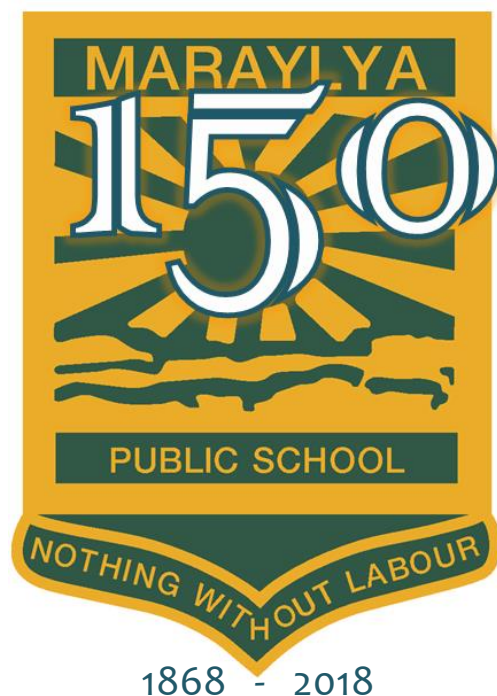


# The MARAYLYAN



Our Kindergarten students are making such a great start to school!



2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 TERM 1 WEEK 5  
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## Principal's Message

By Stewart Gaffey

With the year well and truly underway, there are many classroom and school wide initiatives proceeding, making real difference in the educational lives of our students.

The guiding force behind these educational initiatives is our school planning cycle for 2018-2020, a process which has been underway since mid last year and will culminate in our 2018-20 school plan.

The external validation process that the school undertook last year was instrumental in informing strategic directions for this year and beyond. This process, supported by community feedback, has enabled the school to identify three strategic directions for the next three years.

- Independence, Diversity and Visibility in Learning
- Leaders of Learning across the Community
- Effective Leading of Systems and Processes

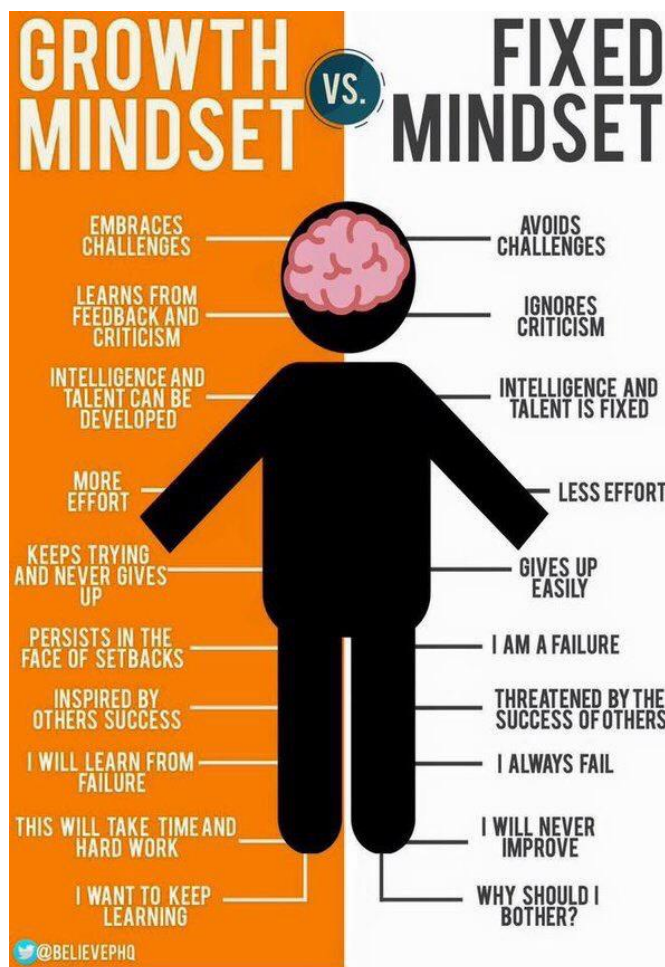
From these directions come processes and projects that the school will be delivering over this time. These projects are then monitored regularly to ensure we are on track to meet our targets.

The school plan, once finalised, will be made available to our community via the school website.

## Coming Events...

Premier's Reading Challenge commences	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar
District Swimming Carnival Mr Gaffey attending	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Environmental Ed' Visit	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Small Schools Meeting	Thu 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Drumming Workshop – Annandale Nth PS	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar
National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence	Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Easter Parade/ Eggroll/ Eggsibition	Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Good Friday Holiday	Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Easter Monday	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr
SRC Day For Denilson – Blue, red, Yellow Mufti Day	Thu 5 <sup>th</sup> April
Parent Teacher Interviews	Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Apr
School X-Country	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Apr
ANZAC Service + Last Day of Term 1	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Apr
Power of One Anti Bullying Program	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> May
Small Schools X-Country	Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> May
NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> May
Athletics Carnival	Tue 26 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Small School Field Events Carnival	Tue 31 <sup>st</sup> Jul
Small Schools Track Carnival	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug
Presentation Night	Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Year 6 Farewell	Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec

## Growth Mindset



## Student Leave

Each year we remind our families of the processes around student leave. This leave may involve a late arrival due to unforeseeable circumstances or an early departure from school for an unavoidable reason or even a full day away from school due to illness or specialist medical appointments.

The school will be more closely monitoring the late arrivals, early departures and full day absences of all students in 2018 due to periodic increases in partial and full absenteeism.

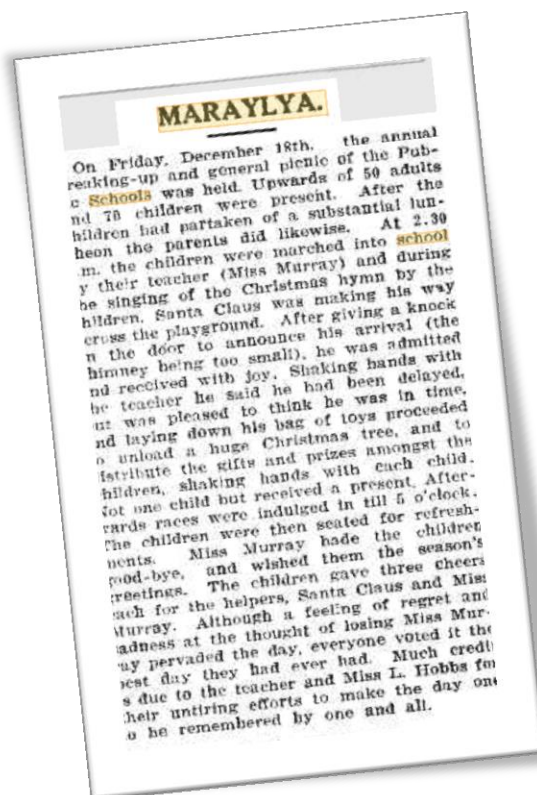
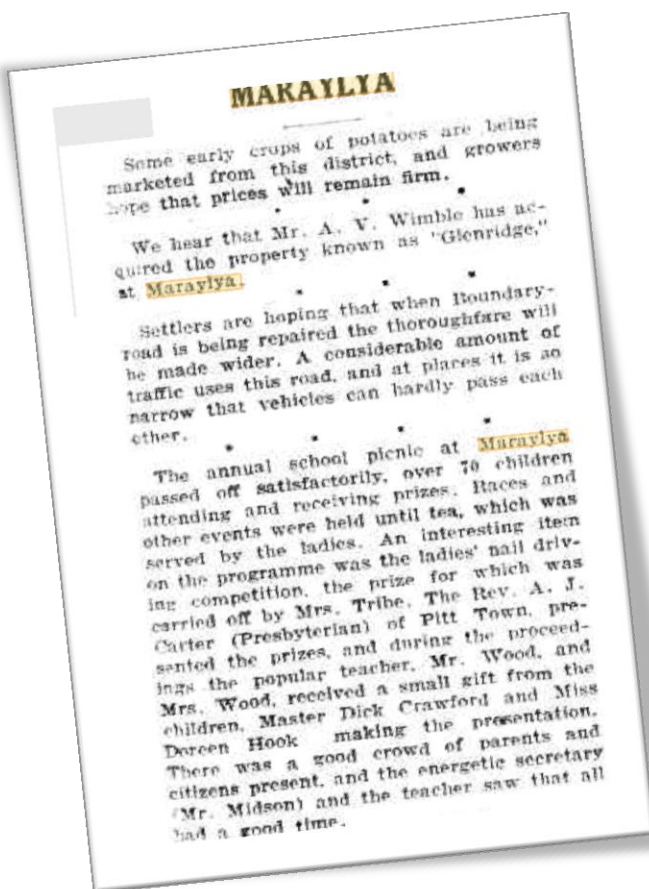
As stated many times before, it is the school's and Department of Education's expectation that students will be present at school every school day. When this is not possible due to illness or some other worthy reason, notification explaining the absence must be supplied to school. Emails to the principal for day to day absences are no longer accepted due to the difficulty in monitoring this within an already heavily loaded inbox. Please phone the school after 8.15am or send a note to school on the child's return to school. If a child is arriving late or departing early for an appointment, we request that documentation regarding the nature of the appointment be supplied. **Sporting training is not a valid reason for partial absence and should always be scheduled for outside of school hours.**

Remember, 95% attendance sounds respectable however it equates to 10 days off school or two full school weeks.

**If a student is late for school they must be accompanied to the office by the adult bringing them to school. Parents are required to provide a valid reason for their child's late arrival in the interests of the child's wellbeing.**

### Did you read the Gazette last century?

(In each newsletter, throughout our sesquicentennial year, we will aim to include a newspaper clipping from the Hawkesbury Gazette about the Maraylya of last century – enjoy!)



### SRC Semester 1 2018

Kindergarten	-	Holly M	&	Max V D B
1/2	-	Skye J	&	Ryan P
2/3	-	Cassidy F	&	Cooper O
4	-	Gemma C	&	Jake A
5/6	-	Jessica A	&	Justin S

Congratulations to all those students.

### Sesquicentenary Projects

Be sure to have your order in for the individualised pavers that will make up our sesquicentennial commemorative path . Orders should be placed before Easter so we may order and collect them in time for laying during the middle of the year.

Order forms are available from the office or on the school's website. We have already received a great deal of attention from former students and families wishing to take part in this historic project.

We look forward to our celebrations later in the year to mark this momentous occasion.



### MPS Equestrian News

Any families wishing their child to take part in representative equestrian event should have their names recorded at the front office with Mrs Carrington or N must be then assessed appropriately and permission granted through the school. Representation in these events, like any other sporting representation, must be at the discretion of the school.



**Absence exemptions from school can only be considered if performing at an elite/ national level. This exemption must be sought in writing from the New South Wales team.**



Thanks to Saddleworld Dural for their continued



## RED Reading Folders

In K-2, our R.E.D reading folders are well under way.

All students have been provided with a red folder – which is separate to a homework folder.


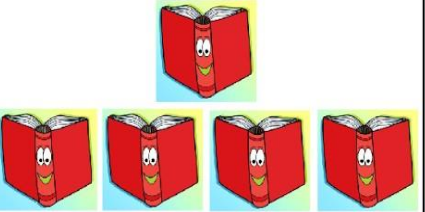

Students can bring in their folder as many days a week as they choose... it's up to you – how much do you want to read?

Teachers will then ask students to read the book they have been practicing, and decide if this book needs a little more practice or can be swapped.

Students have a 'punch' card and will earn a Star Award once their card has been filled.

Well done to all those students who have already brought in their red reading folders this year, and have their homereading under way.

# Why read 20 minutes at home?

Student A Reads	Student B Reads	Student C Reads
20 minutes per day	5 minutes per day	1 minute per day
3,600 minutes per school year	900 minutes per school year	180 minutes per school year
1,800,000 words per year	282,000 words per year	8,000 words per year
		
Scores in the 90th percentile on standardized tests.	Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests.	Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests.

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days, and Student C will have read for 3.

## Want to be a better reader? Simply read.



**Wellbeing and PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)** our students have continued to maintain a positive atmosphere in the playground. Staff are continuing to follow-up on the lessons previously taught in 2017, asking students to think about what safety, respect and responsibility looks like in particular areas.

### Current PBL focus – ‘Village’

Students are taught / reminded of the rules around correct behaviour in the Village area where students are involved in creative and constructive play.

Students are allowed to use natural materials for building and creating games and are reminded about how to use these materials including sticks safely. There is only walking in the village with sticks and certainly only safe and respectful play when holding sticks. Students are reminded to care for others’ creations and destructive behaviour is discouraged.

We recognise that there will always be small issues amongst students. Please encourage your child to talk to their teacher or principal if they have any concerns in regards to social interactions in the school.

If this is not appropriate, please make contact with the school as soon as possible so smaller issues can be attended to before becoming bigger. Staff take great time and care in working to ensure that students feel happy and secure at school.

	Merit Awards		Maraylyan of the Moment
K	Jaxon.L	Bay.B Ashlee.L	Emilia.M
1/2	Skye.J	Natalia.D	Xavier.C
2/3	Cody.H Hamish.H	Kate.B	Xavier.D
4	Jayden.A	Pippa.S Sienna.S	Luke.W
5/6	Lachlan.I Jacko.K	Jessica.A Charlotte.W	Sarah.P Jonah.B

### Happy Birthday to the following students for the month of **March**

Jessica A

Violet C

Sophia D

Annabelle D

Claudia H

Amarni R

Sienna S

Rhys A

Zavier C

Drew

Lachlan I

Jack T

Max V

## CLASS NEWS

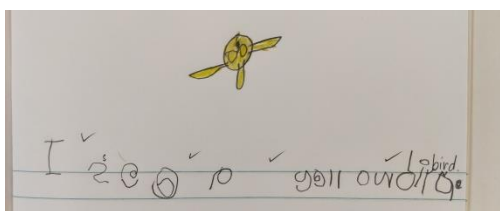
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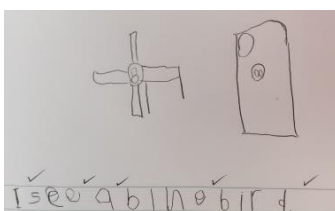
What a fantastic fortnight we've had in Kindy!  
On Monday, we completed our CPR training. We learnt to dial 000 in an emergency and practised answering the questions the operator would ask us. We also learnt how to put a casualty into the recovery position, and to safely clean their mouth out so they don't choke on food or vomit.



In Writing, we have been learning to use the word wall and environmental print to write a sentence. We continue to practise this skill every day, however, on Tuesday, we also had a go at writing a sentence independently... here are some writing samples. How impressive!



I see a yellow bird.  
by Ava



I see a blue bird.  
by Jaxon W

In Science, we continue to look at how things move. We found many objects in the classroom, playground and beyond the fence which moved in different ways. We brainstormed our ideas to expand our vocabulary.

Kindy has really enjoyed learning a card game this week (which I've named "Rubbish!" – ask the kids to explain!!). In pairs, players race to make a number line from 1-10. "Boats" was another fun game we learnt, and has helped us to understand 'groups of' in our multiplication strand of numeracy.



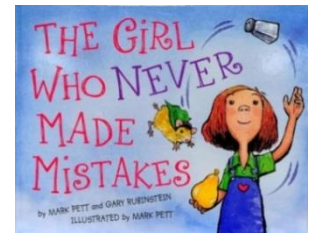
1/2

Congratulations to years one and two on the preparation and presentation of your first speeches, they were a great start. The next speech is due in week 6. This fortnight we are looking at multiplication and division. The children are learning about groups, lines and arrays of objects and how to skip count to find the total. Parents and carers can help by skip counting by 2, 5 and 10 whenever they can. Make it fun! We finished focussing on writing procedures in week 5 and will start looking at poetry in week 6. Why not find rhyming words at home and play funny word games. As part of our focus on procedures we made funny-face biscuits, which was greatly enjoyed by all. It was difficult to see the 'face' on some biscuits, though, as they were heavily covered by piles of goodies. Our meal worms are doing amazing things in Science and have changed from larva to pupa to beetles in rapid time! As visual art is linked to science this term we have already made dragonflies, spiders and are currently making butterflies. Come and see them in the classroom.



2/3

2/3 have been reading a number of books relating to Growth Mindset. We have been identifying parts of stories where characters are showing a fixed mindset and how they changed to have a growth mindset. We have been reading "The Girl who Never Made Mistakes" by Mark Pett and Gary Rubinstein, and "The Most Magnificent Thing" by Ashley Spires. It has been a platform for discussion and reflection as students in 2/3 have been critiquing their own mindset in similar situations. Year 3 are well underway in their science unit "Feathers, Fur or Leaves?" and were out exploring in our playground. Their mission was to find living things in our playground and to jot their information in an "explorer's journal", complete with annotated drawings and an explanation as to why they think it is living. I do believe they look like scientists – don't you?

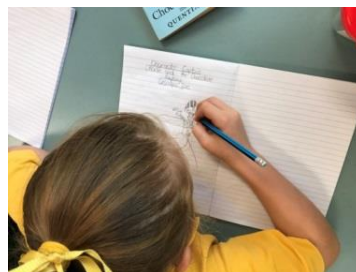


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The last fortnight in Year 4 has 'BEAN' an exciting one. We are continuing to watch out beans grow (or not grow for some unlucky scientists) and documenting their growth daily in our science journals and labelling our diagrams.



We have enjoyed learning new roles in our literature circles with Mrs Carney and working with our group members to complete comprehension tasks. This week was the character captain role. We are appreciating the Roald Dahl novels and his sense of humour.

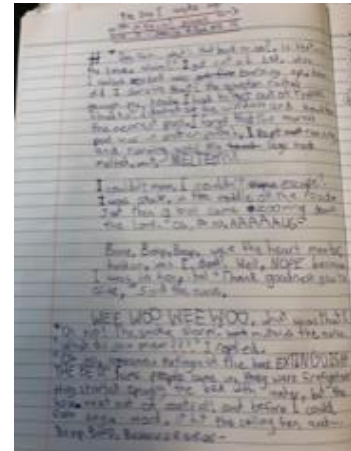
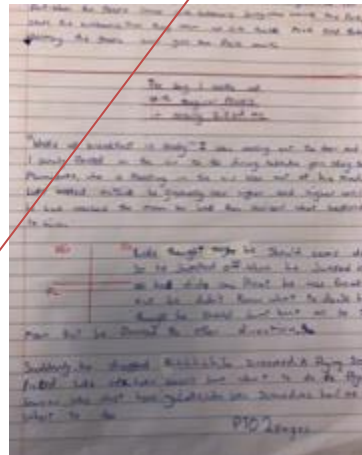
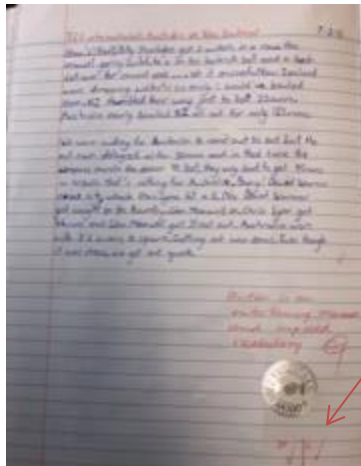


This fortnight we have begun to look at time tables and making goals of which we find most challenging. We have started to learn a 7 times tables rhyme to help us remember them. Make sure you're practising every night so you can recall them quickly! Here are some photos of year 4 working together, playing some times tables games. I'm so impressed with their effort this year so far!





Draft writing samples in narrative writing ... The red feedback crosses are the way planned to let students know if they are meeting the success criteria of the lesson.



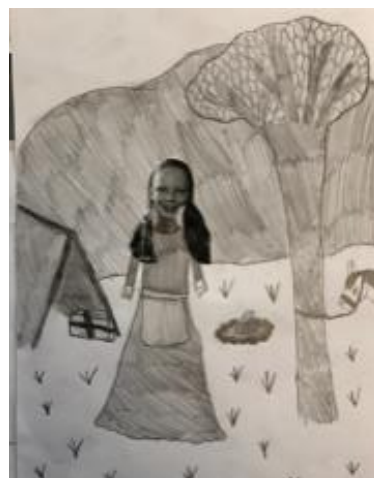
Chinese miners lanterns at the Joss House



Science experiments....

Putting themselves in the picture.

Life on the goldfields ....





CPR Help lessons on Tuesday.



Caitlin wins the 'No Homework' prize in the Maralien Draw last Friday.



The captains raising the flag. We hope to accept a new flag from Dominic Perottet



Our two new Library Monitors, Kate and Chelsea were presented with their badges last week at assembly.

We are very confident of their commitment and reliability.





## Are you Konnected yet?

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## P&C News

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**Grants Coordinator** – Charmaine Swift

**Canteen** – TBA



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### Canteen News...

Our canteen remains closed until such time as a volunteer is able to assist in its running.

Tendering had been discussed and while this is still an option, some of these businesses who provide this service have reduced their operations during 2017/18.

While the school has discussed ways of providing a limited service for ice blocks and drinks, we will talk further with the P&C about a way forward during Term 1.

There will be several specialty days like the previous Monday Meal Deals. Further information will be forwarded when dates are finalised.

Friday 'Ice Block Days' have been a big hit each Friday. Thanks to Charmaine and Danielle for staffing this so our students can have a Friday treat over Summer.  
\$1.00 for an ice block.

**[maraylya.canteen@gmail.com](mailto:maraylya.canteen@gmail.com)**

## Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Monday mornings from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Orders will still be filled in the same manner. Thanks to Wendy for juggling her own routine to ensure this is available to our families.

**Next Meeting**  
**13<sup>th</sup> March @7pm**  
**in the Library.**

## **P & C News - March**

### **Maraylya Public School – Sesquicentenary**

November 2018 marks 150 years of Maraylya Public School. An event will be held to commemorate this event. If you have any ideas no matter how big or small please contact one of the P and C members, the school office or you can email suggestions to [maraylya.ps.events@gmail.com](mailto:maraylya.ps.events@gmail.com)

### **Grants**

In December the P and C were notified that we were successful in obtaining a partial grant of \$26,000 by the Community Building Partnership. These funds will be put towards the construction of a roof over the basketball court and seating to serve as an all weather assembly area.

### **Canteen**

As previously advised the regular canteen services are currently undergoing a tender process for an external organisation to provide canteen services.

In the interim through the generosity of willing parents and students limited services such as the sale of ice creams on nominated days is being facilitated, as well as meal days. These activities will be communicated via Konnective Messages.

Please contact a member of the P and C if you are able to assist in providing these canteen services in any way. Thank you for the support of the willing members of the P and C, students and their families for being able to provide these services for the students' enjoyment.

### **2018 P and C Executive Team**

Congratulations and thank you to our recently elected P and C Executives 2018. Our team members for this year are:

President	- Angela Latter
Vice President 1	- Belinda Astill
Vice President	- Amanda Kape
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Regards

Melissa Beer  
MPS Secretary



# MARAYLYA PUBLIC SCHOOL - P&C UNIFORM ORDER FORM

Uniform shop opens Monday 8.20 - 8.45am, orders can also be left at the office and will be filled on a Monday

Payment methods : Enclose exact cash, Cheque made payable to Maraylya P&C OR

EFT: Maraylya P&C BSB 032274 A/C 383324, writing your child's surname as the reference

Name:

Class:

Phone:

UNIFORM ARTICLE	COST	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST	COMMENT
<b>Summer</b>					
Unisex Summer Short Sleeve Polo, Size 4-16	\$ 22.00				
Boys Grey Shorts, Size 4-16	\$ 18.00				
Girls Summer Pleated Dress Skort, Size 4-16	\$ 24.00				
Girls Summer Dress Size 4-8	\$ 50.00				
Girls Summer Dress Size 10-16	\$ 55.00				
Unisex Microfibre Summer Sports Shorts, Size 4-16	\$ 16.00				
Girls Green Sports Skort, Size 4-16	\$ 20.00				
<b>Winter</b>					
Unisex Winter Long Sleeve Polo, Size 4-16	\$ 26.00				
Boys Grey Trousers Double Knee Size 4-16	\$ 22.00				
Girls Winter Slacks Size 4-8	\$ 42.00				
Girls Winter Slacks Size 10-16	\$ 46.00				
Girls Winter Pinafore Size 4-8	\$ 50.00				
Girls Winter Pinafore Size 10-16	\$ 55.00				
Girls Winter Skirts Size 6-16 (Year 3-6)	\$ 45.00				
Unisex Microfibre Winter Sports Pant, Size 4-16	\$ 28.00				
Girls Bootleg Fitted Winter Sports Pant, Size 4-16	\$ 24.00				
Unisex Zip Jacket, Size 4-16	\$ 30.00				
Unisex V-Neck Jumper, Size 4-16	\$ 26.00				
Unisex Weatherproof Fleece Jacket, Size 4-16	\$ 45.00				
<b>Other Items</b>					
Unisex Hat, Size 55/57/59 (Sml/Med/Lge)	\$ 10.00				
School Back Packs	\$ 44.00				
School Library Bag	\$ 10.00				
School Art Smock	\$ 15.00				
Girls Replacement Button	\$ 0.50				
Lunch Bag Small - not insulated Yellow, Blue, Purple, Pink, Green, Grey and Red	\$ 10.00				
Lunch Bag Large - insulated Red, Grey and Blue	\$ 12.00				
TOTAL \$					



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