

The Meadows Mag

A vibrant and caring learning community

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Canteen & School Uniform Shop

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
Uniform Shop open between
8:20 to 9:00am

Payment by cash & cheque

only at school OR prepay online by Visa or MasterCard.



Calendar

Important Dates in Term 1, 2018

Week 11

Tuesday, 10 th April	P&C Meeting
Friday, 13 th April	School ANZAC Day Service

Term 2, 2018

Week 1

Monday, 30 th April	Staff Development Day
Tuesday, 1 st May	Students return to school.

Week 2

Tuesday, 8 th May	P&C Meeting
Thursday, 10 th May	Mother's Day Stall
Friday, 11 th May	Mother's Day High Tea

Principal's Message

Term 1 quickly coming to an end!

I cannot believe we are already 10 weeks into the school year, with just 5 school days left of Term One. We've enjoyed so many highlights already in 2018 including the arrival of 35 new Kindergarten students, the launch of the Sport in Schools Australia program, Harmony Day, the Easter Hat Parade and the Cross Country Carnival. More than that, our students and teachers have worked incredibly hard to ensure we've had a term packed full of learning in all classrooms. I wish all families a safe,

happy and relaxing time during the holidays. All students return to school on Tuesday, 1st May.

Collection of students from school at 2.50pm

We had a very difficult situation where a number of students were not collected from school until after 4:00pm last Wednesday, with some not collected until 4:30pm. Our office staff are not allowed to supervise children, and they have work to complete, and our teachers are often involved in professional learning and other meetings after 3:00pm, often off-site at different schools. Thankfully, the vast majority of our parent community is very good in terms of arranging after school pick-ups or child care. However, on extreme occasions, when children have not been collected and we cannot make contact with families, the school may have no alternative but to take your child to Blacktown Police Station for the provision of safety and care. If you know you are going to be late in collecting your child, please contact the school on **9631-3737 before 2:30pm**.

Sport in Schools Australia – Term 2 Payments

Thank you to all families who have paid their \$40 annual fee for the Sports in Schools program and also to those parents who have opted to pay a \$10 instalment per child each term. A note was sent home on Wednesday for those parents paying by instalments. Term 2 payments are due by Friday, 4th May. The dates for the Sports in Schools Sessions in Term 2 are as follows:

K-2 classes (4 sessions): 7 May, 21 May, 4 June and 25 June.

3-6 classes (4 sessions): 14 May, 28 May, 18 June, and 2 July.

Breakfast Club

We are fortunate to have a Breakfast Club provided at The Meadows every Tuesday and Thursday morning, on the days when our canteen is not open. The service relies on the support of community volunteers and we are always looking for more assistance. If you are free on Tuesday and/or Thursday mornings and can give 30-40 minutes of your time from 8:20am, it would be greatly appreciated. The Breakfast Club is always set up on the verandah of the heritage building, so please stop by and say hello.

Vacation Care at The Meadows!

Our new OOSH provider, the Squiggler Academy are providing Vacation Care from 16th – 30th April, from 7:00am till 6:00pm each day. The cost is \$80 per child per day. Squiggler is now an approved provider so the child care benefit rebate is now available.

What's included in the program?

- All entry fees
- 4 meals per day: breakfast, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.
- Transportation for excursions to the movies, bowling and Inflatable World!

If you're interested in securing a place for your child please call Teresa on 0430-482-125 or Urvi on 0481-229-280. Please call before Friday, 13th April.

P&C News

Congratulations to our P&C who coordinated a most successful Easter Raffle. A big thank you to all families who donated eggs and chocolates to go into the 21 prize baskets and to everyone who bought a ticket. The grand total of \$806 was raised to the delight of all involved.

The P&C executive were elected at the Annual General Meeting last month. The 2018 P&C Executive members are:

President – Jessica Garget

Vice President – Soraya Goodchild

Secretary – Abigail Bunyi

Treasurer – Kathryn Brennan

The P&C will hold the April meeting next Tuesday, 10th April in the staffroom commencing at 9:00am. We have had excellent attendances at our meetings this year and we always love to see new faces and meet new people!

Term 2 Planner

Keep an eye out for the Term 2 Planner which will be issued to all families next week before the end of term. Perfect to display on the fridge or household notice board, it has all of the key dates and events for what promises to be a busy Term 2.

Students' Fun Page & Reader's Prize

Would your child like to win a Hoyts Movie voucher valued at \$30 to use in the holidays? Sabhyata from Year 6 knows that feeling of success after she claimed the voucher prize from our last edition of the Meadows Mag!

Once again in 2018, in an effort to increase the readership of our newsletter, I have included a Students' Fun Page. Please have your child / children complete this week's Fun Page activity at the back of this edition of The Meadows Mag to be in with a chance of winning a HOYTS movie voucher valued at \$30.

Look after each other,

Scott Staveley

Principal

**Make sure to 'LIKE' us
on FACEBOOK!**



Excursions & Activities in Progress

Excursion/ Activity	Date of excursion/ activity	Amount due	Payment due by
Sport in Schools	Every Monday	\$30 Year \$10 Term	Friday, 4 th May
Blacktown Festival of Performing Arts	6 th June, 15 th August	\$25	Friday, 13 th April
Year 5/6 Berry Camp	31 st October – 2 nd November	\$100 Deposit	Friday, 13 th April



CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

Week 9

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KO	Michael Roaa
KR	Isha Ysabelle
1/2L	Isabella Jaziar
1/2R	
1/2S	Trinley Graeme
3/4B	Kane Nathan
3/4F	Ryan Decoda
3/4T	Awrang Lachlan
3-6L	Faisal
5/6KB	Enez James
5/6P	Strantz S Sadiq K

Week 10

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KO	Lahtarnah Zachary
KR	Bahar Vihaan
1/2L	Chloe Imagine
1/2R	Jasmine D Rudra
1/2S	Hezekiah Omar
3/4B	Raina Donald
3/4F	Mishaal Amal
3/4T	Melisa Christopher
3-6L	Nikiah Abigail
5/6KB	Jordan C Zane
5/6P	Eilaf Dominic

Kookaburra Pins

(Earned 10, 20, 30, 40 points)

Blue

Bella	Jaziar
Destiny	Decoda
Imagine	William S
Hezekiah	Telykah

Yellow

Sydney
Marcus

Purple

Chloe
Monica
Manuth

Orange

Hugo

K-6 Assembly Award Winners Week 10

Assistant Principal Awards (3 points)

Kindergarten	Smit
Year 1	Sahayata
Year 2	Vishwa
Year 3	Emma
Year 4	William
Year 5	Emily
Year 6	Aarav

Principal Awards (5 points)

Kindergarten	Gabriel
Year 1	Bella
Year 2	Tapaita
Year 3	Suyandee
Year 4	Manuth
Year 5	Naomi
Year 6	Aiden

**At The Meadows we are
Safe, Responsible Learners!**



Coles have now finished handing out Sports for Schools Vouchers.

Please bring your vouchers to school as soon as possible so they can be tallied up and we can order our sports gear.

Vouchers can be brought to the office and placed in the big box.

**Thank you,
thank you, thank you!**

I cannot thank the following families
enough for helping me with the
covering of over 900 books!
Yes, 900 books!

Harriet & Hugo's family,
Isha's family,
Jenuli's family,
Paker & Adyaan's family,
Zachary's family,
Katherine's family,
Alex & Kane's family.

The Meadows is so grateful for the
support you have shown our school

Ms Choy

Paul Kelly Cup

On a warm summer's day 12 students from years 5 and 6 represented The Meadows Public School with high distinction and professionalism at the Paul Kelly Cup, played at Doyle Ground, North Parramatta. The first game was against Merrylands Public School and resulted in a lop-sided affair with The Meadows running out convincing winners. The second game saw us play another team from Merrylands Public School and in a very tense and tight affair, resulted in The Meadows going down narrowly. Our third game was against Winston Heights Public, who were far too strong and clinical in their execution on the day. The boys narrowly missed the finals, however they received outstanding feedback from the tournament organisers, specifically highlighting their sportsmanship, commitment and fantastic manners on the day. A final friendly game was played against another school, who did not make the final and in a see sawing match The Meadows came out on top to win. Throughout the day the boys continued to improve and grow in confidence in each match. Fantastic effort boys, I was very proud of all your hard work and efforts!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Polley

Easter Hat Parade 2018

The Easter Hat Parade was once again a great success!

Thank you to all the parents and friends who took time out of their day to attend and celebrate with us. Another huge thank you goes to our P&C President Jessica and the of course the P&C for their support in organising raffle prizes, selling of raffle tickets and the drawing of prizes. Below is a list of all the prize winners:



1 st	Taylen	10 th	Bailey
2 nd	C&L (business owners)	11 th	Rudra
3 rd	Mohammed	12 th	Joanna
4 th	Bailey	13 th	Sheena Melvey
5 th	Isla	14 th	Emily
6 th	Mann	15 th	T. Byress
7 th	Anthony Tindale	16 th	Kaylee
8 th	Abby	17 th	Matilda
9 th	Jasmine	18 th	Asna



Congratulations to all our prize winners and thank you to everybody who purchased raffle tickets.

We were blown away with the fundraising efforts, with a total amount of over \$800 collected! Well done to the teachers and students for your efforts in hat creation, as well as the dioramas made by Stage 3.

Everyone looked amazing and had a great time.

Make sure you check out our school's Facebook page to see all the wonderful photos!

Miss B, Ms Lyon and Miss Sammut

Cross Country Carnival

Yesterday we held our annual Cross Country Carnival. The weather was in our favour and the carnival was an absolute success. It was so wonderful to see such a large turn out from our fantastic parent and carer community supporting all of our students in their events. Our amazing P&C committee provided students and spectators with a sausage sizzle, ice blocks and drinks to cool down after races. Congratulations to all of our students who competed in these events. All students showed excellent sportsmanship and commitment to their events. Despite the heat and being very tired, they all persevered and tried their absolute best. The Zone Cross Country Carnival will take place on Friday 18th May in Term 2. We are able to send 5 runners for each age group this year. Notes will go home before the end of Term 1 and we wish those competitors the best of luck when they represent our school.

Mrs O'Neil



1/2L have become experts in The Visual Arts!



Over the term our class has completed many artworks for events such as Australia Day, Chinese New Year and Easter. But our favourite visual arts time is when we learn about **real** art skills and the style of famous artists.

Early in the year we explored the colour range and found out that there are warm and cool colours used by artists.



Finding out about the style of Vincent Van Gogh inspired us to attempt our own versions of his famous "Wheatfield" paintings.

Not too bad for our first attempt eh?



Welcome to 1/2R

In Mathematics we have been learning to use different strategies to count and add numbers.



In Visual Arts we are learning to appreciate the differences in others artworks. We understand that each artwork is unique.



In writing we have been learning to write procedures. Let us teach you how to make fairy bread and how to brush your teeth.

How To Brush Your Teeth

Materials

- Toothbrush
- Water
- Toothpaste
- Mouthwash

Instructions

1. Put water on your tooth brush
2. Put toothpaste on your tooth brush
3. Scrub your tooth brush on all of your teeth
4. Put water in your mouth and spit it out

By Vishwa Prabhakar



How To Make Fairy Bread

Things you need

- Sprinkles
- Knife
- Butter
- Bread
- Serviette

Instructions

1. Put bread on to a serviette
2. Get butter and put it on a knife so you can butter the bread
3. Get sprinkles and put it on the bread
4. Cut the bread into triangles or squares

By Mason Wallace



What's happening in 1/2S?

1/2S are learning how to write procedures this week.



We are learning to write a procedure on how to make fairy bread. So, today we got to make some delicious fairy bread. 😊



We discussed the step-by-step procedure as we were making the fairy bread and learned about verbs, such as 'spread the butter'.



One of our favourite parts was putting the sprinkles on the bread. Some of us may have gone a little bit over board, but who doesn't love colourful sprinkles everywhere? Hehe!



We then cut the bread into quarters to make it easy to eat.



Finally, we got to eat our fairy bread! As you can tell from the photos, we indulged and loved every bit of it. DELICIOUS!



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



KILDARE ROAD MEDICAL CENTRE

INTRODUCING...

Dr. Kabir Ahmed, FRNZCGP, FRACGP

Dr. Ahmed graduated from Dhaka Medical College, Bangladesh. He went on to study at the University of Otago, where he attained a Master of Immunology and worked in probiotic research at Massey University, before starting a career in General Medicine. Dr. Ahmed practiced in New Zealand for 14 years, mainly in internal medicine in a hospital setting before relocating to Australia.

Interests: Aboriginal health, chronic care management, emergency medicine and palliative medicine.

Languages: Bengali

To make an appointment with Dr. Ahmed, go online at kildaremedical.com.au, use the Appointuit App or call Reception on 8822 3000

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36 Kildare Road, Blacktown, NSW 2148 kildaremedical.com.au



Open Day for families of young people with disability

Youthlink Skills 4 Life is a NDIS provider located in Blacktown, offering client-centered quality services to young people with a disability and their families. Skills 4 Life offers allied health services as well as therapeutic programs including outdoor recreation, living skills groups and Youthlink's very own Sargents Challenge Centre!

Come down for lunch, check out our facilities and see what we have to offer. There will be free food and drinks provided. Make sure you wear comfortable clothing and closed in shoes if you're willing to test yourself on our high ropes

Date: Thursday April 26th 2018

Times: 11am-2pm

Address: 13 Walters Rd, Blacktown

RSVP: call 02 9622 1823 or email skills4life@salvationarmy.org



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Ages 7-12

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Ages 7-12

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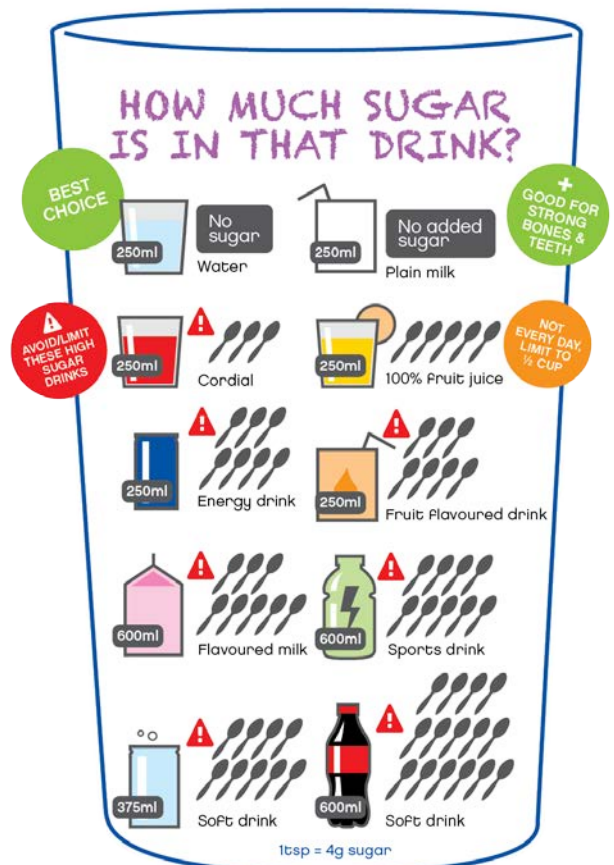
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Students Fun Page

Meadows Mag Quiz

Read Mr Staveley's report to get all of the answers. Get some help from Mum or Dad or a carer if you need some!

Complete the answers and hand in to Mr Staveley by next Friday morning for a chance of winning a \$30 movie voucher!

1. How many new Kindergarten students did we welcome in Term 1? _____
2. When do students return to school in Term 2?

3. When are Term 2 Sport in Schools payments due? _____
4. How many sessions do K-2 classes have for Sport in Schools in Term 2? _____
5. What time each day will the Vacation Care centre open and close?

Opening Time: _____ Closing Time: _____
6. The Vacation Care has excursions planned to the movies, bowling and
_____ !
7. Which days do we have Breakfast Club at TMPS? _____

8. How much money was raised in the P&C Easter Raffle? _____
9. Who is the President of the P&C? _____
10. When is the next P&C Meeting? _____
11. If I win the \$30 movie voucher, which brand of cinema is it for? _____