



# meadowbank Matters

Term 2 Week 3

Tuesday 10 May 2011

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Diary Dates	MAY	Diary Dates	MAY/JUNE
10 – 12 May	NAPLAN Years 3 & 5	20 – Friday	Walk to School Day
11 - Wednesday	Book Club due	24 – Tuesday	UNSW Computer Test 8am
12 - Thursday	Whole school photo taken	25 – Wednesday	Zone Cross Country Carnival
13 – Friday	Principal's Morning Tea	1 – Wednesday	Voices for Reconciliation
17 – Tuesday	P&C Meeting 7.30pm	2 - Thursday	School Disco
		6- Monday	Athletics Carnival

## Weekly Merit Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Weekly Merit Awards

Bidgee	Tao Tao Fang, Malakai Brophy
Bowden	Joden Speers, Ainslie Hudson
Bradley	Tom Ryan, Liam Styles
Shepherd	Harrison Papadimitriou, Ella Booth
Squire	Luke Smyth, Taylor Leesong
Thorn	Tayla Ferrett, Chan Song Kim
Whitton	Patrick Apacway, Gabriel Ward

## Principal's Report

We will be having a whole school photograph taken on Thursday. This was originally to be taken on our photo day but due to the inclement weather it was postponed until this week. Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform.

At this stage of the year we start to move to wearing our winter uniform. We encourage all students to wear the school uniform with pride each day. Please note that students are not permitted to wear coloured jumpers or jackets. Unfortunately, with winter upon us, we have quite a collection of unnamed sweaters in lost property already. Please make sure your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name.

This week we will be commencing an Ethics class. At this stage due to the limitations of space and the trial nature of the class it will be run for students in years 5- 6 who do not currently attend scripture. During this time students cover lessons from the UNESCO 'Learning to Be' program, and will usually cover one value per term.

Term 2, 2011 – Valuing our Environment

Term 3, 2011 - Citizenship

Thank you to Karishma Desai who has assisted in getting this class up and running. We are stretched for space but depending on the success of this class we would like to perhaps extend this further in the future.

Well done and thank you to Louise Moore and Megan Hudson for organising the wonderful Mother's Day Stall. I'm sure that there were lots of very happy Mothers on the weekend.

Jenni Cope - Principal

## Year 5 Application for entry to 2012 opportunity class

A letter has been sent home to all Year 4 parents regarding this. All applications must be completed by Friday 20th May 2011. The online application will be available from the Monday 9th May 2010 on the internet [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement). Parents who do not have internet access and wish to make an application can contact the school within the correct timeframe.

## 3-6 Camp Reminder

The deposit for the 3 - 6 camp is due this Friday. Please send this in by the morning session. After Friday we will be confirming with the camp the final numbers of students attending.

## 2011 NAPLAN Test

The NAPLAN tests are being conducted for Years 3 and 5 students this week. Students sat the Language and Writing tests today. The reading will take place on Wednesday and Numeracy on Thursday.

## Cross Country Success

We were so lucky to be able to hold our cross country carnival last week. Although cloudy and cool the conditions were ideal for running. Well done to all of our students who had a go! We are very proud of all students' participation on the day. Thank you to Mr Oddy and Miss Ko for their organisation and for the last minute changes that had to be made to the course. Thank you to the parents who helped out at different stations throughout the course. It was also wonderful to see so many parents attend to support our students.

### Orchestra News

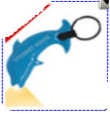
Rehearsal Wednesday morning **8am START!**

### Recorders News

Rehearsal **Recess Wednesday**, please come with your recorder, music and recess.

## STEWART HOUSE DAY

Friday 13th May 2011



During this week, SRC members will be selling a limited number of Stewart House dolphins for \$2 each and wristbands for \$1 each. Today all students will also be given a Stewart House envelope to take home. Families can return the envelope with a \$2 (or more) donation. Please return all donations to school by **13<sup>th</sup> May 2011**. Thank you for your support.

### Chess Club

Last Friday Meadowbank team A played Meadowbank team B in the first round of chess club for this year. We were represented by Taylor and Nelson Leesong, Ania Moxon, Robert Zhang, Dina Zounis, Matthew Lee and Dharmesh Desai. All students fought out some tough matches.

Thank you.

Mr O'Keefe & Miss Lambert

### Book Club

Last orders are due by **tomorrow, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May**. Post them in the box with name and class on the front. Thank you.

Megan

### P and C News

Our P and C meeting is next week Tuesday 17 May. We look forward to seeing parents attend on this evening

### Mothers Day Stall

A huge thank you for all the support for our stall last Wednesday. We raised \$1200 for the school and could not have done it without the fabulous donations. A special mention to Kerrie Delaney for her beautiful hand-made gifts and cards and to all those crafty ones who hand-made their donations. We could not have run the stall without Kiyomi Harris and Moale O'Connor!! We hope all the mums had a great day on Sunday.

Louise Moore & Megan Hudson

### Winter Uniforms

Please note that students will return to school in Term 2 wearing winter uniform. The girls' winter uniform is now available for \$55.00 from the uniform shop. All other winter items are also available at excellent prices.

Some good quality (very cheap) second hand clothing is also available. The uniform shop is open

each Thursday morning or you can send in orders which will be sent home with your child or can be picked up at the office.

### Cookbook News

The Recipe gathering begins .....

Meadowbank P&C are publishing a cook book for distribution in Term 4. We can't do it on our own and need your help! If every family could contribute at least two recipes (or more) we will have plenty of choice. We only require recipes, there will be no cooking involved. The theme is multi-cultural so all recipes will be well received and encouraged. Where recipes are received for the same dish, this will work on a first in first serve basis - so get in early! Also, any history on why the recipe is special to you would also be great to hear about. Where possible, recipes should be emailed to [champions39@optusnet.com.au](mailto:champions39@optusnet.com.au) or handwritten recipes can be handed to Maree in the canteen. Please see the attachment to this newsletter for further information. Leanne Black.