



Mount Lewis Infants School Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 4

22 May 2018

CALENDAR - TERM 2 2018

NOTES AND MONEY DUE

Date	Time & Event
Mon 28 May	Premier's Sporting Challenge Begins x10
Fri 1 June	9:10am Community Workshop- Writing
Wed 13 June	Krispy Kreme Drive Delivery
Mon 11 June	Public Holiday

Krispy Kreme Orders due 28/05/18

Please donate a tissue box or 2 if you can...thank you

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Parents and Carers,

The colder weather has finally arrived. The mornings are certainly fresh and crisp. Be assured the classrooms are warm and cosy for the students so if they have a jacket on top of the school jacket please write their name in it and remind them to take it off once they get inside.

This term we are offering a number of parent workshops to increase involvement and understanding between school and home. As per the survey last year, and in consultation with the

P&C most of the meetings are run first thing in the morning. So far we have had excellent attendance and feedback from those that have come along. Thank you for making the time, we know it makes a big difference to us working in partnership to educate your child.

Upcoming workshop is next Friday with Mrs Milic on 'Writing'-hope to see you there.

The Mother's Day Stall was run beautifully by

P&C. As you can see from the photos the stall looked lovely and the children had a great shopping experience. It was very heartening to see how staff and parents encouraged students to make their



own choice about a gift and work out how much money they had and what they could afford. The whole experience is very empowering for children because mostly we decide for them. I hope the gifts that came home brightened up your day.



Fundraising and Community Participation:



At the last P&C meeting, it was discussed that our school is now part of a new Network. We are now in the 'Chullora' Network with 19 other schools. We also have a new Director that will be looking after us. His name is Mr Andrew Fielding. He came in for a visit to get to know the school and I introduced him to some of the parents in the Community room. To our surprise he came back the next day and enjoyed a sausage sizzle that was prepared by the P&C and volunteers. Mr Fielding has expressed an interest at being involved with our school and

dropping in at least twice a term. I will notify the community when he is attending a P&C meeting in the future.

Thank You



As I mentioned in the opening of the Newsletter, the workshops have been well attended and the one on Transition to Yr3 was very informative. Please start thinking about where you want your child to go for Yr3 and begin the process of finding/applying/researching.

~Kinder 2019~ if you or a friend have a child ready to start school next year, please come to the office to get enrolment started. The sooner the better!

PBL NEWS & THIS WEEK'S SCHOOL VALUE

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is our school program that aims to help in creating safe, effective teaching and learning environments. For more information on PBL go to <http://www.pbl.schools.nsw.edu.au/about-pbl/>




This week's school value is:

CONFIDENCE

At MLIS we show confidence through:

- working with others
- trying our best
- sharing our understanding

In every Newsletter, the table below will have the names of the children receiving PBL awards. If you see your child's name in the table, you will know that they will be presented with that award at the following Monday's assembly. We take a photo of the group and it will be published in the Newsletter the following week. Parents/Carers are welcome to the assembly. The following awards will be given out on **Monday 28 May** at the morning assembly.

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	MEDALLION
Jana 1/2E	Moustafa 1A Madina 1A	Eesa 1/2E	



Congratulations to the award winner from week 2, well done.

CLASS NEWS ~KY~

Every fortnight there will be a feature class in this section. The photos and the information will match the foyer display.



This week K Yellow have been very busy bees.

They have been exploring 2D shapes over the last week and learning to make pictures and designs using a range of shapes.

K Yellow have also been working very hard in writing lessons and have created a short story to describe their pictures.

This is excellent work and a beautiful display KY, thank you very much.



KY have displayed some writing samples to match their work.

Developing writing in young children is a very tricky thing. Teachers spend a lot of time modelling and scaffolding students so they can be confident to write independently. Support teachers assist in the process by providing small group and individual attention to students. How can you help at home?

Next Community workshop is on 'Writing'. Mrs Milic is presenting this on Friday 1/06/18 in the library from 9:10am. Come along for a better understanding of the writing process and great tips for helping at home. All welcome.

PLEASE NOTE: P&C MEETING CANCELLED-

The next P&C meeting was to be held on Friday 1 June (Term 2) at 9:15am, however this has been cancelled.

Mini-Canteen Menu for this Friday 25/05/18

Chocolate custard \$1

Mini Cakes \$1

Popcorn \$1

Mandarins 50c



Sizzling away on the barbecue-delicious sausages. So good to see smiling volunteers, even on a cold, windy day.

Thank you!

Next Fundraiser is the Krispy Kreme Drive-look for the order form today!!

This article appeared in 'The Australian' newspaper on the 18/05/18.

I wanted to share it with you as a reminder of how important it is students attend school every day they can. Regularly being late and/or leaving school early also is detrimental to students learning and wellbeing.

Parents to blame for rise in absenteeism

Absenteeism in primary school is rising across the country and the blame is being levelled at families holidaying during term and parents allowing children to stay at home when they are well.

Government primary school students are missing between 11 and 19 days of school a year on average, and absenteeism rose in every state except Western Australia between 2016 and 2017.

South Australia and the Northern Territory posted the weakest attendance rates during 2017. South Australian children in state primary schools missed close to 17 days on average, while in WA, the average primary student missed more than 30 days.

Queensland parents taking children out of school for holidays

accounted for 317,860 missed days in the year to July 2017. NSW and Victorian schools had the highest attendance rates, but still averaged about 15 days lost per student.

Victorian Education Minister James Merlino said medical reasons, family holidays and parental choice accounted for a slight rise in absenteeism in primary and secondary schools, and it was expected to rise again next year.

"To get a great education, we want students to attend school each and every day," he said. "While I understand parents may take their kids on a special family holiday, and they can be additional learning experiences in themselves, it's important they are kept to a minimum."

SAMANTHA HUTCHINSON


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DRIVING OFFENCES IN SCHOOL ZONES

Disobey 'No Parking' Sign

DROP OFF & PICK-UP ONLY

- ONLY stop to drop off or pick up
- Stay within **3 meters** of your car
- Stay less than **2 minutes**

8^{am}-9³⁰^{am}
2³⁰-4^{pm}
SCHOOL DAYS

Fine = \$183*
& Lose 2 Points

'KISS & DROP' ZONE

Section 158 Road Rules 2014



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Child or Passenger Not Restrained
(Not wearing a seat belt or not in a child seat)

Sections 265, 266, 267 Road Rules 2014

Fine = \$439*
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Driver Uses Mobile Phone When Not Allowed by Law
DO NOT talk, text or view your phone while driving.

Section 300 Road Rules 2014

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Section 167 Road Rules 2014

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-PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE POSTERS.

DO NOT GET CAUGHT PAYING BIG FINES AND LOSING POINTS-

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