

# Meadowbank Matters



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Term 1 Week 7

Tuesday 12 March 2019

## NOTES/eForms/PAYMENTS DUE

- School Account – Payment due by end of Term 1

Newsletter articles to be emailed to [meadowbank-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:meadowbank-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) by midday of Monday each week.

Assembly Friday 11.30am to 12pm - Linton

Reminder: Teachers are unavailable for meetings on Tuesday & Thursday mornings as they will be attending staff meetings.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Term 1 2019

#### Week 7

Wednesday 13 March Zone Swimming Carnival

#### Week 8

Tuesday 19 March P&C Meeting 7.30pm

#### Week 9

Thursday 28 March Crazy Hair Day

#### Week 10

Monday 1 April School Swimming Scheme to Friday 12 April

#### Week 11

Thursday 11 April Easter Parade 1.45 – 3pm  
Friday 12 April Last day for Students Term 1

### Term 2 2019

#### Week 1

Tuesday 30 April Students return to school for Term 2

### Award Winners for Maths

Award Winners for Maths		Citizenship for being Responsible
PORTER	Nino	Lewis
SHEPHERD	Anabelle, Sylvia	Siyuan, Hassan
SQUIRE	Ronnie, Emma	Bella, Aiken
SUTHERLAND	Piper, Isaac	Amelia, Katherine
THORN	Vanya, Archer	Seira, Nysa
TUCKER	Kevin, Evelyn	Elijah, Ruby
WHITTON	Ella, Mia	Ashish, Irene
WILLANDRA	Eva, Jessica	Amneet, Sophie

Please note that our OFFICE  
HOURS are:  
8:30AM- 3:15PM



We are pleased to announce the launch of our new school website for Meadowbank Public School. Our school now has a new website link.

[www.meadowbank-p.schools@nsw.gov.au](http://www.meadowbank-p.schools@nsw.gov.au)

Go and explore our exciting new website!

Some of the many new features available on our website include:

- Translation into over 100 languages
- Access to the skoolbag app via the website
- Mobile friendly
- Ability to add reminders about events to your personal calendar with the click of a button

We will continue to update our website regularly with news, photos and newsletters so keep an eye out.

Kimberley Lear

At Meadowbank we are safe, respectful and responsible.



## EASTER EGG RAFFLE!

Year 6 will be hosting an Easter Egg Raffle to fundraise for their Year 6 Farewell.

We would love it if you could help us by bringing in chocolate eggs and any other goodies so we can create fantastic hampers for you to win!

All donations should be sent to the canteen.

### Principal's Report

One of our School Plan Strategic Directions for 2018 -2020 is all about improving and developing our capacity to communicate effectively to our diverse school population.

#### Strategic Direction 3: Communications and Connections

##### Purpose

- To develop a culture where the school community works cooperatively and innovatively to create a caring place where children and adults feel they make a contribution and are valued as individuals.
- To promote positive community engagement and involvement in a growing school population.

##### We aim to:

- Promote efficient communication.
- Build strong connections with the school and wider community.
- Increase school community participation and communication within a growing school population.
- Improve communication structures to become efficient and effective.
- Encourage parent engagement/ involvement in the school community.
- Continue to develop practices to celebrate the diverse cultures within the school.

##### To work towards achieving our Strategic Direction 3:

- Miss Lear has been updating our website it is now located at: [www.meadowbank-p.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.meadowbank-p.schools.nsw.gov.au).
- Soon you will see a new newsletter designed and organised by Ms Zhang.
- Mrs Crawford is holding an information session for new parents to our school this Friday morning at 9am in the hall.
- All classes have Seesaw which is a communication tool between each class teacher and parents.

We hope that with an increased focus on quality communication we will increase the involvement and support of parents within our school community.

Jenni Cope

### Meadowbank Public School Emergency Procedures

Today we had an evacuation practice. We hold these at different times during the year to ensure the safety of everyone on our school site.

We have regular practices so that all at Meadowbank are safe. When on site all visitors, parents etc. are expected to join in with these practices. We hope that we will never be put into a situation where we would need to carry out these procedures in real life but with these practices at least we are the best prepared that we can be.

#### EVACUATION

An evacuation is the organised and controlled movement of students, staff and visitors from a threatened or danger area in the minimum possible time and exposing them to the least possible risk.

A copy of the emergency evacuation procedures is located on or near the main door of every room.

This procedure will be used in the event of a fire, bomb scare, or any other event requiring immediate evacuation of the school.

##### Emergency Evacuation Procedures

- On alarm bell or manual hooter, evacuate buildings via the most convenient exit.
- Close doors after ensuring no one else remains in room.
- Everyone assemble on grass area near play equipment on the bottom oval.
- Remain in the evacuation area until the all clear is given.

## LOCKDOWN

Any person noticing potential dangers in/or around the school should immediately notify the office. If this occurs during breaks in the school day students should approach the teacher(s) on duty, who should then notify the office immediately.

Lockdown is used when there is an immediate threat to the school, e.g. school intruders, an armed person on school grounds, potentially explosive object, storm situations etc.

Lockdown secures staff and students in rooms, where everyone must remain until the situation has been declared safe. The staff, students and visitors will be alerted to follow the Emergency Lock-Down Procedure by an announcement over the school's loudspeaker system.

Lockdown Procedures

- If in the playground, move to closest room
- Close and lock all windows and doors
- Put down shutters if in the canteen
- Call the office 9809 3648 to advise all are secure.

Remain in place until an announcement is made over loud speaker that all is clear.

## You are invited to join us for our Easter Parade: Thursday 11 April 1.45pm – 3pm

Mums, dads and grandparents are invited to join us for our Easter morning tea and parade. Pre-schoolers may like to make a hat at home and we'll make a time for them to parade as well.



### Making Easter Hats

Students will be making their Easter hats at school in the days coming up to the Easter Parade. They are invited to bring along some bits and pieces so that they can be creative and make their hats with their friends and buddies. Students will parade their hats on Thursday afternoon, 11 April.



## SRC Crazy Hair Day

The SRC is running a crazy hair day on Thursday, 28 March to raise funds to purchase equipment for the school. Students who wish to come to school with crazy hair are asked to donate a gold coin for the privilege, and may also wear mufti.

The SRC will have a Crazy Hair Stall to give you crazy, coloured hair in case you don't have time to do it at home. It will cost \$3 to have your hair sprayed one colour, and \$1 for each extra colour you choose. The stall will run from 8.30am on Thursday 28 March and again at recess.

There will be a crazy hair winner chosen from each class on the day, and an overall K-2 and 3-6 winner announced the following Tuesday.

Mrs Emeleus

SRC Co-ordinator



## Support Our Students at Inaugural Ryde Harmony Day Celebration Concert!

Bring your families along to the Ryde Civic Hub to support our students who will performing in the free inaugural Harmony Day 'A Celebration of hOPE' Charity Concert alongside guest artists **100% hOPE Children's Choir** visiting from Uganda.

**A Celebration of hOPE Charity Concert, is on Thursday, March 21 at 7-9pm** supported by City of Ryde Council as part of local Harmony Day celebrations. It promises to be unmissable, with the skills and exuberance of local children supplementing the vibrancy of the African acapella voice, drumming and dancing of our Ugandan visitors here as part of a three-month tour of Australia.

The concert is free, but a gift card will be placed on each seat & should people want to offer support to hOPE finishing building their primary school in Uganda, they're welcome to complete the card.

Our choir and orchestra will be performing alongside students from four Ryde area schools and several local performing arts groups, showcasing the diversity of our local culture. Harmony Day, March 21, is Australia's recognition of the United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.  
Miss Lear and Miss Abou Melhem

### PSSA News

- Softball training Wednesday morning 8am.
- T-Ball training Wednesday straight after school to 4pm.
- Newcombe Ball training Friday morning at 8am.
- Softball and T-Ball play Ermington Public School at Meadowbank Park and Newcombe Ball play Eastwood at Meadowbank Park this Friday 15 March.
- **Results from Friday 1 March:**

Sport	Played	Score
Softball Girls	Ryde East	Won 9 - 0
Softball Boys	Ryde East	Won 12 - 0
T-Ball Girls	Ryde East	Lost 7 - 17
T-Ball Boys	Ryde East	Won 13 - 6
Newcombe Ball Jnr	Kent Road	Won 1 - 0
Newcombe Ball Snr	Kent Road	Lost 0 - 2
Volleyball	Kent Road	Lost 0 - 3

### Orchestra News

Senior orchestra 8am Wednesday

Junior Orchestra 8:15 am Friday

### Music extension day

Students in recorders and Senior Orchestra are invited to attend a Music Extension day on 2 April at Naamaroo conference centre.

Please return notes as soon as possible.

Students participating Wakakirri are not required to attend on that day.

Mrs Crawford

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**CHILDREN'S CHOIR 2019**

Thursday 21 March  
7.00 - 9.00pm (free entry)  
Ryde Civic Hub  
1 Devlin St, Ryde

Join us for a truly unforgettable experience of traditional and contemporary acapella singing, dancing and African rhythm drumming!

**Harmony Day: A Celebration of HOPE**

Ryde area school students showcase cultures from around the world through their performances. With a special appearance from Achieve Wishes members!

**100-hope.org** **100% HOPE**



# The simplest way

... to choose foods for the lunch box

Pick one food from each food group:

**Breads & Cereals:**  
rich in carbohydrates,  
the body's preferred  
source of energy –  
perfect for kids to  
play and learn all  
day.



**Vegies & Salads:**  
high in fibre and packed full of vital vitamins and minerals  
to boost health and help maintain a healthy weight.

**Meat & Alternatives:** rich in protein, iron and zinc.

**Dairy:** important for growing healthy bones and teeth.

**Fruit:** naturally sweet and refreshing the perfect snack for  
growing bodies.

For simple ideas on foods from each group visit  
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## RIVERSIDE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

### Notice of Meeting


An information night about Riverside Girls High School  
Gifted and Talented program and classes for 2020 where the  
application and testing process will be explained.

When : Tuesday 26 March

Time: 6 - 6.30 p.m.

Location : School Hall





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## Effective Writing Workshop for Children

This workshop will explore grammar, meaning, spelling, usage and writing that will supplement their learning of the English language at school.

They will analyse the overall structure of writing through grammar and sentence structure.

**Ages** 7-9 years  
**When** Saturday 30 March 2019  
**Where** Ryde Library  
**Time** 10.00 – 11.30am & 12pm – 1.30pm  
**Cost** \$10.00

**Bookings Essential:**  
**Online** [cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au](http://cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au)  
**Phone** 9952 8352  
**Visit** Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street, Ryde

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Dear Principals, Music teachers and Band directors.

The Conservatorium High School would like to inform your talented music students that:

## AUDITIONS NOW OPEN FOR 2020

Application to AUDITION for Con High entering 2020 are now open.

Go to <https://conhigh.nsw.edu.au>

APPLY tab then 2020 Entry Application.

Closing date for registration is 7th June 2019.

