Principal’s Message:

School Photos: Tuesday & Wednesday 9 & 10th June.

North Head

Thank you to our Class Captains and Vice Captains who represented our school at North Head with the Prime Minister last Friday. The service is an annual commemoration conducted since 1995 at the Defence of Sydney Monument on North Head. The students brought a wreath and flowers for the service.

Thank you -Working Bee families

Thank you to all the families led by Belinda Parkes and her family who moved two loads of mulch on Sunday to add extra layers to our gardens surrounding the oval. They also topped up the garden area around the playground equipment and toilets. There were at least 17 families and children from all classes K-6. Thanks so much. The Kitchen Garden families and volunteers also worked the weekend before on signage for the plants and shrubs.

K-2 excursions

This term, all the Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 classes are involved in excursions connected to their class units of work. The kindergarten classes returned safely from the Narrabeen excursion and had a wonderful time. One little boy from KY said, “That was the best day ever!” Year 2 will be visiting a Japanese restaurant in Crows Nest to enhance their knowledge of Japanese culture. They have also displayed Japanese Blossom artwork in the foyer and classrooms. Year 1 classes have been studying Chinese culture and will be visiting the Chinese Gardens and restaurant in Darling Harbour to also enhance their knowledge of different cultures.

K-2 Maths

All classes are using Targeting Early Numeracy (TENS) Strategies in the classrooms. This program is currently being led by Mrs Israel. Please ask your children about the number games and strategies they are learning in the classrooms.

Brainstorm production K-6 –Student Wellbeing

All the students attended a Brainstorm production called Saving Lil and Archie. The company uses drama to present student wellbeing messages. This production was about safety with technology and was adjusted for the different grade sessions.

Year 2 wash basins/carpet cleaning /gutters

We currently have plumbers who are installing small wash basins outside the Year 2 classrooms. This will particularly assist students with artwork and science experiments. Last Saturday, all the carpets were cleaned in the school. All the gutters in the Boyle St buildings were cleared.

Student News

Congratulations to Ellie Farrar who has been selected to undertake an Aboriginal project at the Manly Community Centre called Weaving Bridges. This is part of the Guringai Festival with the theme Story of Place. Congratulations to Zane Brown for his selection in the Rugby Union Sydney North State Carnival in August 2015. Congratulations to Tom Lacy for his selection in the NSW State Squash Team. Congratulations to Tigri Olofsson 3B, Ivy Polkinghorne 3M and Winona Wrigley 5S for their excellent results in their piano exams with the Australian Music Examinations Board (AMEB).

Diary Date:

Saturday October 24 is the diary date for the Manly West Carnival in 2015 sponsored by Cunninghams Real Estate.

Mrs Julie Organ
Principal
Deputy Principals Report

Advanced Life Photographers: 9th & 10th June, 2015

Advanced Life Photographers have been engaged to provide the images of our students this year in their school photographs.

- **Sibling Photographs will be taken on Tuesday 9 June.** Sibling Photo Envelopes are available from the office or they can be ordered online at [www.advanvedlife.com.au](http://www.advanvedlife.com.au) by Monday 8 June. **Online Code: KA77Q74AB**
- **Class Photo day is Wednesday 10 June** and these can also be ordered online by Tuesday 9 June.
- Class Photo Envelopes have been distributed and children need to return their photo envelope. Spare envelopes are available at the office.
- Children need to be wearing their winter school uniform on Tuesday and Wednesday even if they have a scheduled sport lesson. Please tie back long hair with school coloured ribbons and make sure shoes are polished and of course, bring along a smile.

School Attendance

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children. Your child should attend school every day unless they are sick or injured.

Parents are required to explain the absence of their child from school promptly and within seven days to your child’s teacher. **These notes are a legal requirement for record keeping purposes.**

If, for any reason, your child is late arriving at school or you need to take them out for an appointment with a doctor or a dentist etc. you need to go to the office and sign them in or out. The office staff will give you a permission slip which must be given to the class teacher for inclusion in the class roll.

Maths Games

This year we are participating in a trial program ‘Maths Games’ competition, which provides an opportunity for students in Years 5 and 6 to learn valuable problem solving skills and exposes them to the application of mathematical problem solving strategies and techniques. The Maths Games is aligned with the Australian curriculum and focuses on challenging students to think laterally and creatively when solving mathematically-based problems. The APSMO Maths Games consist of 5 separate contests, one per month from May to September.

Good luck to our ‘Maths Game’ team in their first round!

Lateral Thinking Puzzles – Test your powers of questioning, deduction and persistence.

The Apple Problem

*There were six apples in a basket and six girls in the room. Each girl took one apple, yet one apple remained in the basket. How come?*

**Sheriff** (Provided by Max Arens)

Sheriff Tom Jones rode into town on Friday, stayed three nights and left early Sunday morning. Explain

Multicultural Public Speaking Reminder

Children in Stages 2 and 3 who have entered the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition will be presenting their speeches on Thursday 4 June. Good luck to all.

Mrs Adrienne Bruce
**Deputy Principals Report**

**A few Reminders...**

**Allergies**

There are a number of children at Manly West with life-threatening allergies to nut products. We ask that you consider this when making your child’s lunch. Even touching the hand of someone who has eaten a peanut butter sandwich can pose a threat (dip and spread, peanut butter crackers, Nutella etc. too).

Students are aware that we do not allow sharing of food. If your child has an individual health plan for Anaphylaxis, please ensure we have a 2015 Anaphylaxis form in colour. The date is written in small print on the bottom left hand corner.

**Car Park**

The car park located within the school grounds is for staff use only. Students are not to enter the car park. Parents please encourage your children to follow this rule by not using the car park at any time of day. Should you require vehicular access to the school for a school related project, please contact our office and we will organise safe access.

**Use of School Toilets by Adults and Toddlers**

For Child Protection reasons, should parents and toddlers need to access school toilets, please use those next to the front office.

_Mrs Wendy Mwanga_

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**Diary Dates**

_Thursday 4th June_
Year 2 Japanese Restaurant Excursion

_Friday 5th June_
Round 7 Winter PSSA

_Monday 8th June_
Public Holiday

_Tuesday 9th June_
Sibling Photographs

_Wednesday 10th June_
Class Photographs

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**Chicken Roster**

_Saturday 6th June_
Holley Family

_Sunday 7th June_
Tualima family

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**Uniform Shop**

_Opening Hours_

_Thurs 4th June_
8:45-10.00am

_Tues 9th June_
2:45-4:00pm

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**Kindy Rock Pool Excursion**
Canteen Roster for week 8, Group 2

Monday 8th June
Nicole Warner AM
Kelly Ducat AM
VACANCY AM
Lara Bullman PM

Tuesday 9th June
Tina Dermody AM
VACANCY AM
Kristie Kha PM
Lesley Sargeant PM

Wed 10th June
VACANCY AM
Rebecca McLeod AM
Genie Graham-Smith PM
Laura Newton PM

Thur 11th June –Special
Sarah Anderson AM
Anastasia Young AM
Kate Mooney PM
Lara Boon PM
+Special Day Helpers,
Evie Elderkin,
Tiane Olive, Helen Braines

Friday 12th June
Kylie Wright AM
Joanne Holley AM
Joyce Liang AM
Naomi Coleman PM
Kimberley Howe PM
Diana Holy PM

Please be aware that 11th June the only lunch orders available will be the Special Lunch Day menu pre-ordered thru’ Flexischools. Want to help out or contact us then send an email to mwcanteen@gmail.com call 9948 22547 or drop by.

Congratulations
To the following students who recently sat their AMEB piano exams:-

Tigri Olofsson—Honours (preliminary)
Ivy Polkinghorne—Honours (Preliminary)
Winona Wrigley—Credit (First Grade)

Manly West Before & After School Care

Accounts
The FINAL instalment is due by Friday 5 June.
If you have changed your email address or did not receive your account, please contact us immediately.

External Activities
Do not forget to complete our External Activities Form if your child needs to leave either a Before or After School Care session eg for Chess, Netball, Music, Drama etc. Forms are available in each room – please see the Room Leader.

Session Vacancies
There are Permanent or Casual Vacancies most mornings. Contact the BASC on 9948 8113, write in our ‘Parent Message Books’ or email admin@mwbasc.com.au

Registering 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).
BAND CAMP THANKS

We hope all the band members enjoyed Band Camp last week and came home with positive tales. The weather was kind, the bands sounded great in rehearsals and the kids seemed to enjoy doing the outdoor activities together.

Thanks to those parents who volunteered their time in different ways to make camp a possibility - whether it was lugging large instruments up there in your cars, setting up the tutorial rooms, helping out on the outdoor activities or packing suitcases into buses. Parent help of this kind is absolutely essential to the Band program at Manly West. Camp couldn't happen without it and camp is an integral part of the kids' Band experience and their musical development. Thanks to Mr Phil Perks who drove music stands and lots of instruments up and back (again) and to all the great tutors and other musical special guests who provided such a positive and high quality musical education opportunity.

Thanks to those fabulous teachers who go along to supervise the children and who make it all such a productive as well as fun experience. Special thanks to those who stayed overnight with the older bands, some of whom have done it many times before. Thanks go to Sue McLean, Jimmy Richards, Adrienne Bruce, Emma Rosnell, Steve Byrne and a special mention for Miss Virginia Esparraga who also did a significant amount of lead-up work in her first year as Band Liaison teacher. Thank you so much.

NORTHERN BEACHES INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

If you haven't done so already, please put the following details in your diaries for the annual Northern Beaches Instrumental Music Festival and for more information about the event, please also go to http://www.snbswe.org.au/festival.htm. There is information here about location and tickets, which you can just buy at the door.

If all Bands could please arrive at Pittwater High School in Mona Vale (meet in the room behind the Hall) 30 minutes before the performance time. Leave enough time for parking, which can be a bit tight understandably during the Festival. Everyone should arrive in full Band uniform, which includes black socks! Please make sure you have all the necessary uniform items. Where is that blue tie? Are my black pants now too short? Is the white long-sleeved shirt still white? For those new to Band this year, uniform details are on the P &C website: http://www.manlywestpandc.org.au/band.html. Please also remind your children to go through their Band music parts with their private tutors over the next week for some extra polish on the night! Practising your parts at home over the next week will also help it all come together.

The times and dates that have been allocated for each band are:
Manly West PS Training Band 12/6 Session 1 5.00-6.10pm
Manly West PS Intermediate Band 12/6 Session 3 7.45-8.55pm
Manly West PS Concert Band 19/6 Session 3 7.45-8.55pm
Manly West Performance Band 19/6 Session 1 5.00-6.10pm

BAND COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETINGS - YOU'RE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

The 2015 P & C Band sub-committee co-ordinators would love to invite other Band parents and carers to become more formally involved in planning for Band in the future. As you can see from Band camp, the Band program is only possible with continued parent involvement and assistance in its administration. There are lots of ways that parents can help, however, and no special musical skills or knowledge are required. We are grateful to have the Principal's support to start to meet in the School library on the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm, with the first meeting on 10 June 2015. Other dates for 2015 will be: 15 July 2015, 12 August 2015, 9 September 2015, 14 October 2015, 13 November 2015 and 9 December 2015. We hope to see you there for the first monthly meeting.

Penny Coucill and the Band Committee Co-ordinators