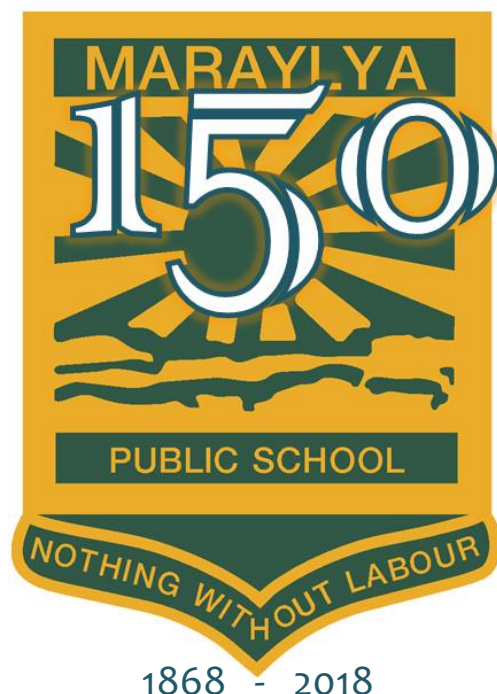


The MARAYLYAN



The dawn of a new age for 'The Great Maraylya Eggroll!'



29th March 2018 TERM 1 WEEK 9
www.maraylya-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Principal's Message

By Stewart Gaffey

A wonderful time was had by all at school this year throughout our Easter celebrations. We were particularly proud watching our students work together to ensure a great day on Thursday. They were contributing to the colour and fun of the day by preparing a hat to wear, 'eggsibitting' a characterised egg in the library, taking part in the annual eggroll comp or simply helping to ensure our guests were comfortable and involved.

Our parade was a great hit, with all students involved. Many were keen to strike a pose on the runway throughout the parade.

Our eggsibition was a great success, with the people's choice award raising funds for our sponsored student in Ecuador – thanks everyone for your help there.

The Great Maraylya Eggroll was enhanced with a new launching device made by Mr Bennett especially for the event. Thanks to the Mrs Bennett for offering his services!

Wonderful to see our guests join us as they often do to support the initiatives at MPS. All in all, a great time together as a community.

Happy Easter everyone!

Coming Events...

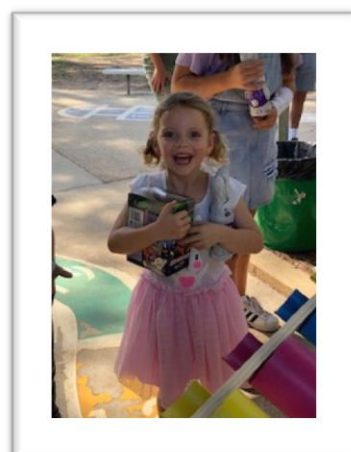
Good Friday Holiday	Fri 30 th Mar
Easter Monday	Mon 2 nd Apr
SRC Day For Denilson – Blue, red, Yellow Mufti Day	Thu 5 th April
Parent Teacher Interviews	Tue 10 th Apr
School X-Country	Wed 11 th Apr
ANZAC Service + Last Day of Term 1	Fri 13 th Apr
Flag Presentation – Mr Perrottet	Fri 13 th Apr
School Development Day – no students in attendance	Mon 30 th Apr
First day of Term 2	Tue 1 st May
Power of One Anti Bullying Program	Mon 7 th May
Small Schools X-Country	Fri 11 th May
NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5	15 th -17 th May
Athletics Carnival	Tue 26 th Jun
Stage 3 History excursion – Scheyville National Park	Thu 28 th Jun
Small School Field Events Carnival	Tue 31 st Jul
Small Schools Track Carnival	Fri 3 rd Aug
150 th Celebrations	Fri Nov 2 nd
Presentation Night	Tue 4 th Dec
Year 6 Farewell	Mon 10 th Dec

Easter Celebrations

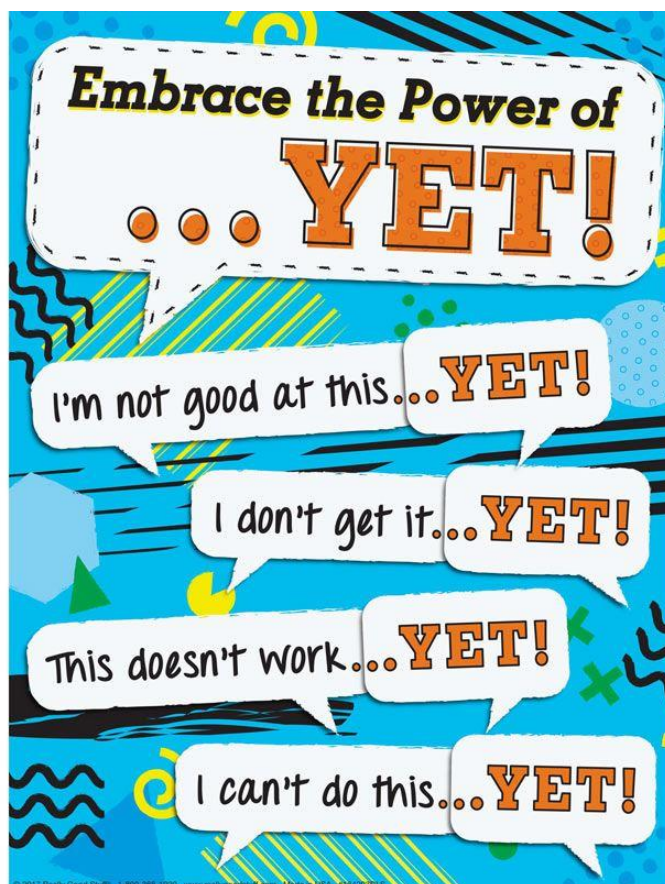
Just a few photos from the day.....



And the Eggroll winner is..... Lily!



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.

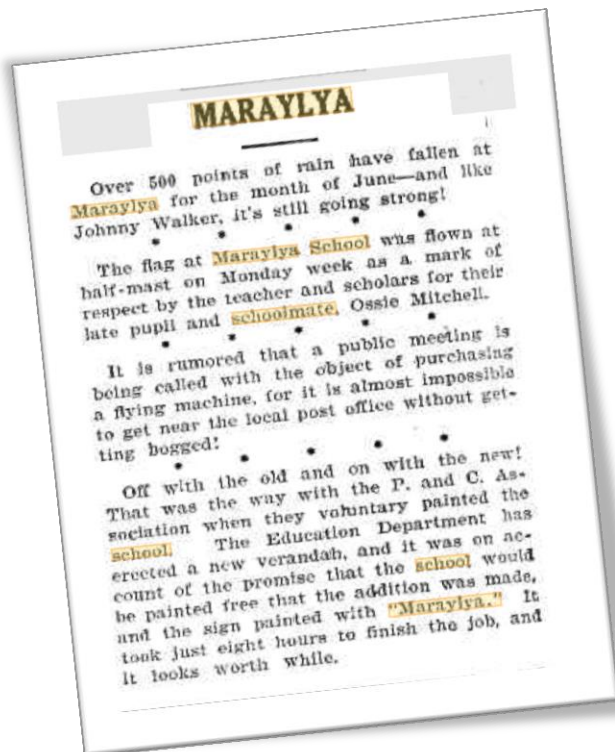
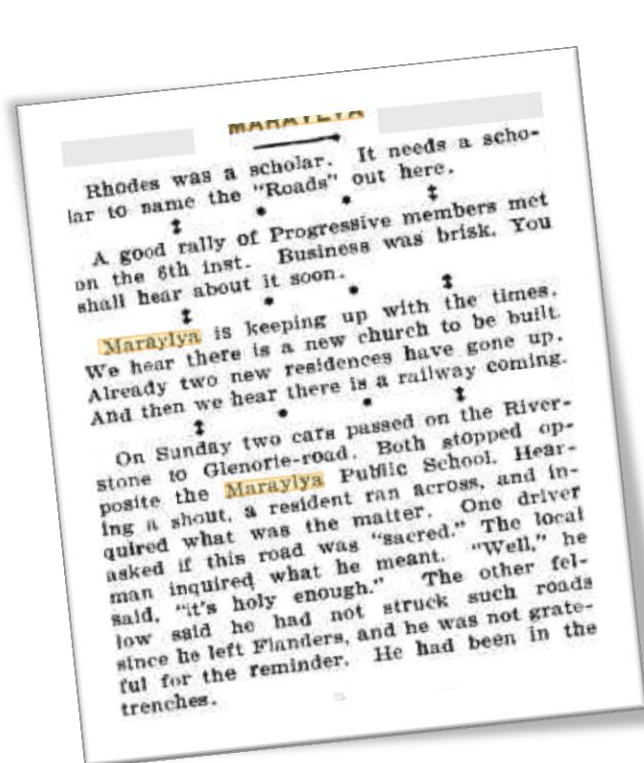
As stated many times before, it is the school's and Department of Education's expectation that students will be present at school every school day. When this is not possible due to illness or some other worthy reason, notification explaining the absence must be supplied to school. Emails to the principal 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!)



Vegelantes

The Vegelantes have been busy preparing the soil, planting seedlings and nourishing them with plenty of water. Each child has been allocated a "watering day" to take care of our seedlings and they are surely taking off. We are growing kale, beetroot, carrots, rainbow silverbeet, spring onions, broad beans, and celery to name a few. Watch this space!!



Sesquicentenary Projects

Our orders for commemorative pavers have now closed. Thanks to all families who have taken part in this initiative. We will now have the pavers manufactured and we aim to lay them mid-year to have ready for our 150th celebrations in Term 4.

Our celebration date is Friday 2nd November 2018.
We look forward to hosting our present and past school community on this day for a variety of events. More information will follow in the coming months.



MPS Equestrian News

Any families wishing their child to take part in representative equestrian events in 2018 should have their names recorded at the front office with Mrs Carrington or Mrs May. Risk 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

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent-teacher interviews will be held for Kindergarten, 1/2, Year 4 and 5/6 on **Tuesday, 10th April.** To ensure all parents are able to meet with the class teacher, interviews will be 10 minutes long. If you require further time, you will need to make an appointment before or after school at another time.

Online bookings are now available at www.schoolinterviews.com.au
The event code is **7bb9j**

Interviews during school hours, parents are asked to sign in at the office and will then be directed to the interview room. For interviews after school hours, please go directly to your child's classroom.

Mr Gaffey will hold all 5/6 interviews in his office.

If you are unable to make an appointment at this time, please contact your teacher to arrange an alternate date. We look forward to meeting with you so together we can best meet the educational needs of your child.

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.


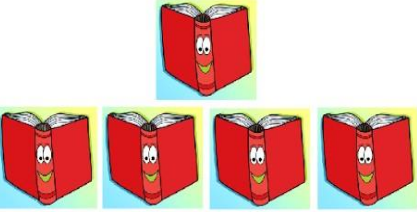

Students can bring in their folder as many days a week as they choose... it's up to you – how much do you want to read?

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

	Merit Awards		Maraylyan of the Moment
K	Jaxon W	Cooper B	Jaxon L
1/2	Aliyah A	Ryan P	Aliyah A
2/3	Cassidy F	Archie B	Chloe C Kyalla C
4	Violet C Amarni R		Riley M Victoria H
5/6	Catlin W Anne B		Raymond B Justin S

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

school.

CLASS NEWS

K



Kindergarten has participated in a variety of egg and bunny related activities leading up to Easter.

We loved drawing an Easter bunny and making a bunny and chicken puppet!

Remember to come and watch Kindy at next week's assembly as we will be showing off some of the drama skills we've been learning this term.

Kindy have starting using the 'selfie peg' on work they

are particularly proud of. They just put the selfie camera peg onto their page of work – ready to be photographed and sent your way (using class Dojo)! Whether it is because they feel like they worked hard to achieve something new or have made a great improvement, we want to celebrate each moment they feel proud of themselves. We hope you are enjoying seeing these moments too!

Kindy are now working towards developing a 'growth mindset' over a 'fixed mindset.' We are looking

at ways we make mistakes, and how to 'fix' them. Mistakes are opportunities to make ourselves better... and that's why WE LOVE MISTAKES! We are reading a variety of books, including 'The Dot,' 'The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes,' 'Beautiful Oops' and 'Giraffes Can't Dance.' This work will take us into Term 2. Have a fantastic Easter break everyone, I hope the bunny is kind!



1/2

This fortnight has been a busy one. In art we have been completing our Monet style waterlily paintings as well as creating art for the Hawkesbury Show. We have also made Easter baskets, cards and pictures. Our measuring in Maths progressed to measuring areas in the room with paddle pop sticks and measuring small items using a variety of smaller objects. Great fun! In History we have been comparing past and present objects such as irons and toasters. Much discussion followed about what a toasting fork was and how it was used, and how an old iron worked. We have also been comparing life at school in the past and present .



2/3

Last fortnight, 2/3 explored fractions with everyday objects and were focusing on equal parts. Year 2 students were cutting milky way chocolate bars and bread into different numbered equal parts and the Year 3 students were working out the fraction of a collection of smarties from a funsize smarties box. 2/3 were using “fraction” words such as part, whole, half, quarter, eighth, fifth, numerator and denominator to describe their fractions created and realised that the equal parts were larger or smaller depending on the number of parts split. We all had lots of fun – especially the “eating” part at the end of the lesson!!



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This part fortnight Year 4 have been working on their entries for the Hawkesbury Show. The theme this year is ‘My favourite animal’. It will be tricky choosing which students art gets chosen but I know they have had a great time developing their sketching and painting skills.

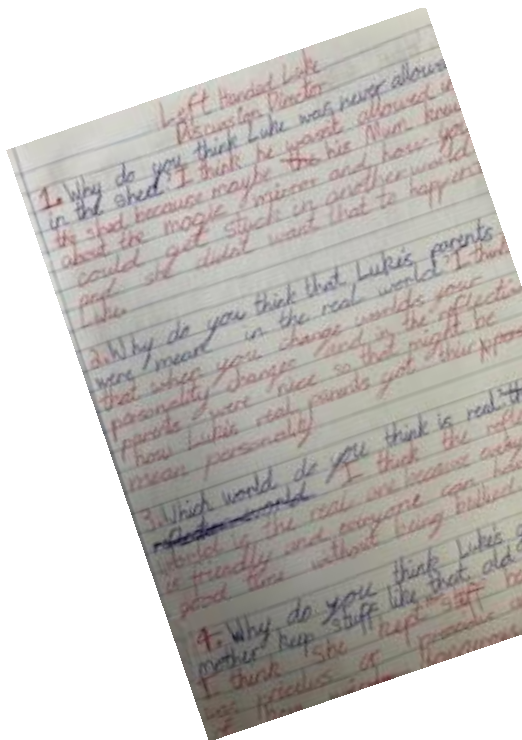


Also as I’m sure you have heard, we have been reading the book ‘Wonder’ by R.J Palacio. The students Look forward to reading this book every day at crunch and sip and have learnt so much already. We are hoping to watch the movie at the end of the term to see how they turned such a wonderful book into an award winning movie! We hope you have a wonderful Easter break with your families. Stay safe!
Kind regards, Mrs McLeod and Mrs Pearson

5/6 have been working on fractions and decimals for the third week in number. They are finding equivalent fractions for fractions using multiplication. They estimating where fractions would be placed on a number line. Year 6 have been working with improper fractions and decimals to three places.

In Literature Circles, we are revising the role of discussion director, in which each student will drive and direct the weekly discussions around texts using open ended questioning to delve deeper into the text and gain greater understanding of what is read.

It's a tricky role, but all students have made excellent progress in gaining the skills needed to take it on.



Discussion Director

The Discussion Director involves others in a conversation about the text by getting them to think and talk about the section they have just read.

You will need to think of five open-ended and thought provoking questions that will get your group discussing what has happened in the section of the text that you have just read.

- "What if"
- "What do you predict"
- "How is this like . . ."

Success Criteria:

- You have followed the 3 steps:
 1. Write five open-ended questions
 2. Write your responses to your 5 questions
 3. Write the page numbers where the answers/ideas can be found
- Ask cognition (thinking) questions that require deep answers.
- Everyone in the group is encouraged to share and justify their ideas.
- You are involved in the discussion - not just asking the questions.



Going Beyond:

- Create a variety of questions using a range of question stems.
- Have notes about where clues for answers can be found in the text.
- Write more than 5 questions.
- Think of new ways (green hat) to present your work e.g. quiz.
- Put extra detail into your questions.





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Families connect themselves –

1. download the app, register and then login.
2. Then search for 'Maraylya Public School' within the app and request to be added to the 'Feeds' that are relevant to your child.

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Booking.com is helping us raise funds! How?

1. Book your accommodations via www.booking.com/maraylyaps
2. Check in.

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Remember to share with friends and family to get as many people involved as possible! A little bit on Booking.com

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P&C News

President – Angela Latter

Vice Presidents – Belinda Astill & Amanda Kape

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Secretary – Melissa Beer

Uniform Manager – Wendy Phillips

Fundraising – Danielle Harris and Di Pausey

Disco Coordinator – Rachel Smith

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

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Monday mornings from Monday 5th 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
10th April @7pm
in the Library.

P & C News - March

Maraylya Public School - Sesquicentenary

November 2018 marks 150 years of Maraylya Public School.

The Date has been Set to Friday 2nd November, 2018.

Along with the day's format an afternoon Activity will be included which is intended to extend after school hours to allow those who work to take part in the celebrations.

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.

The original plan to cover the basketball area will need to change due to the funds required to complete this scale of project. The funds will still be used to provide seating to serve as an all weather assembly area in a different format. Further updates will be provided as the process progresses. Thank you for the efforts of Charmaine Swift in this regard.

Canteen

Ice creams and Ice blocks will continue to be sold on Fridays. Thank you to Charmaine Swift and Danielle Harris and the volunteers that are able to provide this service to our students.

Thank you to Vanessa Needs for organising March's Subway Meal Deal.

Keep an eye out for further canteen related activities which will be communicated via Konnective Messages.

Please contact a member of the P and C if you are able to assist with providing canteen services in any way.

Change of Hours to Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will now be open from 8:20 – 8:45am on Monday mornings. 8:45 is lock up time, last arrivals for uniforms shall be no later than 8:40am.

Please continue sending orders through in the usual way and Wendy will continue to efficiently process them.

Fundraising

Mother's Day Stall

Will be held at the school on Thursday May 10th. Thank you to Tamara Evans for organising this stall. Please send your donations to the office.

Disco at Pitt Town Sports Club

The venue for our discos has now changed. Two discos in the last week of Terms 2 and 3 will still be organised with an exciting new format planned. Stay tuned for dates and details. Thank you to Rachel Smith for taking on this role.

Monster Fest

Will be on again in October. More details will be provided closer to the time.

Shopping Bus

Save the date and come aboard for an exciting day of shopping with our hostess
Danielle:

Sunday 16th of September, 2018.

Stops include the following stops: a Home and gift wares, Manchester, toys, gelato and chocolates.

10% of all sales goes towards the school. Cost will include bus and lunch. Stay tuned for more details.

We look forward to seeing what events our fundraising coordinators, Danielle Harris and Di Pausey will have in store for us.

Happy Easter Everyone!

Regards,
Melissa Beer
P and C 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
Summer					
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				
Winter					
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				
Other Items					
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 \$					