PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS

One of the most enjoyable tasks I have in my role as Principal of our great school is to look at some of the wonderful work our students do in their classrooms each and every day. Yesterday I read a story from Year 2 boy, Riley Morgan. Apparently, as a class exercise the students were asked to write about “My future plans to sell the oval and build a factory on the grounds”! Well, I can certainly state that, after reading Riley’s fantastic argument, that will never happen. Further in this newsletter you will see his effort. Congratulations, Riley.

Presentation Day.
Thank you to all the parents, families, friends, community members and special guests who took the time today to attend our Annual Presentation Day and the Year 6 Farewell. Our students and staff members appreciate your combined support and value the many things you do to make our school great. Thank you also to the people who took the time to complete the surveys this morning. It is most appreciated.

Year 6 Farewell
This evening is our Year 6 Farewell and I’d like to acknowledge their tremendous efforts throughout the year as school leaders and role models for our younger students. We wish them every success for the future and hope to hear many success stories in the future. Most of these students will be commencing Year 7 at Lake Munmorah High next week and I’m sure they will successfully meet their challenges over the next few years.

Peter Mandroules
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 4
Fri 4 Dec: P& C Xmas Lunch
Fri 4 Dec: Year 6 Reports home
Fri 4 Dec: Year 6 last day before High School Transition
Thurs 10 Dec: Responsible Pet Program K-2 & Kindy Transition
Fri 11 Dec: K-5 Reports home
Wed 16 Dec: Poolside Picnic Years 3-5
Wed 16 Dec: K-2 Performance and Xmas Picnic Day
Wed 16 Dec: Last day of Term 4

Term 1 2016
Wed 27 Jan: SDD, staff return
Thurs 28 Jan: Yrs 1-6 students return
Fri 29 Jan: Kindy start
Thurs 18 Feb: Swimming Carnival

OPAL BUS PASSES - URGENT

2 weeks ago all Year 6 students going to High School, and, 4x Year 2 students going into Year 3 next year received a brochure on the new Opal card for their bus transport. Please go online and complete the application. Print, sign and date the application and return it to the front office for endorsement. We will then forward them all on to Transport NSW. Please return these applications as soon as possible. All other students who already have bus passes will be issued with their new Opal card at the beginning of 2016.

P&C NEWS

Christmas Raffle
Tickets for our Christmas Raffle have been handed out this week.
Prizes include: gift vouchers for Lazer Blast, Bunnings, Inflatable World, Horseriding, Coast for Kids and other local businesses, food hampers, toys and other gifts.
Tickets are $1 each. Please return all tickets sold or not to the front office by Thursday, 3 December.
Raffle Drawn: Friday, 4 December at the Christmas lunch.

Christmas Lunch
P&C lunch is on Friday, 4 December.
There are limited seats available so get your orders in quickly.
Lunch is available for $8 and parents and carers are also able to attend.
Please send in orders to the Canteen with your payment in an envelope.

MANNO MUNCH NEWS

We’ve had a fantastic response to our Christmas lunch this year. We are looking forward to having our students and their guests attend our 1 hour special lunch with lovely food and Christmas carols.
The canteen has been going really well. Thank you to all the volunteers - Anne, Donna, Rhani, Emma, Jen & Kylie. Thank you for your support.

STUDENTS WORK

Riley Morgan

30.11.15
Mr Mandroules listen here, I am angry, disgusted and outraged with making a factory on the oval. If you don’t stop now we’ll be negative.
I am disgusted because we won’t be able to have lunch on the seats. All of the birds won’t have a home because the trees will die. We won’t be able to exercise and we will come to school unfit.
Secondly, Mr Mandroules are you serious about selling the oval. What about the pollution? The smoke and air could make kids sick. The rubbish could go in lakes, rivers and oceans and all of the sea creatures will die. All of the smoke could go through windows.
Finally, Mr Mandroules, you haven’t thought of the noise in the classroom. Do you think the students will be able to learn? All of the students and teachers will get a headache. There would be lots of traffic and we are walking to school we won’t be able to cross the road.
Mr Mandroules, I am outraged because you are selling the oval. I really wish you understand what I said. Please don’t sell the oval or we will be angry, we won’t be joyful.
Riley Morgan
Dear Families

2nd December, 2015.

Classes for 2016

As we approach the end of this year we are endeavouring to establish our 2016 classes as early as possible in Term 1.

The purpose of this is to ensure that our staff members are well aware of the learning needs of students they will be teaching in 2016, assisting them in their planning prior to commencing with them next year.

A great deal of planning and consideration goes into the development of classes each year, with many conferences occurring between the current teachers, next year’s teachers and the executive staff. This is a very lengthy and thoughtful process which considers the social, emotional and academic level of each student and the dynamics that exist between students. The aim, at all times, is to place students according to what is believed to be the best learning environment for them so that they can maximise their learning potentials and success.

As our teachers know your children very well, they are extremely capable in making sound judgements in establishing classes, and therefore parents should be confident that the staff will place your child in the best class and learning environment for him or her to excel. We are very keen to work with families at all times and will make every effort to accommodate any request for class placement that is deemed to be of an exceptional circumstance.

However, to request a class placement for your child in 2016 it must be demonstrated that a significant circumstance exists which directly relates to the impact on a child’s learning progress. This would not include requests for placement on the basis of wanting or not wanting a particular teacher.
If you believe you would have a significant circumstance please approach the school to discuss. Any request of a significant nature will be reviewed by the school executive and a decision made on the basis of the best educational interests of the child concerned.

Yours sincerely

Peter Mandroules
Principal
P & C Christmas Lunch
Friday, 4 December 2015

$8.00 per person

You are invited to attend our Christmas Lunch.

There will be chicken, ham, fresh salad choices, a bread roll and ice cream for dessert.

Students can attend with visitors i.e. parents or carers, also younger siblings (please note if younger siblings are going to utilise a seat they also need to pay).

Students with no visitors can attend the lunch and sit with their friends and fun is had by all.

Please fill in this invitation below and return to the canteen with your payment.

Student name and class: __________________________
Student name and class: __________________________
Student name and class: __________________________
Student name and class: __________________________

Number of visitors
Attending with students: __________________________

Manner Park Public School

Christmas Raffle 2015

Dear parents, families and carers,
The P&C are organising our Christmas Raffle fundraiser for 2015.

Donating items for the Christmas Raffle
Please help us by donating a small item to be used as part of our raffle prizes.
Suggestions include:
• Chocolates, books, toys
• Christmas decorations, ornaments
• Gift bags

Christmas Raffle Prize items:
• Please leave your Christmas Raffle Prize items at the office by Monday 30 November 2015

Raffle Tickets: $1 each
• Raffle tickets will be handed out for selling.
• Please return sold tickets & money to the office by Thursday 3 December 2015
• Please also return unsold tickets.

Christmas Raffle Draw: Friday 4 December 2015
(At the Christmas Lunch)

Thank you
An Invitation to all
Friday 4th December
At the Mannering Park Community Hall

6.00 pm  SAUSAGE SIZZLE  $2.50
Hot drink + cake $1.00  Cordial 20c.
(Proceeds to be donated to the Christmas Bowl Appeal)

7.00 pm  CAROLS IN THE PARK

Bring a rug or chair, torch and insect repellent.

ENTERTAINMENT:
Mannering Park School Choir
Frank the Music Man
Community Carols singing.

Please come and join us.

Bunnings Warehouse
Christmas Family Fun Night
Thursday 10th December
ALL FREE

Laughing Clowns
Jumping Castle
Worm Maze, DJ
Frozen castle
Fairy floss
Christmas Craft
Popcorn
Pizza Oven demonstrations
BBQ for Dinner
and of course
Santa

Please book
Ph: 43501900 or
tuggerahao@bunnings.com.au
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<td><strong>CANOEING/KAYAKING</strong></td>
<td>Experienced guides will ensure safety is the number one priority, followed closely by lots of fun. Participants must be able to swim 50 metres. 10am-12:30pm</td>
<td>$59 6-12 years $49</td>
<td>14 January, Avoca Lagoon</td>
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<td><strong>CIRCUS SKILLS</strong></td>
<td>Clow around! This action-packed workshop and, try riding a mini dawg bike, spin a plate on a stick, use a flower stick, have a juggling lesson, walk the slackline, and more! Learn to make your own balloon animal of flower to take home — 10am-3pm (3 hours)</td>
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<td>12 January, Niagara Park</td>
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<td><strong>CIRCUS AERIAL WORKSHOP</strong></td>
<td>Aerial skills are great fun and in this workshop you will get to have a go on the aerial hoop, the static trapeze and the silks. All participants will need to arrive on time to join in a warm-up and basic tumbling skills before participating in the aerial skills 10am-11:30am (1.5 hours)</td>
<td>$54 9-16 years</td>
<td>12 January, Niagara Park</td>
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<td><strong>GYMNASTICS INTRODUCTION</strong></td>
<td>2-day program. This introductory program includes basic fundamental movement and gymnastic skills, will be taught which would include specific apparatus safety in a fun and friendly environment with accredited coaches. 12pm-2pm both days (4 hours in total)</td>
<td>$52 5-12 years</td>
<td>12 &amp; 13 January or 19 &amp; 20 January, Berkeley Vale</td>
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<td><strong>PARKOUR</strong></td>
<td>Parkour is a non-competitive physical discipline of training to move freely over and through any terrain/surface using only the ability of the body principally running, jumping, climbing. Improving attributes required for movement which include functional strength, fitness, balance, spatial awareness, agility, co-ordination, precision, control and creativity. When booking, please advise your child's experience (if any) with Parkour. (10am-12pm both days - 4 hour program in total)</td>
<td>$20 7-13 years</td>
<td>12 &amp; 13 January or 19 &amp; 20 January, Berkeley Vale</td>
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<td><strong>SAILING</strong></td>
<td>Join in on the fun on the water and learn to sail. This program is taught by Yachting Australia instructors on dinghies. Participants will be entered into the Yachting Australia Domestic Program towards an accreditation. Participants must be able to swim 50m. 9:30am-3:30pm (18 hours in total)</td>
<td>$195 7-16 years</td>
<td>10, 14 &amp; 19 January or 20, 21 &amp; 22 January, Gosford Sailing Club</td>
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<td><strong>STAND UP PADDLE</strong></td>
<td>It's fun and easier than you think. Within just one session, we will have you up and paddling. This program is jam-packed with useful tips and techniques so you quickly gain skill and confidence. 10:30am-12:30pm</td>
<td>$53 12-16 years</td>
<td>11 January, Avoca Lagoon</td>
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<td><strong>SURF LIFE SAVING</strong></td>
<td>Kids will learn about a beach and surf recreation whilst having loads of fun. 10am-2pm</td>
<td>$20 8-15 years</td>
<td>8 January, Terrigal Beach</td>
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<td><strong>SURFING</strong></td>
<td>Learn to surf with Central Coast Surf School in a fun, safe environment with professional experienced instructors. Soft surfboards, wetsuits, rash vests and sunscreen are supplied. You'll be stoked with your progress in our 3-day program. (4.5 hours in total)</td>
<td>$95 7-16 years</td>
<td>30, 31 Dec &amp; 1 January or 20, 21 &amp; 22 January, Umina or Avoca Beaches. Times vary at both beaches (please check on booking)</td>
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<td><strong>SURFING WITH BJ</strong></td>
<td>Hang 10!! It's excellent! Learn to surf program teaches you all you need to know to tear up the waves with the best surfers on the coast. Kids will learn the fundamentals of surfing, safety, rips, currents and reading the ocean. Spaces are limited in this popular activity, so book early to avoid disappointment. This program is for both beginner and intermediate surfers. Boards and rash shirts are provided. 9:30am-4pm, 4.5 hours in total. Venues may change according to beach conditions on the day. Parents are recommended to meet with BJ on the first day.</td>
<td>$190 10-16 years for all dates except for Fountain Beach dates (7-10 yrs only)</td>
<td>12, 13 &amp; 20 December or 13, 14 &amp; 15 January or 20, 21 &amp; 22 January, Shelly Beach</td>
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<td><strong>TENNIS GOSFORD</strong></td>
<td>This great value clinic for 5 to 16 year olds is run by experienced coaches from Gosford Tennis Centre and caters for all levels. It doesn't matter whether you have never played or if you want to improve your skills. This clinic covers all aspects of the game including court etiquette, the different shots (forehand, backhand, volleying etc) and learning the rules, matchplay and scoring. Lunch is included each day. 9am-3pm (16 hours in total)</td>
<td>$120 5-16 years</td>
<td>6, 7 &amp; 8 January or 5, 14 &amp; 15 January, Gosford Tennis Centre</td>
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After School Care provides a safe environment for children to explore and play

About the program

After School Care promotes a healthy and active lifestyle, encourages friendships and supports children to develop new skills – all while having fun.

Mannerung Park Public School has partnered with Camp Australia, the leading provider of Before and After School Care in Australia. This high quality program embraces the school's values and builds on your child’s educational experiences and individual interests.

The program combines active games with planned and unplanned play, quiet time, homework time and a healthy snack. Every day is an adventure led by enthusiastic Camp Australia staff who are on a mission to bring smiles to kid's faces. As trained Educators, we know lots of different ways to help your child get the most out of their day and feel good about themselves.

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*Notes on fees and out of pocket:
- Almost all Australian residents are eligible for some form of government rebate.
- The Child Care Benefit (CCB) is income tested and scooped, resulting in a reduction of between 0% and 85% of session fees.
- The Child Care Rebate (CCR) is not income tested and is available to almost all Australian families. It provides a rebate of 50% of fees owing after the CCB has been calculated and considered.

So that the CCB and CCR can be automatically applied to your account, you will need to provide your Centrelink Customer Reference Numbers (CRNs) during the registration process. These can be obtained from the Family Assistance Office on 136 150.

Next step
visit www.campaustralia.com.au and enter your school name in the school finder.

Welcome
Let us help you find your school...
Enter your school name below to begin: