**Principal’s Comments**

**School Photos**
Our school photos will be taken next week on Wednesday and Thursday. Changes have needed to be made to the day that some of the class photos are taken. The timetable will be as follows:

- **Wednesday**:
  - 5/6M, 1G, 2/3V, 5/6S, 5/6H, Siblings and Year 6 photo
- **Thursday**:
  - Group Photos (will be first so that football players can leave after), KJ, K1S, 2H, 3/4R, 4S.
  - Our whole school group photo will be taken on Monday, 23 March.

**Harmony Day**
We are celebrating Harmony Day at our school next Friday, 20 March. Students are invited to wear orange to school on this day and will be learning in classrooms about celebrating diversity in our community.

**Doyalson Wyee RSL**
Last Friday members of the Doyalson Wyee RSL Club attended our school assembly and presented each student with a medal to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the Gallipoli landing. We hope that these will become treasured keepsakes for our children.

**ANZAC Day March**
This year ANZAC day falls on a Saturday. Doyalson Wyee RSL Club each year hold a dawn service and a march. This year we would love to have lots of Mannering Park students attend so that we can march together as a group to show gratitude, remembrance and National pride. Students attending will need to wear their full school uniform and meet at the Anglican Church just near Doyalson Lights at 8:15am for a 9:00am start.

**Regional Swimming Carnival**
Next Tuesday our Regional swim team will be travelling to Homebush to represent our school and zone at the Regional Swimming Carnival. We wish them all the best!

**Hunter Sports High School**
We have received information regarding trial dates and times for the various sporting programs available for 2016 at Hunter Sports High. If you child is heading to High School next year and is interested in taking part in selection trials could you please contact the office for further information.

**P&C Meeting Date**
Please note that the next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday, 24 March and not 17 March as previously communicated.

**Mr Mandroules**
We will welcome our Principal, Mr Mandroules back to school next week. He is recovering well from his shoulder surgery and we are all looking forward to seeing him back at school.

**Peanut Butter**
Just a reminder to all parents that we ask you not to send in peanut butter sandwiches and any nut products to school with your child as we have some students and staff that have severe peanut allergies.

Melissa Gillon
Relieving Principal.

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**Dates to Remember Term 1**

17 Mar: Regional Swimming Carnival
18 & 19 Mar: School Photos
19 Mar: NRL Development Day - Morrie Breen oval Kanwal
20 Mar: Harmony Day
23 Mar: Whole School Photo
24 Mar: P & C Meeting, staffroom 6:30pm
31 Mar: Assembly of Excellence
31 Mar: P&c Easter Raffle drawn
2 April: Last day Term 1

**Term 2**

20 April: School Development Day - Staff only
21 April: First day Term 2
25 April: ANZAC Day - Public Holiday
31 May: P&C Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser - Morisset

**Ride 2 School Day**
Today was National ‘Ride to School Safely’ day. Every student that walked or rode to school safely went in to a draw to win 1 of 3 canteen vouchers.
Our winners were: Toby Brown, Kishani Hyde and Ruby Peters.
We also had a competition for students to design their own posters to promote riding to school safely. Our winners were: 1st - Anna-Marie, 2nd - Laura and 3rd - Addison & Mylee.
Thank you to all that entered. The posters can be seen in Miss Stephenson’s RFF window.
Miss Stephenson

**Literary Bites**
One of our avid readers from Year 6 popped in to share his enjoyment of the latest Emily Rodda series - the Three Doors Trilogy!
Josh highly recommends the Door series as he approaches the end of the final book, ‘The Third Door’, as it is a riveting read full of mystery and action. Josh states, ‘These books involve a series of treacherous journeys through 3 different magical doors, I’ve really enjoyed reading them’!
Robin Balcomb
Librarian

**Book Club**
All book club orders due back to the front office by Monday, 16 March.
Canteen News
Pizza day was FANTASTIC. We had a lot of students order and enjoy their pizzas yesterday. Students are also enjoying the Double Decker OJ’s and Jelly Cups. Donations of large rectangle plastic containers with lids, measuring jugs and metal trays are still needed and can be handed in at the canteen. Volunteers are also still required for Tuesday & Thursday. Thanks you to my volunteers this week: Kerrie, Jen, Rhani, Lisa and Anne.
Sam

Walking with Dinosaurs - The Arena Spectacular
‘Walking with Dinosaurs’ is heading back to Sydney and Newcastle! Don’t miss out on seeing this amazing show! MPPS has received an incredible show special discount price of $39.90 EACH!!! This is the perfect family show! Book you tickets now at: www.smarttix.com.au

DON’T FORGET TO RETURN YOUR PHOTO ENVELOPES AND MONEY. PHOTOS 18/19 MARCH!!!! (PLEASE HAVE CORRECT MONEY SEALED INSIDE ENVELOPES, NO CHANGE GIVEN)
BELLY DANCE CLASSES
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Community Hall

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Thursday - 9.30 am Ladies class
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PHOTO TIMETABLE

WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH

5/6M
1G
2/3V
5/6S
5/6H
SIBLINGS
YEAR 6 GROUP PHOTO

THURSDAY, 19 MARCH

GROUPS PHOTOS
KJ
K/1S
2H
3/4R
4S