



Meadowbank Matters

Term 3- Week 4

12 August 2010

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Diary Dates	AUGUST		AUGUST/SEPT
13 th Friday	Final Payment Due for Camp Payment Due Yr 1 & 2 Excursion	20 th – Friday	Yr 1 & 2 Excursion – Powerhouse Museum
16 th – 20 th August 17 th - Tuesday	Science Week UNSW Maths Test 8:00am P & C MEETING - 7:30pm	1 st – 3 rd Sept	CAMP – Canberra Trip
19 th - Thursday	Science Fair 1.45 – 2.45pm		

Weekly Merit Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Weekly Merit Awards for *Maths*.

Bidgee	Gina Alderton & Gemma Alderton
Bowden	Sophie Brien & Nevaeh Wacando
Bradley	Andrew Emerson & Harrison Papadimitriou
Shepherd	Kalindu Dahanayake & Ashley Park
Squire	Joshua Wang & Sophie Wilkinson
Whitton	Robert Zhang & Rebecca Bell

Student of the Week: Liam Styles

For: Cooperation, helpfulness and friendliness

Eliza Ward, Taylor Forrest, Kalindu Dahanayake, Luke Smyth, Matthew Waibel, Brendan McCorquodale.

Library News

The book fair was a great success. Over \$3000 worth of books were purchased which allowed the school to buy lots of new books for the library. Thank you to all the generous parents and friends who donated a book to the library. Well done to all the children who created a poster or model to celebrate Book Week. Their work is on display in the library. A reminder to all children who have a library loan bag, please return the bag as soon as possible.

Ms Imseih - Library Teacher

Premier's Spelling Bee

Stage 2 and Stage 3 students are invited to enter the Premier's Spelling Bee.

There are two divisions in the Spelling Bee:

- Junior for Years 3 / 4
- Senior for Years 5 / 6

The competition will consist of a written test of 50 words selected from the general list (provided to students entering the competition) with the top spellers in each division going on to a school final. Finalists will orally spell 10 words in front of a class, with our top two spellers in each division going on to represent the school in the regional final. Testing will be held during the week beginning **August 23**. The regional final will be held at Epping Public School on Monday 13 September, 2010.

If you would like your child to enter the Premier's Spelling Bee, please complete the slip below and return to the office. There is no cost involved. Word lists will be given to interested students.

Vanessa Roach

My child _____ of Class _____ would like to enter the Premier's Spelling Bee.

Signed _____

Date _____

What a success we had last week with our Open day. I trust that you all enjoyed the visits to the classes and the wonderful performances. It truly was a day which highlighted the wonderful achievements that our students are making every day in their classrooms.

Another showcase of what students and teachers are doing will be our Science Fair next Thursday during Science Week.

Through the teaching of science we aim to engage our students in active, interesting and meaningful learning. We aim to improve student vocabulary and literacy skills by enhancing the diversity of experiences that we present to students. I hope that you will join us on Thursday for our Science Fair.

Jenni Cope - Principal

Athletics Congratulations

Athletics congratulations to the following students who represented our school so well this week on Monday and Tuesday at the Zone Athletics Carnival. They can be very proud of their achievements, participation and exemplary behaviour.

Johan Trujillo, Annika Wilkinson, Tom Waibel, Madeline Sewell, Tayla Ferrett, Jessica Ellis, Alex Black, Cooper Black, William Crawford, Jarad Davie, Ania Moxon, Tom McDermott, Matthew Lee, Katie Anagnostopoulos, Ethan Lewis, Jenni Zoue, Alex Lee, Zoe Mills, Lexie Archer, Emilio Didlick, EJ Reed, Summer Webb, Allie Hwang, Gus Standen, Erin Davie, Robert Zhang, Ciara Kennedy, Dina Zounis, Sophie Wilkinson, Neha Vinodh,



The purpose of the Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge (RFLC) is to encourage students and teachers to take small steps to reduce their impact on the environment through waste avoidance, waste reduction and recycling, both at school and at home. The main focus of the Challenge will be on packaging from school lunches; why packaging in general has an adverse impact on the natural environment, and creative ways students can reduce, reuse and recycle packaging from their lunches. The Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge will also give schools a greater understanding of the amount and type of waste generated by student lunches.

Starting this week, our school will be participating in the Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge promoted by Sydney Northern Region and Ryde Council.

Some students from Thorn and the year 2/3 Environmental Studies Enrichment Group will be conducting our first audit by collecting, sorting and recording the type and weight of rubbish produced during recess and lunch on one chosen day of the week. During the next two weeks students will be encouraged to bring fruit and food requiring minimum wrapping.

During the week starting 30th August, students will conduct a second audit to see how much rubbish we have reduced.

There are prizes of up to \$700 for schools reducing the most rubbish, per capita and of course we are aiming to win one of these prizes!!

Come and Try AFL at Meadowbank

Public School, Thistle St, Ryde.

Wednesday's 18 August until 15

September

3:15pm to 4:15pm

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The cost of \$40 includes:

~ Weekly program with AFL coaches

~ AFL backpack (includes football, drink bottle, cap, CD ROM & much more)

TO REGISTER

Online – playafl.com.au>enter postcode >'Come & try AFL – Meadowbank Community Centre'; or

Email – Kieran.donohue@aflnswact.com.au

or call Kieran on 0423417683

Payment can be made online or at first session to coaches.

Canteen News

I would like to thank everyone who helped out in the Canteen on Open Day. Your help was very much appreciated.

Due to a price increase of Piranha Chips they will now sell for **90c** not 80c.

We have two new products available:

Skins Potato Chips – Honey Sweet Chicken - 90c ea

Cheesters Cheese and Bacon Balls - 60c ea

Both these items come under the Healthy Canteen guidelines.

Maree Forrest - Canteen Coordinator