**Principal Message:**

Welcome back Mrs Organ.

Last week the P&C organised Road Safety Week at Manly West which was successful in raising awareness for students, staff and parents. This week is the United Nations Third Global Road Safety Week. The campaign, Save Kids Lives, is working to ensure safety of children on the world’s roads. We are fortunate that our roads are relatively good and that we have rules and systems in place to promote safe driver and pedestrian behaviour. Please take the time to read the Road Safety flyer that you should receive in your child’s bag this week and take note of the signage around the school. Special thanks to Jo Downer and the P & C Traffic Committee for creating the flyer.

**NAPLAN**

Next week on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th May, students from Year 3 and Year 5 will be participating in the NAPLAN assessments. We ask that all students arrive on time in readiness for these assessments.

**Information Morning and Morning Tea for Prospective 2016 Kindergarten Parents**

On Tuesday 19th May we are holding an information morning in the hall for our prospective Kindergarten parents for 2016. This will start at 9:45am and conclude by 11am. The morning provides an opportunity for prospective parents to tour our school and learn about our school from students, staff and parents. As a welcome gesture we ask that our current Kindergarten parents of classes KB, KO and KR kindly provide a plate of food for morning tea. If you are able to assist, please leave a plate on a table outside the hall COLA before the morning bell. To ease return of the plate, we ask that parents write their child’s name and class on a piece of masking tape on the back of the plate.

**Maths Workshop for Parents—Tuesday 19th May 6pm.**

Prior to the P & C Meeting held on Tuesday 19th May, we are providing a Maths Workshop for parents from 6pm in the library. The P & C Meeting will commence at 7:30pm. The purpose of the workshop is to provide parents with an understanding of current mathematical strategies. Parents may like to access this link below to view ‘Maths Help Sheets’. If you scroll to the section on ‘Addition and Subtraction’ you can access an outline of various strategies.


**Playground Happenings**

This term we have introduced a new quiet play area during second half of lunch on Monday – Thursday. It is located in the Literacy and Numeracy Area and is available to all students in Years K-6 who would like to take along their own book to read and to those who wish to play jumbo size chess, snakes and ladders, noughts and crosses or cards. Thank you to the students in 4B who have volunteered their time to set up and pack away the equipment.

A number of Year 5 students continue to give their time to provide the trucks and blocks for our Kindergarten students to play with during lunch.

Last Friday, new furniture was installed in the Year 6 area outside their classrooms and in the BBQ area. We look forward to making great use of these.

**Student Achievements**

Congratulations to Jesse Michniewicz who was selected to play in the North Sydney Regional Rugby League Open Team.

**Mrs Wendy Mwanga**

Deputy Principal

**PBEL for this week:** RESPECT—Read or play quiet games in the passive play area.
Deputy Principal’s Report

Our Mother’s and Carer’s Day Stall was a resounding success. Thank you to Jody Phillips, Clare Key, Nicole Macnicol, Marie Claire & Audrey Watson for selecting gifts and coordinating the stall on the day. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who wrapped gifts and assisted the students with their gift selection. Without our wonderful parent volunteers, such events would not be able to happen. Congratulations to Year 6 students Jerico Lopez and Dylan Hayden for being wonderful student leaders and assisting on the day.

Manly West Snowsports Team

For the third year running the Manly West Snowsports Team will be commencing 6 weeks of ‘dry land training’ in the school grounds each Sunday morning. The team is very fortunate to have two professional personal trainers as parents in the team. All fitness sessions will be specifically designed to help children develop co-ordination, balance and strength suitable for all the snowsport events. If you and your family have any interest in competitive snowsports please come along and learn all about it.

- First session is Sunday 17th May 10.00am;
- There will be 6 sessions in total leading up to 21st June;
- If you have one, bring a skateboard, rollerblades or scooter;
- Wear sports clothes, hat and sneakers and
- Bring a water bottle and sunscreen.

For further information, or if you wish to join the Snowsports Team please contact Tom Rundle tumbletom@hotmail.com

Diary Date Reminder

Parent Reading Workshop - What parents can do at home to help their child with reading.

Tuesday 12 May at 9.30-10.30am in the Toone Room.

Mrs Horne our Learning Support Teacher will be conducting a parent workshop focusing on:
- using three little words (Pause, Prompt and Praise) to help your child to read
- developing practical tips to help children enjoy learning to read.

Please email Mrs Horne by Thursday 7 May if attending – jill.horne@det.nsw.edu.au

In the subject line please write Parent Reading Workshop, and in the body of the email please write your name, child’s name and grade (eg Year 1 2015).

Mrs Adrienne Bruce
Deputy Principal
Cross Country

Last Wednesday, all students from Years Three to Six competed in the annual Manly West Cross Country Carnival. Without the weather on our side, we were forced to hold the event on school grounds. This didn’t slow down our runners, or their positive attitudes. Everyone who competed must be congratulated for their excellent efforts. A special mention goes to these runners who placed in the top six for their age group:

8/9 Years Boys
James Linfield
Aaron Darling
Truth Nathaniel
Tylan Black-Berryman
Oscar Wright
Zac Rowland

8/9 Years Girls
Amelie Taudien
Ivy Polkinghorne
Naomi Ainsworth
Chase Perrett
Millie Rundle
Maggie Highnam

10 Years Boys
Zeko Vesely
Oliver Todd
Sam Emmerson
Sam Litchfield
Finn Harvey
Harry Wood

10 Years Girls
Charlotte Hugman
Ruby Ballasty
Mercy Nathaniel
Rachel Fletcher
Piper Simons
Ruby Kelly

11 Years Boys
Joel Ansem – Mills
Charlie Adams
Lee Watts
Flynn Sherry
Lucas Cadman
Rory Buck

11 Years Girls
India Horsley
Matilda Oliver
Rachel Ainsworth
Daley Hodgson
Asha Keayes
Soraya Gerritsen

12 Years Boys
Felix Jackson – King
Jonah Sherry
Tom Wood
Harry Hadley
Seb Reidy
Jamie Clark

12 Years Girls
Charlie Scott
Josie Carlile
Jasper Daddo

Congratulations! These runners will be off to the District Cross Country Carnival on Tuesday the 19th of May at John Fisher Park in Curl Curl. Good luck team!

Jimmy Richards

Diary Dates

Friday 8th May
Round 2 Winter PSSA
Stage 2 Sport Program commences

Tuesday 12th May
NAPLAN—Language Conventions & Writing
Parent Reading Workshop
Toone Room 9.30-10.30am

Wednesday 13th May
NAPLAN—Reading

Thursday 14th May
NAPLAN—Numeracy

Tuesday 19th May
6pm Maths Workshop for parents in library.
7.30pm P&C Meeting School Library - all welcome

P & C News

P&C Meeting: Tuesday 19th May - 7.30pm School Library - all welcome

WANTED FOR MANLY WEST CARNIVAL - Saturday October 24th, 11am-5pm PROFESSIONAL FACE PAINTERS. We need professional and fast face painters (up to 4) to cope with the high demand for face painting at our carnival in spring.

If you have these skills or know of someone who may be able to help please get in touch with Kirsten Highnam at Thighnam@bigpond.net.au<mailto:Thighnam@bigpond.net.au>

We will pay a daily rate or if you would like to offer your services at a discount (as all profits go to school fundraising) we would be very grateful.

TRAFFIC SAFETY: As a follow up to the information received last week and the signage, a handout will be sent home today with the Kiss & Drop rules and general parking/traffic information. Parents are encouraged to read this please.

On behalf of the P&C we would like to thank Constable Deon Prince and his colleague for their presentation to Year 2—6 assembly last week.
Canteen Roster for Week 4, Group 2

Monday 11th May
Nicole Warner AM
Kelly Ducat AM
Rachel Kassel AM
**VACANCY PM**
Lara Bullman PM

Tuesday 12th May
Tina Derrmody AM
Marie-Claire Johnston from 10.45
Kristie Kha PM
Lesley Sargeant PM

**Wednesday 13th May**
Sharon Newman AM
Rebecca McLeod AM
Genie Graham-Smith PM
Laura Newton PM

**Friday 15th May**
Kylie Wright AM
Joanne Holley AM
Joyce Liang AM
Naomi Coleman PM
Kimberley Howe PM

Help is always greatly appreciated in the canteen. If you’d like to volunteer occasionally or regularly then please contact Isobel directly at the canteen or by email mwccanteen@gmail.com or call 9948 2257. Thank you!

Chicken Roster

Saturday 9th May
Catherine Kiss

Sunday 10th May
Catherine Kiss

Uniform Shop

**Opening Hours**

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Manly West Before & After School Care

**Centre News**
Lots of interesting things happening in each room!
K-2 starting a new back wall mural project using the ideas suggested by the children.
3/4 focusing on kids interest in construction.
5/6 designing and planning their own newsletter/newspaper to share with other children including puzzles, stories, cartoons and articles.

**Accounts**
Accounts were emailed last week. If you have changed your email address or did not receive your account, please contact us immediately.
The **FIRST INSTALMENT** is due by Friday 8 May OR FULL PAYMENT by 15 May.

**Session Vacancies**
We now have Permanent or Casual Vacancies most mornings and a limited number on Friday afternoon! Contact the BASC on 9948 8113, write in our ‘Parent Message Books’ or email admin@mwbasc.com.au

**Library News**
Scholastic book order forms will be coming home by the end of this week. Remember you are under no obligation to make any purchases; however if you would like to place an order, please fill in the order forms and send in payment (By cheque, the LOOP system or credit card online or over the phone only – NO CASH!) before or by Friday, May 15th, 2015.

Hooray and thanks to **Kate Mooney** for covering so many new books over the holidays! If you have nimble fingers and a little extra time to give to the library, there are always books needing to be covered. Just pop in or give me a call- you help **ALL** the readers at Manly West by doing this much needed task!

Happy reading!
**Ellen Swick, Teacher Librarian**

**Registration With Us**
To register your child with us, please visit our centre’s site https://manlywestbasc.hubworks.com.au and click on ‘ENROL’. Enter your child’s details and then click ‘SUBMIT’. We will contact you to request the sessions you need and we will inform you of availability.

**Notification of Absence**
To ensure the safety and welfare of the children in our care, **BASC MUST BE NOTIFIED** if a child will be absent from a booked session. Non Notification delays our awareness of any legitimate concern for a child’s safety. Also, whilst looking for children and contacting parents, our Educators are having less time with the children in their care. Messages can be written ahead of time in each room’s ‘Parent Message Book’ or by email admin@mwbasc.com.au (with at least 24 hrs notice). We can be contacted at late notice by phone on 9948 8113. There is a Non-Notification of Absence Charge of $11 (incl GST).