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Wednesday 3rd November 2021 Term 4 Week 5

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Principal's Message

10th November, from 6pm, Years 3-6 Interrelate - see more information on Page 8. 11th November Remembrance Day.

Congratulations to Mrs Mona Johnson who, with Mrs Jenni Milburn will enhance the Executive Team next year in her new appointment at Manly West as an Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction Leader. Mrs Johnson and Mrs Milburn will assist our teachers to have deep knowledge of the new Curriculum documents being implemented in 2022 and support teachers with instructional leadership in the classroom. These positions are new to the Department of Education and allow more professional learning for teachers to improve their teaching practice. We are one of the first schools in the Northern Sydney Area to gain these two positions and we are very fortunate to have such incredible expertise with Mrs Milburn and Mrs Johnson.



K-2 Toilets

The K-2 toilets will be completely demolished and rebuilt from the middle of November, with construction work continuing in the holidays. There will be contractors set up in the Boyle St garden area behind the Kinder and Year 1 classrooms and workers will only be entering the site from the back of the school. This will reduce the inconvenience for students and staff.

We have contributed \$100 000 towards this project out of school funds and the Department of Education has contributed an additional \$150 000 for this Metro Project. We are just finalising tiles, cubicles and construction set up. The students will use the Years 3-6 toilets and the toilets in the K/1 building while construction work is

Semester One Overdue Invoices/Reimbursements

Next week we will be sending out the overdue invoices from Semester One. We have already reimbursed families for the Ski Team Competition and the Year 6 Camp. We will be reimbursing Year 6 Winter PSSA. We would like to roll over the Years 3-5 Winter PSSA as 'Fees in Advance' for Semester One 2022 invoice. If this is not a satisfactory option, please ring the office.

Seating and Bubblers on the Oval

Thank you to the Student Representative Council led by Mrs Sue McLean. They voted for bubblers and seating on the oval last year. The seating is now completed and we are just waiting for the locks to be installed on the bubblers. The students from BASC were also taking advantage of the new seating yesterday.





Dance and Kitchen Garden Program

We would like to offer Kindergarten and

Years 3-4 four dance classes with Amber Krilitech as part of their PDHPE program. This will cost \$20 per child and we will invoice for this separately this term. The Kitchen Garden program would normally cost \$75 for Year 4 students this semester, but we will invoice only \$25 this term, due to the COVID interruptions.

School Hours/Attendance

Since lockdown, we are experiencing a number of children arriving late and leaving early. This affects student learning and is disruptive to classes. Parents are responsible for providing explained partial and full day absences from school. Please read the NSW Department of Education's School Attendance Policy.

Students Not Returning

Please let us know if your family is leaving the area, as we are organising classes and numbers for next year. We do require written notification. Also, if you are going on holiday this term, please confirm that you are returning to the school in February 2022.

Student News/Climate Change Issues and Cricket

Congratulations to Hannah Ross 6C, who is representing the Northern Sydney Region NSW Student Council called DOVES (Department of Student Voices in Education and Schools). One of the issues DOVES is discussing is Climate Change. Hannah created a survey for all our Year 6 students to give student feedback to the Minister. Some of the Year 5 students have also given feedback. Well done Hannah on this excellent initiative.





Congratulations to Harrison Taudien for being selected in the U11 Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Boys Rep Squad.

Mrs Julie Organ

From the Deputy's Desk



Congratulations to the following students for gaining four Expectation Cards to receive an Expectation Certificate:

Samson Carter x2, Saskia Hansen, Jonah Gracia, Leo Kozlinski, Lucy Stritzker, Alicia Thwaites, Remy Collins, Jessica Silver, Georgie Brain, Finley Smith, Alfie Dean, Alva Jordan, Ben Mooney, Anaya Rogan x2, Rhys Dundas –Gold x2, Grace Kovacs, Sunday Stanley, Georgia Cunningham x2, Elliot Ware,

Charlie Wright, Byron Brdley, Milo Westcar, Brooklyn Malliet, Benjamin O'Keeffe, Eric Wall, Luella Moschou, Sophia Beattie, Clementine Jeston, Leila Elder, Joshua Steiniger, Olivia Murphy, Stella Lewis, Olive Stubbs, Rebecca Maharjan, Sara Sholl, Laura Cole, Oliver Palmer, Conor Mugan.

Special congratulations to the following students for gaining a **Bronze Banner**: Georgia Cunningham, Sunday Stanley, Grace Kovacs.







Special congratulations to the following students for gaining a **Silver Banner:** Elliot Ware, Emilia O'Neill, Charlie Wright, Byron Bradley, Brooklyn Malliet, Benjamin O'Keeffe, Eric Wall, Luella Moschou, Sara Sholl, Rebecca Maharjan.





















Gold banners

On Thursday 11th November at 2.15pm we will be live streaming a special Gold Banner Assembly. If your child is due to receive a Gold Banner, you will receive an email with a Zoom link that you can log into next Thursday afternoon.

Congratulations to the following students who will receive their **Gold Banner** next week: Rhys Dundas-Gold, Ben Mooney, Anaya Rogan, Kohia Berry, Allan Lang, Felicia Young, Casper Bartley, Felix Elwin, Harry Kovacs.



















The PBEL for the week is Responsibility



Walk your bike/scooter when on school grounds



Check-In Assessments

Next week, Year 4 will complete the second Reading and Numeracy Check-In Assessment for 2021. These online Department of Education assessments take 50 minutes and identify how students are performing in Literacy and Numeracy. Teachers use the results to adjust teaching accordingly.

Lost Property

Lost property has now moved to the storage area next to the K-2 toilets.

Captains and Prefects developed a plan for our lost property, as part of their Leadership Camp Project earlier in the year. Their ideas are finally coming to life and the area will be upgraded with shelving and storage solutions that will make the area much easier to access and find lost items.





Canteen

The canteen will be open for window service at recess and lunch as of Monday 8^{th} November. Please note there will be no window service before school.

Students will be required to adhere to cohorting requirements to avoid congestion.



Contact tracing

Parents will be notified by the school in writing if their child has been in contact with someone who has tested positive to COVID-19 while at school. Students who are identified as close contacts will be required to remain in home isolation and not return to school until the end of their isolation period. In this situation, the school will arrange for the student to receive their learning programs at home.

Students who are identified as casual contacts will be required to have a negative COVID-19 test prior to returning to school. All families will receive a formal letter from the school to advise what to do if they have been at school on a day when the confirmed case was considered to be infectious.



School operations

Parents and carers will be notified if a decision is made to make the school non-operational for on-site learning to enable contact tracing and/or cleaning process to take place. Information about the operational status of the school will be disseminated using the school's information channels, including the <u>School Updates app</u> and the Department of Education's website.

Parents and students will be notified by the Department when the school is ready to resume on-site learning.

A reminder that anyone who has the mildest of COVID-19 symptoms must get tested immediately and self-isolate until they get a negative result - even if they're vaccinated.

Please visit the COVID-19 response protocols page for factsheets on

close and casual contacts, isolation guidelines for children and to answer your questions.



Mrs Amber Fuller

Can you help? Remembrance Day Wreath Needed



Our MW Captains have been invited to attend a Remembrance Day Commemoration Ceremony at Manly Dam on Thursday 11th November.

The ceremony will include laying a wreath/floral tribute at the Manly Dam War Memorial.

Would any Year 6 parents be able to help us by making a wreath from fresh flowers/plant material for the service?

If so, please contact the office.

Thank you.

From the Deputy's Desk



Congratulations to the following students for gaining four Expectation Cards to receive an Expectation Certificate: Honey Estivo, Amelia Pollock, Noah Gracia, Mylo Schaffler, Isla Bowring, Eve Watanangura, Jonah Whitehorn, Xavier Katon, Aishlin Banks, Noah Gracia, Amelia Pollock, Callum O'Neill, Flynn Vaughan, Joselyn Grinbergs, Will Powell, River McKay, Jagger Watmough, Georgia Hipsley, William Butcher, Max Hughes, Fletcher Lidbury, Sennen Bond, Beckett Hayward, Ella Savage and Tobian Forbes.

Special congratulations to Max Fryday, Daisy Hurcomb, Eve Watanangura, Jonah Whitehorn, Xavier Katon and Zack Anderhov for gaining a **Bronze Banner**.













Transition Programs for Current Students

Kindergarten to Year 1 Transition Meeting for Parents: Tuesday 30th November 10-11am

We invite parents of our current Kindergarten students to a transition meeting to assist you in understanding the experiences your child will engage in as they move to Stage One. Ms Jenni Milburn (current Stage One Grade Supervisor) will host a webinar from 10-11am on Tuesday 30th November. An email will be sent to Kindergarten 2021 parents next week. To join the webinar, parents will need a Zoom account. Information discussed in the session will be sent home for any parent who cannot attend.

Year 2 to Year 3

Later this term, we will host a Transition Meeting for our current Year Two students. Following the meeting, students will take home a note to share with parents.

Year 6 to Year 7

High Schools will contact parents of enrolled students with transition program details.

Kindergarten 2022

Yesterday we were delighted to receive advice from the NSW Department of Education that we are able to hold our **Kindergarten Orientation on Wednesday 17th November from 9:45am -11am.**

Kindergarten Information Packs will be available on **11th November**, **from 9:30 – 2:45pm** from the front of the school. Access is from Griffiths St. Within this pack is a coloured slip indicating your child's orientation class and designated arrival and departure location for our Kindergarten Orientation. Staff will be available from **9:30 -10:30am** on Thursday 11th November to answer any questions. Our **Uniform Shop Manager**, Ashleigh Searle, will be available from **9:30-11am**.

Next week, we will convey details through email to parents of enrolled Kindergarten 2022 students.

Kindergarten 2022 Dates for the Diary

Week 1 2022

Best Start

Monday 31st January - 4th February

Transition Morning

Thursday 3rd February 9.45am - 12 midday

Week 2 2022

Kindergarten students attend: Monday 7th February 9.45am - 2.30pm Tuesday 8th - Friday 11th February 9:20am - 2:30pm

Meet your Child's Teacher

Wednesday 9th February 2022 @ 5:30pm - 6:30pm in classrooms

Week 3 2022

From Monday 14th February, Kindergarten students start and finish school at the same time as students in Years 1-6. 9:20am - 3:20pm



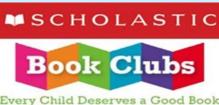
Mrs Wendy Mwanga

Library News



Please keep looking for your library books borrowed in Term 2! Lots of them have been returned but many are long overdue. It is understandable due to the lockdown and remote learning. It would be great to check everywhere in your homes and find them instead of having to pay to replace them. Good luck finding them!

By the end of this week, each child will receive a Scholastic Book Order catalogue with many specials in preparation for holiday gift giving and summer reading. This is the final book order for 2021. You are under no obligation to purchase anything, but please place your order online with LOOP before or by Friday, November 19th 2021. This will ensure Every Child Deserves a Good Book everything arrives at school well before the end of the term.



Happy reading and searching!

Mrs Ellen Swick **Teacher Librarian**

Kitchen Garden News

In the Kitchen Garden this week...

Year 4

We were so excited to have Year 4 back in the Kitchen Garden for classes last week. This week we are investigating what breaks down in a compost bin.

Volunteer to Help in the Kitchen Garden

With the weather getting warmer we really need help to water the Kitchen Garden over the next few months.

Can you help? Please sign up.

School Compost Bins

Due to a reduction in capacity in the school compost bins and worm farms, we are unable to accept any food waste brought from home.

We will continue to accept waste from food brought into school by students and staff, and from BASC and canteen.





Angie Penn and Beth Dowdle

Band News

We hope everyone is having a fantastic time being back at school. Just a reminder that Band is continuing with Zoom rehearsals on your normal Band days. See below. We understand that this may not suit everyone - so please just do your best to turn up for as much rehearsal time as you are able.

Training Band:

Monday Afternoon 3.45-4.30pm and Wednesday Morning 7.45-8.45am **Intermediate Band:**

Tuesday Morning 7.45-8.45am and Wednesday Afternoon 3.45-4.30pm

Concert Band:

Monday Morning 7.45-8.45am and Thursday Afternoon 3.45-4.30pm

Performance Band:

Tuesday Afternoon 3.45-4.30pm and Thursday Morning 7.45-8.45am

REMINDERS:

- Band Information Night Thursday 11 November at 6.30pm via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7368537799. See flyer on Page 8.
- **Instrument Try Out Day Friday 19 December at School -** All interested children will be collected from their classrooms to meet with Penny and have a look at the instruments we have on offer. If you would like to register your child's interest early, you can do so via the <u>Music Program Parent Portal</u>.
- **Individual Band Auditions: 23 and 24 November:** Parents and Carers will receive more information about this shortly. Please make sure to read your emails.
- **Invoices for Term 4:** Have been issued. Your prompt payment is greatly appreciated. If anyone has questions please contact Nicole Macnicol at band@manlywestpandc.org.au or on 0400 401 650.





Only a few tickets left!

he" questions... **the answers!**



Join experienced educators as they discuss these delicate issues with sensitivity, openness and humour

10 NOVEMBER 2021 Live online event \$10 per family per session

Interrelate family talks are suitable for children in Year 3 and above. A parent or carer **must** attend these talks with their child(ren).

Purchase your family tickets here

WHERE DID I COME FROM?

6:00pm - 7:00pm
Suitable for students in Years 3-6

PREPARING FOR PUBERTY

7:15pm - 8:15pm
Suitable for students in Years 5&6
(Years 3&4 students may attend at their parent's discretion)

Many thanks to the Manly West P&C for coordinating and subsiding this event.

View topic information and event details at www.manlywestpandc.org.au/interrelate









Your P&C News

Welcome to this week's update from the Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association. Over the coming weeks we will be sharing information on the services available to you from the P&C, some information on committee members and also showing you how to get involved. As we continue to build the Manly West community, we would love to know how you can help the school with your expertise and passion.

Canteen@manly westpandc.org.au

Shutters opening!

We are hoping to open the shutters for full service on Monday 8th November. To do this **we need more volunteers**. At this stage we don't have enough helpers on Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings and there are spots available in the afternoon too. We can't open without you! Please use SignUp - https://signup.com/go/VfhcRjo to help out.

Pre-orders for lunch are available through the Flexischools app as usual.

Baby sushi rolls

Our wonderful sushi supplier's staff were impacted by the lockdown. We will bring back the baby sushi rolls as soon as they can supply them. In the meantime, we have increased the daily variety of the larger hand-rolls.



Opening hours

Unfortunately, the uniform shop is still closed. We thank you for your continued patience as we navigate the current restrictions.

We will only be able to open our doors, once parents are allowed back onto the school grounds (as customers as well as volunteers).

We will update you as soon as we know more, in the meantime, we have put in place the following:

Online orders

Online orders through Flexischools continue to be processed and orders can be delivered directly to your child's classroom.

Returns

Items that need to be returned or exchanged, can be sent back to the school with a copy of the invoice and a note, explaining what you need exchanged/refunded. Students can return items by dropping them off in the office or parents can drop them off when collecting their children from school. Please phone the school office when you arrive at the Griffiths Street gate and someone will pop out to collect your items from you.

Second-hand orders

If you need second-hand items, please contact us via email. There is limited stock at the moment but we will see what we can do to help.

Donations

Donations are welcome. Please contact us via <u>email</u> if you have any items you would like to donate. Please ensure second had items are washed and are in good condition.

Kindergarten students 2022

We are currently selling Kindergarten packs for new students starting next year. Parents will be able to collect their orders either on or after 11th November from the front of the school near the Griffiths Street entrance. If you know any parents who have not ordered uniforms yet please could you encourage them to do so as soon as possible.

Meet your P&C

Name | Jamie Murrell
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About me

Originally from Brighton, England, I've lived in Australia for 12 years most of them in Fairlight.

I have spent most of my career in Australia as a consultant helping businesses improve what they do through technology.

When I'm not working you can find me at the beach, in the surf, on the climbing wall, or on my bike. More recently I have attempted to learn to skate with my son. Safe to say he's doing much better at it than me!

I am also a member of Manly Life Saving Club where I am an Age Manager for the U8s nippers.

Me at Manly West

I have been part of the Manly West community for the past three years. My son Leo is currently in year 2 and loves the school.

Why I joined the P&C

Back when we were able to do school excursions, I volunteered to help with Leo's class and it made me realise how much organising goes in to making a school work.

Throughout my time as a Manly West parent, I would occasionally find myself talking about things that I would like the school to do. Rather than sitting on the sidelines, I thought I should get involved and help make the school an even better place for our kids to learn.

My role in the P&C

I have two roles in the P&C. As Vice President, I support the President and Executive to generate interest in supporting the school and help keep the P&C moving.

Most recently I helped to organise **the coffee shout** for our school staff during lockdown.

I also sit on the Events and Fundraising committee where I take more of a back seat as the rest of the committee does such an amazing job.

We've starting planning for the centenary celebrations next year, so watch this space.

How to get involved with your Manly West community

Manly West Public School has an amazing mix of students and parents from all walks of life and we would like you to share your expertise and diversity to help build our community and make a change for our children. Whether you are an IT expert or have a passion for communications, HR, events, fundraising, cooking, the environment, finance, gardening or anything else, we would love to hear from you. There are so many ways to get involved and they don't need to take too much time.

Contact us using this <u>link</u> and we will in touch to discuss how you can help from as little as 1 hour of your time.

SAVE THE DATE - P&C General Meeting Tuesday 16th November 2021, 7pm More details to follow next week.





WELCOME BACK FROM THE K-2 BASC

It's been so wonderful to see all our friends from Kindy and Year 1 - we've missed you so much! So far this Term, the children have been learning some new games from their friends, showing their sportsmanship skills in a variety of sports, doing some ninja warrior courses at the colour equipment and creating some amazing pieces of art at our craft table.

We're so excited to spend time with all of you for the rest of Term 4!





Welcome Back to BASC!! We are so excited to be back down in the Year 2 room and the children have loved having their own room back! The last 2 weeks we have been doing a lot of kids' choice and free play, allowing the children to enjoy all the room's equipment and be creative with their play. We only have a few weeks left of term 4 so we are looking forward to making it special for the year 2s.



PARENT REMINDER

Please make sure when dropping off/collecting your child/ren from BASC that you are wearing a mask. This is not only a requirement from the Department of Education but also further protection for our educators. We also ask that parents do not enter our rooms during these times. For any communication either call at 99488113 or email at admin@mwbasc.com.au.

Thankyou kindly





Part-Time Work

4x Permanent Part-Time Position - Northern Beaches - 36161

Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
 - Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Dee Why Public School crossings require the hours 8:15am - 9:15am & 2:30pm - 3:30pm, Monday to Friday during the school term.

North Narrabeen Public School crossings require the hours 8.15am – 9.15am & 2.30pm – 3.30pm, Monday to Friday during the school term.

Wheeler Heights Public School crossings require the hours 8.30am - 9.30am & 2.45pm - 3.45pm, Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
 - ✓ Good communication skills
 - ✓ Community spirit
 - ✓ Positive energy

SCAN ME

If it does, visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au to apply today!

For more information please contact Caitlin Ritchie on 02 9983 2782

Applications close: Friday 12th November 2021

