

# The Meadows Mag

A vibrant and caring learning community

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Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2018

<b>Office Hours</b> Monday to Friday 8:20am - 3pm	<b>Canteen</b> Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 2pm
<b>Before &amp; After School Care</b>  Enrolments can be made online at: <a href="http://www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/">www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/</a> or for more information contact Urvashi Barot on 0481 229 280	<b>Uniform Shop</b> Uniforms are sold in the canteen Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 9am  Payment by cash & cheque at school OR prepay online using MasterCard Visa or 

## Calendar

### Important Dates in Term 4, 2018

#### Week 9

Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Graduation
Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December	P&C Lunch
Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Farewell
Thursday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Presentation Day

#### Week 10

Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Reports sent home.
Wednesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of School

### Important Dates in Term 1, 2019

#### Week 1

Monday, 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Australia Day Public Holiday
Tuesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Development Day
Wednesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Students Years 1-6 Return
Thursday, 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Kindergarten Students Begin

## Principal's Message

### Run4Fun Colour Explosion!

Wow!!! Thanks to all of our families who contributed to the amazing fundraising efforts with our "colour run". Overall, \$9096 was raised. 35% of this goes to the Run4Fun organisation for the provision of prizes, colour run materials and administration fees. This means as a school we will receive \$5912.40, a wonderful effort by all involved. Thank you to Mrs Sharron Baker for her coordination of this event. We have been informed that all prizes for student sponsorship efforts will arrive at school by the last day of term, for distribution on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

The Run4Fun Colour Explosion was held this afternoon between 1.30-2.50pm. Check our official Facebook page over the weekend to see all of the photos from this extremely fun and COLOURFUL event!

### Parent Satisfaction Survey

On Thursday, all families received a copy of the Parent Satisfaction Survey. The survey only contains 15 questions requiring tick-a-box answers. Please find a minute or 2 to complete the survey and return the blue form to the front office by next Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> December. Your opinion is important to us as we aim for continuous school improvement.

There is a spare copy of the survey on page 4 of the newsletter should you need it.

### Upcoming Events

We are slowly but surely creeping towards the end of what has been a very busy and rewarding school year. The major events come thick and fast across the final 8 school days. Here's a summary:

Year 6 Graduation Assembly – This will take place in our hall next Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December from 9:15am.

That same evening, our Year 5 and 6 students will gather at the Fox Hills Golf Club for the Year 6 Farewell Party which starts at 6:00pm.

Presentation Day Assembly – This major blue ribbon event is in our hall on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 9:15am. We have a host of major awards to present and the assembly will also include the

announcement of the 2019 Student Leaders. I wish to congratulate Matilda, Emily, Dominic, Dylan, Prabin, Lorraine, Sierra and Naomi for the excellent speeches they gave on Thursday this week as they tried to convince our students and teachers that they were definitely leadership material. The thing is, they are all leaders, yet only 4 will be announced to fill the roles of Captain, Vice-Captain and Prefects on Presentation Day.

### Last Day of School

The final day of the school year is Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December. The day will end with each Year 6 student ringing the old school bell and walking through the archway of students.

### Semester 2 Reports

Semester 2 Reports will be sent home on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> December. If you know you are going to be away for the last week (3 days), please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible so that we can arrange for those reports to go home at the end of next week or on your child's last day.

### Community Grant Opportunity

We have been selected by Telstra Store Seven Hills as one of our three organisations up for voting in the Connected Community Grants program. As Principal, I nominated our school to be considered for a grant to aid the provision of new Mathematics resources for 2019.

On Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> November, in the Telstra Store at Seven Hills, voting for the most popular cause commenced. We are up against Parklea Public School and the Common Groundz Community Café.

Telstra Store Seven Hills will have an iPad instore at which shoppers can select the organisation that they would like to win \$1000. All the computers in the store will rotate images of the three organisations. After the voting period is over, Telstra Store will calculate the responses and the organisation/cause with the highest number of votes will win \$1000. The second highest wins \$300 and the organisation with the third highest will win \$200. So everyone wins!

Remember, voting opened on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> November and closes on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> December! So get into the Telstra Store at Seven Hills Plaza and Vote for The Meadows Public School!

### 2018 Photo Yearbook

This year, at the request of our P&C, we have produced a photographic yearbook to celebrate our extra-curricular programs and the opportunities we provide at The Meadows Public School. The yearbook is just over 80 pages in length and it is packed with full-colour photos from Harmony Day, the Easter Hat Parade, Cross Country, ANZAC Day, Mothers' Day High Tea, Rugby League Gala Day, Winter PSSA Sport, NAIDOC Day, the Athletics Carnival, Education Week Open Day, the Book Character Parade, Fathers' Day Breakfast, Blacktown Festival of Performing Arts, the Whole School Performance, Halloween Disco, Stage 3 Camp to Berry, Grandparents' Day and Movie Night!!

The books will be at school before the end of the year. Thanks to the 38 families who have ordered one so far. We have 12 more books available to purchase. They are \$12 each. Please see the ladies in the office if you wish to place an order.

While many students are represented in the book, I cannot guarantee that all students will appear. The book is still a wonderful keepsake of the year that was at The Meadows Public School.

Here's a small sample of a page from the book!



### Final Newsletter

There will be a very brief newsletter published in the last week of term with any final announcements for the school year.

Look after each other,

*Scott Staveley*

Principal



# CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

## Week 7

### Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KO	Aaron Zyana
KR	Harshene Sukhleen
1/2L	Ackland Arshpreet
1/2R	Aakanksha Kashvi
1/2S	Maleah Shania
3/4B	Jhayde Malok
3/4H	Jayden Leila
3/4T	Christopher Lydia
3-6L	Lauren
5/6D	Mabeng Strantz Tithu
5/6KB	Naomi Thivakar

## Week 8

### Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KO	Aaron Zyana
KR	Adyaan Ysabelle
1/2L	Mann Havin
1/2R	Albert Jasper
1/2S	Aiden Tiahna
3/4B	Ana-Leah Kane
3/4H	Jaydn Mishaal
3/4T	Agishagar Melisa
3-6L	Kelepi Timothy
5/6D	Dominic Sabhyata
5/6KB	Telykah Liam

## K-6 Assembly Award Winners - Week 5

### Assistant Principal Awards (3 points)

Kindergarten	Lahtarnah
Year 1	Aadhya
Year 2	Mele
Year 3	Paker
Year 4	Shania-Lee
Year 5	Sierra
Year 6	Ashton

### Principal Awards (5 points)

Kindergarten	Bahar
Year 1	Aloysius
Year 2	Vinoth
Year 3	Ryan
Year 4	Kaylee
Year 5	Emily
Year 6	Aiden

## K-6 Assembly Award Winners - Week 8

### Kookaburra Pins

#### Blue

Aaron  
Katherine  
Kavya  
Lahtarnah  
Mina  
Rua  
Sukhleen  
Ysabelle  
Zyana  
Aadhya  
Dishan  
Jordan  
Mabeng

#### Yellow

Albert  
Halima  
Mele  
Jacob R.  
Kianna  
Sierra  
Strantz  
Zane

#### Orange

Manuth  
Hazel  
James  
Liam  
Matilda  
Naomi  
Thivakar

#### Purple

Aiden L.  
Jasmine M.  
Jasper  
Mohammed  
Sehejpreet  
Tiahna  
Vishwa  
Donald  
Aiden G.  
Annika  
Kye  
Pema  
Shihab

### Gold

**Nikiah  
Bryce  
Dominic  
Emily  
Enez**

### Gold

**Jacob B.  
Mahi  
Tahi  
Telykah**

### Platinum

**Ashton  
Sabhyata  
Timothy  
Tithu  
William**

## HAVE YOU TOLD US?

If you have changed:

- ◆ Your address,
- ◆ Your home phone number,
- ◆ Your mobile phone number,
- ◆ Your work contact number,
- ◆ An emergency contact if you are unavailable.



Please notify the school as soon as possible so our records are accurate and we can reach you in case of an emergency.



The Meadows Public School has a new app that you can download on your mobile phone or sign into on a PC.

The app will cost you nothing, it's for FREE!!!

It's a really great way to keep up with everything happening at the school.



## Satisfaction Survey - The Meadows Public School

Thank you for participating in this important survey. Please respond to each statement below by ticking the box that you feel best relates to the statement. Please tick one box only.

Please return to the front office of The Meadows PS by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

### Parent and Carer Survey

STATEMENT:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Don't Know / Unsure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. The Meadows PS is an attractive and well-resourced school e.g. classrooms, library and grounds					
2. The school is a friendly school that is tolerant and accepting of all students					
3. The students are the school's main concern					
4. The school has supportive welfare programs					
5. The school teaches and promotes values					
6. Fair discipline exists within the school					
7. Student achievements are recognised through the school award system					
8. The school promotes its uniform policy					
9. The school offers challenging programs for its students					
10. The school maintains a focus on literacy and numeracy					
11. A wide range of extracurricular programs are offered (e.g. sport, performing arts, public speaking)					
12. The Meadows PS has competent teachers who set high standards of achievement					
13. There is good student access to computers and strong technology programs and resources					
14. The school office responds to enquiries and requests in a friendly and prompt manner					
15. The fortnightly newsletter keeps the community informed about coming events and school achievements					

General Comments (Optional): What are the school's strengths and areas for improvement?

# 1/2L Investigates AREA!

In our class we think it's great to learn by investigating. We wanted to compare the size of spaces around the room so we decided to measure using A4 paper sheets.



We started by measuring the floor at the front of our classroom.

**It sure took a long time!**



When we had finished, we compared the area of other shapes by placing them on top of the paper quilt we created. It was easy to see whether the area was smaller, larger or about the same.



We were thinking about dragging the quilt up to the office to see if the area of Mr Staveley's desk was bigger than the area of our floor...

**Do you think we should?**





We have created dioramas of some of our favourite animals and presented speeches about them in front of the class.

1/2R

Thank you to our parents who helped us.

# What's been happening 1/2S?



During our Science lessons with Mrs Regan, we had the opportunity to plant a seed and watch it grow.

Now that a couple of weeks have past, we sat down with our partners and looked at how much the seed has grown.

Some of our plants have grown a lot and some are just starting to sprout. We're excited to see how much more they can grow by the end of the term!





# Movie Night 2018 Thank you to our Major Sponsors



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# Movie Night 2018

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# Community Noticeboard

The Meadows Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest. The Meadows Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events



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Stuart, Melbourne  
★★★★★

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Katie, Sydney  
★★★★★

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★★★★★



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**SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DEC**

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**7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> January, 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> January and  
and 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January**

### Term 1 2019

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**Skills 4 Life Workshops**  
Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from  
10am – 3pm

Our Skills 4 Life Workshops are for young people aged 17 – 30 with a disability that have finished or almost finished school and are ready to get out into the workforce and gain independence.

The workshops are run in small groups of 4-6 people for 8 weeks. You can choose to come 1, 2 or all 3 days per week. The workshops are based in Blacktown in Western Sydney.

Learning new things can be overwhelming that's why we aim to take one step at a time. Each workshop will have a different focus topic however, the content will be reviewed throughout the term to ensure that it becomes a part of your lifestyle. Our workshops are a fun way to learn essential life skills such as health, self-care, healthy eating, fitness, housekeeping, travel training, money management, gardening, making friends, communicating with others, going out on your own and living independently.

In addition to covering essential life skills we also like to have fun. Each fortnight we will go out together in the community on an activity to have new and exciting experiences.

The term starts on the 29th of January 2019 and ends on the 22nd of March 2019



For bookings contact Eliza Hunter on T (02) 9622 1823 M 0437 869 463

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**Skills 4 Life After School Workshops**  
Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from  
3.30pm – 6pm

Our Skills 4 Life Workshops are for young people aged 12-17 with a disability that have finished or almost finished school and are ready to get out into the workforce and gain independence.

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Our hosts and camera crew would love to visit **you** – and find out exactly how well behaved (or not!) your pet is! So, don't delay – get in touch!

**DATES:** The first 3 weeks of the summer school holidays - 7<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019.  
**LOCATIONS:** Your animals' natural habitat – in your backyard, home or property!  
**NOTES:** We're looking for a wide variety of animals – No pet is too great or too small!

**HOW TO APPLY:**  
Send the following details to [kids@northernpictures.com.au](http://kids@northernpictures.com.au)  
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for primary school students

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**Summer Session Times**  
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Wednesday, 23 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm  
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