

The Meadows Mag



A vibrant and caring learning community

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Issue 8 - Term 4 - Week 6

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Office Hours Monday to Friday 8:20am - 3pm	Canteen Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:20am – 1:30pm
Before & After School Care  Enrolments can be done online: www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/ or for more information contact head office on 1300 778 444	Uniform Shop Uniforms are sold in the canteen Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 9am Payment by cash & cheque at school OR prepay online using MasterCard or Visa 

Important Dates in Term 4, 2021

Week 7

Tuesday, 16th November Ready, Set, Kindy

Week 8

Monday, 22nd November SISA Gala Day – Stage 3
Tuesday, 23rd November SISA Gala Day – Stage 2
Tuesday, 23rd November Ready, Set, Kindy
Thursday, 25th November SISA Gala Day – Stage 1
Friday, 26th November SISA Gala Day – Kindy

Week 9

Monday 29th November Learning From Home Reports sent home.
Tuesday, 30th November Ready, Set, Kindy
Friday, 3rd December Student Leader Elections

Week 10

Friday, 10th December Presentation Day

Week 11

Wednesday, 15th December Year 6 Graduation Assembly & Farewell
Thursday 16th December Last Day of School

Principal's Message

So great to be back!

This is our first edition of the Meadows Mag this term since the long-awaited resumption of face-to-face teaching and learning. It is just so good to have our 270+ students and 30+ staff back together again in some sort of normality. With 5 weeks remaining, we look forward to finishing the year off in a very busy, productive and positive fashion. Overall, I have been extremely pleased in the way our students have returned to school and quickly readjusted into their new routines after such a long time away. I'm proud of all our students for their resilience and flexibility at this time.

COVID-19 Current Guidelines

Here's a summary of key organisational structures in place since the post-lockdown return to school:

To keep student groupings as separate as possible we are operating under a 3-Cohort model until the very end of the year with Kindergarten, Stage 1 and Years 3-6 all being kept separate. We have separate playground areas, separate toilets, separate canteen times and different school finish times for each cohort. Added to that, staff are only able to work with one cohort on any given day. Additionally, the following measures are in place:

- Staff continue to wear masks indoors at all times and students are strongly encouraged to wear masks in classrooms and indoor spaces.
- All rooms continue to be very well ventilated using open doors and windows.
- Children with flu-like symptoms are sent home and requested to be covid-tested.
- No parents are allowed onsite during regular school hours except for meetings regarding student wellbeing and for collection of students during extreme weather.
- Unfortunately, parents will be unable to join us for Presentation Day.
- In positive news, parents of Year 6 students will be allowed to attend the Year 6 Graduation Assembly on Wednesday 15th December. More information will be sent to the parents of Year 6 students.

Learning From Home Thank You

A BIG thank you to all families who were able to support their children during the period of learning from home (LFH). Here's a summary of the key data for the LFH experience for TMPS:

- 58 face-to-face teaching days were missed for Kindergarten and Year 1.
- 63 face-to-face teaching days were missed for Years 2-6.
- Overall – 184 students out of 275 completed sufficient online work (Seesaw or Google Classroom) during home learning.
- 58 students received booklets, the majority of which have not been returned or only partially returned.
- 33 students were accessing online work, but submission of work was not sufficient.

Semester 2 Reports

Our Semester 2 Reports will be issued slightly earlier than normal on Monday, 29th November. These reports will strictly focus on the learning experiences offered to your children and their response to them during the Learning from Home period. Some key features of the reports are as follows:

- The reports will be titled Learning from Home Reports
- In line with Department of Education considerations, the reports will not include any grading of student performance in Key Learning Areas. Therefore, no Outstanding, High, Sound, Basic or Limited grades will be provided.
- The reports will include a comment for each Key Learning Area summarising the types of learning provided during learning from home.
- An Effort rating will be provided for English and Maths based on a balance of the quality and quantity of tasks completed.
- A General comment will be provided, containing strengths and areas for improvement for English and Maths and information regarding overall commitment to learning from home.
- An overall effort grade, Commitment to Learning from Home, will also be provided.
- Attendance will be reported on for the time back at school in Term 4.

Staffing News

We have had considerable staffing movement last term and in these past few weeks. Our wonderful Instructional Leader since 2017, Jasmin Choy has been successful in gaining a promotion to a new state-wide position: 'Primary Mathematics Lead Specialist.'

Jasmin will still be based at our school from time to time to trial new strategies. Miss Choy has been an amazing contributor to the staff and students of The Meadows Public School. Her leadership of staff professional learning has been nothing short of exceptional. We wish Jasmin every success in her new, richly deserved role.

The Instructional Leader position held by Miss Choy has been phased out and replaced by a new position: "Assistant Principal (Curriculum & Instruction)". Mrs Katherine McKnight has been successfully appointed to this position for 2022. We look forward to Katherine's leadership of teacher professional learning from the beginning of the new school year.

Our teaching staff will also be affected by change heading into 2022. Our current Kindergarten teacher, Miss Stacey Sammut has been permanently appointed to Northbourne PS. Secondly, our current Stage 1 teacher, Miss Hayley Cassel has received a temporary one-year appointment to Thurgoona PS near Albury. Finally, our current Assistant Principal and 3-6P teacher, Mrs Pho Hanson has received a temporary one-year appointment to Claymore PS. We wish all three teachers the very best for a smooth transition into their new roles and thank each of them for their most positive contribution to our school community.

2022 Planning

To assist the school in planning for 2022, please inform the school as soon as possible if you are moving out of the area, especially if your children are starting a new school next year. There is a form on page 5 of this newsletter that can be completed and returned to the school. There is no need to complete the form if your child is in Year 6 and attending High School in 2022. Additionally, if you have a child ready to start school in Kindergarten next year and you haven't yet completed enrolment, please do so as soon as possible. Enrolments can be done online via our website, but we will also take enrolments in the office:

To access the online enrolment system please head to:

<https://themeadows-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

Kinder Orientation

Due to an external policing situation beyond our control we unfortunately had to make the decision to cancel Tuesday's first session of Kinder Orientation.

The next session will be held next Tuesday, 16th November from 11:30am until 1:00pm. Parents of 2022 Kinder students are asked to bring their children to the Fuller Street Gates (next to our electronic sign) from 11:20am and sign them in.

Parents are asked to provide their child with a bottle of water and some fruit for 'Crunch & Sip' time. Fruit can be chopped up in a labelled container.

Parents will also need to check in with Mrs Anderson who will be located at the gate, to sign their child's enrolment form and provide any outstanding documentation.

We have over 40 enrolments now and would love to hit the magic 50 mark for the second year in a row!

Tell Them from Me Parent Survey

Mr Haynes has worked tirelessly in attempts to send a link out to all parents to the very important Tell Them From Me Parent Survey for 2021. Unfortunately, the formatting of the schoolwide messaging service has caused the link to be problematic. Despite the message being sent with spaces between words, it has inexplicably arrived with the link joined to other words in the message, meaning the link cannot be opened.

We would love to hear from EVERYONE!

If you have had trouble accessing via the 3 or more text messages sent home, please access the survey via this link:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/tmps2021>

All survey responses are anonymous and all responses are greatly appreciated, assisting in our vital planning towards continuous school improvement.

Look after each other,

Scott Staveley

Principal



CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

Week 4

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH	Anthony Aseel
KP	Kesar Lazar
KS	Aria Lorelai
1/2C	Aaditya Preetisha
1/2L	Daniel Joseph
1/2O	Divine Kash
1/2P	Brayden Levi
2/3A	Cyrus Shamel
3/4R	Katherine Kavya
4T	Ackland Edward
3-6P	Lauren
5/6D	Shaza Liana
5/6H	Jovan Kaleisha
5/6S	Javin Yashika

Week 5

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH	Shavir Lujain
KP	Nyra Eyan
KS	Rayna Samrudh
1/2C	Jasmin Corbin
1/2L	Ravi Adharna
1/2O	Seth Elina
1/2P	Keerthan Chanvika
2/3A	Hriya Bahar
3/4R	Dhruv Samara
4T	Dwij Leah
3-6P	Jasper
5/6D	Aleyna Esah
5/6H	Jovan Kaleisha
5/6S	Ria Zainab





CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

Week 6

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH	Kohinoor Ria
KP	Vivienne Viaan
KS	Akash Ramaa
1/2C	Corinth Therese
1/2L	Micah Damien
1/2O	Kcee Kristina
1/2P	Amarli Ahmad
2/3A	Fidel Ryan
3/4R	Michael Samara
4T	Alexander Beverly
3-6P	Domonic
5/6D	Halli Jadeth
5/6H	Aiden Asipeli
5/6S	Japhia Srivitha

At The Meadows we are Safe, Responsible Learners !

K-6 Assembly Award Winners - Week 5

Assistant Principal Awards (3 points)

Principal Awards (5 points)

Kindergarten	Chantelle	Kindergarten	Dhriya
Year 1	Autumn	Year 1	Andrew
Year 2	Luselina	Year 2	William
Year 3	Isha	Year 3	Shanen
Year 4	Akanksha	Year 4	Isla
Year 5	Mohammed	Year 5	Trinley
Year 6	Decoda	Year 6	Leila

Kookaburra Pins

Blue (10 Points)

Yellow (20 Points)

Purple (30 Points)

Levi
Keerthan
Jovan

Shanen
Esah

Shamel

Orange (40 Points)

Gold (50 Points)

Platinum (60 Points)

Joanna
Trinley
Lauren
Kaleisha

Leila



TURN OFF SCREENS + get active!

Screens can be great for learning, play and communication. Too much screen time can be unhealthy. Try to sit less and move more.

TIPS TO MANAGE SCREEN TIME

 Eat together as a Family. No screens at meals for parents and kids	 Before screen time - sleep, play outdoors, read and enjoy family time	 No screens in bedrooms, especially at night
 Take toys or books instead of screens when going out	 Monitor kids' screen time. Set limits if needed	 Sit less. Move more. Move every hour
 Help kids sleep. Stop using screens 1 hour before bed	 Parents - be a good role model. Reduce your screen time too	 Dance to music, or play video games that get you on your feet



This resource has been developed by Western Sydney Local Health District, published November 2018

NEW ENROLMENTS AND STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN 2022

To assist with planning, staffing, accommodation and other resources for next year, we would ask that if you have a child who is due to start Kindergarten in 2022 or know of someone in the area that has a child due to start Kindergarten in 2022, please make sure any enrolment forms are brought to the school as soon as possible.

Alternatively, if you know that you will not be returning next year or that you will not be starting till later in the year because of a family holiday, please complete the following forms and return them to the school office. *If your child is in year 6 it is not necessary to complete this form.*

To: The Principal, The Meadows Public School

Pupils Name: _____ Class: _____ Pupils Name: _____ Class: _____

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LEAVERS

My child/children will not be attending The Meadows Public School in 2022.

Last day of attendance: Moving to..... (new school).

LATE RETURNERS

My child/children will be returning to The Meadows Public School on (anticipated date of return) after the commencement of Term 1, 2022. (Tuesday, 1st February 2022) because

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Signed: (Parent/Guardian)

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.

collator. + ART KITS

We have created 4 high quality art kits aimed at older primary aged and high school Creative Kids.

As an approved Creative Kids Voucher provider we are able to accept the \$100 vouchers for these fantastic, quality kits - meaning parents spend \$0 and their children can have access to high quality art kits that will last a very long time AND give them an experience with art materials that they might not otherwise have.

We provide an info sheet to get started and will soon have some online tutorials to accompany the kits.

Kits can be ordered from collator.com.au and postage is FREE!

CONTACT
Bonnie Porter Greene
bonnie@collator.com.au
0403 367 562

collator.com.au

WATERCOLOUR KIT

IN YOUR KIT

- 1 x travel set of watercolours
- 1 x pen
- 1 x water paintbrush
- 1 x sketchbook

POSCA KIT (LARGE)

IN YOUR KIT

- 1 x Posca set (8)
- 1 x ready to draw on, waterproof case

POSCA KIT (SMALL)

IN YOUR KIT

- 1 x Posca set (8)
- 1 x ready to draw on, waterproof case
- 1 x quality paper pad

GOUACHE KIT

IN YOUR KIT

- 1 x set of gouache paint tubes
- 1 x pen
- 1 x paintbrush
- 1 x sketchbook

YOU NEED

- 1 x wild imagination



Seven Hills Toongabbie RSL Cricket Club

Season 2021/22 93RD Season

Seven Hills has a proud history stretching back to 1928 as a successful community-based cricket club playing in the Parramatta District Cricket Association.

Junior Cricket - Ages 8 to 16

Kids who want to get more involved can play traditional formats of cricket on Saturday mornings.



All Girls Junior Cricket - Ages 7-15

Where everyone gets a go. Played on a Saturday afternoon.

Season runs from October until March.

No games over Christmas and January school holiday period



Woolworths Cricket BLAST- Ages 5 to 10

Entry level program to teach children the basics of the game in a fun, safe environment.

8 Week Programs Fridays – Best Rd Seven Hills

Junior Blasters – Basic skills Ages 5-7 . October 2021

Master Blasters – Modified games ages 7-10 February 2022

More information is on our website.

Krish Roy 0402 192 043

email sevenhillscricket@gmail.com

register online www.shtrslcc.nsw.cricket.com.au

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Uniform Order Form

COVID-19 Uniform Shop Orders

Uniform Shop orders will need to be processed by completing the order form below and either emailing to: themedows-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or placing the Order Form in the school letterbox. We will phone you when uniforms are available for pickup, please place your mobile number below. If sizes are incorrect, please return unused item/s to the school office for exchange for the correct size. Thanking you for your assistance.

- **Payment by cash, cheque or Prepay online by Visa or MasterCard see instructions below**.**
- Sizes available: 3 (Polo shirt only) 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and adult sizes.

Student's Name: _____		Parents Mobile No. _____			
Description	Available Sizes	Price	Size	Quantity	Total
Polo shirts & shorts					
White Polo Shirt	3 - Adult XL	\$20			
Gold Sport Polo Shirt (Friday only)	3 - Adult XL	\$20			
Shorts tailored (Girls)	4 - 16	\$20			
Shorts taslon (Boys & Girls)	4 - Adult XL	\$20			
Girls check dress					
Dress	4 - 22	\$48			
Fleecy tracksuits					
Sloppy Joe Fleecy V-Neck	4 - Adult XL	\$24			
Jacket Fleecy (NO adult sizes)	4 - 16	\$26			
Track Pants Fleecy Double Knee	4 - 10	\$22			
Track Pants Fleecy (NO adult sizes)	4 - 16	\$20			
Microfibre tracksuits					
Jacket Microfibre	4 - Adult XL	\$35			
Track Pants Microfibre	4 - Adult XL	\$25			
Hats					
Surf Hat	S, M & L	\$15			
Baseball Cap	One size fits all	\$10			
Beanie	One size fits all	\$8			
Other					
Navy Tights	3 - 12	\$8			
Library Bag		\$10			
School Bag with school emblem		\$30			
TOTAL EFT / CASH					

I have made an online payment. My receipt number is: _____

****Pay for uniforms online go to our website at: www.themedows-p@schools.nsw.edu.au**

The online payment portal linked to your school's website makes it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Click on "Make a Payment" then fill in the fields marked with an asterisk (*) which are mandatory then click on "Sales to Students" then in *Payment Description enter "Uniform" then total amount to be paid. Enter the receipt no. above. Please turn over for more detailed information.

Parent Online Payments

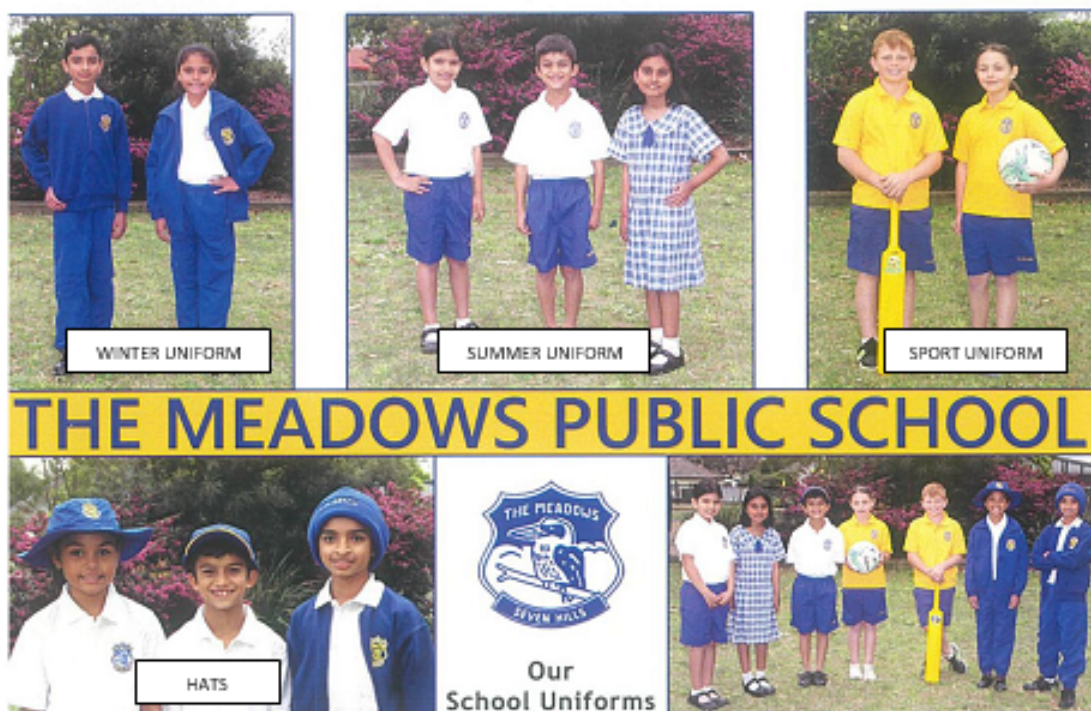
Did you know that you can make payments to your child's school online?

The online payment portal linked to your school's website makes it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac, please see instructions below:

1. Log onto the School website at: www.themeadows-p@schools.nsw.edu.au
2. Click on "Make a Payment" at the top of the page.
3. Then fill in the fields marked with an asterisk (*) which are mandatory.
4. Payment Type: please select from the list below:
 - Voluntary School Contributions
 - Excursions & incursions
 - Sport
 - Sales to Students eg uniforms
 - Other
5. Description: Excursion name, activity, sporting event, uniforms, etc.
6. Amount to be paid.
7. Complete payment details. Payments can only be made using Visa or MasterCard. American Express, Diners Club or EFTPOS cards are not accepted. PayPal is not a payment option.



For any further enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office on 9631 3737.



The **School emblem** is embroidered on the polo shirts, sloppy joes, jackets and surf hats.
The Meadows is embroidered on the tassel & tailored shorts. **TMPS** is embroidered on the baseball caps.
 All shorts, jackets & track pants have **zipped pockets** and are dark royal blue.

Sizes available: 3 (Polo shirt only) 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and adult sizes.