



MAYFIELD STATE SCHOOL



Whole School Assembly is held each Monday afternoon at 2:30pm.

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Dates to Remember:

26 Jan Australia Day Public Holiday.

30 Jan P E Swimming classes commence.

30 Jan Library Borrowing commences—check with your class teacher.

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PARENTS & CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Meets 3rd Monday of each month at 7.00pm All parents are invited to attend.

Outside School Hours Care 07 3398 9599



From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to 2017! I can hardly believe that once again we are back to school ready to begin a new year. Firstly welcome to our new prep students and their families. We are excited to have you join our little community and look forward to getting to know you in the coming days.

You will remember that Mr Lange unexpectedly had to take some leave at the end of Term 4 of 2016. He continues his leave and we are looking forward to having him back at school in week 4. Until this time I will remain as Acting Principal with Kate Miles and Carlie Reason supporting me as A/Deputy Principal and A/HOC. Simone Scheepers will co-teach 4/5C with Kerry Kearney until Carlie returns to her class in week 4.

Last week we began the year with 3 very busy and worthwhile Pupil Free Days. We had 2 full days of professional development. On Wednesday we had first aide and CPR training. On Thursday, we continued our learning journey in 'CO-OPERATIVE LEARNING' with Day 2 training in Kagan Co-operative Learning Structures. This is an approach to teaching and learning which we have adopted throughout our whole school and teachers certainly appreciated another injection of knowledge, with some ideas to engage all learners in their classrooms.

STOP DROP 'N GO

How exciting it is to finally have this new facility for Mayfield! Thank you to Counsellor Ryan Murphy and the city council team who have worked with our P&C and our school administration to get this project completed, ready for the start of the new school year.

As I write this, the signage for the Drop' N Go zone has not yet been installed. However we have been given the "green light" to begin to make use of the facility. You just need to remember that there is NO PARKING in the indented bay. The area will be supervised by school staff in the afternoons from 3:00 to 3:15.

Below you will find some information that I encourage all parents intending to use this drop 'n go zone, to read

carefully. There are sure to be some teething problems which we haven't anticipated, but I am sure that by the end of the first week we will all have worked out what we need to do to make this a huge asset to our school. This week children will also be learning how to apply PAWS when using the new drop 'n go zone.

WET WEATHER

At this point in time we have no covered area to keep children dry on wet afternoons while waiting in the pick-up area. I encourage you to think about providing a raincoat in your child's school bag. Umbrellas are NOT PREFERRED due to the danger they pose to other students in a crowded space.

In the event of thunder and lightning at 3pm, students will **not** be released to go out and stand under the trees to wait for collection at the Stop 'n go zone as this would potentially be unsafe. In this instance, parents would need to revert to our old processes of finding a car park and entering the school grounds to collect your child/ren. These are the conversations that I encourage you to have with your child/ren as we all learn how to best use this new facility.

Yours in education

Lesley Jones
A/Principal

Welcome to "Stop, Drop & Go" at Mayfield State School.

The following information is to help us to develop a speedy, efficient, and safe process for using our new "STOP, DROP& GO" zone and ensure the safety of our students while reducing the traffic congestion around our school.

Some General Principles:

- ☺ Prep students should be delivered to their classroom and collected from there each afternoon. Please DO NOT use the STOP, DROP& GO zone to pick up or drop off Prep students.
- ☺ Please use STOP, DROP& GO zone to drop Yr 1-6 students safely to school in the morning if you cannot find a kerbside park. We can now eliminate the unsafe practice of stopping in the middle of Paget St to allow children to exit the car when there is no parking available.
- ☺ Afternoon "Pick up" – perhaps consider staggering your arrival time to spread out the number of vehicles accessing the STOP, DROP& GO over the 15 minutes time period.
- ☺ If you need to join a queue for a few minutes, then PLEASE BE PATIENT!
- ☺ Drivers should not park or exit their vehicle in the STOP, DROP& GO zone at any time.

AFTERNOON PICK UP: 3:00 TO 3:15. As this is the busiest time of the day on the roads around our school, please read the following carefully so that we can WORK AS A TEAM and establish our processes.

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES: MAYFIELD STAFF

- ☺ STOP, DROP& GO will have a staff member rostered from 3:00 to 3:15 each day to begin with, to supervise students and ensure safety. (This will be monitored and adjusted if necessary)
- ☺ Staff member on duty will alert students and direct them to parent's cars.
- ☺ To assist with this process we will provide you with a laminated card with your family name printed on it, which can be placed on your sunvisor and "flipped down" to assist the rostered staff member to quickly identify your car and call your child to the gate. PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE SO THAT CARDS CAN BE PREPARED. (admin@mayfieldss.eq.edu.au)
- ☺ Class teachers will explicitly teach PAWS lessons on how to ACT RESPONSIBLY when using STOP, DROP& GO.
- ☺ Children who have not been collected by 3:15 will be taken to the office and parents will need to collect them from there. (To leave students unsupervised would be a failure in our duty of care)

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES: PARENTS

- ☺ Please **DO NOT** perform U-Turns by turning into the driveways of houses opposite the Drop 'N Go Zone. This is

dangerous to our students and causes upset to our neighbours.

- ☺ Plan/adjust your journey so that you can approach the STOP, DROP& GO zone by driving slowly up Rickwood St from the ovals side of the school.
- ☺ Wait patiently if necessary to enter the collection zone.
- ☺ As you enter the collection zone, drive as far forward as possible. Once you have stopped, your child will be instructed by rostered staff to walk quickly out to your car.
- ☺ Ensure your child can enter the car on the **passenger side**.
- ☺ Once your child is buckled in, please drive out of the STOP, DROP& GO zone.

If your child has not arrived at the collection area by the time you have reached the top of the STOP, DROP& GO zone, then you will need to circle the block and approach the STOP, DROP& GO zone again.

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENTS

- ☺ Walk directly to the STOP, DROP& GO zone once dismissed from the classroom
- ☺ Wait quietly with siblings BEHIND the fence inside the school grounds
- ☺ Watch out for the family car.
- ☺ Listen to and promptly follow the directions of the staff on duty.



BSM Corner

Welcome back everyone. Hope you all had a lovely holiday and a well-deserved break.

This is the first newsletter for 2017 so I will be talking mainly about our banking days, payment procedures and new things being introduced this year. **Please make sure you read this whole section as it has very important information, especially for those that are new to our school.**

New things coming in 2017

Telephone System updated:

At the end of the school year we had a new telephone system installed. There are new options where you can select certain areas eg: Student Absences/Staff Absences/Enrolment Enquiries/OSHC/General Enquiries.

SMS for Same Day Absence: (Parents please read)

As of 2017 EQ Department recommends that **all** state schools be using the SMS4Schools System. This system will be used to track student absences. The process will be that once the class teacher has marked the roll, a text will be sent to the parent/carer for any unexplained absences.

Teachers will mark the roll at **8:55am** (when the second bell goes for learning time). **Any students arriving to school after 8:55am will then be marked "LATE". You will receive a text around 10am if there is an unexplained absence for your child.**

Please remember you now have the option to leave a message on the Student Absence line.

QPARENTS LAUNCHING IN 2017 (TBA Term 1)

Qparents is coming to Mayfield S.S. (mid Term 1) – As a parent who using Qparents I feel that you will like using this app.

What is QParents: QParents is a secure online web and mobile portal that provides parents of Queensland State School students with direct online access to student information such as: Attendance details/Student details/Report Cards/Invoices and payments/Enrolment history.

Below is a short video to give you an idea on what QParents is about.

[QParents Overview Video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4v-yzYhFI8I&feature=youtu.be) (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4v-yzYhFI8I&feature=youtu.be)

Information on Introduction of Qparents is available in our office.

FINANCE

Prep/Year1 Student Resource Scheme:

Prep/Year 1 Student Resource Schemes: Invoices will not be raised until the office has received the form that parents have been asked to complete. This is only for the 2017 prep and year 1 students.

At Mayfield State School, students receive invoices for excursions, incursions, levies etc. The voluntary contribution will **not** be invoiced straight away as this is '**voluntary**'. A letter and form will be sent out shortly explaining what the voluntary contribution is used for. If you require an invoice you must return the form completed and signed allowing us to invoice you.

PAYMENT DAYS ARE TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS (8:30am – 11:45am) ONLY

We will only accept cash/cheques and eftpos on these two days. It is extremely important that parents make sure all payments have the correct money and the student's name/class on a sealed envelope. This helps us with receipting. (No money is kept on the premises)

Other options we have are BPoint (preferred option) and Direct Debit into the school bank account. If you want to pay directly into the school bank account, please ring Sonia on 3843 7333 to get the bank account details. Please send an email to admin@mayfieldss.eq.edu.au once you have paid the payment so that we can keep a look out for it in the bank statements.

BPoint is available: BPOINT is available for parents to make card payments from the comfort of their home or from their smartphones. All the information required to make a BPOINT payment is available on invoices and debtor statements. **Parents making payments using their credit cards are encouraged to use BPoint instead of phoning the office with your details.** (This has been suggested by the Finance Department)

Parents can visit www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete and enter the details and make payments online.

Please remember to enter the **Customer Reference Number (CRN), Invoice Number and Amount to pay. (This can be found bottom left corner of the invoice).** **Parents who use BPoint will not receive a receipt from the school. Please do not use the EQID as this will not match up with your child's account.**

Payment Plans: Mayfield State School also offers families with financial difficulties to arrange to have school excursions, levies etc paid off over a period of time. Please call me on 3843 7333 or send me an email to admin@mayfieldss.eq.edu.au if you would like to discuss a payment plan option. Our wish is for all students to have the opportunity to attend excursions etc.

Upcoming Events Payment Schedule: Each week I will update this section so parents know when final payments are due.

Centrepay Deduction is NOT available at this school.

Have a great week.

Sonia Welch



PE/Sports News

I hope you and your child had a relaxing holiday. Welcome back to the start of our sporting year. Your child will be participating in school swimming this term.

The swimming season will begin on Monday 30 January (week 2) Please check with your class teacher if your PE day is a Monday or Tuesday. Students will need a swimming cap, sunshirt/rashie, goggles, togs and towel. All gear needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name. Parent helpers will be required especially for grade 1-2 classes. Can you please organise with the class teacher if you are able to assist.

Swimming will conclude in week 8 this term. The Junior and Senior cross country will be held at the end of term one. More information will be released closer to the event.

Let's enjoy the upcoming swimming season!

Dave Johnson-PE Teacher

Mayfield SS uniform shop

Opening times: Monday 2.30-3.15pm
Friday 8.30-9.15am

Uniform Shop queries contact: Melissa, mayfielduniforms@gmail.com

By appointment with advance notice please call or email **Melissa**: 0433 170 375 / mayfielduniforms@gmail.com **Flexischools order** go to <http://www.flexischools.com.au/>

Thanks for your support
Melissa & Kathleen



Uniform Shop

Uniform shop is looking for volunteers who can help with any of the below times and also on a more permanent basis during normal hours for 2017. If you can help please contact Melissa.

Additional Open times:

Tuesday 24/01 8-10am & Tuesday 24/01 2-3pm

Wednesday 25/01 Closed

Thursday 26/01 8-9am

Thursday 26/01 5-5.45

Friday 27/01 8-9am

Australia's No. 1 Non Competitive Soccer Program for boys and girls aged 2 to 12 is now at Brisbane South East. Enrolments for term 1 2017 are now open.

Venues and 8 weeks term starting dates:

- 📍 Belmont SS (Tuesdays) - January 31st 3:20 – 4:30 p.m.
- 📍 Carina SS (Saturdays) - February 4th 8:30 – 10:45 a.m.
- 📍 Tingalpa SS (Thursdays) - February 2nd 3:20 – 4:30 p.m.
- 📍 Seven Hills SS (Sundays) - February 5th 8:30 – 10:45 a.m.

For more info or to register:

📞 Mauricio 0430 588 067 ✉️ mauricio@grasshoppersoccer.com.au 🌐 www.grasshoppersoccer.com.au



GHS helps you to learn the skills from the best in the world of football:

With the enrolment in Grasshopper Soccer Term 1 2017 get a \$50 discount when you register in the **FC Barcelona Escola Football Camps** to be held in Brisbane between April 3rd and 7th 2017: <https://fcbarnonacampsanz.com/en/football-programs/brisbane>

Speech and Drama Tuition

Speech and Drama will be on again in 2017 and all children will be involved in the 2017 production in a theatre.

enrol online or call 3821 5755 –
www.ltkspeechanddrama.com.au



GREG CHIPPENDALE TENNIS COACHING

There are still spaces available for Mayfield coaching groups before school on Wednesday & Thursday 8 to 8.45 am.

Phone Greg 0418884762 or email
gregchip@ozemail.com.au

Mayfield State School Tennis Courts

If you would like to play tennis, Mayfield State School has two courts which can be hired.

Day Rate: \$7 per hour per court
Night Rate: \$13 per hour per court

Please call 3395 2928 to book a court.
Yvonne Nobbs



The ANZ Hot Shots Tennis !

If you wish to enrol your child, there are lessons available on a Wednesday and Friday lunchtime in first break starting at 11:10am for ages 5-11 yrs.

All tennis racquets and equipment is provided :) Parents of the students who sign up can register their child at www.hotshots.tennis.com.au, to receive a Free Hot Shots T-Shirt and confirm registration.

For enquiries, The Tennis Australia Master Club Professional is: Christie Hopgood, the contact mobile number is: 0433 674 520

or email: ctennispt@gmail.com,
www.ctennispt.com.



MAYFIELD SWIM SCHOOL

TERM 1 CLASSES COMMENCE IN WEEK 1 FOR THE 10 WEEK TERM.

PLEASE EMAIL mayfieldswimschool@gmail.com TO BOOK YOUR CHILD (REN) FOR TERM ONE SESSION, PLEASE INCLUDE THEIR NAME(S) YOUR PREFERRED DAY(S) AND LEVEL/GROUP(IF KNOWN) AND ANY QUESTIONS OR QUERIES.

TIMES AND FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

LEARN TO SWIM- BY APPT MON-THURS FROM 3:30- COST IS \$160 FOR 1X WEEKLY HALF HOUR CLASS

SQUADS MONDAY TO THURSDAY AFTERNOON:

MINI 4-445 1X WEEK \$160

JUNIOR 4-5 2X WEEK \$170

SENIOR 415-545 3X WEEK \$230

JUNIOR/SENIOR TUE & THUR 530-7AM OPTION

*SENIOR PARENTS- PLEASE CONTACT ALEX IF YOUR SENIOR REQUIRES 4-6 SESSION INFO & PRICING

ALTERNATIVELY YOU CAN BOOK WITH ALEX AT THE POOL FROM 330 MONDAY TO THURSDAY OR GIVE HER A CALL TO DISCUSS ON 0428571363

PAYMENTS ARE DUE BY WEEK 2 VIA EFT TO

MAYFIELD SWIM SCHOOL

BSB 084004 - ACCT 139491844

ALEX HAS SOME GOGGLES FOR SALE AT POOL IF REQUIRED. PLEASE COME PREPARED TO ALL CLASSES WITH WATER BOTTLES, CAP AND GOGGLES!

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE POOL SOON!!

ALEX, HARRY & KATE

Chess People

Enrolments are now being taken for term one Chess coaching at Mayfield SS. New students are always welcome, so come along Friday morning (7:30-8:30am) for a free trial.

Contact: Chess Coach Alex Stahnke 0425 313 282 or email info@chesspeople.com.au.





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