

MANLY WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Tuesday 10th October 2023

Dear Parents,

We would like to warmly welcome you and your child to the Manly West school community.

We invite you to our Parent Information Evening on Thursday 26th October from 5:30-6:30pm. The Information Evening will be through webinar. Parents will need to register in advance for the webinar using a Zoom account.

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XFGI-4N0RPG4hK0GzlvubQ

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Information about the school, our uniform, orientation procedures and routines for 2024 will be discussed.

As part of your introduction to Manly West, your child is asked to attend both of our orientation mornings on Monday 30th October and Wednesday 8th of November 2023 from 9:45 -11am. At the orientation mornings your child will meet some of our Kindergarten teachers and get a taste for 'big school'. You will be notified of your child's orientation classes and designated class meeting points through school email. Please note, these are only orientation classes, and you will be notified of your child's class for 2024 at the beginning of the 2024 school term.

Should you no longer require a place for your child in 2024 at Manly West, please notify us immediately as planning for staff and classes is currently taking place.

Orientation One

On **Monday 30th October**, please take your child to their designated class meeting point at **9:45am** where you will be met by a Kindergarten teacher. The meeting point is marked by a table covered in the colour of your child's Orientation One class. For example, K Green will meet at the table with the green tablecloth. We will have prefects to help guide you. We ask parents to join us in the school hall for a parent information session during Orientation One. At the conclusion of the orientation session, teachers will bring the children out to the class meeting point where you can collect your child at **11am.**

Orientation Two

For the visit on **Wednesday 8th November**, we ask that you take your child to the coloured table in the playground indicating your child's Orientation Two class at **9:45am** where you will be met by the teacher. Please return to school just before 11am to meet your child at the coloured tables at **11am**.

School Uniform

The uniform shop will be open on both orientation days between 8:45am and 12pm. Please access this link https://manly-west-public-school-uniform-shop.myshopify.com/

You can also view the 2024 Kindergarten Uniform Starter Pack on the Manly West Public School website under the Kindergarten tab. https://manlywest-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/

Best Start Interview

You will be sent an email through the school requesting you to book a session for your child to attend their Best Start Interview. These 45 minute sessions take place between Wednesday 31st January—Tuesday 6th February.

2024 Dates for your Diary

Week 1 2024

Kindergarten students do not attend school in the week beginning **Monday 29th January – Friday 2nd Feb** unless parents schedule their child's 45 minute Best Start interview (Wed 31st January or Thursday 1st or Friday 2nd of February). Please note, students in Years 1-6 start school on Thursday 1st February, 2024.

Week 2 2024

Best Start interviews will continue Monday 5th February and the afternoon of Tuesday 6th February.

Kindergarten start school on Tuesday 6th February, 2024. They attend from 9:45am until 12pm for a Transition Morning.

On Wednesday 7th February, Kindergarten start at 9:45am and finish school at 3:20pm.

From **Thursday 8th February**, Kindergarten **start at 9:20am** and **finish** school at **3:20pm**. These are our regular school hours.

On **Thursday 8th February**, please attend the 'Meet your Child's Teacher' evening from 5:30-6:30pm in your child's classroom

Yours sincerely

Mrs Wendy Mwanga Deputy Principal