The whole school performance

The Odysseys

TERM 4 · WEEK 6 2015
From the Principals’ desk...

Our children might just save the world after all ...

This week the Office of the NSW Advocate for Children and Young People (ACYP) issued a Press Release about the results of their survey of over 4,000 NSW children and young people. Many students at Marrickville West contributed to this research. The results of the survey will help to set the directions of the first NSW Government Strategic Plan for Children and Young People.

In a world where the media is often quick to report the failings of our youth and the impact of screen time on their diminishing values and inter-personal understandings, these findings are refreshing. Looking at the results of this study, it seems that as a school our priorities are on track, and as a society we have cause to feel optimistic about our future leaders, parents and community advocates.

Below is an excerpt from the report:

‘The top five qualities of a good society, as described by children and young people are: respect, equality, safety, a supportive environment, and having a voice, ‘

The results of the consultations were backed by related polling commissioned by the Advocate. Children and young people aged 14-24 years reported that the top four keys to a good society for children and young people are: support (26%); safety (26%); education (22%); tolerance (21%); and respect (19%).

The same polling also revealed that the greatest hopes of children and young people in NSW are that they will help to make the world a better place, be better educated, and achieve their goals and dreams.

“This generation of young people are motivated to bring a positive change to the world they live in. When asked what their hopes for the future are, the top response was to make the community a better place. Three in five NSW children and young people have undertaken volunteer work; their motivations for doing so were overwhelmingly to give back to the community.

“Many children are doing it tough particularly those experiencing homelessness. Addressing homelessness was a key concern for all children and young people” said Mr Andrew Johnson, NSW Advocate for Children and Young People.

Polling also brought to light that more than one third (33%) of children and young people cite their parents or guardians as their heroes. Interestingly only one in ten chose a celebrity as their hero.

To find out more about the Strategic Plan for Children and Young People, please refer to the website at www.acyp.nsw.gov.au

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Ruth Bradfield-Ling, Principal

Calendar Dates

Friday 20th November
Multicultural Munch

Sunday 22nd November
P&C Working Garden Bee – 9am-12pm

Tuesday 24th November
Starting Big School Program 9:45am-11:15am

Thursday 26th November
Assembly 2C & 2GB

Friday 27th November
“Shaun The Sheep Movie” screening 7pm – Hall

Wednesday 2nd December
School Picnic

Thursday 3rd December
Yr 6 High School Orientation Day

Thursday 3rd December
P&C Annual General Meeting

Friday 4th December
Yr5 Speeches & Voting

From The Office

Payment Plans for Outstanding Invoices

Payment Plans are available for families who are finding it difficult to settle accounts. Please come to the office to discuss this option.

Marrickville West PS currently has $9,000 owed from families in unpaid invoices. If left unpaid, it will impact significantly on funds available to support students at our school during the coming year.

Hats

As part of our uniform, hats are important. Marrickville West school hats are available to be purchased from the office. Be Sun Aware.

Poster comp

The SRC has been running an anti-bullying poster campaign at the school this term. Each class has been asked to create anti-bullying posters and each teacher is to pick the best ones. The best ones are going to be displayed around the school. Remember: NO BULLYING AT MARRICKVILLE WEST PS!

Congratulations!
Super Stars

These students have earned a SCHOOL AWARD for collecting 10 Merit Awards

Jasmine  Janam  Amelia
Cem  Ari  J.V.

School banking is Wednesday 9-9.20am in the LIBRARY
Marrickville West PS enjoyed a free show about Dinosaurs from School Performance Tours.

Thank you Sha for all the hard work that you put in over the PSSA season.
On behalf of the Senior Girls Soccer PSSA team, Mr Sinclair and Mr Evans.

Congratulations to Dhulkifli from 2GB for reaching 100 dojo points!

Homework Club

Homework Club will continue until Week 8 this term. The last session will run on Monday the 23rd of November.

Marrickville West would like to acknowledge the parents and support staff who have volunteered to make Homework Club possible this year.

Homework Club is a great opportunity for students to practise skills, receive support and to utilise school resources to complete their homework and their school projects.

Homework Club will recommence in February 2016.

Joel Burman
Homework Club Coordinator

Congratulations to all the writers who put together the script for our school performance. Thank you ATYP for all your help and support this year.

The 3 ATYP Scholarship Winners...

ATYP & MWPS
present
~ The Odysseys ~
Written and Performed by Students of Marrickville West
Term 4
Tickets on sale soon!

The Marrickville West Library is thrilled to receive special autographed treehouse books from Theo in 2C. Thanks Theo for your generous donation!
The Kitchen Garden Club have started to collect food scraps to make compost for our vegetable garden.

Classes have been given a container to collect food scraps each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The compost will help make the soil in our garden more fertile which will help our plants grow faster and healthier.

The Kitchen Garden Club has created some delicious meals on Fridays using many of the vegetables grown and harvested by them in the Marrickville West Community Garden.

All of Kindergarten are involved in rotational sports every Wednesday afternoon. From catching to throwing, and kicking and skipping, there’s fun to be had as well as skills to be practised.

What a success the school production was! All of Kindergarten were superstars on the night as well as during rehearsals. The excitement was contagious and dressing up was definitely the highlight of the day and night!

‘Footsteps’ is an active dance program where the children are given the opportunity to ‘work out’ to cool music and with a very energetic instructor teaching the children some awesome moves and dance routines. The kids always have a boogey of a time!
Stage 3 Camp:

Adventure Time!
2GB have been very fortunate to have a Student teacher. Mr Henderson has worked with 2GB and has been preparing lessons which 2GB have enjoyed. We will miss Mr Henderson when he leaves at the end of Week 8.

2C have been enjoying Spring, and noticed bright green leaves appearing on the trees. They used oil pastels to make rubbings of leaves they found in the playground, then learned to mix three different kinds of green with watercolour paints. The children made these artworks to represent the way colour changes as leaves age.

There once was a boy from Bay Bruth
He jumped off a noisy roof
He kicked a bus
That took him to us
The boy saw a horse that had hoofs

Limericks from 2/3S

Learning about Similes : 2/3S

Students Centred Learning at its best
The talented children of 4M and some students from 3E and 2/3S spent Term 3 writing poetry inspired by the music of Gurrumul Yunipingu, a famous Aboriginal singer, songwriter and guitarist.

What an inspired and creative collaboration!

Once Mr Sinclair bumped his head
By running into Ned near his bed
His head very red
Mr Sinclair said
Because of Ned, my head is red.

By Yuki

There once was a boy called Earling
Who took a bus to the ceiling
He fell down again
And picked up a hen
And was very good at healing

By Ned

By Yuki

By Eloise
## WEEK 6 T4: MWPS CALENDAR

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Students in Stage 3 have been working hard to create meaningful multi-modal texts.

**Life in Space**

Those in Mr. Evans literacy groups have focused their energy into writing and recording fictional pieces based on the concept of ‘Life in Space’. Each of these has been saved in MP3 format and we are looking at platforms on which we can publish these.

In anticipation of this, students have started developing posters to alert their potential audience and to increase hype!

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**Stage 3 Camp Report**

We arrived at camp at 10:30 am on Tuesday and straight away we went to our first activity which was raft building, we had to build a raft with limited resources and then we had a relay.

After that we had lunch and then we went rock climbing, where we learned to belay our friends. Lots of people made it to the top.

After that fun activity we had dinner and then we told stories around the camp fire while eating cookies and chocolate milk.

Once we were done with that we were off to bed to get a good night sleep. We went to bed at 10:00 pm and the next morning we woke up at 5:45 am.

After waking up we packed our bags and we had breakfast. After breakfast we went canoeing and some of us tipped the boat.

After that we had lunch and then for our final activity we had THE GIANT SWING! Which was so scary we almost peed our pants! Then we were on the bus back to MWPS where we arrived at 3:30 pm on Wednesday.

Overall it was a really fun camp!

Matteo and Tyson

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**Stage 3 page**

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**The Odyssey: Highlights from Year 5**

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**Stage 3 page**

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**The Odysseys**

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**The Odyssey**

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**Year 5 art**
P&C UPDATE

Morning Teas
Thanks to all who came along to our P&C Morning Teas over the last two weeks. It was great to see some new faces. We appreciated the feedback from those who can’t attend the evening meetings and we’ll make these regular next year to give more people a chance to have a say. We had a few new ideas to look into next year such as dance classes, and thoughts on an art-based festival later next year.

Teacher’s Day breakfast
Wow to all those who brought a plate of food along for the Teacher’s Day Breakfast – the teachers were very spoilt and had enough food to keep them going through breakfast, lunch and recess! Also thanks to the Mums who provided dinner for the Teacher’s on the Performance Night. We appreciate all your efforts.

Library bag screen printing
What a great bunch of women came along to help print the library bags for the kids who will be coming to Kindy next year. We screen printed 60 bags each with a school logo on one side and a P&C logo on the other.

Fundraising at ‘The Odysseys’
Thank you to everyone who helped at the BBQ, in the canteen, on the Vietnamese food stall and with the raffle. The raffle raised $1200 – thank you to everyone who bought tickets and congratulations to all the winners. The BBQ and Vietnamese stall raised nearly $600. Thank you to all those great cooks from the Adult English class who shared the stall’s profits with us – a delicious dinner was enjoyed by many of us. We love collaborating with different groups in our wider school community! thanks also to LJ Hooker Marrickville for providing marquees on the night.

Coming Up!

P&C Working Bee – Sunday 22nd November 9am–12pm. We’ll be sprucing up the top playground, replanting some pots with new plants and bulbs, and trying to make it a little greener up there. Everyone is encouraged to come along. All you need is enthusiasm and a willingness to get your hands temporarily dirty. If you’ve got them at home, bring along some gardening gloves, a shovel, saw, watering can or wheelbarrow. If you don’t have any of these at home no worries – we’ll provide some tools on the day.

Annual General Meeting – Our last meeting for the year is coming up on Thursday 3rd December at 7pm in the Staff Room. We’ll be choosing a new panel of Executive Members – President, Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer as well as Assistants to help out these people. If you’ve wanted to be more involved in the P&C this is your chance as many of this year’s Executive are moving on to different schools or jobs etc. A note is coming home with more information on what the roles of each position are. If you are interested in helping out you can also talk to any of the current Executive Members

President – Thomasin Litchfield
Vice Presidents – Helen Escreza, Greg Shapley and Susan Griffith
Secretary – Melanie Stopic and Sharon Chalmers
Treasurer – Sarina Devi and Rosemary Rumbel

To vote for next year’s Executive you’ll have to be at the Meeting on Thursday 3rd December.

NEXT P&C MEETING: Thursday 7pm 3rd Dec
2016 School Travel Pass applications

Your child may be eligible for free or subsidised travel on public transport, between home and school, as part of the School Student Transport Scheme.

Applications for 2016 passes start from Monday 2 November 2015.

To find out more about the scheme, including information for new applicants and existing pass holders, visit transportnsw.info/school-students.

Transforming ticketing

Opal is the easy way to get around on public transport in Sydney, the Blue Mountains, Central Coast, Hunter, Illawarra and Southern Highlands.

Introducing the School Opal card

The School Opal card gives eligible students free or discounted travel between home and school, using the train, bus and ferry services you nominate in your application.

The School Opal card replaces the old paper School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel pass.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for a School Opal card, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

- Years K-2 (Infants) - There’s no minimum distance.
- Years 3-6 (Primary) - 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking.
- Years 7-12 (Secondary) - 2.0km straight line distance or 2.9km walking.

A parent or guardian must apply for students 15 years old and under. Students 16 years and over must apply for their own.

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2016 School Travel Pass applications

Who needs to apply?

Most students who already have a school student travel pass won’t need to apply for the School Opal card. It will be sent to the student’s school at the beginning of the school year in 2016.

An application is needed if the student:

- Has not had a travel pass before
- Is moving from Year 2 to Year 3
- Is moving from Year 6 to Year 7
- Is changing schools
- Is changing address

How to apply

Step 1

Complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students

Step 2

Print, sign and date the completed application, then submit it to the student’s school for endorsement.

Step 3

The school then sends the endorsed application to Transport for NSW. Once approved, the School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.

COMPUTING CLASSES

for beginners at Metro Assist Campsie

Peterkahn TAFE Outreach is delivering this course for people who are needing to learn computing skills so that they may more easily pathway into further study and/or access employment.

The beginners class is on Mondays.

Classes start the week beginning 16 February and finish 15 June 2016.

Students enrol at the Gateway in (02981-7405) or the Cttm (02981-7404)

Atef Hamie (mrc@tafensw.edu.au) on phone: 9789 3744

You can:

- Develop your computer skills
- Use the internet to search for information
- Get and use your own email account
- Open a Facebook account
- Upload photos to the internet/Facebook

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Prices are subject to change.
### Construction trades for young people

This course is for people who are interested in gaining an apprenticeship. It will be held at Addison Road Community Centre on Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:30 to 2:30 commenceing 18 February and finishing 16 June. Sydney TAFE RTO No. 90003

Students will gain the following certification, skills and knowledge:
- How to keep safe on a building site
- Carpenter skills - using hand tools and small power tools
- How to build small items and furniture from recycled timber
- Basic plumbing skills
- Electrotechnology workshop at Petersham TAFE
- How to get an apprenticeship
- Workplace communication skills
- White Card - compulsory WH&S courses to work on a building site

### School Garden Assistant

A course for parents and community volunteers

During semester 1 2016 Petersham TAFE Outreach is delivering a course for people interested in working as volunteer or paid school assistants with a focus on learning in the outdoor classroom. The course is on Fridays during school hours commencing 17 February and finishing 15 June 2016

Certificates II Skills for Work and Training 90816 – Sydney TAFE RTO No. 90003

- Learn to assist teachers in delivering the school curriculum in an outdoor environment
- Developing skills in fruit, herb and vegetable growing, composting, site design and analysis
- Pathways to the Certificate I in educational support
- Learn about Aboriginal seasons and land and bush regeneration techniques
- Free! Small group, maximum 15 people who want a hands-on experience to gain skills and free up time for families

### Information/Enrolment Session

10am Wednesday 10 February 2016

Room 17, Level 1, Building A, West Street campus of Petersham TAFE, near the Stฟ and The Boulevard

For more details please contact Tricia at Petersham TAFE Outreach ph: 9335 2790

Email: patricia.lane@tafensw.edu.au leonie@shy.net

### Super Sandwiches, Toasties & Salad

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### extras

- Filling (each)          | 60c  
- Roll or wrap            | 60c  
- Mayo/tomato sauce       | 30c  
- Sweet chilli/BBQ soya saucers | 30c  
- Salad plate/box         | $4.00 |
- (lettuce, tomato, cucumber, celery, carrot) | 5c  
- Add – Tuna/egg/ham      | +60c ea |
- EXTRA Plastic Spoons.    | 5c  
- Drinks                  | 2.10 |
- Up & Go                 | 2.10 |
- 200mL 100% Juice (box)   | $1.30 |
- 200mL 100% Juice (bottle) | $2.00  
- Plain milk              | $1.30 |
- Yoghurt                 | $1.30 |
- Flavoured Milk (light)   | $2.00 |

### Frozen Treats

Sold after the second lunch bell

- Frozen fruit pieces (bag) | 20c  
- 99% fruit juice ice sticks | 60c  
- Juices                   | 90c  
- Peters Fandangles        | $1.60 |
- Slushy (99% fruit)        | $1.00 |
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- Traveller Beef Pie       | $3.00 |
- Galato cups – 2 flavours  | $1.60 |

### Snacks

- Popcorn                  | $1.00  
- Roasted Seaweed          | $1.00  
- Potato Chips (28g)       | $1.20  
- Grainwaves               | $1.20  
- Gingerbread Folk.        | $1.30  
- Hard-boiled egg          | $1.00  
- Vegetable Sticks (bag)   | 30c  
- Sultanas (box)           | 80c  

### Daily Meal Deals

- Monday, Chook Chook
  - 5 Chicken wedges or Chicken Burger (Halal) | $3.50  
  - MEAL DEAL w/oak milk & pieces of fruit | $5.00  
- Tuesday, Pasta & Curry & Pizza
  - Homemade Bologna Pasta | $3.50  
  - Lasagne | $3.50  
  - Juicy Pizza Slice – Ham & Pineapple | $3.50  
  - Vegetarian Pizza | $3.00  
  - Mild Butter Chicken Curry with rice | $3.50  
  - MEAL DEAL w/oak milk & pieces of fruit | $5.00  
- Wednesday, Sushi & Soup
  - (soup T2 & T3 only)  
  - Sweet corn and chicken soup with bread roll | $3.00  
  - Sushi (pre-order Tuesday) | $3.00  
  - MEAL DEAL oak milk & pieces of fruit | $5.00  
- Thursday, Chook Chook
  - 5 Chicken wedges or Chicken Burger (Halal) | $3.50  
  - MEAL DEAL w/oak milk & pieces of fruit | $5.00  
- Friday, Pies
  - Chicken Pie | $3.50  
  - Halal Beef Pie | $3.00  
  - MEAL DEAL w/oak milk & pieces of fruit | $5.00  

Foods coloured GREEN are approved by The Healthy Kids Association for eating everyday. The other foods are recommended as occasional foods.

Vegetarian (V) & Halal food options available everyday. Please ask Wendy in the canteen.
All proceeds go towards building play equipment in Henson Playground.

Doors open at 6pm

Animation shorts from 6pm-7pm

★ HOTDOGS! ★
★ SUNDAES! ★

...stuff for grown-ups too!

7PM FRIDAY 27 NOV
MARRICKVILLE WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL, BEAUCHAMP ST • $5 ENTRY