**PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS**

It’s not only pleasing to witness the great work of our students from time to time in my office but it is also really heartening to have chats with teachers who are really enthusiastic about the ways their students are continuing to grasp concepts and strive to improve. In particular, I have had a few teachers comment on the way our junior students are ‘flying’ with their writing skills and producing quality examples at the moment.

We wish our Zone Athletics representative all the best for the Zone carnival this Friday.

Our students have not only represented the school in sporting activities but have performed admirably in debating, public speaking, singing, dancing and in leadership activities. On 16th September four of our students will be representing the school at the Regional Spelling Bee to be held at Coal Point Public School.

**Central Coast Education Awards of Appreciation**

On Monday afternoon Cheryl Fairman, our Office Manager, and Jenny Benson, our P&C President, received awards at this annual event for their outstanding efforts. They are very well-deserved and we congratulate them on their achievements in improving the outcomes of our students and the wider school community.

**New Assistant Principal**

Recently we held interviews for a new Assistant Principal following the retirement of the wonderful Mrs Small. The successful applicant was Mrs Leanne King who, many of you may remember, was here for two terms last year in a Relieving Assistant Principal role. She will commence from the beginning of 2016.

**Woolworths ‘Earn & Learn’ Stickers**

Please remember to collect the stickers for our school when you shop at Woolworths. The school has a ‘bin’ in our office area as well as a ‘bin’ outside ‘Woolies’ at Lake Munmorah.

**Gymnastics**

The Gymnastics program is being thoroughly enjoyed by the students taking part. Just a reminder that all students are now asked to wear their sports uniforms on Tuesdays as those students not attending the gymnastics will be going out for sporting activities with their teachers at the same time as gymnastics.

**Fathers’ Day and Footy Colours Day**

On Friday 4th September we will be raising money to fight cancer by holding our Footy Colours Day. All students are asked to donate a gold coin if they would like to wear their favourite team’s colours instead of school uniforms on that day. We will also be combining our annual Fathers’ Day Breakfast on the same day so all dads are most welcome to come to school from 7.45am to have a bacon & egg roll, coffee, tea, juice, etc. Dads who have the time are encouraged to come to school that morning and wear their favourite footy colours.

**Tell Them From Me Survey**

Manerring Park Primary School continues to strive for excellence through communication with staff, students and parents. Research indicates that partnerships between home and school improve student learning outcomes. We will be holding separate staff, student and parent surveys to gain confidential and anonymous data so that we are better able to plan quality teaching and learning experiences for our students. We are requesting that **ALL** parents please login to the website address below and take the short survey. Your input is most important to us and we look forward to using your thoughts in MPPS future planning! Parents and carers access the survey through [https://www.tellthemfromme.com/login.htm#](https://www.tellthemfromme.com/login.htm#)

Username- parent18074
Password -Man4316.

Thank you in anticipation of your responses.

Peter Mandroules
Principal

**Dates to Remember Term 2**

**Term 3**

- Fri 28 Aug: Zone Athletics Carnival - Mingara
- Wed 2 Sept: Father’s Day Stall
- Thurs 3 Sept: Choral Presentation Uniting Church
- Fri 4 Sept: Father’s Day stall and Footy Colours Day
- Thurs 10 Sept: Gibalee Day
- Tues 15 Sept: Assembly of Excellence
- Wed 16 Sept: 2/3Y, 3/4R & 4S Excursion Laycock St Theatre
- Wed 16 Sept: P&C Movie Night - Metro Lake Haven

**Term 4**

- Sun 11 Oct: Working Bee
- Sat 31 Oct: School Fete
- Mon 23 Nov - Wed 25 Nov: Year 5 & 6 Forster Camp

**Book Club**

Could all orders for Issue 6 please be in to the front office or paid online by this Friday, 28 August. Thank you.

**Manno Munch News**

Look out for the Pizza order forms next Monday, 31 August. We are also holding a Disco which you will receive information about separately.

Volunteers needed - if you have some spare time we would love you to come in and give us a helping hand in the canteen.

Thank you to Jen and Rhani and for Jeanette who just drops in anytime she has spare.

**Fundraising News**

**Bunnings BBQ**

A HUGE thank you to everyone for your donations and help for our Bunning BBQ fundraiser. A lot of the supplies were donated by the families of our school, so most of the money raised from the BBQ goes straight to purchasing school resources.

Thank you to our great BBQ’ers - Leanne, Emma & Brett. Jamie, Brooke, Ella, Shai & Aaliyah, Jenny, Laura, Ruby, Zoe & Lachlan you were all brilliant. Thanks for your help, skills and humour.

We raised a total of $480. Thanks again to everybody involved.
**Movie Night**
We are having a movie night fundraiser at the Metro Cinemas at Lake Haven. All money raised goes towards our school.
**Movie: Pixels**
**Date:** Wed, 16 September
**Time:** 6pm for a 6:30pm start
**Price:** Discounted price $10 each
Movie tickets are available from the office.
We will have a cake stall and prizes to be won on the night. Bring your friends and family along.

**Father’s Day Stall**
Don’t forget on Wednesday, 2 September our Father’s Day stall will be operating out of the OOSH room. All students will visit the stall with their class so please have their money in an envelope ready for them to take with them. Prices for cards and gifts start from $1—$15.

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Welcome to Southlakes Little Athletics. Your friendly local club, where we focus on everyone having fun and enjoying themselves whilst they learn the correct athletic techniques and strive to improve on their own performances.

Do you want to have fun over summer? Do you want to do better at your next school athletics carnival? Do you want to stay fit for the next rugby league, rugby union or soccer season? Or do you just want to get fit and learn more about athletics and the correct way to do different events (sprints, hurdles, long distance, long jump, high jump, discus, shot put, javelin etc.)

Come and join us and our qualified coaches who will assist you.

Our new season will commence Thursday night 10th Sept and continue each Thursday evening through to mid-March 2016. Registration will be held at Neville Thompson Oval (behind Dora Creek Workers Club) on the following dates:
Thurs 27th Aug 2015 (5 – 7.30pm) / Sat 29th Aug 2015 (9 – 12.00 noon) / Thurs 3rd Sept 2015 (5 – 7.30pm)

Online registrations are available at https://memberdeng.IMGstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&OrgID=914
We cater for children (BOYS & GIRLS) from Tots (4 years of age) through to 17 years of age (see guide below)

Age Group / Date of Birth (2015/2016) Season

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** Older children may compete as adults
(€115 First Child, $110 Second Child $105 Third and subsequent children, $70 Tots)

A: Southlakes Little Athletics we're a friendly bunch and only too happy to answer any questions you may have. Please don’t be afraid to ask, we were all unsure how it worked when we started. We are enthusiastic about our centre & our cheer squad of parents and friends at carnivals are second to none.

We continued our representative success last season with many athletes representing our Centre at Zone, Regional and State Championships. (some even making it to Nationals). Whilst enjoying themselves and improving their fitness

We have made many improvements to our centre over the last 18 months so that we now have excellent facilities for the children to use & enjoy and we are always looking to improve even further how we run everything hence any suggestions and assistance from parents is always welcomed & encouraged.

Questions: registrarsouthlakeslittlea@gmail.com Website: http://www.southlakesathletics.org.au/

Seniors Competition

(PSSSSST parents we also have a senior’s comp running while the children train, if you want to get fit and healthy with your children come and join in)

Mannering Park Public School

MPPS presents......

A Night at the Movies!

Date: Wednesday 16 September 2015
Time: 6pm for 6.30pm start
Where: Metro Cinemas, Lake Haven
Movie: PIXELS
Tickets: $10

Buy your tickets at the school office before the night

“When aliens misinterpret video feeds of classic arcade games as a declaration of war, they attack the Earth in the form of the video games.”

Starring Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Michelle Monaghan

Prizes to win & cake stalls on the night.

This is a MPPS Fundraising event.
Newsletter Item 6

Aim: To provide practical strategies parents can use to discourage their children from bullying others.

Talking with your children if they are bullying others

All children are capable of bullying at some time and it is important for parents to respond in a calm and helpful manner.

Encouraging your children not to bully others

Parents can:
- Talk with your children about what is acceptable behaviour and what is not, e.g. "we should not tease people to make them feel bad";
- Work together with your family to establish simple rules and expectations about how to treat each other amongst the family members;
- Encourage and provide opportunities for your children to openly discuss bullying issues with the family;
- Discuss friendship and help your children make friends by encouraging them to play with other children at school, at home or in the neighbourhood;
- Invite other children over for visits and help your children make their guests feel welcome;
- Encourage your children to share their things with other children they feel would enjoy them too; and
- Improve your children's self-esteem by encouraging them to have a go at new activities and thinking about their abilities in a realistic way.

Newsletter Item 7

Aim: To provide parents with an understanding of the role of a bystander in a bullying incident and provide strategies for parents to discuss with their children if they witness a bullying incident.

Talking with your children about bystanders

Bullying involves more than the students who are bullied and those who bully others. Ninety-one per cent of children (in primary school) report having witnessed/seen bullying occurring. Bullying often continues because people who are involved do not talk about it and seek help. This includes people who observe bullying – the bystanders.

A bystander is someone who sees the bullying or knows that it is happening to someone else.

What can Bystanders do?

If children see another child being bullied they could:
- Ask a teacher or support person for help;
- Let the person doing the bullying know that what they are doing is bullying;
- Refuse to join in with the bullying and walk away;
- Support the student who is being bullied; and
- Support their friends and protect them from bullying by being there for them (children who are alone are more likely to be the target of bullying, so encourage your children to be aware of children who are left out or on their own in the playground).
Father’s Day Stall Fundraiser

Date: Wednesday 2 September, 2015
Time: 9.30am -1pm
(Students will visit the stall with their class)
Where: Community Room (MPPS OOSH room)

Looking for a Father’s Day gift?

We have gifts for fathers, grandfathers, uncles & friends

Cards & gifts from $1 - $15

Our range of gifts includes:
- Photo Frames
- Drink Bottles
- Toiletries
- Pens, notebooks
- Puzzles
- Key rings, torches
- Car care products
- Wine Bags
- Wristbands

All money raised will go towards resources for our school.

Happy Father’s Day