

Tuesday 20th November Week 6—Term 4

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MAYFIELD MESSENGER

Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 6!

What exciting times we have planned over the coming weeks!

This week our students from K-6 have been working with Healthy Harold on Drug Education over at the Life Education Centre at Edgeworth. This Thursday we have our annual Mini-Fete, with lots of fun activities planned by our entrepreneurial Year 6 students. Tickets for activities can be purchased on the day. There is more information further in the newsletter.

The Callaghan Education Pathways Digital Media Festival is next Thursday 29/11, at Waratah Technology Campus – tickets are \$5 each, or a family for \$15. Tickets are available from our lovely ladies in the front office and at the gate on the night. Please note that our school gets to keep the funds from all ticket sales made here at school – any bought on the night do not go to us, so please buy your tickets here ASAP! It promises to be a great afternoon/night, with lots of great stalls and entertainment. Our Senior Tap Troupe is opening the entertainment for the evening which is very exciting!

CALENDAR

Thursday 22nd Nov:

Year 6 Mini Fete

Tuesday 27th Nov:

P&C AGM plus normal meeting 6pm

Wednesday 28th Nov:

NO RUBBISH Day

Thursday 29th Nov:

Callaghan College Digital Media Festival 4:30pm-9pm

Tickets at the office:-\$5/person OR \$15/family

Friday 30th Nov:

P&C Rainbow Fun Run

Thursday 6th Dec:

- ⇒ School Leaders for 2019 Speeches
- ⇒ Primary Sport Finishes
- ⇒ PLP Yarn evening

The P&C Rainbow Run is taking place next week on Friday 30/11 – the weather forecast so far is looking great -- please support our students through sponsorship from family and friends.

Today your eldest child here at MEPS will bring home a letter about the 'Sentral Parent Portal'. As you may be aware, we use the Sentral system to maintain all our attendance, medical, wellbeing and assessment and reporting records. Sentral is also the system that we use to send SMS to you when your child is absent. From feedback that we've received through surveys, meetings and general chats with our school community, we are working hard to streamline our communication systems so that we have a 'one-stop shop' so to speak, where all information can be found and shared.

As Sentral now has a Parent Portal and an accompanying app, we thought that this would be the natural way to go. Initially for the rest of this year, access will be limited to published school reports; as we start 2019 however, we will cease using SkoolBag and publish notices on the Sentral Parent App instead. In the letter you receive today will be a code which will allow you access to the portal for all of the children in your family. You can go to this site https://www.sentral.com.au/our-products/parents/ to watch a short video on it. I'll post more information throughout the rest of this term and again at the beginning of 2019.

Finally, I have some other important staffing news to make you aware of. Our lovely Mrs Chandy Bradley will be leaving us at the end of 2018 and embarking on some other personal pursuits and dreams. This is a big loss for us but very exciting for Mrs Bradley. We wish her all the very best in her next adventure! Mrs Bradley was going to take one of our Kindergarten 2019 classes – she will be replaced by our clever Mr Dornan who will be teaching Kindergarten alongside Mrs Bailey and Mrs Myers. Teachers of classes Years 1-6 will be finalised in the next few weeks as I await information about staffing.

Have a wonderful week!

Mrs Christie o

SLSP Yarn Evening

On <u>Thursday 6th December</u>, <u>2018</u> at 5pm, we will be having an afternoon session with our Aboriginal students to prepare their Student Learning Support Plans (SLSP) ready for the beginning of the 2019 school year. We will be holding our SLSP session in the school kitchen and will be providing afternoon tea for our families.

Throughout the afternoon we will develop academic, social, physical, cultural and wellbeing goals for learning. Students, parents and teachers will meet and work together on these long and short-term goals. Your child's classroom teacher will be available to discuss possible learning goals with you and your child. We will review these goals next year to ensure a positive transition for your child continues as they move through their year of schooling. We look forward to seeing you on this special afternoon.

Your child will be bringing home a pink note today. Please fill this out and send it back to the office by *Thursday 29th November*, 2018.

Kind Regards, MEPS Aboriginal Education Team

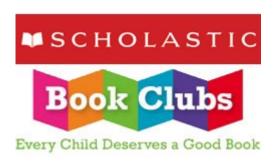
Walk a Mile

Due to small number of students returning their notes and insufficient private transport, we will unfortunately have to cancel the 'Walk a Mile' excursion on Friday 29th November 2018. If you still wish to take your child to this event, please inform the office and your child's teacher. Your child will then be marked as 'School Business'.

Kind regards, ATSI Teachers

Library Stocktake

Just a reminder that the library will be starting the annual stocktake next week. <u>Please ensure that</u> <u>your child returns all books this week</u>. There will be no borrowing until the completion of the stocktake.



All book club orders must be returned to school **no later than Friday 23rd November**. This is the last issue for the year so it's a great opportunity to purchase Christmas presents! Sorry no late orders will be accepted.



On **Thursday 22nd November** the Year 6 students will be running a mini-fete event. This event is held in order to raise money for our Year 6 Farewell, and to purchase a parting gift for the school.

Children can purchase their tickets in lots of \$3 or \$5 (1 ticket = 50c). These can only be purchased

ON THE DAY.

The mini fete will include 14 different stalls with a variety of fun activities to be involved in!



ANZAC Bear

Mayfield East Public School was recently gifted an 'Australia in the Great War' bear.

Our school has been given the bear to help students connect with the stories of service and sacrifice that we commemorate in the Centenary of ANZAC. Ours is currently in the office at the front desk and will be going into classrooms for visits.

A huge thank you to **Peter and Eleanor Huber** who donated the bear.

It's now time to start thinking about how you will prepare your lunch for a rubbish free day. Wednesday the 28th November – MEPS No Rubbish Day

Thank you

Ivy, Momo and the School

Parliament



We can reduce waste by packing Nude Food.

Snacks in reusable containers Drinks in a reusable bottle Reusable utensils when needed A reusable lunchbox or backpack

Avoid

- ✗ Food packed in plastic bags, cling film or foil
- ✗ Single-use drink boxes, cans, cartons and bottles
- ✗ Single-use forks and spoons
- Y Pre-packaged or single serve food items

NO RUBBISH DAY

Why is M.E.P.S. having a 'No Rubbish Day'? We have rubbish all over the school and our planet. Having a day without rubbish will reduce the amount of waste produced, therefore helping the environment. This important day will be held on **Wednesday the 28th November.**

So what do we do on 'No Rubbish Day'?

What you do is you get food without packaging and bring it to school. The packaging is constantly blowing all around the playground and not many people take the time to clean it up. On this day we will be collecting all the rubbish and trying to see if we can have no rubbish sent to landfill on this day!



ASSEMBLY AWARDS



















Mayfield East P&C

Volunteering at the Fun Run! Friday 30th November

Ability Links "Including You Tent"

We need 4 volunteers to help with this valuable resource. The volunteers will:

meet with Mrs Sophie Bailey and the Ability Links group at 1pm

help setup the tent

ensure equipment is safe

ensure children are in there with a supervising adult (children can only access the tent with a teacher/ SLSO or a parent/carer)

not be required to supervise the children

Need to have filled out an Appendix 5—Declaration for Volunteers as require by the DoE

The Including You initiative is to promote social inclusion supporting the ability of some children to participate more fully in community events, and to raise disability awareness within the community. The tent onsite at the fun run will provide a 'safe space' for children who may be overwhelmed by sensory input.

Fun Run Helpers

On the day we need some folks to come and help with:

Preparing water stations
Filling water balloons
soaking the kids at fun run (we have the super soakers etc!)
help teachers to manage the kids in lines etc
hand out refreshments (water, ice blocks)

To offer to help, email magdamycak@yahoo.com.au

A huge, massive thank you to P&C member (and kindy mum) Magda Mycak for donating her time and energy. Also a big thanks to Shane for helping her as well! The event would not happen without these two amazing people.

Annual General Meeting and Committee Elections

Tuesday 27th November 2018, 6-7pm

(short regular meeting afterwards)

All positions are vacant and we seek interested folks to be part of our growing and vibrant P and C. The main work of the P and C is fundraising and providing volunteer support for school events.

All new members will be supported by existing members. There is plenty of help and guidance – none of us knew how to run a P&C when we started. It is a fun and interesting community activity.

The committee would benefit from new members who have:

Passion for meeting other parents and helping our amazing school

Want to meet other families within the school

Energy and interest in working to put on fundraising events

Want to lend a hand to help at events

Marketing or event management experience

A knack for getting people together to help our school community

We will be electing:

President	manages meetings Fostering fair participation of all members Welcoming new members Supporting volunteers adhere to constitution communication with Principal signatory on the Association's bank accounts
Secretary	Prepare meeting agendas Take notes and write minutes Maintain member lists + attendance Maintains constitution and incorporation
Vice President	Performs duties of president if president is absent
Treasurer	Receive and deposit money Maintains records Manages distribution of funds as deemed by P &C Sending documents for audit once a year
Fund raising coordinator	Assists with planning of fund raising calendar Supports volunteers who are running individual events

Mayfield East Public School P & C

P&C Facebook page

New parents, join the Facebook page. Handy reminders about things happening at school, information about school matters, contact with other parents. Follow us at: https://www.facebook.com/MayfieldEastPandC/

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Friday 30th November 1.50pm P & C Fundraising Event

Sponsorship forms sent home with each child.

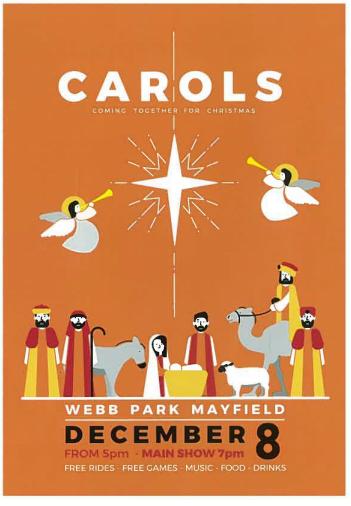
Please return sponsorship by Wednesday 28th November.

Prizes! Fun! Ice blocks!

Last Wednesday Stage 1 participated in a **Basketball Clinic**. Our students really enjoyed learning new skills and are looking forward to their next two sessions on Wednesday 21st and 28th November. Great work everyone!







We had a great time using up our abundant harvest of cabbages from the school garden. We made Okonomiyaki and it was delicious! I've included the recipe below. Don't forget you can vary this recipe as much as you like, try different toppings or sauces. The limit is your imagination!



Holiday chicken carers

We are looking for holiday chicken carers for our summer holidays. If you are interested in helping these holidays, we would love the assistance. We will need lots of helpers during this long break! If you are a regular holiday carer and want to assist or if you would like to try for the first time please let me know. I'll make up a roster in the coming weeks so our chickies will have a lovely holiday too. If you are able to assist please see Mrs Lendich or email claire.lendich@det.nsw.edu.au.

Mrs Claire Lendich SAKG Program Coordinator



Okonomiyaki

Ingredients:

- ⇒ ¼ large cabbage
- \Rightarrow 1 cup flour
- \Rightarrow 1 & 1/3 cups water
- \Rightarrow 2 eggs
- ⇒ 1 teaspoon dashi powder
- ⇒ Oil
- ⇒ 1 spring onion, sliced thinly (save for garnish)
- ⇒ Barbeque Sauce
- ⇒ Japanese Mayonnaise

Method

- 1. Finely slice cabbage. After slicing, bruising it by squeezing in your hands also helps soften it.
- 2. Mix flour, water, eggs in a large mixing bowl. Mix in dashi powder then add cabbage and combine well.
- 3. Heat a little oil in a frypan. Spoon Cabbage batter into the frypan, to make a circle about 22cm across and 1.5cm thick.
- 4. Make sure there's enough batter to hold it together. Neaten the edges by using a spatula to push in the edges and any cabbage or batter that's sticking out.
- 5. Cook over med-low heat about 5 min. Flip, then cook another 3-5 min. When cooked through, turn onto a plate.
- 6. Spread sauce generously on top. Decorate with spring onions, mayonnaise and barbeque sauce.