



## What's on at The Gardens?

### Happening soon:

- Thur 1 Sept - Indigenous Dance - 8.00am
- Thur 1 Sept - Yarn Up - 10.00am
- Fri 2 Sept - Regional Athletics
- Wed 7 Sept - FUTSAL - 3.15pm
- Thur 8 Sept - Indigenous Dance - 8.00am
- Fri 9 Sept - School Assembly
- Tue 13 Sept - P&C meeting 5pm
- Wed 14 Sept - Dr Gleeson visit
- Wed 15 Sept - FUTSAL - 3.15pm

## Book Week

Many thanks to everyone who supported the 2011 Book Week celebrations held last week. Children across the school revelled in the culture of distant lands enjoying food, stories, music and much more.

The experience was all the richer for sharing it with our Buddy Classes and the thrill of getting your own passport stamped from the countries visited.

When everyone joined together in the hall to watch our school Indigenous Dance group perform the dance of the story of the Three Brothers told by Wayne Paulson, the sense of pride of our history and culture was tremendous. Well done to all involved and once again our thanks to everyone who supported the day.

*Miss Cattell's class was the country "England".  
Students getting their passports stamped.*



## Fathers Day Celebrations



Dads, Grandads, pops and male carers are invited to come along for some Fathers Day activities at MGPS. A BBQ lunch will begin at 11.45am at the school canteen followed by Years K-2 doing indoor activity groups and Years 3-6 tabloid sports on the oval. These activities will conclude by 1.45pm.

## Fathers Day Stall

Don't forget to get your Fathers Day presents at the canteen, last day tomorrow Thursday 1 September.

## Book Club

Issue 6 is due into the Library tomorrow Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September.



## School Banking

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking program has arrived at Manning Gardens School to help our children develop strong financial literacy skills, plus earn some extra benefits for our school. Please see the attached note for school banking.

Our school banking co-coordinator (volunteer) is a parent, Judy Clarke. School banking will be on Wednesday. If you would like your child to participate in school banking please hand in the attached note to the school office as soon as possible.

## School Photos

If you would like the school to forward your order to the photographer, please send your photo envelope and money to the office by this Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

Photos can otherwise be ordered on-line at [www.fotosales.com.au](http://www.fotosales.com.au) after your child has received his or her bookmark. On-line orders will cost an extra \$5 for postage and handling.

**Coles & Woolies Vouchers**

Don't forget to hand in your Coles and Woolies vouchers to the school foyer. The more vouchers we receive the more rewards we can get to purchase educational equipment and sports equipment.

**"Discover Uni Day"**

Students from the manning area have been given the opportunity to experience a day on campus at Newcastle Uni to see what it is all about. Family members are encouraged to attend with their child.

**Date:** Friday 16th September 2011

**School departure:** 7.15am at Chatham High.

**School return time:** 4.45pm at Chatham High.

Permission notes have been sent home, please hand in by Friday 9th September 2011.

**Daffodil Day**

Thank you to students who donated money for Daffodil Day, we raised a total of \$131.10.

**Many River Diabetes Surveys**

Many River Diabetes Surveys and consent forms have been sent home with children involved (large yellow envelopes). Please return ASAP. Any questions? Contact Josephine Gwynn at University of Newcastle on 4923 6745 or Lynette Syron at Biripi AMS on 6551 2088.

**Year Six Fundraising**

Year Six still are still fundraising for their farewell. Come and purchase a raffle ticket or two from the canteen \$1.00 each.

**Free app for homework and study**

Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practice their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? The free School A to Z app is an essential tool for every parent of school-aged children.

Containing a range of fun applications including English, Maths, a spelling bee, times tables, technology A-Z and assignment starters, it's great for parents *and* students. Download it for free at: [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications).

**Legacy Badge Day**

Legacy week takes place from 28 August to 3 September.



What is Legacy Week?

Legacy week is the annual national appeal to raise awareness and funds for the families of our deceased Veterans. It is held in towns and cities big and small across Australia. Funds raised from the week assist over 100,00 widows and 1,900 children and people with disabilities Australia-wide, with essential services such as counselling, special housing, medical and lots more. You can go to the website [www.legacy.com.au](http://www.legacy.com.au) to donate.

**Active After School**

These activities are for Years 1 to 6.

**FUTSAL** - Wednesdays 3.15pm

**Indigenous Dancing** -Thursdays 8.00am.

**Gymnastics K-6**

Years K-6 weekly session. Please send permission notes and payment \$24.00 (for the whole program) to the office ASAP.

**Gymnastics SC3, SC4 & SC5**

\* SC3, SC4 and SC5 gymnastics at the PCYC every Monday.

\* SC1 & SC2 gymnastics every second Wednesday.

Please make sure permission notes and payment of \$3.00 is sent to the class teacher.

## Community News

**TAREE ATHLETIC CLUB INC**

The 2011/2012 season will commence with Registration days at 4.30pm-5.30pm on 5.9.11 and 12.9.11 and 16.9.11 at the basketball side of the Taree Recreation Ground. The cost will be Tiny tots and U'6s \$60.00 and U7 to U17's \$70.00. Please do not hesitate to contact us; Robyn Phillips 0407 620 676, Nola Bath 0419 237 715 and Tracey Sewell 0410 548 029.