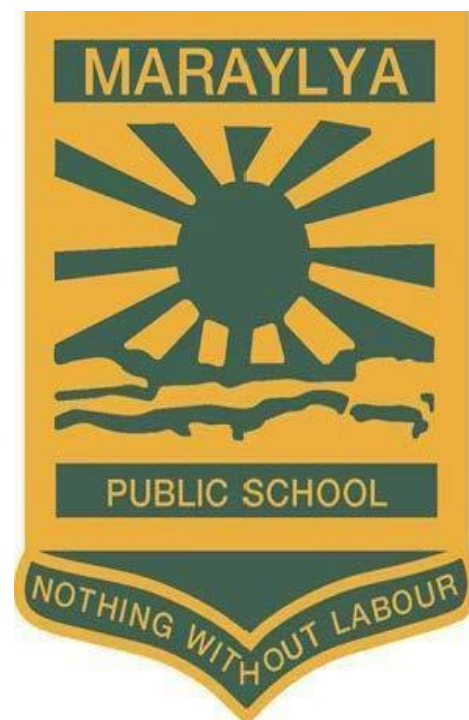


The MARAYLYAN



Smile everyone!
School Photos - Wednesday 19th Feb



14th February 2020 Term 1 Week 3
www.maraylya-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Principal's Message

By Stewart Gaffey

Our newest and youngest Maraylyans have successfully begun the year, learning the routines of school, making new friends and engaging in new experiences. Welcome to all of our new students and their families. We hope your association with your new school is long and rewarding.

Programs are well underway in classrooms, with students and staff making an excellent start. to the year. Our first assembly of the year last week was a great chance to hear the things already taking place in classes around the school and to further recognise students' qualities and achievements.

Once again, we would like to welcome our two newest teachers to Maraylya. Both Mrs McCully and Mrs Albert bring their energy, experience and enthusiasm to our school, effectively complementing the wealth of teaching skill within the Maraylya team.

We hope to see as many families as possible to our Meet the Teacher and Welcome Barbecue this Friday night – a great opportunity to further connect with your child's school and community.

Coming Events...

School Photos	Wed 19 th Feb
Meet the Teacher Night + Welcome Barbecue	Fri 21 st Feb 5.30pm
Zone Swimming	Wed 26 th Feb
CPR Help K-6	Mon 2 nd – Tue 3 rd Mar
Leadership Camp	Thu/ Fri 12 th – 13 th Mar - TBC
K-2 Excursion Rouse Hill Farm	Tue 31 st Mar
School X-Country Carnival K-6 @ MPS	Wed 8 th Apr
Easter Celebrations Parade + Eggroll	Thu 8 th Apr
Good Friday + School Holidays commence	Fri 10 th Apr
School Development day	Mon 27 th Apr
Students return for Term 2	Tue 28 th Apr
Small Schools X-Country No Assembly	Fri 8 th May
Zone X-Country	Fri 22 nd May
School Athletics Carnival	Wed 1 st Jul - TBC
Small Schools - Field Events	Tue 28 th Jul
Track Events	Fri 31 st Jul
Presentation Evening @ WHS	Tue 8 th Dec

Swimming Carnival

An excellent day for all. The weather was hot and the pool cool. We started the day by presenting badges to our captains – they were well supported by the vice captains on the day.



We were very proud as always of the way in which the students conducted themselves both in and out of the pool.



Thanks so much to our parent helpers for their timing, recording and ribbon writing. We were even able to have some free time in the shallow pool to help cool off at the end of the day.

Well done kids!

Small Schools Swimming

Maraylya Public School was awarded 'Champion School'. This was an amazing effort and result for these talented swimmers who won the carnival by almost 20 points, all the while competing with school spirit and sportsmanship.



Meet the Teacher and Welcome Barbecue

Our annual Meet the Teacher evening will take place on Friday 21st February at the school. The evening will begin at 5:30pm in classrooms in which teachers will provide the first of two duplicate half hour information sessions (5.30pm & 6.00pm), outlining the intended programs and routines your child can expect this year for their new grade. Please choose the best session times for you and your family, particularly if you have multiple children at school.

Following these two half hour sessions, the school and P&C will host a welcome barbecue in the COLA area. This is a great chance to meet new families or catch up with those families you haven't seen in a while. It is always a well-attended community event and we hope you can join us – a great opportunity to share our amazing Maraylyan spirit.

Complimentary sausage sizzle and purchased cold drinks available from 6.30pm – 8pm. Please bring a water bottle to refill on the night if you wish and a plate of something nice to share. Students can have fun on the oval with some sporting equipment and their friends.

STUDENT BANKING

Student banking can be brought in on Tuesdays.

Thanks to Danielle and Di for their help in processing

these deposits for our students.



School Photos

School photographs will be taken on Wednesday 19th February.

Every student will be photographed on the day. Families who wish to purchase photos are able to do so by completing the forms and send in with cash payment or electronic payment directly to The School Photographer.

No POP payments can be accepted for this payment.

Family photos will be taken during the day. Please collect from the office a separate envelope for family photos if required.

A REMINDER TO PARENTS ...

ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

During a recent review of our student attendance patterns, it has become apparent that there are many student absences that are going unexplained.

If a student is only away for a day or 2, the Department of Education requires a letter from the parent/caregiver explaining why the student was away.

If a student is absent from school for 3 or more days sick, It is the Department of Education Policy that the parent/caregiver provides a medical certificate from the doctor.

If a student is away on holidays during school terms, the Department of Education requires the parent/caregiver to provide a letter explaining why the student will be absent, with the dates the student will be away. It is not school practice to send along 'work' to do whilst on holidays during school terms unless there are extenuating circumstances.

If a student's pattern of attendance becomes a concern or a parent continues to ignore school requests to explain absences, the matter will be referred to the Home School Liaison Officer who will make direct contact with the family to work together to improve student attendance.

Every day counts at school. Patterns of attendance and participation are developed in the early years of a person's life, impacting the way they as adults may take part in future study, employment and life opportunities.

School Payments

Please ensure that payments are made into the correct accounts i.e. School Account or MPS P&C Account.

School events are usually associated with excursions, incursions or course payments, Cash, cheque or POP payments made online through the school website can be used for school payments.

P&C events like Meal Deals, Monster Fest, Easter Raffle, Disco etc– must be paid separate to school accounts. They can be made through cash, cheque or online direct debit payments via the P&C account.

No POP payments can be accepted for P&C events.

SRC event payments are also kept separate from the school's account. These payments need to be **cash only**. The school then banks the money at the appropriate time and spends funds from school accounts on the initiatives. .

Please check payment details carefully on the note for which account needs the money deposited.

Thank you.

CPR HELP

Our annual CPR course for students K-6 will take place at school on 2nd and 3rd of March.

This is a course that aims to equip students with important emergency skills that are age appropriate and potentially lifesaving.

Further information to follow soon.



Happy Birthday! February

Riley M

Amarah S

Robbie F

Harry McN

Elena L



Wellbeing and PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

Our students have continued to maintain a positive atmosphere in the playground by reflecting on our three school rules/ key words.

Our current PBL Focus will be undertaken in a more flexible, needs based, format.

Staff will continue to analyse behaviour data to ascertain areas of need across the school.

Staff are continuing to follow-up on explicit lessons, involving students thinking about what safety, respect and responsibility looks like in particular areas of the school.

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.

Students crossing the road.... hold a hand!

Please remember to hold your child's hand to cross the road, particularly with younger students.

Neich Road, whilst relatively quiet, can be a dangerous crossing in the morning and afternoon, with some motorists ignoring our warning signs.

A student pedestrian accident would be a devastating way to learn this lesson for the sake of a couple of minutes it takes to walk students in or out of school. Thank you.

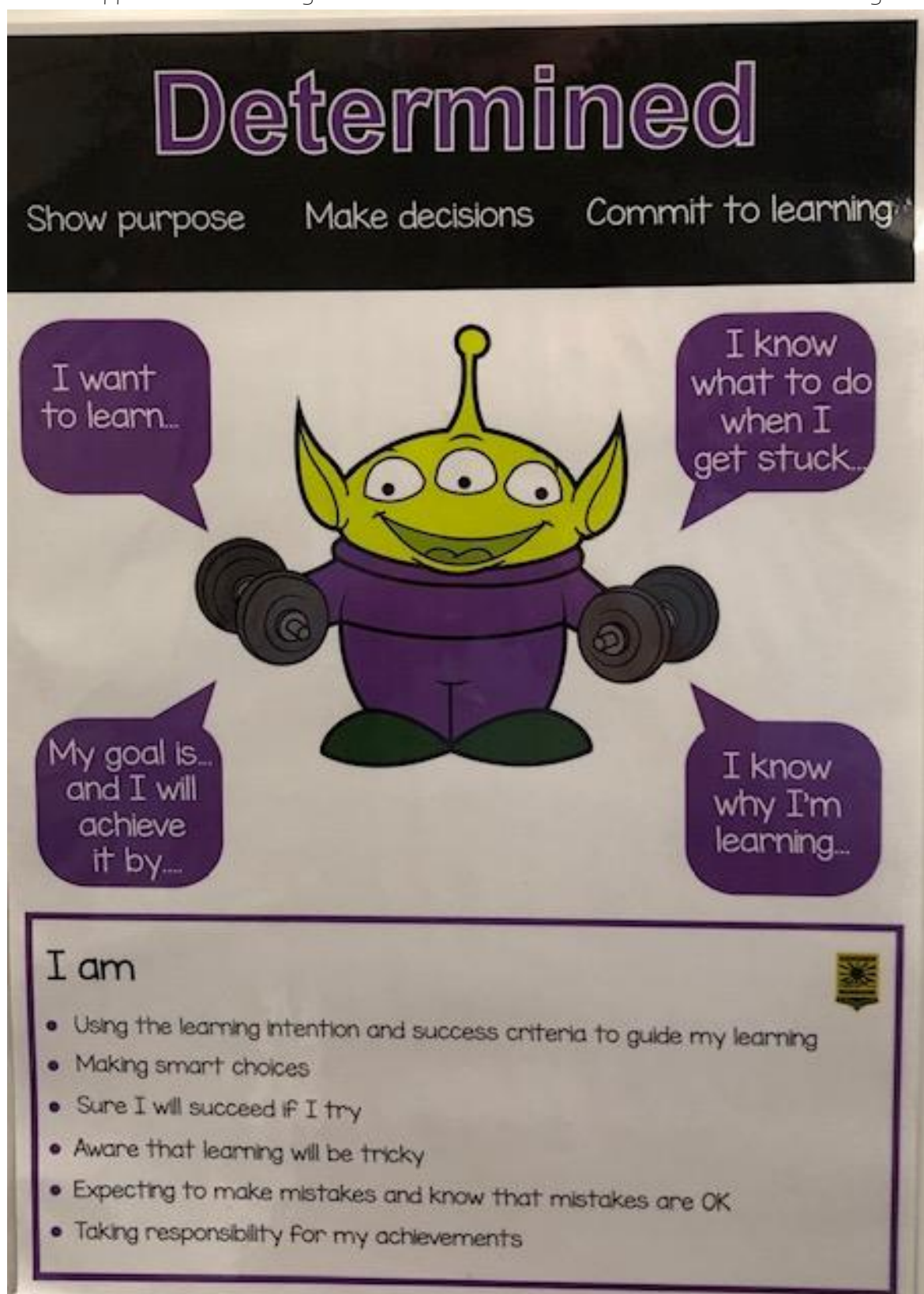
Staff take great time and care in working to ensure that students feel happy, secure and supported at school.



Learning Dispositions

This year you will hear the staff and students talking about 'learning dispositions'. These dispositions can be described as **frequent and voluntary habits of thinking and doing**. They are different to a skill or knowledge- they are ways of responding to an experience in a certain way. Aside from staff and students, it is our intention that you will also be able to use this language too as a way to further support your child throughout their schooling. One of our goals is that these will become a regular part of what we all do at Maraylya PS and what our learners do for life.

Through our extensive and ongoing training in Visible Learning practice, the school aims to explicitly teach and foster these dispositions to and for our learners. Our colour-coded 'Mar-aliens' on posters in classrooms will help to reinforce these worthwhile approaches to learning. Teachers will talk more about this at Meet the Teacher Night.



Class News...

Kindergarten

Welcome to Kindergarten! We have had a *fun-tastic* first 2 weeks at school!

Everyone is involved in reading and writing groups each day, and have been learning to read and write some common sight words, including... I, a, am, is. We are learning to write words in a sentence, using finger spaces and a full stop.

Our current English unit is "Coming to School." We've enjoyed making comparisons between our first days at school and the characters from stories including "I am Too Absolutely Small for School," "Spot goes to School" and "Wombat goes to School."

Year 1

Year 1 have had a fantastic start to the new school year with already being chosen as class of the week.

They are currently learning to write procedures and understand why/how procedures are used in everyday life.

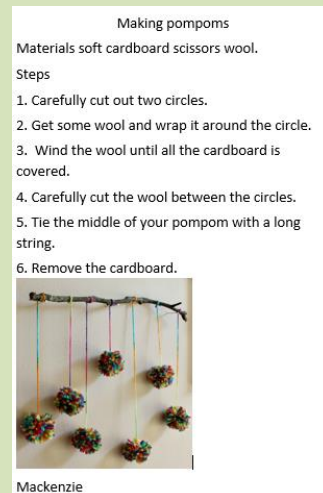
The students are also developing their addition and subtraction knowledge using pictures and tangible objects.



Year 2

Welcome to Year 2! We look forward getting to know all the families in our class, and hopefully see all your faces at the information night in Week 4! Students have been getting stuck into writing about how to make pom poms when learning how to write a procedure with Mrs Pearson. The stunned Mrs McLeod when confidently typing up their written procedures on the computers using Word, even adding in a picture! Some students have even remembered the procedure to create pom poms at home! Here is one amazing example, thank you Mackenzie.

We look forward to a wonderful term ahead.

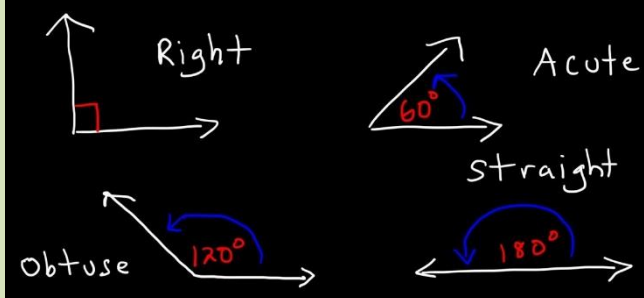


3/4

Happy New School Year!

Welcome back to what will be an exciting and fun year of learning in 3/4. We have been busy ordering four- and five-digit numbers and identifying the place value of their digits. We have looked at different types of angles and their features, even finding some acute and obtuse angles hiding in our classroom furniture.

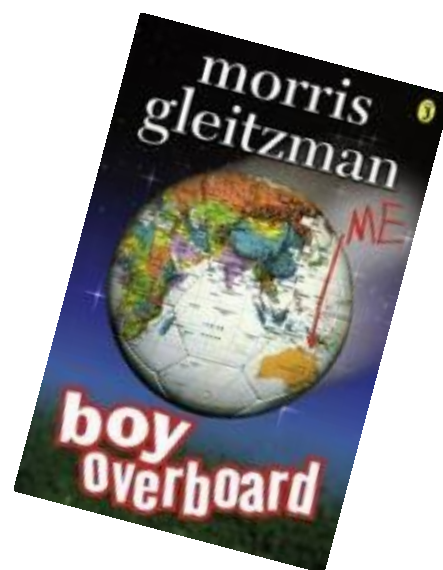
Acute, Right, & Obtuse Angles



We learnt about and manipulated the different properties of special quadrilaterals, with some students also splitting and combining 2D shapes to make new ones. A busy start to the year!

5/6

Welcome back to a new school year 5/6. Our class of 32 students have had an amazing start and are ready for a big year of learning. We are enjoying our English unit on 'Boy Overboard'. This is an adventure story about a boy from Afghanistan called Jamal and his incredible journey to get to Australia. This work coincides with our history topic, 'Australians Old and New' focusing on migrant groups and their influence on Australia.




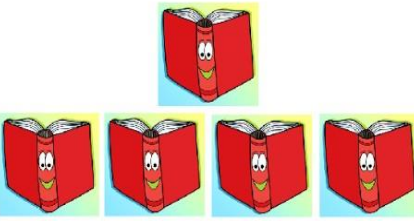

	Maraylyan of the Moment	Merit Awards
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2/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly M 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mackenzie K Rhys A
3/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lola S Henry C 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lola S Hunter-Joe H Xavier C
5/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keira L Jayden H/S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cassidy F William B Tyler S

R.E.D. Reading

In K-2, our R.E.D reading folders are used. 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 practising, 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.

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.

SRC for Semester 1

Congratulations to our SRC for the first half of the year. Badges were presented at our last assembly by Mrs Bennet

We look forward to their contribution of ideas to help make Maraylya PS even better!





Are you Konnected yet?

To join our information feeds families simply 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.

We have 99 current members receiving this service.

Every family should be Konnected.

In the event of an emergency, we will use this service to inform families of any urgent information if necessary.

Get the latest school news straight to your phone!



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WORKS:

Planning a Holiday?



Booking.com is helping us raise funds! How?

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

Booking.com donates part of the booking value to benefit our community.

Remember to share with friends and family to get as many people involved as possible!

They are the leading accommodation website worldwide, offering over 1 million hotels, apartments, holiday rentals and many other accommodation types, with more than 100 million guest reviews to help you find the very best place to stay. We wish you Happy Travels and thank you for your support!

P&C News

President – Tamara Evans

Vice Presidents – Andrea Precians and Kim Withers

Treasurer – Karen May

Secretary – Callie Firth

Uniform Manager – Katie Littlejohn

Fundraising – Danielle Harris

Grants Coordinator – Shannon Smith

Canteen – Amy Drury



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will continue to be open on Monday mornings **8.20 – 8.45am**. See Katie, our parent volunteer in the front office. She's doing a brilliant job of helping families access the uniform in a timely manner. Thanks Katie!

Orders can also be filled by completing the form below and bringing to the office.

maraylyapspnc@gmail.com

Birthday buckets are available from the canteen for your child's special day.

Fill out the order form below if you wish to celebrate a birthday at school. Thanks to Rachel for her work on this.



Please allow a week's notice for orders to be filled.

Next Meeting...
Tuesday
10th March
7pm
@ the library

Ice Block Fridays

Ice block Fridays will return soon. They will be sold from the canteen from 12.45pm – 1.15pm for \$1.00.

We are awaiting the confirmation of volunteers for 2020. Please let the school/ P&C know if you are able to help.

All volunteers should have their 'Appendix 5' form completed as part of child protection protocols available from the office

BIRTHDAY BUCKET ORDER FORM

Maraylya P & C are once again providing birthday buckets. A birthday bucket order form and pre-payment is required and must be submitted to the office the at least **1 week prior** to your child's birthday. This will give the P & C time to make up the birthday bucket. Payment will be by cash or direct debit ONLY. Direct Debit details are: BSB: 032 274 Acct Number: 383324.

Please see below pricing per class.

Kindy	\$17
1	\$15
2	\$20
3/4	\$31
5/6	\$33

DATE BIRTHDAY BUCKET REQUIRED	
CHILDS NAME	
CHILDS CLASS	

PAYMENT DETAILS (bank account details above)	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED (CASH)	
DIRECT DEBIT RECEIPT NUMBER	
DATE OF DIRECT DEBIT	

Thank you.

Maraylya P & C.

- New order form coming for 2020 – some minor pricing fluctuations expected – still the same accessibility to have our students looking good for a reasonable price.



MARAYLYA PUBLIC SCHOOL - P&C UNIFORM ORDER FORM 2020

Uniform shop opens first Monday of the month 8.20 - 8.45am or by appointment (Katie ph: 0408 42 44 11 or moluccana@gmail.com)
Alternatively, orders can also be left at the office and will be sent home with your child

ABN 39 606 237 045

Payment methods: enclose exact cash, cheque made payable to Maraylya P&C or direct deposit to
Maraylya P&C BSB 032274, A/C 383324, reference: childs surname.

Childs Name: Class: Mobile Number:

UNIFORM ARTICLE	COST	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST	COMMENT
Year Round					
Unisex Short Sleeve Polo, Size 4-16	\$ 22.00				
Unisex Zip Jacket, Size 4-16	\$ 30.00				
Unisex V-Neck Jumper, Size 4-16	\$ 26.00				
Unisex Hat, Size 55/57/59 (Sml/Med/Lge)	\$ 10.00				
Summer					
Boys Grey Shorts, Size 4-16	\$ 18.00				
Girls Pleated Grey Skort, Size 4-16	\$ 24.00				
Girls Summer Dress Size 4-16	\$ 50.00				
Unisex Microfibre Green Sports Shorts, Size 4-16	\$ 16.00				
Girls Green Sports Skort, Size 4-16	\$ 20.00				
Winter					
Unisex Long Sleeve Polo, Size 4-12, larger sizes unavailable	\$ 26.00				L/sleeve optional, s/sleeve polo can be worn
Boys Grey Trousers Double Knee Size 4-16	\$ 22.00				
Girls Tartan Slacks Size 4-16	\$ 40.00				
Girls Tartan Pinafore Size 4-16	\$ 50.00				
Girls Tartan Skirts Size 6-16 (Year 3-6)	\$ 45.00				
Unisex Microfibre Green Sports Pant, Size 4-16	\$ 28.00				
Girls Bootleg Green Fitted Sports Legging/Pant, Size 4-16	\$ 24.00				
Unisex Weatherproof Fleece Jacket, Size 4-16	\$ 45.00				
Other Items					
School Backpack	\$ 44.00				
School Library Bag	\$ 10.00				
School Art Smock	\$ 15.00				
Seconds per item	\$ 5.00				

Total:

CASH/CHEQUE/EFT Please circle

If paying via EFT please add the date you paid and your reference here:

Windsor High School

Open Day 2020



A brief presentation by the Principal, Mrs Jennifer Hawken, will be given in the school hall at 5pm, followed by a tour of the school in smaller groups by our student leaders.

Parents and students of the Hawkesbury community are invited to come and learn about the great

When:

5pm-7.30pm Tuesday
18 February 2020

Where:

Windsor High School,
Mulgrave Rd,
McGraths Hill

(Phone 45877122)

facilities and wide-ranging opportunities that are currently available at Windsor High. This will be particularly relevant to parents of primary school age children who are deciding into which high school they will enrol in the future, as well as families of students new to Windsor High.