



MOUNT LEWIS INFANTS SCHOOL

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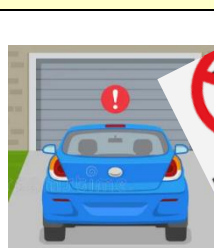
Term 1 Week 4

18 February 2025

CALENDAR - TERM 1 2025

Date	Time & Event
Wed 19/2	Meet the Teacher Afternoon
End Wk 5	Ramadan Begins
Wed 12/3	MSP School Photos
24/3-26/3	Parent Teacher Interviews

NOTES AND MONEY DUE



**DO NOT PARK IN
LOCAL
RESIDENTS
DRIVEWAYS!**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Parents and Carers,

I'm happy to say that all classes are now well into routines and learning. The school is settled, and I'd like to give credit to my staff who have worked tirelessly to not only get to know their students and families but have spent a lot of time creating inviting learning spaces and resources to compliment programs and encourage engagement. Mount Lewis Infants School, highly values wellbeing as well as having a strong focus on learning. Our twofold aim is that we create a welcoming and warm environment that allows for students to learn and want to come to school. 'Empowering Students' is our motto. We want to give the students as much knowledge and confidence early on in their education so that they can then use this in their future to set themselves up for success.

Working in partnership is the best way to reach students most successfully. Please be part of the events and workshops as they arise throughout the year. We strongly encourage community support and attendance so please use the dates advertised so you can plan if you are a working parent/carer. Please attend the "Meet the Teacher" tomorrow. It's a great start to connecting with your child's teacher and understanding how the classroom system works so your child gets clear, consistent messages.



Later this term you will be getting a note to book in for an interview with the teacher about your child's progress. This week's meeting is a general one, not a time to discuss detailed concerns etc. The interviews will be in week 9 and will be available at various times to cater for all families.

Kindergarten families and children have come a long way since that first day. I am enjoying getting to know you all.

As I mentioned in the previous Newsletter, our school focus is providing excellent teaching programs that are well planned and delivered in an engaging way as well as offering social and emotional support to students as they learn to manage life away from parents/carers. **Building resilience and confidence is very important to developing full potential in students.** MLIS is offering your child a wonderful start to their schooling.

A Rieger (Principal)

School Gates open from 8:30am. The bell rings at 9am. 2:45pm pickup.

This is the support staff that will be working in your children's room over the year or working with them in a more intensive way in a small group.

From the right: Ms Ball (APCI), Mrs Browne (LaST), Mrs Hormoz (EALD), Mr Sedra (Community Lang. Arabic), Mrs Alam (RFF & Support), Mrs Grover (Library & Support), Miss Anita (SLSO), Ms Hansen (Support). Absent Staff - Mrs Bozinovski (EALD), Miss Zaina (SLSO)



Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction (APCI) Role 2025



You have probably met Ms Ball already as she has been very helpful settling Kinder students and their families over the last few weeks. Ms Ball joins the Executive Team, along side, Mrs Brwone & Ms Ferguson.

If you were at MLIS last year, you will know, Mrs Milic has taken leave for the year and Ms Ball is relieving in her role.

Every school has someone assigned to this role. The main aim of this role is to ensure that the school has effective and explicit teaching and assessment practices in literacy and numeracy which will in turn

show improved learning outcomes across the curriculum. Ms Ball will be offering some parent/carers workshops throughout the year to share ideas and tips for families to follow up at home to assist students.

Meet the Teacher Afternoon: Tomorrow afternoon is 'Meet The Teacher'. It's the first official contact you have with your child's teacher so we really hope you come along. **Wednesday afternoon, 19 February.** The invitation will have times for each stage.



If possible, get young children minded at home for the short time you are at the school. Or the library will be available for children to be dropped off and looked after by teachers for the duration of the meetings. This is a time for listening and understanding the expectations of your teacher and how you can assist and support at home. Please come along, We'd love to see you.



Gymnastics fun for Stage 1!

Every Thursday, Stage 1 classes are participating in gym lessons with trained staff from, Zing. Thank you to the families that have paid the \$35 for this program. All students are developing their skills, improving coordination and strength, as well as having fun. The program runs all term. Kindergarten has a turn in Term 4!



PBL NEWS & THIS WEEK'S SCHOOL VALUE

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is our school program that aims to help in creating safe, effective teaching and learning environments. For more

information on PBL go to

<http://www.pbl.schools.nsw.edu.au/about-pbl>

This week's school value is:

FAIRNESS

At MLIS we show fairness through:

- taking turns
- sharing
- listening to others

In every Newsletter, the table below will have the names of the children receiving PBL awards. If you see your child's name in the table, you will know that they will be presented with that award at the following Monday's assembly. We take a photo of the group and it will be published in the Newsletter the following week. Parents/Carers are welcome to the assembly.



BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	MEDALLION

Scripture Notice: **ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**



Please contact the Islamic association on 9708 0880 and ask for Kylie, if you can volunteer as a scripture teachers for Muslim scripture at Mount Lewis Infants School. There aren't enough volunteers at the moment so if you can come along on a Wednesday for half an hour in the afternoon, please call Kylie. Thank you.

(Please also note if you are successful in working as a scripture teacher, you will not be placed in the class that your child is in).

~Office News ~

- *School Uniforms for sale from 8:30-3pm
- *Please place notes and money in the slot on the counter, anytime from 8:30am
- *Payments can be made using EFTPOS or cash
- *If your child has been changed into school spare clothes, can you please wash and return them.

~Please label all items, especially hats, jumpers and lunch items~
~Terms 2 & 3 Winter Uniform~



Girls: Dress/tunic, skivvy, dark grey stockings

Boys: long grey pants, skivvy

All students wear the school jacket

Sports Uniform for boys & girls -long grey track pants are available from the office.

Students can wear the long sleeve gold skivvy or polo under the winter uniform.

Skivvy & stockings are not sold at school. Available at KMart, Big W, Best & Less, Target etc

P&C NEWS:

This morning we held the annual AGM to elect a committee for 2025. I want to thank all the parents/carers who attended the meeting and for those who nominated to be on the P&C.

Congratulations to the newly elected P&C Committee for 2025. I'm looking forward to working with you this year.

The first P&C meeting will be in the Community Room and I will advertise the date and time as soon as I have met with the President.

P&C Committee Roles:	Names:
President	Iman Restom
Vice Presidents	Dania Al-Hakim & Haajar Hasan
Secretary	Bissan Saadi
Treasurer	Raafia Quereshi
Book Club Co-ordinator	Unfilled at the moment

