



# Manly West Matters

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## Principal's Message

### Diary Dates:

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 5pm: Week 2 Frameworks for Teaching K-6 emailed to parents/caregivers.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 9am: Week 2 Frameworks for Teaching hard copies available at Griffith St entrance.

### Online Learning

As you know from the Premier's announcement today, Manly West will continue at Department of Education Level 4 restrictions with online learning until Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July. We will be gradually rolling out more information about teacher and student interactions in the coming week.

### Week 1 Term 3 - Thank you!

I would like to thank all the Manly West PS staff including our Executive Staff, Teachers, Office Staff, Learning Support Officers and General Assistants. As you know, this week was an unexpected challenge and we are so fortunate to have such dedicated and professional staff who have all worked collaboratively to produce the documents for our students and manage the needs of our students and parents this week.

We are committed to assuring our students are engaged with their learning and continue to aspire to complete the tasks to the best of their ability. I would also like to thank our P&C Executive and parent community, who are very supportive of the guidelines and processes in place.

### Week 2 Frameworks for Teaching

Week 1 Frameworks for Teaching K-6 were emailed on Monday and hard copies for families if needed are still available outside the school office on Griffiths St.

We are endeavouring to send out the Week 2 Frameworks for Teaching this Friday afternoon by 5pm. This is in response to the feedback from families last year who wanted to organise the learning first thing on Monday mornings. Families who need hard copies of Week 2 Frameworks will be able to pick these up from 9am Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July. We will be printing more copies next week as we now have an improved knowledge of the numbers required.

### Google Classrooms

Next week, Years 1-6 will be using Google Classroom. Google Classroom instructions will be included in the newsletter email today. This may be particularly useful for parents/caregivers of Year 1 and 2 students. Kindergarten students may be introduced at a later date, dependent on the extent of the lockdown. If students in Years 1-6 have access issues to Google Classroom, please contact the school and we will organise a support person to call you.

### Devices

Devices for families will be loaned out next week. Please ring the office if your family has no access to computers for home learning and we will make a list for pick up next Monday after 9am.

### Reminder: Excursions and Arts Alive Drama Festival

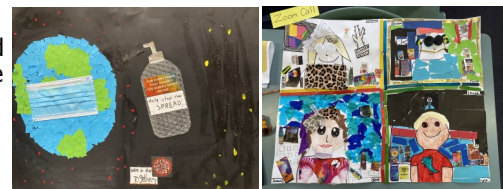
Unfortunately all of the excursions and the Arts Alive Drama Festival have been postponed or cancelled. We will inform parents/caregivers when we know updated information.

### Optional Competitions/Resources

The [Schools Reconciliation Challenge for Art and Creative Writing](#) submissions are due 30<sup>th</sup> August. Students can also start thinking about ways to repurpose rubbish into prize-winning artworks for the [Litterarty 2021 Competition](#). Entries are due at the end of Term 3. As well, students are reminded that if they have not yet completed the [Premier's Reading Challenge](#), now is an excellent time to curl up with an engaging book and fill in reading logs before the deadline of August 20.

### Gallery Walk Years 3 and 4

Last term, Years 3 and 4 students created amazing pandemic-inspired art work and used creative and critical thinking strategies. Please see the Gallery Walk on Pages 4 and 5.



Mrs Julie Organ

### Wise optimism

*Optimism means having a positive approach.*

*It is an active goal-oriented process.*

*Optimism is future focused;*

*According to Professor Rasmus Hoogard, wellbeing is vitally important but during these current times we need optimism.*

*Wise optimism is grounded in reality.*

*Cultivating optimism allows for today to feel challenging, but also allows us to focus on what's possible, igniting a sense of agency and ownership to work towards emerging from the crisis stronger.*

*Instead of expecting things to get better, we approach each day and each challenge with curiosity and experimentation.*



## From the Deputy's Desk

### Morning Drop Off and Afternoon Dismissal

For those parents whose children are currently attending school we thank you for saying goodbye to your child at the gate. We understand that it is not always possible but ask that parents drop students to school by the 9.20am bell. This is for your child's wellbeing and so that we can organise staffing for the day. If your child is feeling a little tentative, we advise that you arrive just before the 9.20am bell when staff will be available to assist. We currently have staff on the Lower Boyle St Gate, Griffiths St Gate and Hill St Gate from 9.05am.

The current afternoon dismissal areas are as follows:

Kindergarten - Lower Boyle St Gate

Year 1 - Boyle St Driveway Gate

Year 2 - Griffiths St Gate

Years 3-6 - Students leave independently from any school gate.

If you have more than one child at school, we suggest your older child/children meet their younger sibling at their dismissal gate.

Thank you for understanding that parents are currently not able to walk through the school grounds to collect students.



**Mrs Wendy Mwanga**

## Kitchen Garden News

### Please note the School Compost Bins - are now CLOSED

We have reached capacity in the school compost bins and are no longer able to accept any food waste brought from home until further notice. We will continue to accept food waste brought into school by the students & staff, BASC and the canteen.

Your options are;

Learn to compost or worm farm at home.

Excellent courses are run at EcoHouse Kimbriki. Next one Saturday 31st July <https://kimbriki.com.au/eco-house-and-garden/learn/>

Drop & swap at most community gardens.

Try Balgowlah Community Garden <https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/things-to-do/recreation-area/balgowlah-community-garden>

or ShareWaste to find someone in your local area who accepts food waste at their home <https://sharewaste.com/>

**Regards, Angie Penn & Beth Dowdle**



## From the Deputy's Desk

Welcome back to Term 3.

### Tips for Home Learning

Thank you to all parents for your support in learning from home.

### ICAS

Manly West students in Years 3-6 will have the opportunity to participate in the Mathematics and Science ICAS assessments in Term 3.

These assessments are not mandatory and parents will need to pay online by the 13<sup>th</sup> August. The assessments will take place before school on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August (Science) and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August (Mathematics). Please take this into account when signing your child up to participate.

Emails were sent last term with the information note, permission form and link to complete payment. They are also included in the newsletter email today.

### Assembly

Unfortunately, students were not able to receive their banners at the end of Term 2. We will postpone assemblies until restrictions permit. Thank you for your patience.

### Chess Club

Unfortunately, there will be no Chess Club on Thursday mornings until further notice.

### Bear Pit

Students were to present the Bear Pit speeches in class in Week 3. We would still like students to prepare their speeches as part of home learning so that they are ready to present when teaching returns to face-to-face.

**Mrs Amber Fuller**

NSW Department of Education

## Remote learning guidelines for students and parents



### Stay connected



### Workspace



Work in a quiet area, at a desk or table and try to limit distractions.

### Your normal routine



Eat breakfast, brush your teeth and get dressed in the morning.

### Ask questions



If you don't understand something, ask your teacher or classmates online.

### Use classroom language



Talking to your teachers and in class is different from how you speak to your friends online. Use proper grammar and avoid excessive emojis.

### Take breaks



Take breaks away from screen. Move around and try not to sit all day.

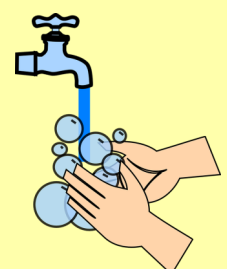
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## The PBEL for this week is **Responsibility**



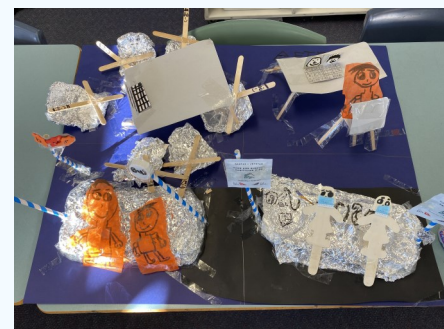
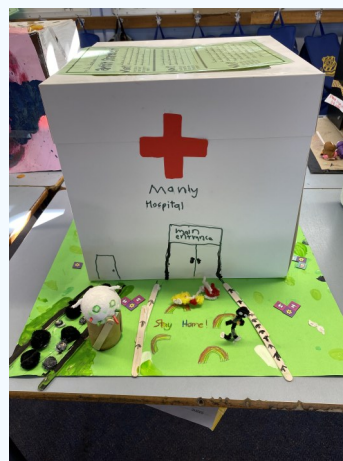
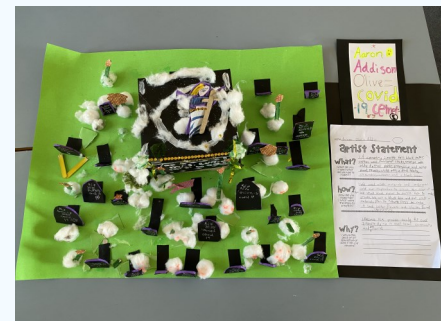
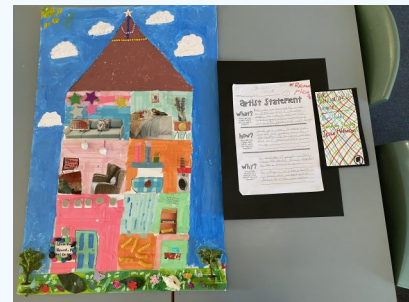
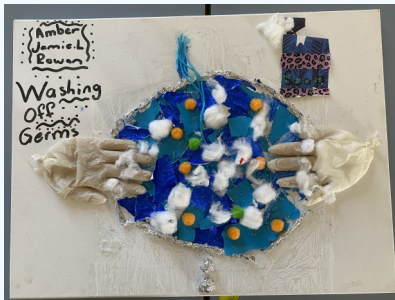
Remember to wash your hands  
and use sanitiser.





# Gallery Walk of Creative and Critical Thinking

## Years 3 and 4 Photos





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