



Meet the Teacher Evening

Stage Three



Meet Our Executive Team



Miss Parada Principal



Deputy Principal



Mrs Crawford **Assistant Principal**



Mrs Houghton **Assistant Principal** Learning and Support Curriculum and Instruction



Ms Zhang Kindergarten **Assistant Principal**



Mr McCarthy Kindergarten **Assistant Principal**



Stage 1 Assistant Principal



Mrs Nuzzo Year 2 Lead Teacher



Year 3 Lead **Teacher**



Stage 2 Assistant **Principal**



Mr Johnston Stage 3 Assistant Principal



Meet Our Stage 3 Teachers



Mrs Rehman **5R**



Miss Yang **6Y**



Miss Beard **5B**



Mr Chu **6C**



Mr Hui **5H**



Mr Johnston **6J**



Overview of Meadowbank Public School and Staff

Our school currently has nearly 686 students enrolled.

We formed 28 classes.

Specialist staff include:

Release from face-to-face (RFF)

- Library: Ms Grassi, Mr Watts, Mrs Leone
- Science: Ms Fong, Ms Price
- PE: Mr Noble, Mr Cummins
- Executive release: Mrs Leone, Ms Davies

Learning and support team (LAST)

• Mrs Crawford, Miss Gong, Miss C Kim, Miss Jeong, Ms Borg, Ms Graby, Mrs Kershishian, Mrs Spence, Ms Boehden, Miss Bohosian

School Learning Support Officers (SLSOs)

• Ms Binnewitt, Mrs Siwik, Mrs Evans, Ms Stevenson, Ms Gupta, Miss Pappas





The School Day

Bell Times:

Morning: 8:45am

Recess Eating Time: 10:45am-10:55am

Recess: 10:55am-11:15am

Lunch Eating Time: 12:45pm-12:55pm

Lunch Play Time: 12:55pm-1:30pm

Afternoon: 2:45pm

Before and After School Procedures

Not to be at school before 8:15am

No playing on the equipment or grass area

before and after school

No playing under the COLA after school

The COLA, hall and oval areas are used

before/after school e.g. before/after school

care, after school sport

No teachers on duty after school. Ensure

you pick up your child on time



Attendance and Absences

Arriving late and leaving early

- 8:45am start, 2:45pm pick up
- It is VERY important your child is arriving at school and being picked up ON TIME. If they are late 5 minutes each day, that's 25 minutes of lost learning time in a week. If you are running late in the afternoon or unable to pick up your child, please make alternative arrangements as the teachers do not provide supervision after this time.
- Late arrivals and early pick-ups require you to sign in at the office. A slip will be given to you from the office that needs to be taken to the classroom teacher.

Pick up

• If you are having someone else pick up your child please advise us through the office.

Absences

- Students MUST attend school everyday
- If your child is absent you will need to explain the absence through the Sentral app or by ringing or emailing the office
- If there appears to be a regular pattern of unjustified absences the school is under an obligation to contact the home school liaison officer.

Extended leave

- Requires a special note from the office
- Notify the school ASAP







Who is **TheirCare**?

- Our After School Care Facilitators
- You can book your child in for before and after school care with our providers, TheirCare.
- Australian owned and operated
- A strong team that is dedicated to providing quality and engaging programs
- Community focused
- Inclusive programming for all children and all age groups
- 100% of our services are either meeting or exceeding the National Quality Regulations while under our license



Term Overview

- A term overview is emailed at the beginning of each term.
- This includes what students are learning each term, important dates, library and PE/ sport days, homework and other reminders.





Communication

HAVE YOU:

Downloaded and registered for the **Sentral parent** portal app? Please check your email settings to ensure you receive school emails.

This is our main form of communication to families. Once you have the App downloaded, enter your access key (email us if you do not have this) and link your child. This is where you will receive notifications and or emails about activities and events at school. This is also where you enter any absences for your child, give permission for activities and excursions and view your child's report at the end of each Semester.





Forms of Communication









WEBSITE

SENTRAL APP

PHONE OR EMAIL THE OFFICE

NEWSLETTER

NEWSLETTER DAY IS TUESDAY – IT

HAS A LOT OF INFORMATION

Email	Sentral	Phone
 meadowbank- p.school@det.nsw.edu. au Emergency Last minute changes to routine 	 Newsletter School reports Whole school information Attendance Class organisation Class communication Teachers will respond within 2 days 	 9809 3648 Emotional, social or academic concerns. Organising appointments



Uniforms

- Order uniforms online or buy second-hand.
- No jewellery, nail polish or smart watches.
- Ensure your child is wearing their sport uniform on sports days and their summer school uniform on other days (details on upcoming slides)
- White socks

Labelling belongings

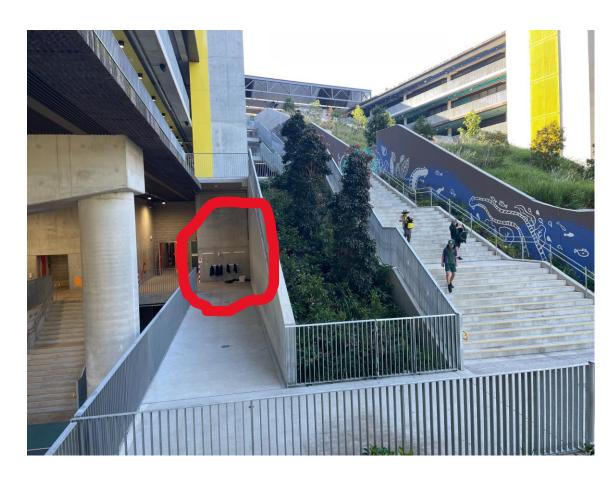
- Everything should be labelled
- Remember to relabel if needed





Lost Property

Lost property is located near the canteen below ground level





Food

Crunch & Sip

Pack a small piece of fresh fruit or vegetables and water only.

Lunch

Ensure your child has a lunchbox and water bottle which they can open. Students should be bringing healthy foods to school (no lollies).



Please do not pack crunch n sip in lunch boxes



Pack crunch n sip separately to lunch

Canteen

Our Canteen is open Monday-Friday. Lunch orders can be made online. You can order lunch orders for your child via the following link: https://myschoolconnect.com.au/meadowbank Students are not allowed to share food or purchase canteen items for others

Make sure you put your child's correct class on the order and **sport group** on **Fridays**.

Students can also purchase items from the canteen at lunchtimes.





Food Continued

Birthdays

No food for birthdays Donating a book is an option

Allergies

We have a growing number of our students who have allergies or are anaphylactic. Whilst we do not call ourselves a nut-free school, in accordance with the policy of the Department, we would ask you to minimise the use of peanuts, tree nuts and nut products by your children whilst at school.





Health Care Plans







Please hand any required medication for your child to the front office, with signed documentation and accompanied by instructions from the doctor. Epipens and Asthma puffers need to be kept up to date. Health Care Plans must be completed and updated yearly. Students must not carry medication of any kind in their bags.



Health

Medications

- Please inform the school of any allergies or medical issues
- Medication cannot be administered at school unless it is in the original packaging with the child's name and accompanied by written instructions from a doctor

Eyes and Ears Check-Up

We recommend getting your children's eyes and ears tested.



General Information Continued

Change of Details

- Please let us know if any details change throughout the year e.g. address, phone number etc.
- This can be done through the Sentral portal.

Notes

- Most permission notes are done through Sentral.
- Let your child know if there is a signed permission note in their bag to be returned to the post box

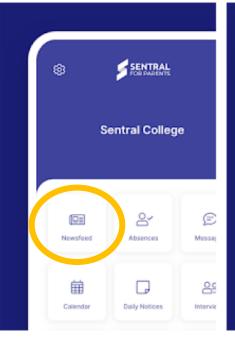


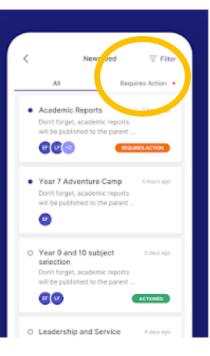
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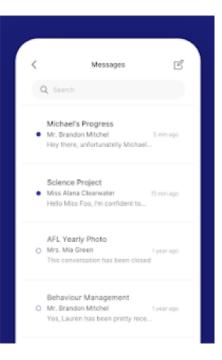
- Notes and money are to be posted in the black mail box on the ground level (near the library/staffroom)
- Do not take notes and cash/payments to the front office
- Excursions must have signed permission, even if paying online
- Permission notes must be returned on time to avoid missing out
- All payments are made through Sentral Parent Portal.





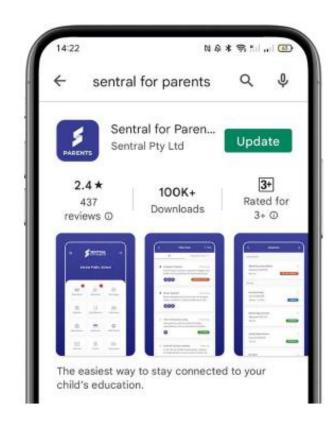






To give permission or make payment:

- **Download** the app.
- Click on 'Newsfeed'
- Click on the tab, 'Requires action'. It will show the invoice requiring payment.



App Store



Google Play





Communication

If you wish to speak to your child's teacher, please make an appointment.

Contact the teacher prior to the meeting, and arrange a suitable time. Provide a brief message regarding what the meeting is about. To arrange a meeting, you can:

- Email <u>meadowbank-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> (preferred method)
- Phone: 9809 3648 and leave a message or
- Send a note with your child



Electronic Devices & Toys

Including mobile phones and smart watches

- Phones must be switched off at school.
- During school hours students are not permitted to answer or use electronic devices including mobile phones and smart watches.
- Students must not lend their device to another student.
- Electronic devices such as iPods, MP3 players, Nintendo DS etc must not be brought to school.
- Students bring electronic devices to school at their own risk.
- If a parent/carer must contact a student at school, they are required to contact the office.

Toys

We discourage bringing toys to school. Toys are brought to school at your own risk.



Year 5 & 6 Camp

Year 5 and 6 Camp 2024

- All students will have the opportunity to go on school camp this year
- It is an amazing experience for students to develop skills outside of the classroom
- Whilst not compulsory, if students do not attend they are required to still attend regular school
- When: 1st week of Term 4
- Year 5: Sydney region TBC 3 days (2 nights)
- Year 6: Canberra 3 days (2 nights)
- An expression of interest will be sent out. If this does not attract the numbers needed we will have no choice but to cancel the camp.



Parents and Citizens (P&C)

The P&C represents the families at the school in communicating our wants and needs to the school executives (the staff). We also run the school canteen and the uniform shop, provide financial assistance to the school, fundraise and organise social and community events.

The P&C meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm at the school.



Class Parents Groups

One way to form strong relationships and to ease your child's transition to school is to join your "class parents" group. This is usually a WhatsApp group where parents in the same class as your child can message each other to ask questions, provide support and organise play dates and social events. It is also one way of providing feedback to the P&C.

Each class group is facilitated by one parent (the "Class Parent"). This parent organises the group chat and attends P&C meetings when they are able.

The class parent is, in turn, supported by the Social Coordinator on the P&C and a group of fellow class parents across the school. This network promotes communication and community within the school.





P&C – Get Involved in our School Community

Class parent

Fill in the information for the Class Whatsapp

Get involved:

- Ethics
- Canteen
- Uniform shop



Parent Helpers

- If you would like to volunteer your time to help out in literacy groups or with school excursions, you will need to fill out a Working With Children's Check Volunteer Declaration.
- Speak to your class teacher to find out about parent helpers in your child's class.



Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics

Scripture happens every Tuesday from 9:15am-9:45am

We are still looking for teachers for the Ethics, Hindu and Islamic programs. If you're interested, the school can put you in touch with a Coordinator to assist you.

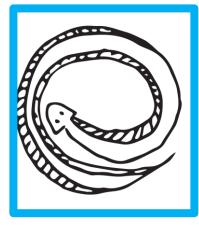
Curious? Watch this video: https://vimeo.com/676931914
Visit www.primaryethics.com.au
Or get in touch with Kirsten via email either by using the QR code or typing this address: primaryethicsmeadowbankps@gmail.com



School House Groups



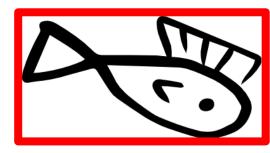
Girrawi White Cockatoo



Burra Eel



Dyarrawunang Magpie



Walu Snapper

At Meadowbank Public School each student is placed in one of four house groups. During the day and especially during sports carnivals, students represent their house and can earn house points. Each house has a different colour, and students either wear the colour or their sports uniform, during our sports carnival.



School and Classroom Rules



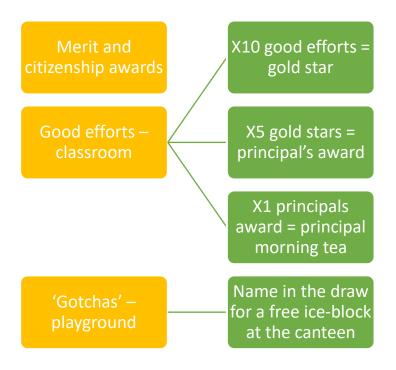






Student Wellbeing and Award System







Management of Student Behaviour

Orange cards

- classroom

Yellow cards
- playground



Extra-Curricular Activities

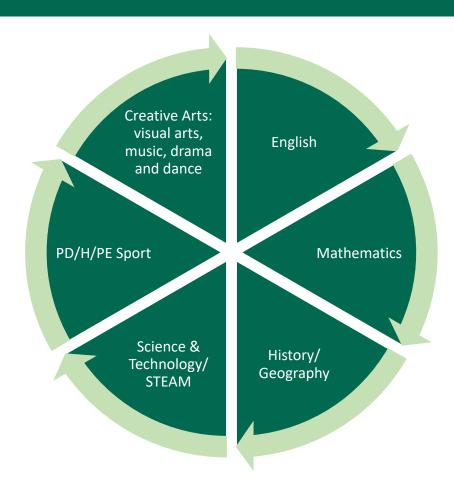
- Violin lessons (information in <u>Week 3</u> newsletter)
- Sporting Schools (after school sport start Semester 2 TBC)
- Lunchtime Garden club
- Lunchtime Dance Groups
- Lunchtime Chess Club

Available to the Older Grades:

- •Choir
- Recorder group
- Dance
- Chess coaching
- Public speaking and debating
- Auslan Group
- •Garden club
- Orchestra
- Sporting Schools subject to funding
- Earthwatch



The Curriculum

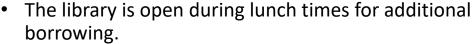




The Library



- Our library provides access to books, technology, and flexible learning areas.
- Each class comes to the library once a week to borrow books and take part in a library lesson.



- To borrow, students must bring a library bag to school with them.
- Students with overdue library books will not be allowed to borrow until books are returned.
- The library provides a space for co-curricular activities such as chess club.



Miss Grassi



Mr Watts

Ms Leone

1

Our library day is Friday

2

Students must bring their library bag (labelled)



Only pack their library bag/books on Friday.



Don't confuse library books with readers.



Physical Education

Physical Education is taught by specialist teachers. Pleasure ensure that your child comes to school on sport days with a hat, drink bottle and sports uniform with appropriate footwear.



SPORT DAYS ARE ON TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS



PE UNIFORM MUST
BE WORN –
INCLUDING BLACK
OR WHITE SNEAKERS





Learning and Support

Introduce the team & what we do



Learning and Support Team



Alexandra Crawford

Deputy Principal/ LAST supervisor

LST, EAL/D and HPGE

Learning and Support - English as an Additional Language/Dialect - High Potential and Gifted Education



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LST and EAL/D

Learning and Support – English as an Additional Language/Dialect

MiniLit and MacqLit withdrawal

Small group literacy program

In-class support and co-teaching

 Covers all Key Learning Areas (KLA)





New Arrival Program

- NAP is for children who have newly arrived in Australia within the last 12 months.
- Withdrawal group and in-class support.
- Focused on developing their English skills.





HPGE

High Potential and Gifted Education

- We provide for high potential and gifted students through a range of whole-school, classroom and extra and co-curricular opportunities.
- The model has been changed to reach more children across the four domains of high potential and giftedness:
 - Intellectual
 - Social/emotional
 - Physical
 - Creative





HPGE

High Potential and Gifted Education

- A specialist teacher will support teaching staff in helping identified students to develop their talents
- Referrals may be made by teachers and/or parents





Homework – Years 5 & 6

Reading Aloud

• Each child, no matter their reading ability, should read aloud for 20 minutes every day. They can read to themselves, an iPad and record their voice or to a family member.

Project

• 1 passion project per term.

Maths

- Mathspace.
- All students should know their times tables.



NAPLAN – Year 5 only

- 13 March-25 March
- National assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.
- The test covers skills in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and mathematics.



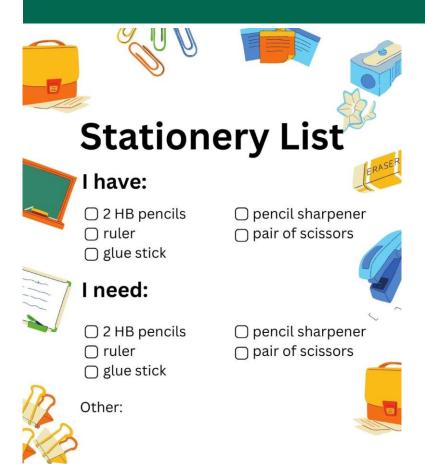
Formal Reporting

- Parent/Teacher interviews (Term 1 and Term 3)
 - These will be found in the Sentral portal.
- Formal reports (Term 2 and Term 4)
 - These will be found in the Sentral portal.





Equipment



- Book packs Included in school account
- 1 **small** pencil case
- Over-the-ear headphones (no Bluetooth)
- BYOD (optional)









