

# The Meadows Mag

A vibrant and caring learning community

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Issue 2 - Term 1 - Week 6

Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022

<b>Office Hours</b> Monday to Friday 8:20am - 3pm	<b>Canteen</b> Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:20am – 1:30pm
<b>Before &amp; After School Care</b>  Enrolments can be done online: <a href="http://www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/">www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/</a> or for more information contact head office on 1300 778 444	<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 or Visa 

## Calendar

### Important Dates in Term 1, 2022

#### Week 7

Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Halogen Young Leaders
Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Zone Swimming Carnival
Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> March	P&C Meeting – AGM (7pm)
Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> March	After-School Cricket Prog.

#### Week 8

Wednesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> March	After-School Cricket Prog.
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#### Week 9

Tuesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Harmony Day
Wednesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	After-School Cricket Prog.
Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Bullying Incursion

#### Week 10

Tuesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March	K-6 Assembly
Wednesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March	After-School Cricket Prog.
Thursday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Cross Country Carnival

## Principal's Message

### Covid Update

It has been wonderful to return to an 'ALMOST NORMAL' situation for schools across NSW and we have enjoyed having all classes finish at the same time at 2:50pm each day.

Despite the constant rain for most of the week, our students have had some opportunities to 'explore' sections of the school which were previously off-limits due to cohorting. The biggest plus has been the recess and lunch interactions between siblings and friends across K-6. Our bigger kids especially cannot wait to venture up to the top field for a soccer game at lunch and there's plenty of little guys and girls who look forward to having a run around on the big field! If only the rain would go away!

To continue with our COVID management, please remember, we have moved to symptomatic testing. Each child has received 8 Rapid Antigen Testing Kits and there will not be any set testing days - you only test if your child has symptoms.

In another layer of 'getting back to normal', masks will no longer be mandatory for staff from next Monday.

Thank you to our parents who have allowed their children to be independent in the morning and at the canteen by saying goodbye to your children at the school gate. This certainly allows for an easy transition into school each day, particularly for our youngest students. It has, however, been wonderful to see so many parents back at school each afternoon for 2:50pm pick-up time. Once the weather fines up, we will re-open our play equipment and allow parents to get to know each other again until 3:05pm each afternoon.

### School Opening Time - Student Safety

Please ensure that your child is not at school prior to 8:20am. We have had several students arriving as early as 7:45am. Our school does not open with teacher supervision until 8:20am. To maximise the safety of your children, please abide by these school opening hours.

## The Year Ahead – what we can hopefully look forward to!

With the positive changes to COVID guidelines in schools, we can now look forward to having parents onsite for a range of events which have either been cancelled or applied with a 'students and staff only' rule across 2020-21. Here's an early look at just some of the events we can look forward to in 2022!

29<sup>th</sup> March – K-6 Assembly (these occur twice per term)

31<sup>st</sup> March - Cross Country Carnival

5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> April - Parent/Teacher Interviews (A note will be sent home about this next week)

7<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Hat Parade

Terms 2 & 3 – Winter PSSA Sport

27<sup>th</sup> April – ANZAC Ceremony

6<sup>th</sup> May – Mothers' Day High Tea

Date TBC – NAIDOC Day (Term 2 or 3)

21<sup>st</sup> July – School Athletics Carnival

2<sup>nd</sup> August – Education Week Open Day

18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> August – Scholastic Book Fair

26<sup>th</sup> August – Book Week Character Parade

2<sup>nd</sup> September – Fathers' Day Big Brekky

8<sup>th</sup> November – Grandparents Day

Date TBC (Term 4) – Whole School Performance

## Meet The Teacher

Thank you to those parents who were able to join their child's teacher(s) on ZOOM last week for our remote 'Meet The Teacher' sessions. Altogether we had approximately 100 parents join us to learn about the organisation and learning for Term 1 in our classrooms.

## P&C Meeting

Our Parents & Citizens (P&C) team meet on the second Tuesday of every month. Our next meeting for 2022 will be NEXT TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7:00pm.

The P&C is YOUR opportunity to help guide some of the decisions of the school. We normally meet for about an hour and there's always coffee, tea and some tasty treats too! Please come and join us for our next meeting. The next meeting will also feature our AGM (Annual General Meeting) which involves the election of our 2022 P&C Executive. If you would like to vote in that election or indeed be nominated for a position, you need to be a current TMPS P&C Member. Membership costs just \$2 and must be paid to the front office by Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March to make you an eligible voter.

## Stewart House Donation Drive

This week, each family has received a Stewart House Donation Drive envelope. Stewart House is NSW Public Education's charity of choice.

Every year 1,700 public school children attend Stewart House, located next to Curl Curl Beach, at no cost to their parents or carers. During a 12-day stay, they are provided with dental, optical, hearing and medical screening and treatment. Children participate in educational programs and excursions designed to develop their social and emotional skills, build self-esteem and improve their overall wellbeing.

Children in the care of Stewart House attend a specific purpose school onsite for 10 days of their 12-day stay. The NSW Department of Education provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All other costs associated with the children's stay are met from charitable donations.

We are usually able to send 2-3 students to Stewart House each year. By supporting this charity, you are directly supporting our students!

Please return your family donation of \$2 or more to your child's teacher or the letter box in the school foyer by the final day of this term, Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> April. We thank you for your support!

## School Uniform

Our Uniform Shop is linked to our school canteen and therefore is only open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:20am. The office will no longer be selling uniforms except for the case of new students who start school on a 'non-canteen' day. Thank you for your understanding of these arrangements.



I'm proud to report the vast majority of our students have been proudly wearing their full school uniform each day. Please remember, our students wear white shirts from Monday to Thursday and yellow shirts on Friday. It's also great to see students wearing white socks, which are also part of our uniform. Whilst we don't enforce any particular shoe colour on Fridays, black shoes are the school uniform on non-sports days.

**Attendance News**

School attendance and punctuality to school are once again targeted areas for school improvement in 2022. If your child is absent from school, please ensure you provide a note explaining the absence upon your child's return. Parents and carers who fail to do so will be issued with an Unexplained Absence note to return to school.

Additionally, if your child is late to school without an explanation, your child will be issued a note informing you of the unexplained late arrival to school. Let's work together to make a difference this year. "In line, on time, at 10 to 9!"

Congratulations to class 1/2J who enjoyed a PERFECT week of attendance in Week 4. Every child was present every day and every child arrived in line on time at 10 to 9 every day of the week, earning each child and their teacher an ice block!

So far in Term 1, 1/2J, 3-6L, 1/2P and 3/4R sit at the top of the Attendance Leader board.

At the time of writing, we have 87 wonderful students across K-6 who have maintained PERFECT attendance across the first 5 weeks of the school year with ZERO absences and ZERO late days! Congratulations to all! Keep it up!

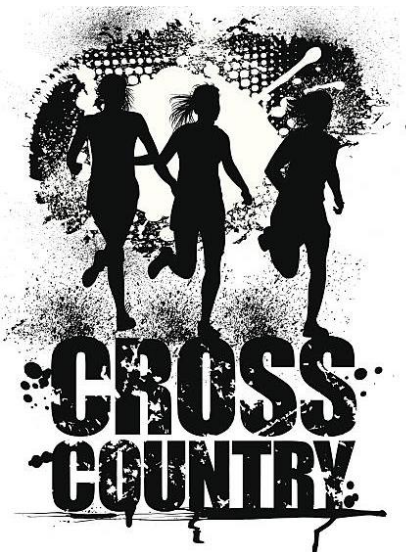
Look after each other,

*Scott Staveley*

**Principal**

**Have you started practicing for the School Cross Country Carnival on March 31<sup>st</sup>?**

**You Can Do It !!!**



**CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!**

**Week 3**

**Teacher's Awards (2 points)**

- KH Asher Eshaani
- KT Ben Penny
- KY Emanuel Analisa
- 1/2A Vivienne Achchudan
- 1/2G Dhyam Samar
- 1/2J Kathleen Viaan
- 1/2P Micah Smit
- 3/4D Sam Reyam
- 3/4P Mackenzie Zachary
- 3/4R Seth Krishnavi
- 3-6L Alex Michael
- 5/6H Jasmine Raagavi
- 5/6S Darius Jasmine

**Week 4**

**Teacher's Awards (2 points)**

- KH Andrew Ariaiah
- KT Hitharth Joseph
- KY Rithvik Alexis
- 1/2A Samrudh Prakhar
- 1/2G Shivaansh Lavani
- 1/2J Eyan Ayrah
- 1/2P Akasah Ramaa
- 3/4D Jerekai Tai
- 3/4P Fidel Jaxson
- 3/4R Vincent Nathaniel
- 3-6L Kele Arthur
- 5/6H Joanna Sanah
- 5/6S Alex Chloe





# CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

## Week 5

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH	Priyanka Luke
KT	Vasekaran Avery
KY	Aurora Kritav
1/2A	Lateesha Liyanne
1/2G	Corinth Dominic
1/2J	Jasmin CJ
1/2P	Levi Andrew
3/4D	
3/4P	Dhruv Brian
3/4R	Braxton
3-6L	Domonic Jasper
5/6H	Mele Isla
5/6S	Aakanksha Japhia

## Week 6

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH	Isabelle Alexis
KT	Fox Sierra
KY	Aahana Sione
1/2A	Mikhail Akshita
1/2G	Lujain Henip
1/2J	Chantelle Aariv
1/2P	Therese Inderbir
3/4D	Adharna Julius
3/4P	Dylan Hriya
3/4R	Ravi Chris
3-6L	Kele Arthur
5/6H	Ghauresh Sophia
5/6S	Taksh Luke

# At The Meadows we are Safe, Responsible Learners !

## K-6 Assembly Award Winners - Week 6

Assistant Principal Awards (3 points)

Kindergarten	Ali
Year 1	Eyan
Year 2	Shehnoor
Year 3	Aaron
Year 4	Smit
Year 5	Domonic
Year 6	Abby

Principal Awards (5 points)

Kindergarten	RJ
Year 1	Micah
Year 2	Ahmad
Year 3	Kris
Year 4	Katie
Year 5	Brooklyn
Year 6	Aiden

## Kookaburra Pins

Blue (10 Points)

Ramaa  
Sophia  
Ghauresh

Yellow (20 Points)

Akshita  
Brian  
Alex  
Japhia

Purple (30 Points)

Jasmine

Orange (40 Points)

Isla

Gold (50 Points)

Chloe

Platinum (60 Points)

Aiden

## Excursions & Activities in Progress

Excursion/ Activity	Date of excursion/ activity	Amount due	Payment due by
Year 5/6 Great Aussie Bush Camp	Wed. 26 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	\$100 Deposit	First 50 Students

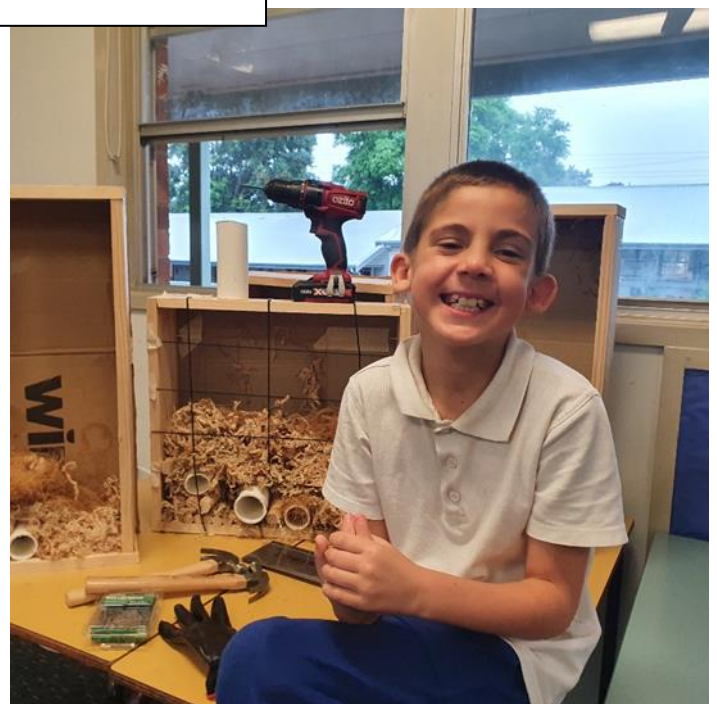


# 3-6L Rocks!

In our little class, we love to learn by doing hands-on things like designing, building and experimenting.



We are building insect hotels right now. It is going so well!





We are so lucky to have lots of extra helpers too!



# 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.



## Part-Time/Casual Work Available

**Become a School Crossing Supervisor with Transport for NSW!**

Multiple Part Time/Casual positions across the Parramatta & Western Suburbs -

51380

- Keep our kids, parents, and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

School crossings require coverage for **20 hours per fortnight**

Monday to Friday during the school term.

This involves 1 hour in the morning and 1 hour in the afternoon between 8:00 – 9:30am & 2:30 – 4:00pm.

**VACANCIES AVAILABLE:**

- Part Time - Melrose Park Public School, West Ryde
- Casual - Blacktown LGA

**Does this sound like you?**

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
- ✓ Community spirit
- ✓ Positive energy

If it does, scan the QR code or visit [jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au](http://jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au) to apply today.

*\*If you are unable to join us on a part time basis, please consider joining us as a casual!*

For late applications or more information, please contact Caitlin Ritchie:

E: [Caitlin.ritchie@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Caitlin.ritchie@transport.nsw.gov.au)  
P: 02 9983 2782

Applications close: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022

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Find us on Facebook; Lalor Park Kookas Rugby League

# NEED HELP CLINCHING A JOB?

BUT UNSURE WHERE TO START?

FINDING IT HARD TO NAVIGATE THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

*Help is available!*

**This assistance is designed to:**

- Give you confidence in the skills you can offer employers
- Give you the knowledge to set a realistic goal that suits you
- Equip you with the resources and skills needed to obtain it!

6 week course beginning 1st March Tues mornings 10-12:30pm at Seven Hills Anglican  
Please email christinathomas4.ct@gmail.com for more information

Christina Thomas is an accredited Rehabilitation Counsellor with many years experience helping clients who need to find new avenues of work following an injury. She is able to run this course free of charge through the generous support of the Anglican Church.

## Blacktown Spartans U/6, 7, 8 & 9 Registration Evening

When : Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 5-40pm  
Venue : Exeter Farm Reserve Meurants Lane Glenwood

Footy Skills and Drills Session for the kids with a sausage sizzle on the night please bring your own drink bottle for water.

Online Registration for the club available on the evening Registration is \$120 per child for the season , registration is reduced to just \$20 when you register with your Active kids voucher from Service NSW discounts available for families with multiple children Registration includes shorts , socks and training shirt



For more information call 0466 509 790



Inner Wheel Australia chose **Cord Blood Research** as its National Project in 2001 and through many fundraising programs over the years, has raised over \$3million which has been given as grants for much needed and worthy research projects.

Why was **Cord Blood Research** chosen and been supported for over 20 years?

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- Some cord blood stem cell transplants are being used in place of bone marrow transplants for many life-threatening conditions such as blood cancers (e.g. leukaemia), immune system and metabolic disorders.
- Worldwide, cord blood has been used in over 40,000 transplants in the treatment of over 80 conditions. Today there is a vast and expanding range of new therapies being researched that anticipate using cord blood in the future: e.g. type 1 diabetes, cerebral palsy, infant brain injury and spinal cord injury.

For more information: [innerwheelaustralia.org.au/national-project](http://innerwheelaustralia.org.au/national-project)

### HOW CAN YOU HELP??

Put on your walking shoes, pack a picnic

Join us for a

### FAMILY FUN DAY AND WALK

2km for \$10 donation

between 9am and 2pm

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022

Francis Green Blacktown Showground Precinct.

There will be the Rotary Club sausage sizzle, balloons, face painting, games, bric-a-brac stall

and RFS and St John's Ambulance will join us

If you are unable to attend, you may like to donate using this QR code



Organised by Inner Wheel Club of Blacktown City on behalf of Inner Wheel District A53

