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From the Principal

2 December 2014

Dates for your Diary

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| Wednesday 3 December | *K-2 Assembly (KA)  
*Government High School Yr 6 Orientation Day |
| Thursday 4 December | *K-2 Beach Carnival  
*Balgowlah Boys’ concert for Yrs 3-6 |
| Friday 5 December  | *Last Day of Summer sport  
*Lost property on deck 8-9.15am |
| Monday 8 December  | *Henry Gilberts (Years K,1,2,3)  
*P & C Meeting 7pm |
| Tuesday 9 December | Henry Gilberts (Years 4,5,6) |
| Wednesday 10 December | *Parent helper breakfast  
*Reports sent home  
*Combined Scripture Assembly  
*Stage 2 Caine’s Arcade day |
| Thursday 11 December | Presentation Day  
9:15am - 3-6  
12:10pm - K-2 |
| Friday 12 December | Year 6 Waterworks |
| Monday 15 December | *Year 6 Graduation and Farewell  
*Honours Assembly |
| Tuesday 16 December | Talent Quest |
| Wednesday 17 December | *Picnic Day  
*Students last day – Happy holidays! |

P&C Christmas Party

The MVPS P&C Christmas party is always a highlight of our year. Last Friday evening, we shared a wonderful evening with our P&C and school community to celebrate what has been a fantastic year. The view was spectacular, food delicious and the company amazing! Thank you to everyone who attended and celebrated with the staff and our P&C. A special thank you must go to our hardworking social committee for organising the evening, with special mention to Rachel Defina and Sam Hindmarsh.

Dance Concert

How blessed we were with wonderful weather conditions for our amazing dance spectacular last night! Congratulations to all the children for their stellar performances. It was fantastic to see so many parents and friends clearly enjoying the community atmosphere and entertainment. Thank you to: Michael Turner for his efficient and thorough organisation, Nardia and Jen for their dedicated choreography and teaching, Lori and the canteen helpers for providing a scrumptious dinner, Eris and Stuart for setting up, including the sound, Year 6 for assisting with setting up, Yvonne for preparing the program and Eve and Oli for their articulate compering.

Proudly Introducing Our 2015 Student Leaders

Congratulations to our amazing school captains for 2015, Sophie Mitchell and Enrico Ranson and to our equally amazing vice school captains, Aurelia C and Nick H. I know the elected students will be committed to the position and will lead with pride. I know it was a very difficult decision for our students and teachers to vote from such a highly capable and credible field of nominees. We are also very proud of our prefect leaders for 2015: Akira E, Lian G, Lilian K, Ewan M, Eliza N, Celia P, Oliver R, Boston S, Jasmine T and Kaellum W.

What’s due?

Year 3 (Year 4 2015)
Summer Sport Notes

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MVPS Star Students

What an incredible opportunity for Lilli K, Lilian K and Emma B last Friday and Saturday to participate as members of the Northern Sydney Regional Choir in the annual Schools Spectacular! To describe this event as a spectacular really does not do it justice! With over 3000 NSW Public School students performing, it truly is one of the most amazing evenings of entertainment one could ever experience!

We are so proud of our national athlete, Piper H, who returned from Tasmania achieving 8\textsuperscript{th} position overall in the 800m national event as well as a bronze medal for the relay! What an amazing achievement for an incredible athlete. You should be so incredibly proud. I know we all are!

2015 Planning

Each year we receive requests from parents regarding their preferred choice of teacher for their child. This is always regarded as the loveliest compliment. In saying that, we are very fortunate at Manly Village to have such a skilled and committed teaching staff. At this point in time, we are not accepting requests for particular teachers or requests not to have particular teachers. Manly Village staff members work very hard and spend considerable time forming classes considering the needs of all students.

Our Leaders visit Parliament House

Last Thursday we went to the NSW Parliament House in the city to see our current NSW Premier, The Hon Mike Baird. For this momentous occasion we met up with the other school captains from the Northern Beaches. We had a great time at this fun and educational occasion. We learnt interesting facts about Mr Baird; like his favourite sports - cricket and surfing. When he was younger, he aspired to be a famous sport star. We also went into the legislative assembly chamber and the legislative council chamber. We listened to historical facts and once the tour was over we then moved on to Mr Baird’s office. Here we enjoyed a delicious morning tea! Once the tea was over we were given the challenge of writing an impromptu speech with the topic of, “If I were Premier for the day I would change….”. We wrote about three main topics:
Smoking in your streets
Pollution in our oceans
And the car park under our very own Manly Oval.

Once we presented our speech we then got judged and we were awarded Highly Commended! Mr Baird stopped for a chat and some pictures with us. Over all it was an amazing and educational day. Mr Baird was such a lovely guy and we are so thankful for this wonderful opportunity.

Thank you Lulu and Tamsin for escorting us throughout the day!

Eve, Ollie and Levi
LIBRARY NEWS

Library borrowing has finished for the year and all books are now due back. Please help your child to find any outstanding books and return as soon as possible.

We are about to begin stocktake.

Thanks
Christine Neill
Teacher librarian

Stage 3 Choir

Students will be attending St Matthews Church on **Tuesday 9 December** from 11:00-11:30 to perform for the Meals on Wheels Christmas Lunch.

Students will be accompanied by Miss Piper who has CPR and Emergency Training.

Thank you

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CANTEEN ROSTER

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1) All volunteers, please wear closed shoes.
2) Please be sure to change your class on Flexi schools orders to ensure speedy delivery.

Training Band 2015

Congratulations to all children that tried out for Training Band for 2015. You have been notified which instrument is allocated to you for next year. If you have forgotten please see Mrs Young. The 8 children that missed out last week on their blow tests, please go to the Green Room on Thursday morning at 9.30am. We will require 3 more percussionists as we need enough for two bands. Children that want to be drummers are required to be tested. If any child is not happy with their allocated instrument we can retest in February.

I could do with two more keyboard players. If any child wants to switch to keyboard that can be arranged.

Elizabeth Flynn
Band Director

Lost Property

The lost property area is once again full of jumpers, hats and lunchboxes. Please remind your children to be responsible for their belongings, and bring home the items they have come to school with.

Unfortunately, many items do not have student’s names marked on them, so cannot be easily returned to their owners as soon as they are discovered on the playground. Please ensure that ALL items of clothing, lunchboxes, hats and sports gear are marked clearly with your child’s name.

All lost property will be displayed on the decking in front of the office before school on Friday 5th December. Please ask your child to retrieve any of their property that they see. Any items left behind after this date will be donated to the school clothing pool or discarded.

A huge thank you is owed to Mrs Lynette Brigden, who for the last four years has looked after returning lost property to children, even taking items home to wash before returning them! Thank you for your commitment Mrs Brigden to our school community. The role of Lost Property Coordinator is vacant for the 2015 school year, please contact Mrs Young if you are interested in helping out in this role.
Sports Report

Summer Sport - 3-6
This week is our final week of the Summer Sports Program. Please remember all of your gear and sun screen. Have a fabulous last week at sport.

Term 1, 2015 notes for Year 3 notes have gone home this week. Please remember to return them before Friday to secure your place in the sport you are choosing before the sports are opened up to Year 2 next week.

Message from Piper
I have had an amazing experience in Penguin, Tasmania at the National Track and Field meet. After many hard training sessions, I have ended my athletic season by making it into my first national final and I came 8th. I also got the opportunity to run in the medley relay. We came 3rd so I now have a bronze medal from nationals. I have had some time when I haven't been competing to explore the north west coast of Tasmania.

It has been an amazing experience and I have enjoyed every second. Thank you so much to the school community, especially the teachers and students. I couldn't have achieved what I have without all your support.

MVPS’s Caine’s Arcade Day of Play

Wednesday 10 December
The stage 2 classes have been working on game design and have created cardboard arcade games. As a culminating activity we would like to give children across the school an opportunity to play their games, on Wednesday 10 December. We ask if children could bring in silver or gold coins to play. All money raised will be donated to a local charity. As a part of their work, the stage 2 children have researched local charities and will be voting on a charity to donate the money to. The charity will be announced in next week’s newsletter. We look forward to seeing everyone at our Day of Play.

Head Lice

We have had numerous reports of head lice in the hair of some students.

Please check your child’s hair for nits/lice using the methods recommended in information from NSW Health.

If you find any eggs or lice please commence treatment as recommended.

Further information on head lice is available on the NSW Health website or through the Department’s website at

We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Open every Wednesday 8.30am - 9.30am, behind the canteen.

We sell good quality 2nd hand uniforms and new hats. All donations are gratefully accepted. All proceeds go to our P&C.
BAND NEWS

What a great year we have had, for all involved in band. Congratulations to all the children that have spent endless hours rehearsing, practicing and performing. You are all fantastic musicians and should be really proud of your efforts. I wish you the very best with your end of year concerts.

All final blow tests are now complete with 86 children joining Training band for 2015. It is a large group of children to work with and to ensure all children learn happily, in a relaxing environment, it is best that for 2015 we have two training bands. Parents will be contacted before Term 4 finishes with their child's allocated instrument for band. If any child is disappointed with their allocated instrument, we can look at having this altered in week 1 term 1 2015.

At this stage, no changes are being made until we have the bands formed. All parents will be emailed more band information next year. We are going to be hiring instruments from a business outside school as we do not have enough school instruments to go around for all the children. In week 2 Term 1, instruments will go out, unless you decide to hire your own instruments over the break.

Training Band will rehearse on Tuesday mornings and Thursday mornings before school from 8.15am - 9.15am;
Concert Band will rehearse Monday lunch time, and Wednesday before school from 8.15am- 9.15am;
Senior Band, Monday before school from 8.15am-9.15am and Wednesday lunch 1.00pm-2.00pm.
Stage Band Tuesday evening from 6.00pm - 7.00pm TBC.

Merry Christmas Manly Village Public School
Elizabeth Flynn

Manly OOSH Inc.

On Monday the 8 December Manly OOSH Inc will hold its annual AGM. This meeting is open to any parent who has a child that uses the centre services.
Manly OOSH is operated by fully qualified staff and a volunteer committee of parents that oversee the policies and direction of the Centre. Manly OOSH would not be operational without this help. It’s very rewarding and we are all aware of time restraints on working parents but we are looking for new members. We meet approximately 6 to 8 times a year.
This is a great opportunity to get involved and see how things work at MOOSH. The meeting will start at 6.30pm at the Centre. Kids are welcome.
If you would like to know anything more, please do not hesitate to contact Peter Foster on 0424-150-585 or Tracey Bell on 0400-677-117. We would love to answer any questions you may have.

info@manlyOOSH.com.au
10 Wentworth Street, Manly NSW 2095
(t) 997602147

P and C Loyalty Club

If you are considering travelling over the summer holiday please give our loyalty member ASI travel a call on 9977 4100. Stuart and his team can help with family travel, corporate events and golf tours. They are based at 39 East Esplanade and as a school parent will give 50% of commission earned on your booking back to the school P&C, so you get to help the school at the same time as using a really helpful travel company.
**Chess Club**

Firstly congratulations to William Prentice and Rainer Buechi who contested the final of the 2014 Chess Competition with William winning for the third year in a row! Well done to all the children who participated in the competition this year, which had a very high standard.

This Thursday will be the last Chess Club meeting of the year and parents are invited along to join in friendly matches with their children. We shall also be having a short presentation ceremony for all Chess Club members.

Finally a very big thank you to Bill and Francine Prentice who have supported the Manly Village Chess Club for a number of years but won't be here next year as their children are leaving to go to high school. The club wouldn't exist without their hard work and dedication each week. Thanks so much for all your support Bill and Francine!

Chris Peachey

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**Scholastic Book Club Christmas Orders Collection**

Dear parents

For those who ordered from Book Club Issue 8 as a 'Christmas Order', please be advised that they will be in the office as of today (behind the Xmas tree) 2 plastic tubs (marked A-L and M-Z) with any 'Christmas' book club orders that have arrived, bagged, bundled and clearly marked with the person’s name who paid, their SURNAME and INITIAL on the outside of each bag.

Please check over next few days/weeks if your bundle has arrived as they will be there until the last day of school for collection.

Thank you for your support.

Yours merrily,

The Scholastic Book Club Team

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**MVPS P&C Christmas Party 2014**

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US ON FRIDAY NIGHT!

It was a fantastic night with close to 200 of us in attendance.

Thank you to Peta Hanson (Relieving Principal), teachers, staff and P&C members for supporting this event.

Thank you also to the team at Daniel-San for supporting our school community in such a generous and hospitable way.

The venue, food & service were all superb!

Special thanks to all the wonderful parents and friends for coming together in such great numbers to celebrate the close of another school year!

RACHEL DEFINA & SAM HINDMARSH P&C SOCIAL COMMITTEE
P&C NEWS

I love parties and the Christmas Party Rachel and Sam put together on Friday last was a great event. There were close to 200 parents, teachers, staff and P&C members. It was great to meet old and new friends of the school. Congratulations to you both for putting such a memorable event together.

I would also like to thank Fraser Short, Tara Blinkhorne, and the Team at Daniel-San for hosting us on the night. We thank them for supporting our School Community in such a hospitable and generous way. The venue, food, and service were all superb. Please show your appreciation by continuing to support Daniel-San.

I presented Honorary Life Membership of the P&C to the following for their special contribution to the School: Vicki Busse, Sarah Durham, Jo Blagg, Nicole Harvey, Fiona Smith and Paul O’Brien.

There is a double edged sword in our praise of all the hardworking people in the P&C because it might be putting off those people who want to contribute but feel they don't have the time. As the saying goes, 'Many hands make light work', so I encourage you to come along and join in and do what you can. Your contribution does make a difference.

To those people, who have ideas to contribute to the school, there is a saying: "Go tell it to the mountain" and in this case, the P&C is that mountain! There is no reason to be handing out flyers or canvassing parents around the school - that is precisely what the P&C was put in place to avoid. Which is also why, we do not hold votes amongst the school community, as we research and gather the relevant information, test ideas and put them to the vote in P&C meetings. All contributions are welcome and respected, and may at times be challenged, but that all makes for better decisions.

Neale Siebert
P&C President

Community News

Royal Far West 90th Anniversary and celebrations on Saturday 6 December from 10am-4pm. Royal Far West delivers health education to thousands of children in remote communities in NSW. Join our party by the beach. Full of fun activities.

Christmas Tree Sale - in support of Fairlight Manly Cubs and Scouts, Saturday and Sunday 6-7 December from 6.30am till sold out. Hinkler Park, Pittwater Road, Manly near Manly lagoon.

Dec & Jan Holiday Art Workshops in Brookvale for ages 5 to 14. Select from canvas painting, drawing animals, superheroes, caricatures, mosaics, clay sculpture, cartooning, sewing and much more. For bookings contact Daphne 0409 569483, daphne.katos@bigpond.com or visit www.brushart4kids.com.au for workshop program

Art, Drawing & Sewing Classes offered daily in Brookvale for ages 6 to 16. Book into a Term 1 class now for 2015. Spacious and inspiring art studio and experienced tutors. Classes start 30 January. Contact Daphne 0409 569483, daphne.katos@bigpond.com

2nd Northern Beaches Youth Drawing Prize, ages 10-21, $2,000 in cash prizes split across different age groups, entries close March 3, register online at www.ifullkeart.com For enquiries contact george.katos@bigpond.com

Science and Technology After-School Program! TechScience is a unique program that aims to prepare today’s children for tomorrow’s world by teaching about the latest technological and scientific breakthroughs - Robots, Genetics, Virtual Reality, exploring the universe, 3D printing and much more. We will run a two days TechScience Robotic Holiday workshop on January 21-22, 2015 from 9am to 3pm, suitable for kids starting years 3 - 6 in 2015. Next TechScience term starts February 2015, early bird specials until December 15th. Program is suitable for children in primary school from year 2 and up. For more details: www.TechScience.com.au or email info@TechScience.com.au


Family Xmas Event - Robertson Road, Newport. 11 & 18 December 5pm-9pm. Christmas shopping, live music, carollers and tasty food.

The Pop Up in Style will be open again this coming weekend at Berrins, 2/40 East Esplanade, Manly. Opposite Garfish, right next to Barefoot Cafe. There are 4 mums of our school involved in this project and they are all selling their designs and crafts. Please support small businesses and shop locally. Opens Friday 6.30pm till late (drinks and refreshments available) Sat: 9am till 8pm and Sunday 10am till 5pm. Hope to see you there.