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MANNING GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

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What's on at The Gardens?

Week 9

Friday 23 March - **CROSS COUNTRY**

Week 10

Tuesday 27 March - **DISCO**

Wednesday 28 March - **SC1 EXCURSION**

Friday 30 March - **FUN DAY**

Week 11

Tuesday 3 April - **CAMP 3/4S & 4/5T**

Wednesday 4 April - **CAMP 3/4S & 4/5T**

Thursday 5 April - **EASTER HAT PARADE**

Thursday 5 April - **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Early Morning Arrivals at School

We ask all parents to ensure your child **does not** arrive at school until **8.45am.**

Many children have been arriving between 8.00 and 8.15am. If your child walks to school please do not let them leave home too early.

All children need to be at school by 9.15am.

Thank you for your support.

Cross Country

We will be holding our annual Cross Country run on Friday 23 March starting at 2.15pm for children in Years 2 - 6. Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate enclosed shoes for this.

Year 6 will be selling bottles of water, icy poles and frozen fruit to help refresh the children after all their running.

Please come along and support your child in this fun school event.

Year 6 Farewell Fundraising
FRIDAY 23 MARCH
Bottles of water
Icy Poles
Frozen Fruit

Support Unit Playground Fundraiser

If any parents would like to help raise funds for a new Support Unit playground by helping run a Sausage Sizzle at the Easter Hat Parade, please contact Karen Turner on 0432 675 696.

**The Easter Hat Parade will be held on
Thursday 5 April**



Disco

We will be having a disco on Tuesday 27 March from 4.30pm to 6.00pm for K-6 children only. The theme is Fluro/Neon colours. Cost is \$3.50 and includes a drink and a packet of chips.

Hope to see you all there for games and best dressed prizes!

Reflection Camp 3/4S and 4/5T

Notes were sent home yesterday about this exciting camp being held in Week 11 from Tuesday 3 to Wednesday 4 April.

Please complete the permission note and personal details sheet and return them to school with payment of \$40.00 as soon as possible.

Payment may be made by instalments if this is more convenient to families.

Cafe Gold

Thursday 22 March

3/4S and 4/5T are fundraising for their Reflection Camp in Week 11.

Tomorrow we will be selling from the canteen

Milkshakes \$1.00
Party Pies & Sausage Rolls \$1.00 each

Lost Property

There is a large amount of lost property at school. If your child is missing any items, please come and have a look. Unclaimed items will be sent to the local op shop at the end of the term.

Please label all items with your child's full name to enable lost property to be returned.

Library News

Book Club Issue 2 pamphlets have been distributed to classes. **Orders and payment need to be placed with the Library by Thursday 22nd March.** You may pay by cash, cheque (made out to *Scholastic Australia*) or credit card.

After a delayed start, the Library program is up and running for all classes as per the timetable below.

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
12.20pm	SC 5	KT		
12.45pm	SC1 or SC2			
1.15pm	SC3 or SC4		1S	2B
2.15pm	3/4S	4/5T	5/6C	

This year all students will be borrowing books each week during their library lesson, to read in their classroom during quiet reading time. However **students can still borrow extra books to take home, providing they have a library bag** to protect the book while in transit. Drawstring cloth bags are ideal, but thick plastic bags, cloth shopping bags and pillow cases are also acceptable.

Even though teachers aim to make every year a year of reading, we have no excuses in 2012!



Public libraries in partnership with the government, schools, publishers & many other interested groups have officially named 2012 the **National Year of Reading** to help Australians discover and rediscover the magic of reading.

As well as our existing literacy programs at Manning Gardens, to help our students develop a love of reading **we are encouraging all students to participate in the 2012 Premiers Reading Challenge (PRC).**

And the challenge is that students in K-2 must read (or have read to them) 30 books and Yrs 3-6 students must read 20 books by 1 September 2012!

The majority of the books read must be listed on the PRC booklists –go to <https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html> for more information. Students who meet the Challenge will receive a signed certificate from NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell (although sadly, not in person!).



Parents and carers, we are seeking your support in helping your children achieve their reading goals. Your support could be as little as asking your children how they are progressing with their challenge, or simply reminding them to return their library book so they may borrow another PRC book. Of course reading a book to them or helping them with their reading would be fantastic for many reasons. If you have access to the internet at home, you can even help your children record each book they have read, otherwise this will be done at school. If you have any questions about the PRC please see your child's teacher or Mrs Johnson in the Library.

Its on again!!

MANNING GARDENS FUN DAY

Start bringing in your spending money to your teacher which will be banked to go towards the activities on the day.



Haunted House Face painting **Bingo**
Lolly Lotto
Chocolate Wheel
Wet Sponge the teacher
Jumping Castle
Elephant stall


50 cents a ticket

Friday 30th March

12.30pm - 3.00pm

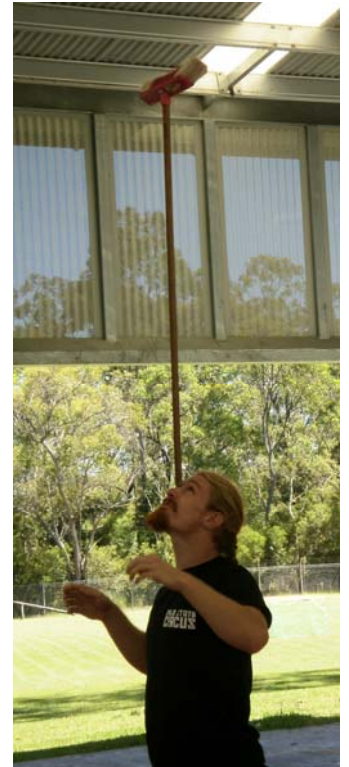
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CANTEEN OPENING DAYS

Monday Tuesday & Wednesday



MGPS PHOTO GALLERY



The Solid State Circus came to Manning Gardens two weeks ago. The kids had great fun watching all their amazing stunts and acrobatics.



Year 6 Maths Tracks Field Day

Year 6 students had a great day full of challenges to try and solve some tricky maths puzzles at the Taree Racecourse. This day was organised by Chatham High School as part of their Transition to High School program.

Our students were very well behaved - a credit to our school and all 'had a go' in their groups on the day.

Well done Year 6!

