

# Metella Road Public School

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Term 2 - Week 4

Monday, 15 May 2017

## Calendar

### What's On

#### Term 2, Week 4

Monday 15 May	'Power of One' Anti-bullying Show
Tuesday, 16 May	K-6 Assembly @ 2:00pm
Wednesday, 17 May	Parents Auxiliary Meeting @ 2:00pm
Thursday, 18 May	Interrelate – Family Evening @ 6:00pm
Friday, 19 May	Parent Workshop - Building a Stronger Relationship with your child

#### Term 2, Week 5

Tuesday, 23 May	ICAS Digital Technologies Competition Year 6 Cake Stall
Wednesday, 24 May	Pulse Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, 25 May	Kindergarten Incursion – Travelbugs
Friday, 26 May	'Sorry Day'

#### Term 2, Week 6

Monday, 29 May	Year 6 - Interrelate
Tuesday, 30 May	ICAS Science Competition
Thursday, 1 June	Parent Workshop – Maths TEN

#### Term 2, Week 7

Monday, 29 May	Year 6 – Interrelate
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## Principal's Message

*"The only way to do great work is to love what you do."* (Steve Jobs)

I love this quote! I honestly feel this way about our great school. I am very fortunate to have a fantastic team that help me bring out the best in our students and a community that is at the very heart of the school. Great students, great staff and a great community – it is very easy to love my job.

### Tell Them From Me Survey Results

At the end of last term our students participated in the *Tell Them From Me* survey. This survey measures indicators based on the most recent research on school and classroom effectiveness. Mostly our results were on par with the NSW Government norm and are shown in the tables below.

Activity – Social Emotional Outcomes	School	NSW Government Norm
Student participation in school sports	81%	83%
Student participation in extracurricular activities	51%	55%
Students with a positive sense of belonging	80%	81%
Students with positive relationships	83%	85%
Students that value student outcomes	92%	96%
Students with positive homework behaviours	70%	63%
Students with positive behaviour at school	85%	83%
Students who are interested and motivated	77%	78%
Students who try hard to succeed in their learning	91%	88%

Activity – Drivers of Student Outcomes	School	NSW Government Norm
Effective learning time <i>Class time is used efficiently</i>	8.5 /10	8.2 /10
Relevance <i>Classroom instruction is relevant to their everyday lives</i>	8.1/10	7.9/10
Rigour <i>The classroom is well</i>	8.4/10	8.2/10

<i>organised with a clear purpose and immediate and appropriate feedback that helps students to learn</i>		
Advocacy at school <i>Students feel they have someone at school who consistently provides encouragement</i>	8.0/10	7.7/10
Positive teacher-student relationships	8.8/10	8.4/10
Positive learning climate	7.1/10	7.2/10
Expectations for success	9/10	8.7/10
Students who are victims of bullying	33%	36%

Overall we are very happy with our results as they indicate that our student population is engaging in their schooling and enjoying school life. However, there is always scope for improvement and our staff will continue to work with our students to maximise their learning potential and improve student learning outcomes.



**Extra-Curricular Activities**

Our school vision “to become a centre of excellence, challenging children of all abilities to attain their highest level of achievement in academic, cultural and sporting pursuits” has been taken to a new level this term with the

introduction of a **school band** and the **Fun Do Kids STEM challenge**.

**Fun Do Kids** commenced at the school in Week 1 with a free trial class. This program, for students from Years 2 to 6, uses Lego Education to expose students to the principles of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics through exploring and building models making use of basic mechanisms such as gears, pulleys, wheels, axels and inclined planes. The program is run in 6D’s classroom from 3:15pm-4:45pm on Tuesday afternoons.

**School Band is coming!** This coming Thursday, Cool Kids Music will commence band and band tutorials in the School Hall from 1:00pm. We are very excited by the program and are looking forward to seeing our school band develop and perform over the year.

**Fire Brigade visit**

As part of our STEM Challenge with Fun Do Kids we were very fortunate to have the NSW Fire Brigade visit our school to talk to our students. A very special thanks to Andrew Low, Station Officer, Seven Hills B Platoon and his team for taking the time to discuss bush fires and their impact on the community and the fire brigade. The students thoroughly enjoyed getting to see the fire truck up close and all the components.



**NAPLAN**

Congratulations to all our Year 3 and Year 5 students that completed the NAPLAN assessments last week. You gave it your best and followed our school’s motto to Aim High! We are proud of each and every one of you!

**Parent Workshops** – Building a stronger relationship with your child.

Please take a look at the information contained later in this newsletter about upcoming parent workshops. There are a

number of different topics and we are holding them at different times over the next two terms.

Mr P. D'Ermilio  
Principal

### Deputy Principal's Report

*"Everyone is a genius. But if you judge a fish on its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing it is stupid."*  
(Albert Einstein)

What a wonderful start we have had to Term 2 that culminated in the Mother's Day Breakfast last Friday morning! It was wonderful to see so many mums, their children, friends, grandparents and even a few dads enjoy breakfast at the school. By far, it was our biggest Mother's Day Breakfast we have ever held. A massive thank you to our staff for their outstanding organisation and food preparation! An album has been created and can be viewed on our Facebook page.



### Deputy Principal's Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved their Deputy Principal's Award this term:

Caitlin 2E	Mit 1B
Xianna 6C	Erin 2M
Nijahn 6C	Kiera 5T
Anish 5/6S	Sarjna 1L
Connor 3F	Liesel 6D
Mia 3A	Iksha 2E
Sharika 1L	Bellany 3D
Jake 3A	Darien 3D
Nivethan 3A	Charlotte 3H
Haylee 5/6S	Oshadee 2M
Keshika 3D	Levi 3H
Tanish 6C	Noah 1E
Joseph 3A	Dhanush 3H
Sasha 6D	Amelia 4H
Naaz 6C	Derek 1E
Jialin 4G	Krish 1E
Joseph 4H	Sanjana 1/2J
Brianna 5W	Nishal 1B
Luka 4H	Ashwarya 1E
Marianne 6D	Ritikka 5W
Varuni 1/2J	Mitchell 3F
Naruma 1B	Talia 3F
Annabelle 3F	Arooran 4G
Melike 5W	Keith 6D
Calysta 1R	Emily 4G
Chrisoula 5W	Rachel 1E
Emily 5/6S	Jonathan 1L
Sakeena 1E	

### Lost Property and School Uniform

With the weather cooling down, more jumpers are appearing around the school and this means that our lost property is building up. The school no longer has "lost property" baskets. Rather, the teachers on duty under the COLA areas collect the lost clothing and make announcements before the students return to class. Therefore, all items need to be clearly labelled (including drink bottles and lunch boxes). Any unlabelled items that are not claimed by the end of the week are either donated to Stewart House (non-school wear clothing) or to the second-hand clothing shop.

Wearing our Metella Road Public School uniform, including our school jacket and winter pants is an expression of pride in our school. Hoodies are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn. Tights and skivvies should not be worn under our uniform either. The school offers a range of warm clothing as part of the uniform, and these items should be worn.

### Keep in Touch

Finally, remember to check Facebook, the school App and our website to keep up-to-date with current information.

Mrs N. Parker  
Deputy Principal

### From the Office

We hope our parents are enjoying the convenience of paying for school activities by Parent Online Payments (POP). Just a reminder that any payment made after 6:00pm nightly is not included in the next day's payment summary; therefore you need to adhere to the cut off dates for activities to avoid your child missing any activity.

**It is extremely important to remember to send all signed permission slips back to school.** Whether paying by cash, POP or credit card, a payment does not automatically constitute permission to participate in an event. All money should come to school in an envelope with your child's name, class and amount clearly written on the front. Please remember to sign and return all permission notes with your payment, as permission is always needed for your child to participate in any activity. Envelopes should be placed in the 'office mail box' located in the front office. Please also remember '**NO MONEY ON FRIDAYS**'.

Stewart House Clothing Appeal  
2017

Bags were sent home last term.

We hope you have had an opportunity to fill this bag with good, clean, wearable clothes (suitable for adults and children), accessories and manchester you no longer require. Please return bags to the school library before Wednesday 24 May.



Mrs C. Ryan  
School Administration Manager

### Kindergarten News

Congratulations to the Kindergarten students for a great start to Term 2. It is wonderful to see the students so motivated and ready for a busy and productive term. They are applying themselves well and are continuing to make improvements across a range of areas.

The Kindergarten students are learning lots of new and exciting things this term. We are enjoying learning about and exploring different types of mini-beasts. We have been discussing and writing about many things including what they look like, what they eat and where they live.

Later on this term we will be having our *Travelbugs* incursion. An education officer will be visiting our school and will provide the students with an interesting and entertaining lesson about mini-beasts. They will also have the opportunity to learn about and interact with a range of mini-beasts. We are looking forward to it.

Mrs S. Larobina  
Instructional Leader

### Stage 1 News

Our students in Stage 1 have had a great start to Term 2. They have all returned rejuvenated and ready to aim high and challenge themselves to reach their learning goals.

This term, in English, we are exploring the concept of Journeys. Using lots of quality texts in modelled reading, students are investigating the different journeys that many characters go through, focusing on the literary devices that authors use to show change and growth. In writing, students are composing texts for a variety of purposes, aiming to entertain, persuade or inform their readers on a range of topics. In speaking and listening, students are encouraged to express their point of view on the topic of Journeys, engaging in both formal and informal presentations about memorable journeys or changes they have personally experienced.

In Mathematics, students have been building and developing their number sense. They have been looking at how numbers are made up of hundreds, tens and ones, and using this knowledge when dealing with money. Our students have been learning lots of different addition and subtraction strategies, finding the most efficient way to add and subtract. They have also been learning all about the different seasons, months and dates. Students have thoroughly enjoyed learning all about gathering information and recording the data as tally marks or as a picture graph.

This term in Geography, we are learning about "Aboriginal Connections". We have been busy mapping the land that belonged to the Dharug nation, on which our school is situated on. Students are learning all about Dreamtime stories and the importance of land and country.

In Science and Technology, Year 1 are learning about the chemical changes that food can undergo by being heated or cooled, in the unit "Spot the Difference". Year 2 are learning all about animals that can be found in and around the school, in the unit "Schoolyard Safari". They have been having a wonderful time looking at lots of creepy crawlies that are found at our school!

In Personal Development and Health, students are learning all about growth and change, as well as participating in anti-bullying lessons. These lessons are incredibly valuable and students are learning so much through role play and peer discussions.

During this term and next term, the school will be providing parents with the opportunity to attend parent workshops. Some of these workshops will be looking specifically at learning in the early years – please stay tuned for the dates and information.

Mrs L. Bartlett & Ms J. Minenko  
Stage 1 Supervisors

### Stage 2 News

A big welcome back for Term 2! It looks set to be another productive and event-filled term.

I would like to start off by saying that I am looking forward to working with Stage 2 this term after Mrs Adam's departure to Punchbowl Public School. Stage 2 staff and students wish Mrs Adams well at her new school. The Stage 2 team also welcomes Mrs Williams who has taken over 3A this term.

Thank you to the many parents who attended last term's parent teacher interviews. The success of our students is a partnership, so taking the time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress is greatly appreciated.

Last week, students in Year 3 completed NAPLAN tests. These tests assess the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. Results of NAPLAN tests will be received later in the year.

Many students in Years 3 and 4 are participating in M-League, Metella Road Public School's annual football competition. Matches are played at recess times. Students require a school hat to participate on the back field. Finals matches will be held in Week 8, so stay tuned for the teams competing.

Year 3 and 4 students also participated in the long-awaited Cross Country Carnival. It was great to see so many students take part and earn house points, whether they ran or walked the track.

The Metella Road Public School P&C Committee held our Mother's Day Stall last week. Stage 2 students were eager to purchase their mothers a small gift to celebrate the day. The Mother's Day Breakfast was also very well-attended. Thanks to all the mothers for your support of our students and I hope you all had a lovely day with your family.

Miss Y. Moulakas  
Stage 2 Supervisor

### Stage 3 News

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope everyone enjoyed a safe and relaxing break with family. So much is already happening this term for Stage 3 and it has only just begun!

Year 6 Shirts are due to arrive anytime now. When they arrive they will be distributed to the students who have ordered them. We can not wait to see them on!

On Monday 8 May, Stage 3 students were lucky enough to have a visit from the local Fire Brigade to discuss important information that is related to their Geography unit for this term – Bushfires. Students were able to ask lots of questions of the Station Officer and his team and have a tour through and around the fire truck. Thank you to Mrs Davies for organising this visit for the stage and to the local Fire Brigade for coming out to speak with the students.

Thank you to all of the Year 6 families who donated supplies towards the Year 6 Easter Raffle. We really appreciate your support. Year 6 students did a great job selling the raffle tickets before school as well as during recess and lunch times in the lead up to the Easter Hat Parade. We were able to give away over 20 prizes for the raffle which was a fantastic effort! Thank you to the Stage 3 teachers and Mrs Gauci for organising the Easter basket prizes.

Year 6 students will begin the Interrelate – Moving into the Teen Years program this term, beginning in Week 6 for four weeks. These sessions form an important part of the Personal Development and Health curriculum and all Year 6 students are strongly encouraged to attend. Notes regarding permission and payment for these sessions have been sent home and need to be returned to the office as soon as possible. The P&C have kindly subsidised the cost of this program for another year.

The Stage 3 Maths Olympiad team have begun training for their first competition test this month. We wish them all well and thank Miss Thomas for giving up her time to work with these students to assist them in practising for the competition.

Over the past two weeks, Year 6 students have been selling raffle tickets for the Mother's Day Raffle that was organised by the P&C. This raffle was drawn at the Mother's Day breakfast and proceeds from this raffle will be split between Year 6 fundraising and the P&C. We appreciate the generosity of the P&C with their contribution to our fundraising efforts. Year 6 students will also be holding a cake stall on Tuesday 23 May to continue fundraising for their end of year function. Notes will be sent home advertising this closer to the date.

We look forward to another busy and productive term. As always, if you have any concerns regarding Stage 3 matters please speak to a Stage 3 teacher or Assistant Principal.

Mrs A Saad and Ms S Curran  
Stage 3 Supervisors



What a great start to library this term. Kindergarten have been very busy learning about Alison Lester. They have also been learning about mapping using Duplo Lego to make 3D maps and developing their understanding of a "birds eye view". Stage 1 have been learning about how to write a review. Stage 2 are learning about special places in Australia and how to write factual blurbs. Later in the term their research will extend to the world. 5T have been writing children's books for their buddy classes about pirates. They are also beginning to learn about plagiarism and how to research without breaching copyright. A big thank you to our library monitors who have been assisting teachers during breaks with a multitude of tasks.

Just a reminder to use World Book online! We have a subscription to World Book Online which means that your child can access any form of the program from home. There is an encyclopaedia and eBooks available for downloading. Students need to log into their portal and click on Orbit in school library. When you are in Orbit use the links loaded on the bottom right hand corner. Username – metella and Password – road . You may also go directly to World Book Online <http://www.worldbookonline.com/> and log on.

The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) commenced on 6 March and goes through to 25 August. Students log into their portals and go to the PRC link or directly to the PRC website and enter their details as required on the site. There is a help support page to assist you (but you do need to scroll down to find it).

Next term the theme for Book Week will be Escape to Everywhere, we have our annual dress up parade and a visiting performance group.

Mrs B. Aylett  
Librarian

### Cross Country Report

On Friday, 28 April we held our Cross Country Carnival and K-2 Fun Run. After having to postpone it twice, the weather was finally on our side and we were able to proceed with the carnival. It was great to see so many students come dressed in their house colours and participate in their event, earning points for their house. The students' behaviour was exceptional and everyone upheld our school's expectations.

Congratulations to our winning house, Myall!

Myall not only received points for participation and students who placed, but also bonus points for keeping their area immaculate and winning our war cry battle.

Thank you to all the parents that came along to cheer the students on, it creates a great atmosphere for the day. We would like to also thank our staff for setting up and assisting with the running of the carnival.

To all students who placed and those that completed the course you should be extremely proud of yourselves, it is quite the accomplishment! Our top five from each age group will go on this week to represent Metella Road at the Zone Cross Country Carnival. We wish them all the best!

Mrs T. Agius & Miss S. Whitfield  
Coordinator

### National Sorry Day

Metella Road Public School will be commemorating National Sorry Day on Friday, 26 May (Term 2 Week 5) by holding a National Sorry Day Assembly, to be attended by our Years 3-6 students, and a Morning Tea.

National Sorry Day is a day of remembrance and commemoration held to highlight the impact of past policies of forcible removal on the Stolen Generations, their families, and communities, celebrate their strength and survival, and share in the process of healing and reconciliation.

All parents are invited to attend the assembly, due to start at 10:10am in the school hall.

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents are invited to attend the morning tea in the staffroom. Please return RSVP slips to Miss Moulakas or to the office by Wednesday 24 May (Term 2 Week 5).

Miss Y. Moulakas  
Organising Teacher

### P&C and the Parents Auxiliary

Welcome back to Term 2, it is time to get back into the swing of things after a break! School is already busy and we have started it off with a very successful Mother's Day stall and the P&C are also proud to contribute to The Power of One – Anti-bullying Show.

Mother's Day Stall - a big thank you to everyone who helped prepare and help at the stall on Thursday. Awesome job! Your assistance was greatly appreciated and we are sure all the mums were happy with their gifts.

Spring Fete - we had a productive Spring Fete meeting last week, preparations are underway and some sponsorship is starting to come in.

Do you want free ride passes? If you have your own business or work for an awesome company who would be willing to sponsor the Spring Fete, then you will be entitled to one free ride pass for the day. Please contact **Stefanie Kendall** at [sskendall@optusnet.com.au](mailto:sskendall@optusnet.com.au) for a sponsorship letter and information package.

A huge thanks to the following people who have already sourced sponsorship and prizes for the Spring fete; Cameron O'Brien, Aarti Garg, Alex Stephens from Hills Mobile Beauty and Raechel Bull.

The next Spring Fete meeting will be held **Tuesday, 13 June at 6:30pm-7:30pm** in the staffroom. We encourage all to come with your brilliant ideas!

Next P&C Meeting - the will be held **Tuesday, 13 June** starting at **7:30pm** in the staffroom.

Next Parents Auxiliary Meeting - will take place on **Wednesday, 17 May at 2:00pm** in the staffroom. The P&C encourages all to come along and get involved.

Mrs S. Kendall & Mrs R. Black  
P&C Representatives



## Parent Workshops

Metella Road Public School is providing parents with the opportunity to attend workshops on topics/strategies to assist their children at home. These workshops are aimed at providing information to help your child/children with homework or with relationship building and behaviour management techniques. These workshops are organised for Term 2 and Term 3 and will be held at various times to enable parents to attend. Workshops will be held in the Professional Learning room (located in the Library).

Information for individual workshops will be sent home closer to the workshop date.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Mrs Lise Bartlett via the Administration Office.

An overview of the workshops is provided below.

### Term 2

Date	Workshop	Speaker	Session
Friday 19 May 2017	<b>Building Stronger Relationships</b> This workshop focuses on how to build stronger relationships with your child in a positive manner. Topics covered are; being in the moment, quality time, praise and the power of play.	Mr Jason Warne <i>Psychologist and Family Therapist</i>	9:30am - 11:30am
Thursday 1 June 2017	<b>Maths TEN</b> This workshop focuses on how students learn mathematical concepts in the early years (K-3). Throughout this workshop, we will explore the different strategies that students use when adding and subtracting. We will also be looking at supporting the development of children's number sense, providing parents with practical, hands-on ways in which they can support their children at home.	Ms J Minenko <i>Assistant Principal</i>	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Friday 16 June 2017	<b>Discipline Strategies for Parents</b> This workshop focuses on discipline strategies and includes specific approaches and tips, and explores why children may misbehave.	Mr Jason Warne <i>Psychologist and Family Therapist</i>	9:30am - 11:30am

### Term 3

Date	Workshop	Speaker	Session
Tuesday 8 August 2017	<b>Maths 3-6 Addition and Subtraction Strategies</b> This workshop focuses on strategies to help your child/children with addition and subtraction, including: jump strategy, split strategy, compensation strategy, bridging to 10 strategy and trading with formal algorithms. Particularly aimed at 3-6.	Miss K Hawkes and Miss S Whitfield <i>Classroom Teachers</i>	7:30pm - 8:30pm (P&C meeting)
Tuesday 29 August 2017	<b>Reading strategies</b> This workshop will encompass three elements: L3 Reading in Kindergarten and Stage 1, specific reading strategies taught in the classroom and home reading strategies. This workshop is particularly aimed at K-2.	Mrs S Larobina <i>Instructional Leader</i> Miss M Cheetham <i>Reading Recovery</i> Mrs L Bartlett <i>Assistant Principal</i>	3:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday 20 September 2017	<b>The Role of the School Counsellor</b>	Miss S. Mitchell <i>School Counsellor</i>	2:00pm - 3:00pm Parent's Auxiliary

# THE Stage 2 Review

Metella Road Public School Aims High!



Monday 15 May 2017 – Term 2 Week 4

## 4J and the Power of ‘Yet’

### 4J develop a positive growth mindset!

4J have been learning to expand their positive mindsets by understanding the power of ‘yet’. This has helped them get through difficult situations, like completing challenging school work. Each student received a name tag to remind them of the power ‘yet’, as well as had the opportunity to write a little quote or reminder for them to look back on and keep them motivated.

In Visual Arts, 4J students created their own ‘life lands’. Their life lands were created using the letter of their first name and were filled with positive symbols that depicted memories that have helped build and shape their bubbling and shining personalities. Amazing!



Left: Students in 4J with their ‘life lands’ artworks, and some name tags. Photos courtesy of Miss Gatt.

### Positive Behaviour for Learning

Metella Road Public School students are **MOTIVATED, RESPECTFUL, PROUD** and **SAFE**.







Science



Technology



Engineering



Mathematics



Every Wednesday 4G  
and 4H participate in  
S.T.E.M.



# Stage 3 News

In Detail

Check out 5A's cityscape artwork, 5W's advertising campaigns.

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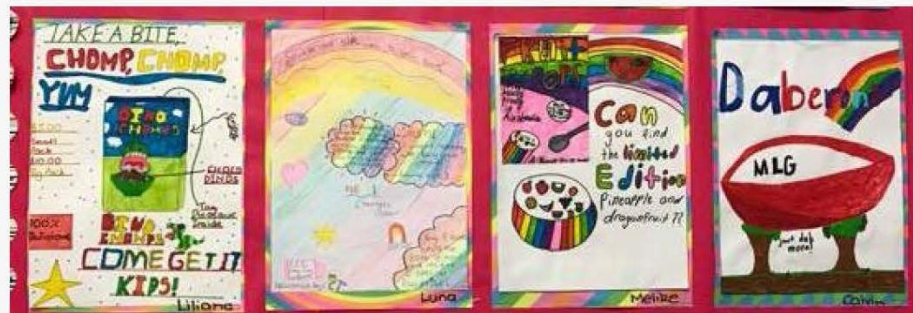
**Metella Road Public School Aims High!**



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## Important Dates

Week 4
<p><b>Monday 15 May</b> Power of One – Anti-Bullying Show</p> <p><b>Tuesday 16 May</b> K-6 Assembly Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge 3.15 – 4.45</p> <p><b>Wednesday 17 May</b> Maths Olympiad 1</p> <p><b>Thursday 18 May</b> Interrelate Family Evening Program: Where Did I Come From?</p> <p><b>Friday 19 May</b> Parent Workshop – Building a Stronger Relationship With Your Child 9.30 – 11.30</p>
Week 5
<p><b>Tuesday 23 May</b> Year 6 Cake Stall ICAS – Digital Technologies Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge</p>
Week 6
<p><b>Monday 29 May</b> Year 6 Interrelate Program: Moving into the Teen Years</p> <p><b>Tuesday 30 May</b> ICAS - Science Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge</p>
Week 7
<p><b>Monday 29 May</b> Year 6 Interrelate Program: Moving into the Teen Years</p> <p><b>Tuesday 6 June</b> Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge</p>
Week 8
<p><b>Tuesday 13 June</b> K-6 Assembly Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge</p> <p><b>Wednesday 14 June</b> ICAS – Writing &amp; Spelling Maths Olympiad</p> <p><b>Friday 19 May</b> Parent Workshop – Discipline Strategies for Parents 9.30 – 11.30</p>
Week 9
<p><b>Monday 19 June</b> Year 6 Interrelate Program: Moving into the Teen Years</p> <p><b>Tuesday 20 June</b> Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge</p>
Week 10
<p><b>Monday 26 June</b> Year 6 Interrelate Program: Moving into the Teen Years</p> <p><b>Tuesday 27 June</b> Fun Do Kids STEM Challenge</p>



## What's Been Happening in 5W?

Last term, 5W were busy learning about advertising as part of our English unit. We explored all the different techniques that we see in advertising every day. We decided to put these techniques into practice by creating our very own advertising campaigns. Linked with our Health unit, we designed our own cereal campaigns and boxes. We absolutely loved designing and making our products and we think they are good enough to sell in stores! What do you think?



5W's Advertising Campaigns - Photograph courtesy of Miss Whitfield

# 5A – Urban Places and Cityscape Art

Last term 5A learnt about what an urban place is in Geography and the difference between an urban place and rural place. They also looked closely at the city of Sydney and observed and discussed the changes that Sydney has encountered over the years since settlement and the changes that are projected to occur over the next ten to twenty years as Sydney's population continues to grow.

We then created a cityscape artwork of Sydney. The students were provided with an image of Sydney and they had to use lines to create it. They then experimented with water colours to create the sky in the background. We discussed how to create warm and cool colours. The students decided they wanted a sunset in the background and this required warm colours and a blending technique to achieve a sunset.



5A's Sydney Cityscape Art - Photograph courtesy of Miss Agius

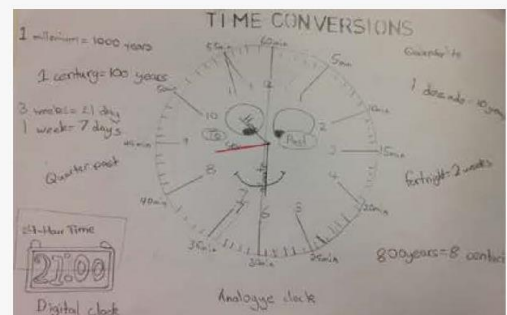
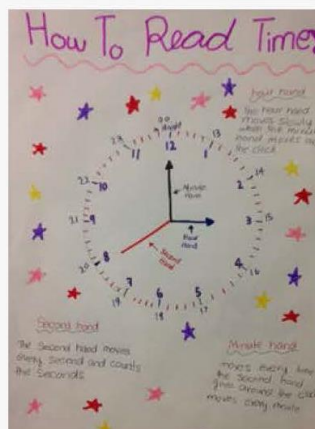
# 5T - Maths

5T have been working hard during Mathematics lessons.

We have been learning how to tell the time accurately using 24-hour time. 5T create 24-hour clocks as a learning resource for the classroom.

We also learnt about time zones across the world and in Australia. 5T had fun testing their Geography skills finding Australian cities in different states and calculating their current time.

We created posters for our classroom to teach others all about time!



5T's Time Posters - Photographs courtesy of Miss Thomas

## Community Noticeboard

Metella Road Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest.

Metella Road Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events.



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## Junior Hockey



Girls and boys - 5 to 12 years  
6pm to 7pm, Thursday 1 June to Thursday 29 June 2017  
(5 weeks development)

Come along and have fun at junior hockey  
at Doyle Ground, North Parramatta. 5 weeks. Starts 6pm-7pm Thursday 1 June.

- Cost**
- U7 \$49.03 (DOB 1 Jan 2010 to today includes 2017 Hockey NSW player registration and \$10 competition fee)
  - U11 \$67.40 (DOB 1 Jan 2006 to 31 Dec 2009 includes 2017 Hockey NSW player registration and \$10 competition fee)
  - U18 \$96.48 (DOB 1 Jan 1999 to 31 Dec 2005 includes 2017 Hockey NSW player registration and \$10 competition fee)

- Equipment and uniform**
- Wear own sports clothes and running shoes, Wentz supplies loan team overshirt
  - Supply own shin pads, mouth guard and use hockey stick and ball provided or add-on the optional \$30 participant pack (hockey stick, ball, shin pads, mouth guard)

**Registrations open now – see [www.wentyhockey.org.au](http://www.wentyhockey.org.au) for more information and to register**

Training equipment funded by NSW Government through the Stronger Communities Fund



## 7th Annual SYDNEY CLASSIC & ANTIQUE TRUCK SHOW 2017



*Public Show Day*  
**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017, 8AM TO 3PM**  
**MUSEUM OF FIRE, PENRITH (CHARITY EVENT)**

**FREE AMUSEMENT RIDES AND DISPLAYS  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

**Admission:** Adults \$15 (includes up to three children under 16 free with paying adult)  
Concession \$10 (excludes free child entry)

**OPEN TO COMMERCIAL AND SPECIALISED VEHICLES, ALSO OTHER APPROVED HISTORIC VEHICLES OVER 30 YEARS OLD (PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED)**

**Exhibitors Only:** Saturday arrival and night function. More details available with entry form. FREE overnight camping facilities.

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**We would like to invite you and your child to join The RAW Project.**

We all remember our teenage years – some of us with fondness and others with horror. The adolescent period is one of dramatic change. During this time, teens have to negotiate powerful peer pressures, begin to date, start to separate from their parents, deal with wild hormonal storms, and start to contemplate their future. Not surprisingly, the teenage period is the time when the vast majority of mental health problems first emerge.

But not all is doom. The teenage years are also the time when leaders are born; when future doctors, lawyers, and scientists start their journeys; and when some of our strongest friendships are formed. But we need much more information.

The central aim of the RAW Project is to understand the forces that shape teenage social and emotional development, and with the help of you and your child, find the key to building a stronger and more productive society.

Benefits of being involved include \$100, a wellbeing assessment for your child, and a “thank you pack” each year you take part in the project as well as opportunities to be involved in competitions and receive prizes throughout the year.

We are currently recruiting Year 6 students up until mid-to-late June. For more information, please read through the attached flyer and consult the contact information.

Kind regards,

The RAW Team.

P: 9850 4080

E: rawproject@mq.edu.au

W: www.rawproject.com.au



## Is your child in year 6? What does their future hold?

The Centre for Emotional Health is recruiting for an exciting project to discover what affects young people's emotional development. We will start with 500 children in Year 6 and assess them every year throughout high school.

**FIND OUT MORE**

For more information visit the RAW Project website [rawproject.com.au](http://rawproject.com.au). If you are interested in being involved, please contact the RAW Project on (02) 9850 4080 or [rawproject@mq.edu.au](mailto:rawproject@mq.edu.au)

**HERE ARE SOME OF THE BENEFITS OF BEING INVOLVED IN THIS RESEARCH:**

- \$100 plus a “thank you pack” for each yearly assessment
- A yearly assessment of your child's emotional well-being
- Opportunities for games, competitions, and prizes throughout the year
- Information about teenage development

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## The Hills Sports High FOOTBALL TRIALS Year 7 - 2018

Will you be the next  
A-League or Matildas star  
from our  
Football Program?

Wednesday 24th May, 2017

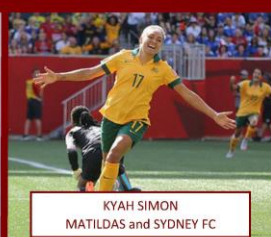
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**Application forms:**

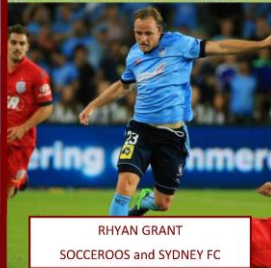
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**More info:**

School Office: 9622 7300



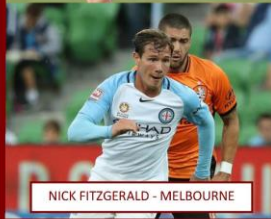
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## Is your child starting school next year? Would \$500 assist you with education costs?

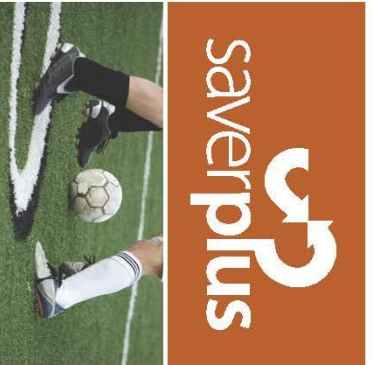
Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Domenic Rosina your local Saver Plus Worker:  
(02) 9895 1212 / 0466 745 311  
or [domenic.rosina@thesmithfamily.com.au](mailto:domenic.rosina@thesmithfamily.com.au)

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered across Blacktown and Penrith by The Smith Family.  
The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.



## Can Saver Plus assist you with high school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for educational costs including:

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- computers, laptops and tablets
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- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
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# LIVE WELL COMMUNITY FAIR



**SATURDAY 3rd June 10AM - 3PM**

@ BERT OLDFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL  
(1A Oldfield Road, Seven Hills)

- Fun for the kids ▪ Jumping castle ▪ Face painting ▪ Enviro-craft ▪ Food stalls
- Free workshops and demos ▪ WSU Solar Car
- Aboriginal Culture talk ▪ Woodturning
- Lots of fun and discovery for all!



This project is being assisted by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage



## FREE WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP	DESCRIPTION
Save energy, Save money	Tips and tricks to reduce your home energy bills
Climate change & You	How do we sustain our homes and our planet for our children?
Permaculture 101	Unlock the secrets to a successful food garden
Healthy Happy Kids	Healthy food and lifestyle choices for your kids
Feel Good Foods	Cooking delicious plant-based recipes - good for planet, good for you!
How to calm your mind	Unplug from life's stresses
Tai Chi and living well	Learn the basics of Tai Chi for holistic health

Please book your seats as places are limited:  
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