

# Manly West Matters



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Wednesday 21st July 2021 Term 3 Week 2

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## Principal's Message

#### **Diary Dates:**

Friday 23rd July 5pm Week 3: Frameworks for Teaching K-6 emailed to parents/caregivers. Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July 9am Week 3: Frameworks for Teaching hard copies available at Griffith St entrance.

#### Thank you for your support and cooperation

Thank you parents and caregivers for supporting our students with their Frameworks for Teaching, slides, resources and now Zooms. We miss our students and hope they are managing well with the challenging changes. Next week, we will continue to produce our high quality documents and challenge our students to aspire to do their best with completion of their online learning. However, Week 3 will include increased connections and greater interactivity.

#### Devices

Please ring the office if you are requiring a device for home. We have a number of computers available for loan for students that have been re-imaged and upgraded.

#### Manly West Phase 4 for Online Learning

We are moving from Manly West Phase 3 to Manly West Phase 4 for online learning.

**Phase 4** will increase the interactivity for students and teachers by including more Zoom sessions and other audio and video features (see image below for more details). Students will also continue to benefit from high quality frameworks. If the lockdown continues past July, Kindergarten teachers will increase connectivity by introducing Google Classroom as well.

Phase Three - Increase connections to include video conferencing



- Zoom (Live Video Conference) Check in during the week. Time and duration will depend on grade level. See Google Classroom messages for more information.
- Daily welcome messages posted.
- Teachers will post one or more teaching and learning slides or powerpoints in Google Classroom that explain key concepts for the week.
- Introduce Teacher Voice. Lesson overview audio for select lessons.
- Students submit select pieces of work to teacher and receive feedback.
- Google Classroom comments function opened during the school day for all classes. Students can ask questions about their learning. These will be responded to by one or two teachers from the grade.

#### Phase Four - Increase connections and include greater interactivity



- Zoom (Live Video Conference). Kindergarten to Year 6 Class and specialist teachers host multiple sessions per week.
  - Class Parents emailed Zoom timetable and join code. These details are also published via Google Classroom.
- All classes continue to follow weekly Framework for Teaching.
- · Years One to Six:
  - Daily welcome messages posted in Google Classroom.
  - Teachers will post teaching and learning slides in Google Classroom that explain key concepts for the week.
  - Increased teacher presence in learning tasks. Lesson overview audio, video and/or live sessions for select lessons. Specialist teachers integrating their pre-recorded content into grade programs.
  - Students submit select pieces of work to teacher and receive feedback.
  - Google Classroom comments function opened during the school day for all classes. Students can ask questions about their learning. These will be responded to by teachers from the grade.

## **Mrs Julie Organ**

## Wise optimism - Grounded in Reality Part 2

Using the 'how full is the glass' analogy, wise optimism allows you to look at a glass and acknowledge that while it's half empty, it's also half full. It encourages you to put your focus on the fullness of the glass, to see the good amongst the bad, and to always be on the lookout for silver linings.



In a moment when we could all use some positivity; choosing wise optimism is how we'll get there. Research shows that when people operate under more positive mindsets, performance in nearly every aspect of their lives improves. When a person wants to feel more optimistic about certain events, they can mentally zoom out from a momentary perspective to take a broader view.

We all hope for longer, lighter days, global health, and greater social interactions. With a sense of wise optimism, we can believe with a real conviction that these will all return in due time.

- from Rasmus Hougaard, CEO Potential Project.

## From the Deputy's Desk

#### Support for Parents during Home Learning

#### Google Classroom

Students in Years 1- 6 are now accessing Google Classroom. If students have access issues to Google Classroom, please contact the school and we will organise a support person to call you.

If your child is using an iPad to respond to tasks by typing on the slides, we suggest downloading the Google Classroom and Google Slides Apps.

Teachers are able to monitor student work and provide feedback through Google Classroom. Scheduled Zoom sessions will also provide feedback and student acknowledgment. We understand that some students may not access Google Classroom for various reasons and/or may not be able to attend all scheduled Zoom sessions as we increase the number of these next week. Parents/carers may receive a check-in call from a staff member to support student engagement with home learning.

#### Parent Feedback for Students







As partners in learning, parent feedback is invaluable. When providing feedback to your child, you may wish to use one of the Visible Learning strategies we use at Manly West – 'Two Stars and a Wish'. Through this feedback technique, you can provide your child with two specific things you like about their work or that they have done well (Stars) and something they could work on to improve (Wish).

Student self-reflection is encouraged. The 'Two Stars and a Wish' format can also be used for self-reflection and feedback from a sibling. Students reflect on what they are doing well and what they could improve on.

**Mrs Wendy Mwanga** 

## From the Deputy's Desk

**Transport and School Buses** 

Please be aware that due to COVID-19, Transport for NSW has restricted some services. There are no school bus services running from Manly West PS. Please check public bus route timetables for services, such as the 142, if your child needs to catch a bus to or from school. Northern Beaches Council Hop, Skip, Jump bus services are running on a Sunday timetable.

Transport for NSW will continue working with the Department of Education and will monitor the network as these changes roll out. Please use your private vehicle if you can and for those essential workers needing to use the network, please plan ahead as there will be changes to your usual trip.

#### **Scripture Resources for Learning from Home**

Parents may access resources from approved providers with modifications to enable students to learn from home.

There are three portal entry points to lesson content:

Approved providers for All Faiths SRE (Islamic, Jewish, Buddhist, Bahai, Hindu)

Approved providers for Christian based faith SRE

Primary Ethics for SEE

Completing these lessons is not mandatory and they have been provided through the Department of Education for general access.

#### **Optional Competitions/Resources**

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

#### Mrs Amber Fuller



## The PBEL for this week is Aspire

Aspire to do your best work this week.



Classroom

Slides

Zoom

## 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 and 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 <a href="https://kimbriki.com.au/eco-house-and-garden/learn/">https://kimbriki.com.au/eco-house-and-garden/learn/</a>

Drop & swap at most community gardens.

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

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

Regards, Angie Penn & Beth Dowdle

## Library News



Look at the fantastic Manly West readers who have completed the 2021 Premier's Reading Challenge! They are the amazing **Zac Sommers** (5W), **Theo Foxton** (3J), **Malia McGree** (5R), **Chloe Hodgkinson** (5C), **Xavier Philipp** (1S), **Anika Forbes** (5W), **Amelia Roberts** (6M), **Milan Valera** (4F), **Alexander Newton** (6C), **Nina Gower** (2T) and **Addy Bailey** (KRed)! You can spend some time at home enjoying some great stories and books to complete the PRC. Use the official PRC website <a href="https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html">https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html</a> to find reading tips, book lists and to log titles read online. Remember the deadline is Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup> to complete it online and Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> if you are turning in a handwritten reading log. Students and/or

parents can also email your completion to <a href="mailto:ellen.lo@det.nsw.edu.au">ellen.lo@det.nsw.edu.au</a> like several students and parents have done. Visit **OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS, OTHER WORLDS** in books according to the Book Week theme of 2021!

Even though you cannot currently borrow books from school, the Manly West Learning Hub Library Page will point you in the right direction with links to read alouds, digital stories, the *School Magazine* and websites of popular authors and illustrators. You can head to <a href="https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/manly-west-learning-hub/library">https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/manly-west-learning-hub/library</a> for all types of stories, news and interesting links to all things reading!



Hope you are all well and happy reading!

## Mrs Ellen Swick, Teacher Librarian



## Chess classes @Manly West Public School Term 3

Due to the current COVID lockdown, we will be conducting our chess class online. As soon as restrictions are lifted, we will return to face-to-face coaching at school.

Our online chess classes will be held before and after school Monday-Friday from 8-9am, 3.15-4.15pm, 4.30-5.30pm and 5-6pm. Your child can attend as many of these online classes as he/she wishes until we return to face-to-face lessons. For more details, see https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/online-classes-2021

To register your child in the class, go to https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment and enter the following code: C2GW3HWP31

