School Cross Country
A big thank you to Mr Rath who organised our Cross Country yesterday. He even managed to organise the great weather! The terrific roll-up of parents and friends was great to see and our students tried really hard throughout the day. Well done! Results will be posted in next weeks newsletter, but look for some great photos further in this newsletter.

L3 Parent Information Session
The information session for our parents of Kinder and Year 1 students was also held yesterday. Parents received an insight into exactly what is happening in our K & 1 classrooms this year to assist our students. It was delivered by Mrs Jo Johnson, who is currently training our teachers. Thank you to the lovely parents who gave up their time to attend.

NAPLAN Testing
This takes place next week - Tuesday 12th to Thursday 14th May. We wish our Year 3 & 5 students well for this annual assessment.

Speech Therapy
Our Speech Therapist has commenced screening many of our students over the last week or so and will deliver training to our teachers next week. From next week she will be working alongside teachers in classrooms, holding sessions with students, Support Learning Officers and parents so that many may be up-skilled with strategies to assist our students.

Life Education Van
The Life education Van will again be at our School during Week 10 this term from the 22nd to the 25th June. I know our students are keen to catch up with Healthy Harold again. Please return your permission notes and money to the front office. If you wish to purchase merchandise from the van, that money should be brought in on the day your child visits the van. A timetable will be put out later on detailing what day classes attend.

Trivia Night
Many prizes have already been secured for this fun night at Doyalson RSL on Saturday, 6th June so don’t miss the event. This is part of the school fundraising for our students’ resources. Some tables have already been booked so start organising your team and tell others about it - the more the merrier!

After-School Sports Day
Each Monday after school this term we are holding free Sports afternoons for any of our students who wish to take part. The cost is absolutely nothing and our students receive free drink bottles and afternoon tea when attending. This has been organised through Sport & Rec in collaboration with Horizons and is an extremely worthwhile activity for our students. All students attending must be accompanied by a parent. We are most fortunate to be able to offer this to our students. Twice as many students attended this week and they are commenting on how much fun they are having.

Bullying – Friendly Schools PLUS
Mannering Park PS has adopted the Friendly Schools PLUS program in order to create a learning environment where every student and school community member is safe, supported, respected and valued. Friendly Schools PLUS draws on 14 years of extensive research by the Child Health Promotion Research Centre (CHPRC) into best practice to build social skills and reduce bullying in school communities. The resource includes evidence from the latest cyber-bullying research and the program provides our school with strategies and resources to achieve the vision and all nine elements of the newly-revised National Safe Schools Framework, linking directly to the Australian Curriculum. It is recognised as a whole-school evidence-based program that can reduce bullying behaviour.

**The following components were identified as contributing to the greatest reduction in bullying:
- Increasing awareness of bullying in the school community.
- Having a whole-school policy that addresses bullying.
- Consistently using behaviour management methods that are non-hostile, arouse empathetic concern for the person bullied, and that encourage problem solving and positive action.**

Peter Mandroules
Principal

**Dates to Remember Term 2**

**Term 2**
- Fri 8 May: Mothers Day Brekky from 8:00am outside the Hall
- Tue 12 - Thur 14 May: NAPLAN Year 3 & 5
- Mon 18 May: SRC Grip Leadership - Newcastle
- Wed 20 May: Netball Gala Day
- Sun 24—Tues 26 May: Future Leaders Camp - Pt Wolstonecroft
- Sun 31 May: P&C Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser - Morisset
- Sat 6 June: MPPS Trivia Night - Doyalson RSL
- 22-25 June: Life Education Van

**Mothers Day Stall**
Thank you to all the families who donated items to our Mothers Day Stall. Thank you also to all our volunteers who helped to run the stall today. We only have a few items left to purchase and these will be on display on Friday at the Mothers Day Breakfast.

**Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser**
Date: Sunday 31 May 2015
See flyer further in the newsletter.

**Canteen News**
We are pleased to say that everything is back to normal. We have all Paddle Pops available and all 4 flavours of Aqua Ice have also come in.

We still need volunteers. So anytime at all that you have please come in and spend some time with us, even if it is just for a chat and a cup of coffee or tea.

Thank you to my volunteers this week: Jen, Kyle, Rhani, Kerrie and others that just pop in unexpectedly.
MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST

When: Friday, 8 May
Time: From 7:45 - 8:30am
Where: Outside the Hall under the COLA area

Mothers Day Breakfast is for all mums, grandmothers or significant females in our student’s lives.

If you would like to attend please return this heart to the front office by Wed, 6 May.

No. attending ______inc children
Mannering Park Public School & P and C Presents.....

TRIVIA NIGHT

6.30pm Saturday 6th June 2015

Doyalson RSL

Get your friends together
$80 per table! Or join others
$10 per head

Table Bookings
or
Single Bookings!

Awesome Prizes!

Silent Auction and In-between Games

Tickets available from the school office or at the door on the night.
Limited seats and tables, so be quick!!
Enquiries: Contact the school on 4359 1184.
Mannering Park Public School - Fundraising 2015

Bunnings Warehouse BBQ - Fundraiser

We really need your help to run the Bunnings BBQ Fundraisers.

All money raised goes directly to Mannering Park Public School.

Date: Sunday 31 May 2015
Where: Bunnings Warehouse – Cnr Mayfair Close, Morisset
Times: Approx 2-3hrs to help out between 9am – 4pm

What do we need help with?
1. Volunteers to cook the sausages on the BBQ, prepare the sausage sandwiches/rolls
2. Volunteers to sell the food & drink to customers

Donations
We will provide everything you need to prepare and sell the food, but we also appreciate any donations including:
- Sausages, onion, sauces, drinks, bread, gloves

If you can help – please
1. Leave a message at the office
2. Let us know your preferred time

The money raised goes directly towards our school resources.

We appreciate any help you can give.

Thank you
NORTH OF WYONG
FREE
COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPO

Date: Thursday 14th May 2015
Time: 10am till 2pm
Where: Toukley Neighbourhood Centre
Heador St, Toukley

EVERYONE WELCOME

Connect to local services available to you and your family.

- Medicare Local
- Centrelink
- Disability Services
- Community Transport
- Health Services
- Aboriginal Services
- Women’s Health Centre
- Community Legal Service
- Community Care Services Central Coast
- Family/Children Services
And much more

Contact Toukley Neighbourhood Centre 4396 1555
Kids have little tummies and need small amounts of food often. Try these simple + healthy snack ideas in your child’s lunch box:

- **Plain air-popped popcorn** (without salt or butter) mixed with sultanas + dried apple
- **Dried fruit snack packs**: buy them ready made, or make your own at home in reusable containers
- **Fruit salads**: buy small tubs of diced fruit in natural juice, or cut up small pieces of fruit + make your own!
- **Crackers + veg**: Slice up some avocado or tomato + send with some rice crackers
- **Little vegie bags**: cherry tomatoes, capsicum, carrot and celery sticks
- **Frozen fruit bags**: freeze grapes, orange quarters or strawberries + then send to school!

**Remember**: kids love small portions, so cutting up fruit + veg will help make sure they don’t bring it home at the end of the day!

For more information visit
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