Dear Parents and Carers

Last week, our nominated Year 5 school leaders presented speeches on ‘What school spirit means to me’ in an effort to run for School Captain leadership roles for 2016.

I would like to congratulate each and every one of the leaders on the content and presentation of their speeches.

I look forward to working closely with these students next year. The 2016 School Captains and Vice Captains will be announced shortly.

This Wednesday 18 November, we are hosting the Premier’s Reading Challenge Acknowledgment Ceremony in which Mr Baird will present some participants with certificates for wonderful participation of the challenge. Students participate very well each year from our school and are encouraged by our librarians Mrs Neill and Mrs Anton.

This week, twenty girls from Year 5 will visit Mackellar Girl’s High for a Taste of Mackellar. Please ensure all permission slips have been returned to Ms McCredie by this Wednesday.

Next Monday 23 November 2015, I will accompany our current school captains and vice captains to attend a School Leaders’ Morning Tea at Parliament House with Mr Baird. The school leaders will participate in a tour of Parliament House and engage in some leadership games and group work.

What a wonderful experience for Enrico, Sophie, Aurelia and Nick.

From this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings Miss Aitken and Miss Campbell will be collecting toys that students no longer use to go in next week’s Toy Swap. These teachers will be found on the deck before school on each of these mornings. Please bring in clean toys which are in good working order and collect your token for next week’s Toy Swap.

Many of you have helped our school throughout the year and we really appreciate your support. Perhaps you have assisted in reading groups, on excursions, made costumes or acted as your class parent representative – to name a few.

From the Principal

17 November 2015

Dates for your Diary

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Semester 2 invoices now due
As a small token of our appreciation for your support and contributions to our school, the staff would like to thank you and warmly invite you to a **thank you breakfast** on Wednesday 2 December, 2015 at 8:15am.

Please return the tear off slip to your child’s class teacher if you are able to attend.

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**‘Brekky on the Deck’**  
**Wednesday 2 December at 8:15am**

I/We will be attending the thank you breakfast on Wednesday 2 December at 8:15am.

Parent Name/s: ________________________________________________________

Child’s Name/s: ________________________________________________________

Class/es: _____________________________________________________________

**School reports** will be sent home on Monday 14 December, 2015.

Although the school year is drawing to an end, the school’s calendar is certainly showing no sign of slowing down.

Please check the dates in the school newsletters to ensure you don’t miss out on any of the upcoming fun and festivities at school!

Philippa Becker  
Principal

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**A message from Natalie Manion Wright:**

After being diagnosed with Stage 3, aggressive, triple negative breast cancer in June, these past months have been a nightmare for me. I have had a mastectomy, lost my hair and endured chemotherapy treatment. Despite going through so much there have been several silver linings, one being the wonderful support from the staff and families of Manly Village Public School.

My oldest daughter is in class 1G and not long after being diagnosed, Miss Green, the class teacher, and Marcella Searle, the parent contact, organised a food calendar for parents to volunteer to provide a meal for my family while I was undergoing the toughest part of my treatment. This allowed me the “breathing space” to get my head around the diagnosis and took away one more thing for me to do when I was sick, exhausted and under immense stress. The meals provided were delivered to my door, delicious and healthy. So thank you to all those parents as this was the most helpful and useful action anyone could have taken and my family and I will be forever grateful.

I would also like to thank the many offers of assistance I’ve received in the playground, the mothers who have provided a shoulder for me to cry on, the extra frozen meals or flowers and those that have helped me with my three young daughters by taking them for playdates or collecting them after school for me.

Other parents I would like to thank for being extremely generous are Marriam and Steve Eden (owners of Barefoot Coffee) for dropping organic milk and eggs off at my door each week and Dee Bugyi (Dee Bee Zumba) for organising a breast cancer zumba class and raising money for me.

My fight is still ongoing but the wonderful support from the community has lifted my spirits and enriched my life. Thank you so much!
Dear MVPS Parents and Carers,

Over the next week or so we will be offering parents the opportunity to utilize Scholastic Book Club, Issue 8, the last for the year as a 'Secret Santa' gift purchasing service. It will be running solely as a chance for parents to purchase reading material as gifts for their child(ren) this Christmas, so for that reason it will not be going out to the students directly in classes. Brochures will be handed out in the playground before and after school to parents and some brochures will be left in the school office for parents and carers to collect if they wish.

If you'd like books such as the latest releases and popular titles to be stocking fillers this Christmas for your child, this is your chance - ALL at discounted prices!!

At MVPS since we are a Scholastic 'LOOP' school, please order and pay on line, CREDIT CARD ONLY by close of business

Monday 30 November. To order visit www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

NO CASH OR CHEQUES ACCEPTED.

All orders will then be delivered to the school and stored in boxes at the school office from approx Week 10. The orders will be bundled and bagged in alphabetical surname order of your child and their grade for parents ONLY to collect from the office.

**BOOKS MUST BE COLLECTED BY THE SECOND LAST DAY OF TERM-TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER**

As usual proceeds from the sale of all orders (20%) will go back to our school as Rewards (new literacy products for the classrooms next year).

Thank you for your support of reading throughout the year.

Sincerely,

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**Sports Report**

This Friday is our final week of our Summer Sports program. Please remember all of your gear including a plastic bag and clothes to wear on the return from water sports. Have a fantastic final week of your chosen sport.

Sport for the rest of the term (weeks 8, 9 and 10) will be in class/grade groups where some classes may take their students into the local area for sport.

Notes for term 1 sport, 2016, will be sent home with Year 3 this week. Please have all notes returned by this Friday as Year 2 will receive their notes next week.

Celia is off to Adelaide. We wish her all the best for a fantastic tournament and carnival at the Pacific School Games, representing NSW in the international tournament against all nations of the Pacific. Wow, what an experience. Good luck Celia. Play hard and play fair and enjoy every minute.

**Mufti for Emma**

A mufti day is being held on Friday 27 November to help support Emma in her journey to the School Sports Australia, National Athletics in Canberra next month. Come dressed as your favourite sports star or sporting team.

Remember your gold coin donation for Emma.

Let's send Emma to nationals with every bit of Manly Village support we can muster.

Sherelle Spillane
Sports Co-ordinator
BEACH BITES
CANTEEN ROSTER

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2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Open every Wednesday
8.30am - 9.30am
behind the canteen
We sell good quality 2nd hand uniforms and new hats.

MANLY VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL – ANTICIPATED ENROLMENTS 2016

☐ My family WILL NOT be attending Manly Village Public School in 2016.

☐ We will be on holidays at the beginning of 2016 and will not return in time for the school term Thursday 28 January 2016. The date our child/ren will return to Manly Village PS is ______/ _________/ 2016.

My child/ren’s name/are: _____________________________________________________________

My child/ren’s grades in 2016 will be: _______________________________________________

Signed: __________________________________________________________________________

Planning for 2016

Term 4 marks the beginning of planning for next year and to facilitate class placement and the administration which accompanies planning in a school, it is imperative that we have reliable student numbers from which to work. There are a number of ways parents can assist us to ensure projected numbers for 2016 are as accurate as possible.

*If you know someone in the area who is going to enrol their child at the school but as yet have not contacted the school, please ask them to contact our office as soon as possible.

*We have a number of families who will be having an extended holiday and will therefore not return to school at the commencement of the school year. It is imperative that the school receives notification, in writing, that the children are returning to school prior to the end of first term, if they are to be included in the numbers that are submitted to the DEC. The department uses these numbers to allocate the number of teachers the school is eligible to have so it is important that I include all of these children in my submitted numbers.

*Please complete the form below if your child/ren will not be returning to Manly Village in 2016.

*If you are planning an extended holiday, please complete the form below with as much information as possible regarding return to school dates.
Creating Smiles for Life for Street Kids!

I would like to see kids from my school donate a used toy of theirs for the street kids who don’t get given anything and some don’t even receive a Christmas toy at Christmas time. They are just happy with a hot lunch for Christmas.

Please bring in an old or new toy to the office by Friday 20 November 2015.

I am looking forward to sharing the photos of how your toys helped create smiles for our street kids this Christmas.

Olivia D 1N

Chess Club

Good luck to Sean K and Zak F who are playing one another in the final of the 2015 Manly Village Chess Competition this Friday morning!

Library News

This is our last week of borrowing in the Library. Students may keep their books for the next 2 weeks and they are all due back by the end of week 8, Friday 27 November.

Overdue notices will be sent home as a reminder. Please help your child to find any overdue books and return them as soon as possible.

Christine Neill
Teacher Librarian

Through primary prevention initiatives and an annual campaign, White Ribbon Australia seeks to change the attitudes and behaviours that lead to and perpetuate men’s violence against women, by engaging boys and men to lead social change.

All students are invited to show their support for White Ribbon Day on the 25 November by purchasing a white ribbon for $2.
TOY SWAP REMINDER!!

This Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Miss Aitken and Miss Campbell will be collecting toys for the Toy Swap. Bring your toys to the deck between 8.45am and 9.10am.

Remember:

- Toys must be clean, undamaged and in working order
- No soft toys (for health reasons)
- No electronics
- Something another child could love!

We can’t wait!
Miss Aitken and Miss Campbell.

Community News
Robotics Holiday Workshop! TechScience Australia will run a two days Robotics Holiday workshops suitable for kids 8 - 12Y/O on January, 14th & 15th, 9am - 3pm. The program includes four main components: Design and create with Electronic LittleBits, Hands-on Robotic programming, 3D Printing Technology and Learn about Robotic Technologies. For more information please email: info@techscience.com.au. To register to the Robotics Holiday Workshop go to: http://www.trybooking.com/169930

Manly Village Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest. Manly Village Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events.