

The Meadows Mag

A vibrant and caring learning community

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Friday, 7th March 2025

The Meadows Calendar

Term 1 – Week 7

Tuesday 11 th March	P&C Meeting - AGM
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Term 1 – Week 8

Thursday 20 th March	Harmony Day
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Term 1 – Week 9

Tuesday 25 th March	Halogen Young Leaders Day
Thursday 27 th March	Paul Kelly Cup (AFL)
Friday 28 th March	PSSA AFL & Netball Gala Day


Term 1 – Week 10

Tuesday 1 st April	Parent Teacher Interviews
Wednesday 2 nd April	Parent Teacher Interviews
Friday 4 th April	School Cross Country Carnival

Term 1 – Week 11

Wednesday 9 th April	Easter Scripture Assembly
Thursday 10 th April	K-6 Assembly
Friday 11 th April	Easter Hat Parade
	Last Day of Term 1

****NOTE:** NAPLAN testing for year 3 & 5 will occur in the window between Wednesday 12th March – Monday 24th March

<p><u>Office Hours</u> Monday to Friday 8:20am – 3:00pm</p>	<p><u>Uniform Shop</u> Uniforms sold in the school canteen.</p> <p>Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:20am – 9:00am</p> <p>Payment by Cash or EFTPOS at school OR prepay online using School Bytes</p>
<p><u>Canteen</u> Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:20am – 1:30pm</p> <p>Payment by cash or EFTPOS</p>	

Principal's Message

NAPLAN

Best wishes to all of our students in Years 3 and 5 who will be participating in NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) tests across the next two weeks. All of the tests are conducted online with the exception of the Year 3 Writing test which is still a traditional pencil and paper test. The assessment schedule is as follows:



Wednesday 12th March – Writing
Thursday 13th March – Reading
Friday 14th March – Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation)
Monday 17th March – Numeracy

Tuesday 18th March to Monday 24th March will be Catch-up days for absent students.

Parent / Teacher Interviews



Thank you to all of the parents and carers who were able to attend our Meet the Teacher sessions in Week 5.

To gain a very important insight into how your child has progressed across the first two months of their new school year, it is very highly recommended that you book in for a Parent / Teacher Interview. Our Parent / Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 1st April (3.00-5.00pm) and Wednesday 2nd April (3.00-7.00pm). Parents will be given the opportunity to book a 15-minute timeslot to meet with their child's teacher. An email will be sent out via School Bytes next week with further information. Parents will be able to make a booking for an interview using the Interviews Tab in the Quick Links section on the School Bytes Dashboard from next Tuesday 11th March.

Student Sporting Success!



Congratulations to the following six students who have attended trials with the very positive outcome of being selected to represent Seven Hills / Wentworthville Zone in the Sydney West PSSA Championships in the following sports!

Caitlyn Hutchinson – Girls Softball
 Mackenzie Hutchinson – Girls Softball
 Andrew Satini – 11 Years & 12 Years Rugby League
 Kris Pongi – 12 Years Rugby League
 Tarshae Coffey-Elliott – 12 Years Rugby League
 Dylan Brunner – Australian Football

We wish each of these sports stars the very best in their upcoming Championships!

P&C Annual General Meeting



Our Parents & Citizens (P&C) team meet on the second

Tuesday of every month in the school staffroom. Our next meeting for 2025 will be **NEXT TUESDAY 11th March at 9.00am,**

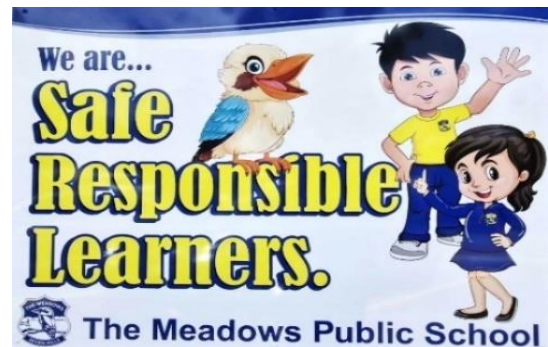
The P&C is YOUR opportunity to help guide some of the decisions of the school. We normally meet for about an hour and there's always coffee, tea and some tasty treats too! Please come and join us for our next meeting. **The next meeting will also feature our AGM (Annual General Meeting) which involves the election of our 2025 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 prior to the AGM to make you an eligible voter.

Pizza Pasta Kitchen Rewards!

We have recently established an excellent connection with the Pizza Pasta Kitchen (Claudia Road Toongabbie) whereby they are giving our school 15 FREE PIZZA vouchers (one per class) per week for the rest of the 2025 school year!

The vouchers will be used to promote our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) programs, placing an emphasis on our school's PBL expectations of being **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE LEARNERS.**

The recipient of the award in each class each week will simply be a student who has consistently demonstrated being a **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE LEARNER for the whole WEEK.** Students who follow school expectations for the entire week will have the opportunity to go into a class draw to win the voucher! The first 15 of these vouchers were sent home with 15 deserving students TODAY!



Mobile Phones



In October 2023, the NSW Department of Education banned student use of mobile phones whilst at school, including before school, at recess and at lunch.

This is a reminder that any student who brings a phone to school (for safety reasons when travelling to and from school) must **hand their phone in to the school office upon arrival each morning.** Any student found to be contravening this request will need to hand their phone to the Principal or Executive staff member and the students' parents / carers will be contacted to collect the phone.

Look after each other,

Scott Staveley

Principal

MESSAGES & REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

SCHOOL BYTES

Have you downloaded the School Bytes App?

Be sure to turn on notifications in the app so that you don't miss any messages or important information that the school is sending out to parents.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Do we have the correct address and contact information for your family?

If you have moved house or changed phone numbers, and not let the office know, please use the "Change of Details Form" on School Bytes to update your family information. Please note that you are required to provide evidence of a change of the student's main address, this can be uploaded directly into the form.

Please also make us aware if your family have had a change in circumstances.

For separated families we can assist with ensuring both parents are receiving all communications.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

It is ESSENTIAL that we are able to contact a parent or trusted relative/friend in the event of an emergency with your child.



If you would like to check or update your Emergency contacts, please contact the school office. These details can also be updated using the "Change of Details Form" on School Bytes.

ABSENCES

If your child arrives at school after the 8:50am bell, please accompany them to the front office to get a Late Slip before they go to the classroom.

At 10:15am each day, a text will be sent to parents for all students who are absent and unexplained late arrivals. The text will contain a link to the School Bytes portal to allow you to provide an explanation for the absence.

If your child is unwell, please provide more detail than just "sick" so that we are able to monitor any contagious illnesses present within the school.

Greystanes United Football Club

Apr-Aug 2025

Join us for a season of soccer fun!
 We're looking for players (boys or girls) to join Greystanes United Football Club for the winter soccer season. Training is held on Thursday afternoons at The Meadows Public School and competition games are played on Saturday mornings at various grounds. For more information or to sign up, contact:
Jon Terry 0410 548 848

The Meadows Public School

Social, enjoyable & fun experiences for children

Develop creativity, life skills & confidence through play

Qualified, caring & engaged staff

Exciting & thoughtfully developed programs

Healthy & yummy food provided each day

Bookings now open!

	Monday - Friday Hours of Operation	Fees before Child Care Subsidy**	Out-of-pocket fee after Child Care Subsidy**
Before School Care (BSC)	7:00 AM to 8:45 AM	\$20.00	\$3.00
After School Care (ASC)	2:45 PM to 6:00 PM	\$25.00	\$2.50
Full Day	7:00 AM to 6:00 PM	\$64.00	\$6.40
Holiday Program***	7:00 AM to 6:00 PM	\$64.00	\$6.40

Standard fee rates apply. Child Care Subsidy (CCS) is available for eligible families. *Standard fee rates apply during school holidays.

Service phone number: 0471 191 685

Your service Coordinator will be available during session times.

Cancellation Fees
(Child Care Subsidy applies to Cancellation Fees)
 BSC/ASC within 24 hours of session start time: **\$4.00**
 Holiday Program within 5 days of session start time: **\$10.00**
 Same day cancellation fee is out-of-pocket session fee.

Late Booking Fees
(Child Care Subsidy is applied to Late Booking Fees)
 BSC/ASC within 24 hours of session start time: **\$4.00**
 Holiday Program: book less than 5 days from the session start time fee is **\$10.00**

Late Pick-up Fees
(Child Care Subsidy does not apply to Late Pick-up Fees)
 \$3 per minute after service close time.

To register visit theircare.com.au

Save up to 90% with child care subsidy



CONGRATULATIONS



Award Winners!

Week 3

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KC	Taylita-Louise Sosaia
KG	Trijal Tahlia
KQ	Jackie Luisa
1/2N	Joey Beverley
1/2R	Safa Sriyan
1/2W	Cameron Rudra
1/2Y	Sudhiksha Yuvan
2/3P	Ben Kiyana
3/4A	Aarna Kritav
3/4M	Suniva Sione
3/4T	Caitlyn Eliyahs
3-6VW	Blake
5/6F	Luselina Divine
5/6L	Aabaan Anna Maria
5/6SP	Kirralee Tarshae

Week 4

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KC	Anaya Arin
KG	Arna Elias
KQ	Alvin Anika
1/2N	Avarni OJ
1/2R	Layan Sebastian
1/2W	Zavaeha Wasay
1/2Y	Faith David
2/3P	Sierra Daivik
3/4A	Saher Archer
3/4M	Harvey Yaya
3/4T	Elissa Ali
3-6VW	Arohanui
5/6F	Ahmad Sienna
5/6L	David Ravi
5/6SP	Andrew Dylan

Week 5

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KC	Navroop Ana
KG	Kavish Ridhima
KQ	Jarvis Viyan
1/2N	Brinthavi Varkesh
1/2R	Tanviya Pauline
1/2W	Salma Rafael
1/2Y	Spyridon Samantha
2/3P	Lara King Michael
3/4A	Pratheek Sabrina
3/4M	Mahrael Andrew
3/4T	Biaan RJ
3-6VW	Vincent
5/6F	Srithika Keerthan
5/6L	Therese Tyra-Jane
5/6SP	Sanaya Johnathan

Week 6

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KC	Zeyola Ali
KG	Nina Hiaan
KQ	Olivia Raghvi
1/2N	Saharsh Tanzima
1/2R	Leo Mannat
1/2W	Dexter Abiral
1/2Y	Emmanuel Sarva
2/3P	Avery Peyton
3/4A	Lexie Yuvraj
3/4M	Chantelle Dishan
3/4T	Sartaj Veera
3-6VW	Sarah
5/6F	Krishnavi Lauryn
5/6L	Riley Mele
5/6SP	Agastya Aaron





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Award Winners!



Assistant Principal's Awards (3 points)

Kindy Airah
 Year 1 Krishab
 Year 2 These awards will be presented in Week 11
 Year 3 Yaashitha
 Year 4 Chantelle
 Year 5 Pranav
 Year 6 Pauline

Principal's Awards (5 points)

Aditi
 Kehlani
 Eshaani
 Pratheek
 Lucas
 Autumn
 Malakai




Kookaburra Pins



Blue	Faith Hope Wasay	David Saharsh	Safa Zavaeha	Kehlani Salma
Yellow	Sudhiksha Beverley	Samantha	Pauline	Tanzima
Purple	Eshaani			
Orange				
Gold				
Platinum				





3-6VW have returned to school eager to learn this term.

Among other areas we have looked at Australian history, materials in science and instrument classification in music. Last Wednesday afternoon we decided to merge our knowledge to make some unique didgeridoos! Using flexible materials, we made our very own woodwind instruments with Miss McCarthy



HELPING WOMEN TO FIND MEANINGFUL PAID WORK

Step Into Work is a program specially designed for women who want to find meaningful paid work - whether you are seeking employment for the first time, or wish to return to the workforce.

The sessions are led by Step into Work Inc. volunteers with expertise in human resources/recruitment, coaching, planning and stress management.

The program covers practical areas including:

- Matching values, skills and interests to types of work
- Searching and applying for jobs, preparing resumes and cover letters/emails
- Communication skills and interview techniques

It also focuses on building life skills and confidence needed when entering or returning to paid employment:

- Managing the family and work life balance
- Relaxation and stress management
- Developing personal networks and using them effectively

This program is open to women who are able to:

- Understand, read, write and communicate in English without help
- Attend the whole program of 6 sessions

WHERE: Schools as Community Centre, The Meadows Public School, 2C Fuller Street, Seven Hills


WHEN: Monday 5 May to Monday 16 June 2025 (excluding Monday 9 June) (6-week program)

TIME: 9.30am to 12:00pm

CHILD CARE: provided (free)

HOW TO ENROL: Contact Madhur Vani, Local Facilitator, Schools as Community Centre, madhur.vani@det.nsw.edu.au Tel 02 9896 7514

For more information about the program please go to: stepintowork.net



Australian
Air League

NSW Group

JOIN NOW

NSW GROUP IS NOW ENROLLING





Since 1934 the Australian Air League has been teaching young boys and girls nationwide all about aviation, while helping them develop important life skills like leadership, discipline, self confidence and teamwork. When you join the league you will make new friends and take part in fun and exciting activities, on the ground and in the air.

Each week you will attend your local squadron where you will learn valuable skills and take part in fun and interesting activities and classes. Some of our classes include Meteorology, Navigation, Photography and Community Service. Squadrons also attend training camps, sport and recreational days, flying experiences and ceremonial drill.

We welcome boys and girls from the age of 8 years old from all different cultures and backgrounds. Parents and families are welcome to support or even join their local squadron as a volunteer. All adult members and volunteers are Working with Children Checked.


The Australian Air League is running both a fun and educational programme that is making fine citizens out of our young Australians.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE AUSTRALIAN AIR LEAGUE AND YOUR CLOSEST SQUADRON PLEASE CONTACT

www.airleague.com.au Email: info@airleague.com.au

Free Call: 1800 502 175





5/6SP



5/6SP have loved participating in weekly PBL lessons with 5/6F. The students have studied how to form and maintain healthy friendships and learnt about the importance of manners.

5/6SP have displayed wonderful leadership qualities when interacting with their Kindergarten buddies from KG. The students showed their younger peers how to participate in 'Clean Up Australia Day' activities.





5/6SP are enjoying reading the text 'The Wild Robot' by Peter Brown. The students are pictured drawing scenes from the book to help them embed descriptive detail to their own writing. The students are also pictured with a drawing of the robot that they created in writing lessons.



5/6SP have learnt about decimal place value and factors, prime and composite numbers during mathematics lessons. The students can use the online 'Mathletics' program at home. This can help them to solidify their understanding of the content taught in the classroom.



5/6SP are enjoying learning about plant and animal adaptations. The students are fascinated by the structural and behavioural features which have evolved to help different species reproduce and survive in certain environments.



5/6L

**We joined our buddy class KC for
Clean up Australia Day**



5/6L

**5/6L consolidated learning
about place value through some
fun card games**



5/6F enjoy working with their KQ Buddies



5/6F Love PBL Lessons with 5/6SP



Through our PBL lessons we have learnt the importance and qualities of healthy friendships and what good and bad manners look like.

