Focus on Learning - Mathematics

Over the last two years, staff members at Manly Village have been involved in a variety of professional learning opportunities to enable them to confidently implement our new mathematics syllabus. Mathematics provides students with knowledge, skills and understanding in Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability. It focuses on developing increasingly sophisticated and refined mathematical understanding, fluency, communication, logical reasoning, analytical thought and problem-solving skills. These capabilities enable students to respond to familiar and unfamiliar situations by employing strategies to make informed decisions and solve problems relevant to their further education and everyday lives. At Manly Village our staff members teach for conceptual understanding - that is providing learning opportunities that allow a student to apply and possibly adapt acquired mathematical ideas to new situations.

Students are individuals who learn at different rates and in different ways. These individual differences may influence how students respond to instruction and how they demonstrate what they know, understand and can do. Individual differences may include:
- cognitive abilities, including students’ current level of understanding and ability in relation to a particular topic or skill
- prior learning experiences
- learning styles and preferences
- motivation and engagement with learning
- interests and talents.

Through differentiated planning and programming, teachers can consider students’ varying abilities, learning styles, interests and needs. This approach to programming recognises the interrelationship between teaching, learning and assessment that informs future teaching and learning and provides students with opportunities to:
- demonstrate, in different ways, what they know, understand and can do at different points of the learning cycle
*discuss with their teachers their preferred learning style and new ways of learning
*explore, experiment and engage with the concepts and principles underpinning what they learn
*develop higher-order thinking and creative and critical thinking skills.

Differentiated learning opportunities assist us to meet the learning needs of our students. An integral part of this approach includes the implementation of two programs at MVPS this year—TEN (Targeting Early Numeracy) and TOWN (Taking Off with Numeracy).

**What is TEN?** The Targeted Early Numeracy Program (TEN) is an early numeracy program targeting students in Kindergarten to Year 2. It is a program that complements the regular classroom program and Best Start Numeracy assessment. The TEN Program model includes the use of;
*Small group instruction (usually three to four students)
*Short, focused, frequent numeracy sessions (typically 10-minute blocks)
*Strategically targeted activities focusing on early arithmetical Strategies
*Explicit and systematic teaching
*Five-weekly monitoring of student progress to identify and plan future instruction.

**What is TOWN?** Taking Off with Numeracy is a program designed to assist teachers to identify where students’ solution methods in mathematics are breaking down, and provide explicit guidance to move the student beyond the identified hurdle. In particular, as TOWN focuses on improving numeracy in Stage 2 and 3, greater emphasis is given to the teaching sequence related to developing place value, as it underpins the four operations and decimals.

To the side of the page are some K-2 samples of student learning logs.

Learning logs enable students to reflect on what they are learning and learn while they are reflecting on what they are learning.

**Our teachers as global learners!**

Last Tuesday, MVPS staff members were engaged in a fabulous learning opportunity focusing on connecting our learning community and engaging students in a globally connected classroom. We actively and enthusiastically explored the use of social media in education, educational technology and creative ways we could enhance the learning opportunities for our students by looking at more innovative methods of engagement including using Mystery Skype. In the afternoon, our Professional Learning involved skyping in with educators in the US for sessions on creativity and wellbeing. I thank Miss Troy for coordinating and leading this fabulous, innovative professional learning opportunity for us!

**Parent/Teacher Interviews - Online Bookings**

Parent/Teacher interviews will take place in week 9 of this term from Monday 23 March to Friday 27 March. We are using the school interviews online booking system again this year. Online bookings were opened last week. Please make sure you book a time.

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Expression of interest for placement in Year 7 at a NSW Government school in 2016. Expression of interest forms were sent home with our year 6 students last week. The Expression of Interest must be returned (whether you are seeking government placement or not) on or before Friday 20 March to Mrs McCredie. Please see Mrs McCredie or Ms Hanson if you have any concerns regarding this process.

Our Star Students!
Congratulations to Celia and Tiana, Vincent, Owen and Kaellum who represented MVPS at the combined district football trials on Thursday afternoon. Vincent played in the Possible v Probable's match, just missing a place in the District team. Congratulations to Celia who was selected in the district team and to Aurelia who was awarded a special entry to the district team. Both girls will go and play at the Sydney North Football Competition.

Congratulations to Sophie and Tia who played at the Sydney North Tennis Championships on the Central Coast on Tuesday. It is a tough field and they played beautifully in their pool matches. Both girls made it to the top ten with Sophie making it to the qualifying round and as a result, reserve for State Tennis championships. What a fabulous result! Good luck to Oliver and Kade at the District Rugby League trials this week.

Congratulations to all of our fabulous MVPS students who represented our school last Friday at the District Swimming Carnival. It was a fantastic carnival with so many fabulous results including Manly Village finishing 2nd overall! Special mention must go to Henry C who was awarded Junior Boy Champion Swimmer and Dylan T who was awarded Senior Boy Champion. Thank you to Mrs Spillane and Mrs McCredie for supervising and supporting our students at the carnival and special thank you to Mrs Spillane for her thorough organisation once again.

Best wishes to Emma B of Year 6 who is auditioning as a featured artist at School Spectacular this year. Emma is an active participant in our school choir and the NSW regional choir. We wish her well.

May the blessings of each day be the blessings you need most.

Peta Hanson
Relieving Principal

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**Merit Awards**

These will be awarded to the students at the assembly on **Wednesday 25 March**

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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.

**Welcome BBQ thank you**
PLUS a big thank you to Danny Angelo who tirelessly resolved our air conditioning woes...:

Thanks to the following volunteers - the 2015 Welcome BBQ was a resounding success - thanks SO much everyone, we couldn’t do it without you!!!

Adam & Linda Formica
Angus Watt
Tracy Willis
Sally Breden
Kirsten Weck
Karen Wooldridge
Wesley Fabb

An ENORMOUS thank you to Danny Angelo (Jai and Benji’s dad) who tirelessly worked on the canteen air conditioner and sourced and installed a brilliant new one - what a big effort!!!! Thanks Danny:) (Jai Air)

**Meatball Madness**

**Thursday**

**Lunch Special**

$5.00

Special includes:
3 meatballs, mashed potato and peas, carrot sticks and pita slice

**Stage 2 choir**

Stage 2 choir will commence this Thursday morning at 8:30am in Miss Franko's room.

Please meet at the picnic tables outside the kindergarten classrooms and we will take you up to the room. Bring an A4 folder with plastic sleeves for your music.

We are looking forward to meeting and singing with you!

Miss Courouzos and Miss Franko
Summer Sport continues this Friday. Please remember all of your gear and hope for bright sunny weather!

We are in the process of planning our winter sport options and teams. Children have been asked to nominate the sport they would like to participate in during terms 2 and 3.

**The options for winter sports are:**
- PSSA Rugby League (boys)
- PSSA Football (boys)
- PSSA Football (girls)
- PSSA Netball (girls)
- Beach Volleyball
- Tennis

School Sport

All PSSA Teams are open for students from years 3 - 6. Trials will be held in week 9 and 10; the date and location will be advised shortly.

Places for Beach Volleyball and Tennis will be open after the trials have been completed to allow students who may not be selected in a PSSA team to take a place in these sports. Please listen for announcements as to when the trials are being held. At this time they are being delayed due to the unavailability of sporting grounds.

**District Swimming**

Last Friday the District Swimming carnival was held at Warringah Aquatic Centre. Wow, what an amazing carnival for MVPS. The children were so responsible in ensuring they were ready for their races, to their team mates by supporting and cheering them and to the other swimmers and spectators. It was a thrilling carnival to be at and a privilege to be amongst our team. It was wonderful to see our senior students help our young swimmers. Particularly, Wilson taking the 8 year olds to the bathroom and returning them safely as its very very crowded, helping put on swim caps and Nicholas for taking one of our 8 year old swimmers down to the marshalling area because he was super nervous and worried about his race. And I have to mention our wonderful spectators and supporters in Celia, Amy P and parents who cheered for all of the MVPS Swim Team. The spirit of our team was just as beautiful to see as the amazing results they earned in the pool.

**Our results...**

The day started with a 1st place to Henry C in the Junior 4 x 50 Boys Medley. That race was backed up with many places in the heats and many personal best times. Congratulations to all of the swimmers for your courageous efforts. Mrs McCredie and I couldn’t have been more proud of you.

**Finalists and Place Getters:**

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The Sydney North Carnival is being held at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre on Tuesday. Good luck to everyone swimming. Do your best and have a fabulous carnival.

Sherelle Spillane
Sports Co-ordinator
**Community News**

**My Learning Lab** - Is your child struggling with reading, writing and spelling? Join our small group classes and get your child's confidence and learning back on track. Visit mylearninglab.com.au, call Laura McManus on 0451 271 873. Located at St. Matthew’s church function suite, Manly. Tuesdays and Thursdays after school and a breakfast club is also available.

**Fun Art & Drawing Workshops** from 7—20 April for ages 5-12 at If u like ART studio, Brookvale. Select from Street Art, Fashion Illustration, Wood Sculpture, Sewing Groovy Bag & more. For bookings contact Daphne 0409 569483 or daphne.katos@bigpond.com Full holiday program at www.ifilikeart.com

Young Artists enter the 1st Youth Portraiture Painting Prize at If u like ART studio, Brookvale, for ages 10-21, $2,500 cash prizes donated by Dee Why RSL Club. Register online at www.ifilikeart.com from 20 March.

Book your child into one of our inspiring weekly Art or Drawing classes for ages 6-17 at If u like ART studio in Brookvale. Taking Term 2 bookings now. Contact Daphne 0409 569483 or daphne.katos@bigpond.com

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**Manly Village Public School Markets**

**YEAR 2 FUNDRAISING STALL**  **SATURDAY 21 MARCH**

Kidz Central

Kids clothes, books, toys, art canvases, face painting, craft, cake stall, raffle, lucky dips and guessing competitions.

**FUNDRAISING VOLUNTEER REQUEST**

Jake Rowe is heading up the fundraising committee this year and is looking for some parents to assist with organising events for 2015.

If you are interested in assisting Jake please give him a call on 0414 612 546.

**HELP!**

The biggest fundraising opportunity for the school for the next couple of years…

We are having a BBQ for the day of the election Saturday March 28 at the school as this is a polling station.

We urgently need lots of year six parents to do the BBQ and year six children to sell to the queues.

Can you please email tonybernard@intermode.on.net or jagordon28@hotmail.com to volunteer?

Can you also please help by making cupcakes, slices, whole cakes, cookies etc to sell and bring them into the back of the canteen on Friday March 27.

Thank you all so much.

Great opportunity for mums, dads and carers who work during the week to help.

Amanda, Jessica, Jen and Tony Bernard

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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.