



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Technology update

Teachers have been extremely busy behind the scenes over the last few weeks processing the new devices, adding new security measures to them and putting apps and programs on in preparation for next term. Over next term the school will see more wifi being installed to assist with all the new technology and a replacement of the computers and devices that were broken during the storm a few weeks ago.

School logo

There was an overwhelming response by parents, teachers and students concerning the school logo. The majority of parents, staff and students liked:



"ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER"

STRIVING

SUCCESS

EXCELLENCE

ACHIEVE

COURAGE

Inclosed lands act

Entry on to a school site is a privilege and not a right and under the Inclosed Lands Protections Act 1901, the Principal of the school has the right to prohibit or restrict entry to anyone that behaves in a way that is considered inappropriate and not in keeping with the standard of behaviour expected. Students, staff and other parents have the right to a safe and comfortable environment where they feel respected. Any person exhibiting aggressive language or behaviour will be given a warning or have their right to enter the school site prohibited or removed. Parents, please refrain from approaching/talking to children that are not your own. Please take any issues up with your child's classroom teacher.

Tell Them From Me survey

Many schools take part in the Tell Them From Me survey (TTFM). The survey is taken by students in years 4, 5 and 6 and provides our school with useful information and data for school planning and self-assessment. It also gives us information on student engagement, wellbeing, aspirations and effective teaching practices from the students' perspectives. It is completed online and takes approximately 15 minutes to complete. Students will be asked about:

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ○ Participation in sports | ○ Behaviour at school |
| ○ Homework | ○ Sense of belonging |
| ○ Positive teacher/student relations | ○ Positive learning experiences |

Dianne Uthmeyer

Deputy Principal

Term 1 Week 10 2019

CALENDAR DATES WHAT'S ON



Please note: event dates may change

APRIL Week 10	
Monday 1	•
Tuesday 2	• Stage 3 NRL Sport
Wednesday 3	•
Thursday 4	• Scripture • Halinda Leadership Program • Learning Centre
Friday 5	• Easter Raffle drawn • Assembly Item: Junior Choir
APRIL Week 11	
Monday 8	•
Tuesday 9	• Stage 3 NRL Sport
Wednesday 10	• Easter Hat Parade
Thursday 11	• Cross-Country 3-6 • Scripture • Halinda Leadership Program • Learning Centre
Friday 12	• School Colour Explosion • Last Day of Term

APRIL / MAY Week 1	
Monday 29	• Staff Development Day
Tuesday 30	• Students return to school
Wednesday 1	•
Thursday 2	• Scripture • Halinda Leadership Program • Learning Centre
Friday 3	•

MAY Week 2	
Monday 6	•
Tuesday 7	• School Photo's
Wednesday 8	• Mother's Day Stall
Thursday 9	• Zone Cross-Country • School Photo's • Scripture • Halinda Leadership Program • Learning Centre
Friday 10	• Assembly Item: KS
MAY Week 3	
Monday 13	•
Tuesday 14	• NAPLAN 3 & 5
Wednesday 15	• NAPLAN 3 & 5
Thursday 16	• NAPLAN 3 & 5 • Scripture • Halinda Leadership Program • Learning Centre
Friday 17	• Assembly Item: 3/4W
MAY Week 4	
Monday 20	•
Tuesday 21	•
Wednesday 22	• National Simultaneous Story time @11am – Alpacas with Maracas
Thursday 23	• Responsible Pet Ownership Talk K-2 • Scripture • Halinda Leadership Program • Learning Centre
Friday 24	• Assembly Item: 5/6TF

MDPS ART COMPETITION

WHAT: CREATE AN AT WORK ON A4 PAPER

THEME: FREE CHOICE

DUE: FRIDAY 5th APRIL

THE WINNING ARTWORKS WILL BE DISPLAYED IN THE STAFFROOM FOR 10 WEEKS AND IN THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER. THERE WILL BE A KINDY, STAGE 1, STAGE 2 AND STAGE 3 WINNER.



FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

MEDICATION

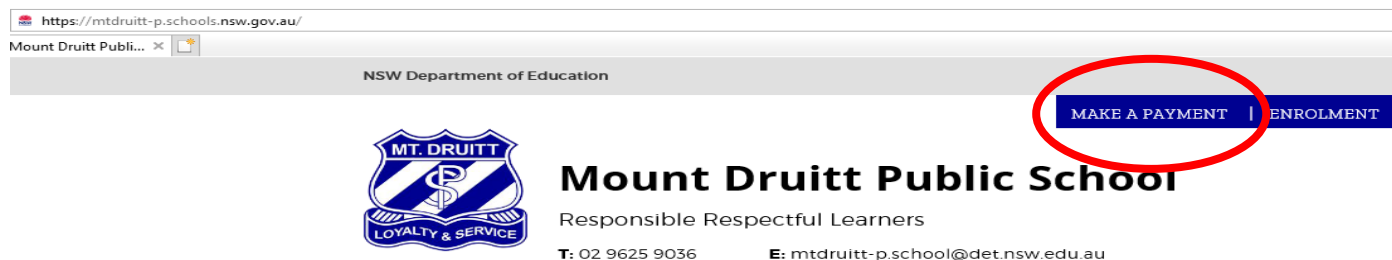
Please be advised if you require office staff to give your child prescribed medication for a short term period we will need the following:

- ✓ A signed and written letter from the parent.
- ✓ The letter must clearly state the amount of medication eg: 5 ml of liquid or 1 tablet.
- ✓ The letter must also state the required time the child is to take the medication.

If your child needs on going medication then we will need a healthcare plan from your GP. Please see office staff if you require more information.

PRESCHOOL FEES

The end of term is fast approaching and preschool fees are now due. Payments can be made in person at the counter or online via the school website.



Note: Should you not be in a position to pay please contact the school.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

The fundraising team took a look at the new school reports for next term and were very impressed with the changes.

Next Semester we will be offering students the opportunity to purchase personalised bricks to be added to the existing ones surrounding the path at the front of the school.

The fundraising team has purchased some awesome Mother's Day gifts to be sold early next term. There is also the chance to win a Mother's Day gift basket. Raffle tickets for the basket will be sold during the Mother's day stall.



Next week we have the Easter hat parade and the school colour explosion!

SCHOOL PHOTO'S 2019

Photo Day is coming up in Week 2 of Term 2. Individualised envelopes have been handed out to each student. Please send the **CORRECT** money in the envelope provided to your child's teacher before/on photo day.

DO NOT SEND MONEY/ENVELOPE TO THE OFFICE!

This year's photographer is The School Photographer, who offers prices from \$25 to \$44.

Photos will be on the following days:

Tuesday 7 th May 2019	Thursday 9 th May 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Class Photos (KA, KB, KM, KP, 1/2B, 1/2C, 1/2H, 1/2N, 1/2S, 1/2R, 1/2T, 3/4C, 3/4F, 3/4H, 3/4J, 3/4O, 3/4W, 5/6K, 5/6D, 5/6F, 5/6G)✓ Early Intervention photos✓ Preschool photos✓ Sibling photos	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Whole school photo✓ Class photos (5/6FT, 5/6B)✓ Early Intervention photo✓ Year 6 Graduation photo✓ Preschool photos✓ Sibling photos✓ Catch up portraits

Students are expected to be in full school uniform on these days.

SIBLING PHOTOS

If you would like a photograph of all your children together, we do have sibling photos available. A separate envelope is available for parents who may wish to purchase a sibling photograph. Sibling envelopes should be collected from the front office. All sibling photographs should be paid for in these envelopes to avoid confusion.

If you have any questions please see Miss Raj or Mrs Sohal.



REFUGEE DANCE

The Australian Literacy and Numeracy Foundation has sponsored a program for students with Refugee Visas at our school.



Contemporary dance at school takes place on Mondays, from 11.30 am to 1.30 pm in the Art/ Multipurpose room.

The dance and choreography workshop is led by a highly trained and skilled contemporary dancer, Ms Jamie. In larger groups an additional dance teacher will join the project.

The program is available for both, boy and girl students or a mixed group. This program includes a number of processes like an understanding of basic dance position, body structure, movement and the use of story in dance, including a collaborative exhibition piece.

Throughout the program students get opportunity to reflect on the processes through journal writing and also use themed writing to direct their final dance project.

Mrs Kumar



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASS – 1/2S

Meet the Superheroes of 1/2S busy solving maths problems



1/2S Superheroes have been working hard in their headquarters to solve real world maths problems

They love to be challenged...



...especially when dealing with money!



ASSEMBLY ITEMS – KP & 1/2B

KP have worked very hard at practising their item for week 8 all term. It was their first time on stage. They love singing and dancing! KP practiced this song as part of our music unit this term. Students picked the song 'If you're happy and you know it' by The Wiggles as they enjoyed dancing to it and worked very hard at remembering the steps by heart.



KP decided that a happy song needed bright happy costumes so students wore their favourite colours! Although they were very nervous, they did an amazing job. Well done KP!



1/2B performed their item on stage in week 9. We danced to the song 'Banana banana meatball' by Blazer Fresh. We were a little nervous to dance on stage but excited too.

Earlier in the term we were learning about patterns in maths.

This song and dance helped us understand patterns!



PRESCHOOL NEWS



This week at preschool the children have been exploring the letter B.



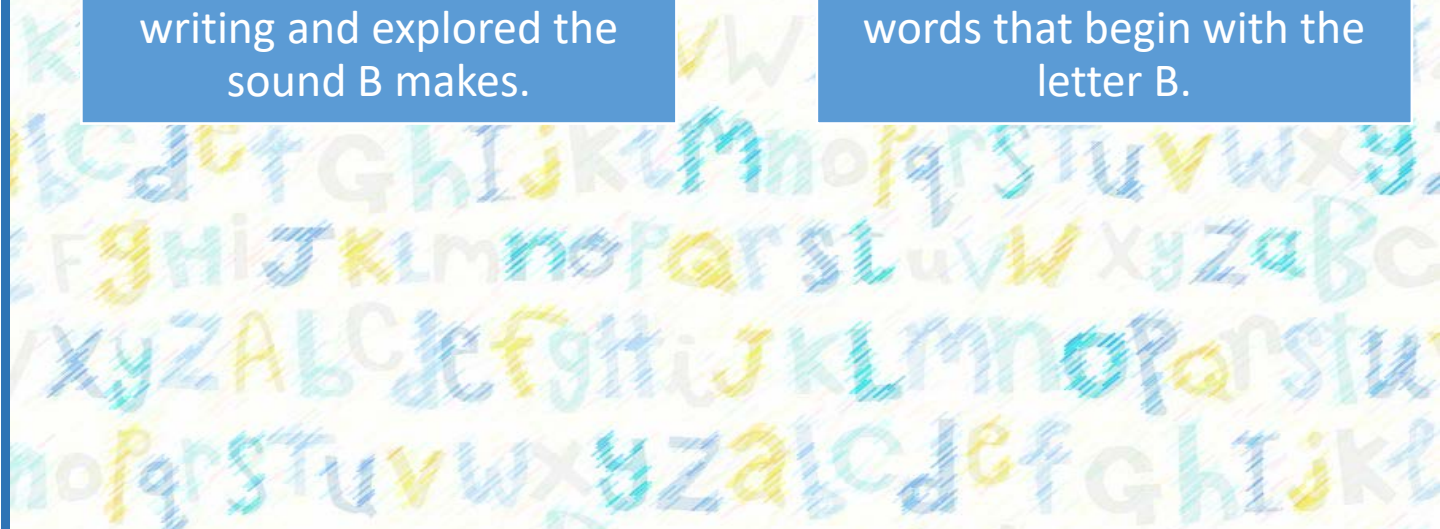
They created art works to represent the letter B.



The children practiced writing and explored the sound B makes.



And they brainstormed words that begin with the letter B.





TEACHER SHOUT OUT

- ***What is your full name?***

Belinda Jane Wraight

- ***What do you like about M.D.P.S?***

The students

- ***What is your favourite year/grade to teach?***

All grades

- ***How long have you been teaching for?***

13 Years

- ***What career were you thinking of having when you were a kid?***

A hair dresser

- ***What is your favourite food?***

Chinese food

- ***Do you like teaching?***

Yes, of course

- ***What is your favourite animal?***

Aussie bulldog



MATHS PROBLEM OF THE FORTNIGHT

Every fortnight, there will be a maths problem for the students to solve. There is a box in the front office for students to submit their responses. Encouragement prizes will be handed out to two students from each stage during the school assembly.



Kindergarten (Early Stage 1):

Represent 7 in different ways (fingers, dice, dominoes, everyday objects, numeral, words, counters, etc.)

Year 1 and 2 (Stage 1):

Where do you use addition and subtraction in your daily life?

Year 3 and 4 (Stage 2):

If you choose any two numbers, is the product always more than the sum? Prove your thinking.

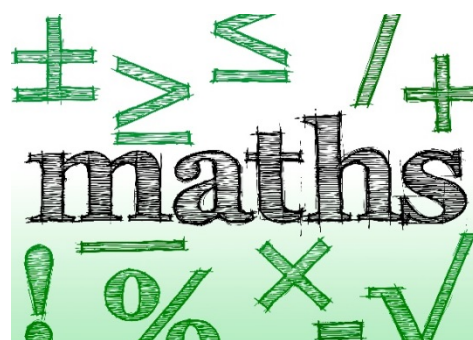
Year 5 and 6 (Stage 3):

Using a catalogue, create and solve some money related problems.

NOTE: Please remember to write your name and class on your work. The entries should be in the office by **Wednesday Week 11 (10th April)**

M Kaur

Instructional Leader



MESSAGES FROM THE WELLBEING TEAM

Some Suggestions to Improve Partial Attendance at MDPS



- ✓ Have a set bed time routine, between 7.00pm and 8.00pm.
- ✓ أو السابعة الساعة هو و للنوم محدد موعد عندك خلي مساء. الثامنة



- ✓ Have your school bags/lunches/uniforms ready the night before.
- ✓ المدرسه لبس و الغذاء وجبه و المدرسة شنته خلي-٢ السابقة الليلة في جاهزه.



- ✓ No technology in the morning.
- ✓ الصباحية في تكنولوجيه اجهزه مفيش -٣.



- ✓ Be at school by 9.00 am.
- ✓ التاسعه الساعه في أو قبل المدرسه في تكون لازم -٤. تماما صباحا.



Should I stay home if it rains?

No, I should use an umbrella or wear a raincoat.

١- ؟ ممطر الجو كان إذا المنزل في ابقى هل-
المطر من واقى جاكيت البس أو شمسيه استعمل ان يجب لا



Should I stay home if it is my birthday?

No, I should celebrate my birthday either in the afternoon or on the weekend.

٢- ؟ ميلادي عيد يوم في المنزل في ابقى هل
الأسبوع نهايه عطله في أو الظهر بعد ميلادي بعيد احتفل لازم لا



Should I stay home if my brother or sister is sick?

No, I need to come to school as I am not sick.

٣- مريضه؟ اختي أو اخي كان إذا المنزل في ابقى هل
مريضه ليست أنا لأنني المدرسة الي اذهب لازم لا



Should I stay home if I am sick?

Yes, I should stay home as I need to rest to get well quickly.

٤- ؟ مريضه كنت إذا المنزل في ابقى هل-
سليم اصبح علشان راحه الي محتاج لأنني المنزل في ابقى لازم نعم
عافي .



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A PARENT EDUCATION COURSE

AT Mount Druitt Public School

ON 22nd May, 29th May & 5th June

AT 9.15-11.30am

PARENTS WILL LEARN

- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to sort behaviour
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Choosing strategies - the 3 choices model
- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- Strategies for encouraging good behaviour

PARENTS RECEIVE

- A workbook to apply the concepts learnt to their families
- A certificate of completion

WHO IS RUNNING THE COURSE?

The course facilitator is

Ms Ann-Maree McDonald

who completed the 1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching practitioner training on

20.11.17

REGISTER TODAY

Parents must attend all 3 sessions. To register please leave your contact details at the school office. For further details contact Ms McDonald at school or by phone on 96259036.

Cost: Mount Druitt Public School parents - FREE

Parents from other schools - \$20.00 (3 Sessions and course materials are included)

Please register early as positions in the course are limited.

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If you are interested or would like to know more one of
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MECA

**MT DRUITT
ETHNIC
COMMUNITIES
AGENCY**

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

APRIL 2019



MON 15 APRIL

Ballet Clinics (Boys & Girls)

TUES 16 APRIL

Basketball / Kids Fitness

WED 17 APRIL

Multi Sport / Touch Football

TUES 23 APRIL

Gymnastics

WED 24 APRIL

Soccer/ Dodgeball

9.00am-3.00pm.

\$20 per child, per day.

For children aged 5-12 years.

Lunch not provided.

**Each participant must be a member of
PCYC \$10 per child, per year.**

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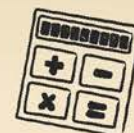
School Holiday **KIDS TRIVIA**

TUESDAY 16TH APRIL

REGISTER FROM 9:30AM | PLAY FROM 10AM

KIDS 5 - 12 | FREE TO PLAY

GAMES & GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON



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