31 July 2015 via an online portal, located at this link: http://forms.artd.com.au/s3/Online-contribution-for-parents-carers

Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016
If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student’s email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online is available at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opened on 27 April 2015 and closes on 15 May 2015. No late applications will be accepted. There are no paper application forms. All present year 4 students will receive further information.

Important Dates
- 12th – 14th May: NAPLAN Testing
- 14th May: Fruit & Veg Pick Up
- 19th May: Cup Cake Day Pre Red
- 21st May: School Photos
- 22nd May: Cup Cake Day Pre Blue K – 6
- 28th May: K – 6 Athletics Carnival
- 2nd June: Years 3 – 6 Athletics Field Event Carnival
- 10th – 12th June: Starstruck
- 26th June: End of Term 2
Stewart House
Stewart House has been operating and supporting students throughout the NSW and ACT for 77 years. Fundraising efforts of schools across New South Wales, through salary donations from the teachers, along with some government funds, enables Stewart House to care for almost 2,000 children each year. Each year we ask for a $2 donation to support the students who attend Stewart House. Could you place the money inside the envelope that will be sent out today and return to school by Wednesday 13 May 2015. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Quality Kids

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Library News
Premier’s Reading Challenge 2015
Congratulations to Kaitlyn McDonald for completing the PRC - fantastic reading!
Happy reading
Louise Troup
Teacher Librarian

Canteen News

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Fruit and Veg orders
Thanks to everyone that purchased boxes. Your support is appreciated.
Orders can be collected from the hall from 2.30pm.

DIY Cup Cakes
Don’t forget to send in your orders in. Kids always have fun showing off their creative side.

Community Notices

Mayfield Scout Group
Looking for an all year round activity…..
Having fun and making new friends
The Scouting aims are: build values, self esteem
and cooperation.
These are learnt through activities and games:
	- Cubs 8-11 years, Wed 5:30-6:45
	- Scouts 11-15 years, Thurs 6-8pm
Activities are organized and supervised by qualified Leaders
Where: Mayfield Scout Hall Ida St. Mayfield
Please call Jean on 0405922615 / 49677156 if you would like to come along.
Free: first 4 consecutive weeks.

Good for kids

Getting New Foods
Free things you can eat:
- Introduce one new food at a time when your child isn’t hungry or tired.
- Lead by example by enjoying & preparing the new foods together.
- Serve the foods in the same dishes as previous foods.
- Be prepared to try new foods a few times before they will accept the taste and/or texture of that food.
- As with any other aspects of parenting, it’s important by persistence.

Breastfeeding
Did you know almost all women start out by breastfeeding, but less than half of babies are fully breastfed at 6 months?
In some cases, finding the right information and support can make the difference. A great website on breastfeeding and breastfeeding advice is available.
Check out the Australian Breastfeeding Association website: https://www.abf.org.au

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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

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How can you participate in the review?


The survey is in English and has 19 questions. For most questions you can select an answer from the multiple choice options provided. Only two questions ask for written answers. Extra written feedback for another five questions may be provided if desired but is not essential.

Queries or complaints about the way the review is conducted

For questions or concerns associated with participation in the review or to raise a complaint about the conduct of the review, please contact the Leader, Quality Assurance, on (02) 9244 5025 or by email at SRE-SEE-Review@det.nsw.edu.au. All complaints will be treated confidentially.
Theresa and Carrie from Muloobinba Aboriginal Corporation invite you and your children aged 0-6 to the "Tuesday Parent Group."

Come along to our fun-filled, hands-on group! Parents, Grandparents and Carers are welcome.

Time: 10.00am-12.00pm

Where: Muloobinba Aboriginal Corporation
12 Bishopsgate Street, Wickham

Light refreshments provided

For more information please
Contact on 4969 5299
Carrie 0457 522 504 or
Theresa 0448 660 243