




# Support Unit

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2025 Meet the Teacher





We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Wallumedagal people of the Dharug nation and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and community.

We pay our respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.



# Overview

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# Meet our executive team



Miss Parada  
Principal



Mrs Imseih  
Deputy Principal (3-6)



Mrs Crawford  
Acting Deputy Principal  
(K-2)



Mrs Houghton  
Assistant Principal  
Curriculum and  
Instruction



Mr Train  
Assistant Principal  
Support Unit



Ms Coluccio  
Assistant Principal  
Support Unit



Ms Zhang  
Assistant Principal



Mr McCarthy  
Kindergarten  
Assistant  
Principal



Miss Kilmore  
Year 1 Lead Teacher



Mr Fenech  
Stage 1 Assistant  
Principal



Mrs Nuzzo  
Year 3 Lead Teacher



Ms Emeleus  
Stage 2 Assistant  
Principal



Mrs Rehman  
Year 5 Lead Teacher



Mr Johnston  
Stage 3 Assistant  
Principal



# Meet our team



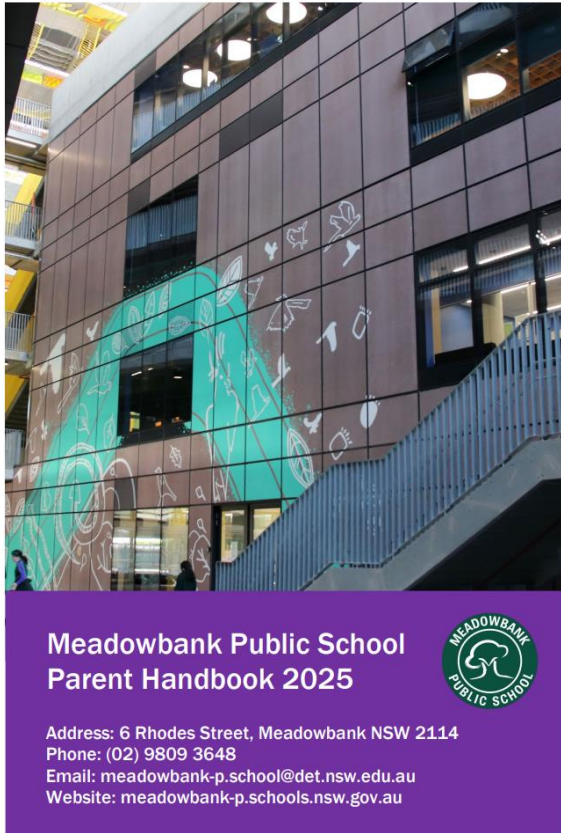


# Parent Handbook

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# Parent Handbook 2025



- An email with a link to our parent handbook 2025 has been sent out to all families. Check your inbox/junk mail.
- It contains general information about the school



# What does my child need to bring?

## Stationery:

While we provide all necessary supplies for every student, we understand that many children enjoy bringing their own equipment.

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Please rest assured that no child will be disadvantaged if they do not bring their own supplies. Our goal is to ensure every student has what they need to thrive in the classroom.







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### Resource List for 2025 Stage 1 – Year 1 and Year 2

Dear parents and caregivers

As we start the school year, I would like to share some recommended stationery items for students in Year 1 and 2. While we provide all necessary supplies for every student, we understand that many children enjoy bringing their own equipment.

Please rest assured that no child will be disadvantaged if they do not bring their own supplies. Our goal is to ensure every student has what they need to thrive in the classroom.

Thank you for your support,

Cecilia Parada  
Principal



Over-the-ear headphones (no bluetooth)



Paint smock



A4 lined homework book 64 pages



A4 plastic envelope folder



1 small pencil case



1 30cm ruler (preferably metal or wooden)



4 lead pencils (no pacers)



1 eraser



1 pencil sharpener with shaving collector



1 pair scissors



2 glue sticks



Coloured pencils



Coloured markers



2 whiteboard markers (not permanent)  
For your child's personal use

We will **not** ask you to bring in tissues, soap, sanitiser or other general use supplies. These are provided by the school.





# Program Overview

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# Programs

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- Stage overviews have been sent out earlier this week. Please check your inbox/junk mail
- All students will have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) with individualised goals to work towards throughout 2025. Meetings to discuss these plans will take place later in the Term.
- Alongside classroom activities all students will have the opportunity to participate in integration activities with the wider school community.



# **Student Progress Reports and Interviews**

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# Assessing our students

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- *Year 3 students have the opportunity to participate in NAPLAN. Please speak to your child's classroom teacher if you do not wish for them to participate.*
- *Students are assessed using their individual education plan and the adjustments they require to access the curriculum.*
- *School reports will be sent home twice a year with updates on your child's progress.*



# Learning and Support

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# Meet the team

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- Learning and support teachers (LAST):
  - Mrs Crawford, Miss Gong
- English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D) teachers:
  - Mr McCarthy, Ms Zhang, Mr Fenech, Ms Emeleus, Mr Johnston, Ms Graby, Mrs McMaster, Ms Kutis
- New Arrivals Program (NAP) teachers:
  - Mrs Borg, Mrs Keshishian, Mrs Boehden, Miss Gong

# English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D) and New Arrivals Program (NAP)

EAL/D learners are identified through their enrolment information, during Kindergarten Best Start Days and initial testing. NAP support is for children who have newly arrived to Australia.

At our school EAL/D and NAP support is delivered through:

- team teaching during literacy to a small group or individual students within the classroom (withdrawal model). This has a focus on developing students' English skills
- making adjustments to class programs to develop speaking, listening, reading and writing skills.
- monitoring, assessing and reporting students progress through the 'EAL/D Learning Progression Phases'.





# Speech Pathology

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- Member of our school Learning and Support team
- Takes learning support referrals for assessment across K-6
- Available for private sessions on Tuesdays

In-class support for K-1 students:

- 1 lesson per class ½ hour per week
- Aligned with curriculum
- To support students of all abilities in language, understanding instructions and expressing their ideas





# Communication

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# Forms of communication

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WEBSITE



SENTRAL APP



PHONE OR EMAIL  
THE OFFICE



NEWSLETTER  
NEWSLETTER DAY IS TUESDAY – IT  
HAS A LOT OF INFORMATION

# Scheduled parent-teacher interviews

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- There are changes made to scheduled interviews in 2025:
  - All Years 1-6 families will have the opportunity to meet their class teachers at the beginning of Term 3, after Semester 1 reports have been sent out at the end of Term 2
- You are welcome to arrange other meetings throughout the year with your class teacher if you have concerns.



# Excursions

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# Upcoming excursions

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- *All support unit students will have the opportunity to participate in excursions with their grade when they occur during the year.*
- *Additionally, the support unit will have the opportunity to participate in excursions as a group.*
- *Year 4 students will be invited to camp later in the year.*



# Extra- curriculars

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- Violin and cello lessons (K-6)
  - Junior and Senior Orchestra (K-6)
  - Lunchtime Garden Club (K-6)
  - Lunchtime Chess Club (K-6)
  - Choir (Years 3-6)
  - Recorder group (Years 2-6)
  - Public speaking and debating (Years 3-6)
  - Dance Group (Years 1-6)

Check the school newsletter regularly for updates regarding these extra-curricular activities







# **Class Parent Groups**

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# WhatsApp

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- This is a social group run by parents to support our kids with getting to know each other and for parents to make friends at the school. Please use this group if you have day-to-day questions about your class, to organise playdates/catch-ups and to share information.
- For any serious concerns or to manage the children's behaviour (e.g. friendship issues) please contact the class teacher to discuss rather than raising it in these groups.
- There will be **one** class parent who manages the group, but all parents are encouraged to actively participate and to organise social events. The P&C will also send information via these groups when we run events at the school.



# Questions?

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Also, scan the QR code to give us feedback on what you thought of this year's Meet the Teacher format!

