MANNING GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

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What's on at The Gardens?

Week 11

Wednesday 4 April - Camp 3/4S & 4/5T

Wednesday 4 April - SC4 & SC5 Excursion

Wednesday 4 April - Manning Art Gallery Excursion

Thursday 5 April - Easter Hat Parade

Thursday 5 April - Last Day of School

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Week 1

Tuesday 24 April - School Resumes for students

Wednesday 25 April - ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY

Thursday 26 April - **Anzac Day Ceremony**

Thursday 26 April - SC1 Park Excursion

School Security

Well here we are at the end of Term 1! It has been an extremely busy Term with many things happening. It is great to see that everyone, and especially our new Kindergarten students, have settled back into school life.

Over the holidays, we again ask your assistance to keep our school safe. If you see anyone acting suspiciously within the grounds please contact either School Security on 1300 880 021 or Taree Police on 6552 0399.

Taree Anzac Day Parade

Once again Manning Gardens will be represented at the Anzac Day March in Taree on Wednesday 25 April. All students are invited to march with the school banner along with Mrs Blick and school leaders.

If you would like to participate, please wear your full school uniform and meet Mrs Blick and Ms Cattell at 9.30am outside Stacks, corner of Pulteney & Victoria Streets for the march to commence at 10.00am.

Easter Hat Parade

The whole school will be participating in the Easter Hat Parade which will be held on Thursday 5 April at 9.30am under the COLA.

Children in years 3-6 are to make a hat at home.

Children in K-2 will make hats in class but are encouraged to make their own at home.

Infants Easter Fun Day

Classes KT, 1S and 2B will be having an Easter Fun Day on Thursday 5 April from 11.30am - 3.15pm. This will include cooking, craft and a very exciting Easter Egg Hunt!.

We are asking for each child to bring in a \$2.00 donation please. This can be given directly to their teacher.

Parent helpers are more than welcome!!

Year 6 News

Imagine ... Aspire ... Achieve!

Career Education Days.

Throughout the year, students in 5/6C will have the opportunity to visit various venues that are relevant to their particular interests and talents.

The first of these days is to the Manning Regional Art Gallery. Eight students will be going there to view the 2011 Archibald Prize entries and also participating in a workshop.

Fun Day Follow-Up

A huge thank you to everyone for helping to create such a fantastic day on Friday for our schools Fun Day. It was wonderful to see all children and families enjoying themselves.

Our raffle prize winners are:

1st lesha Kemp

2nd Jason Kemp

3rd Dion McLeod

4th Amanda Patterson

An extra huge thank you to David and Jenny Cameron, the Royal Hotel and the Payton family for their kind donations. Special certificates will be given out next term to acknowledge this support to our school.

Lastly, well done to the 5/6C team who helped to run the activities! Special thanks to Molly-Rose Mitchell, Brock Anderson, Neilly Tisdell and Tyson Mumford for their hard work. I'm sure next year will be even bigger!

Miss Somerville and the Fun Day Team ©

P & C Meeting

The P & C Annual General Meeting that was postponed from March 20 will now be held at 5.00pm on Wednesday 2 May, Week 2 Term 2 in the staffroom.

Please come along, be involved and show your support for our school. Everyone welcome!

Student Success!

Congratulations to student Tara Copp from class SC4. She and three other children from the Manning Valley Riding for the Disabled Association have qualified to compete at the Sydney Royal Easter Show after achieving the fastest times in a state-wide competition.

The front cover of Tuesday 3 April Manning River Times newspaper features Tara and her other team members.

We are all very proud of Tara's achievement and look forward to hearing the results after the holidays.

Good luck Tara!

School Banking

Due to the Anzac Day Public Holiday falling on a Wednesday, school banking will move to Thursday 26 April for that week only.

Gardens Dance Group Performance

Our dance group has been invited to perform at the Area School Development Day being held at the Manning Entertainment Centre on Monday 23 April. Mr Amidy and Aunty Karen will be accompanying the group. Do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.

Please return your notes ASAP.

POSITION VACANT

Norta Norta Tutors

Expressions of interest are being sought for the position of Aboriginal tutors. These positions are for up to 8 hours per week during Term 2.

Please forward an application letter detailing experience and at least one referee to the School office by Friday 27 May 2012.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Principal on 6552 6333 or call into the school.

Notes to be returned

Gardens Dance Group - Monday 23 April

Stewart House - SC5 (Term 2)

Park Visits - SC1 (Term 2)

Please return permission notes and money to school for these activities as soon as possible.

Canteen News

Opening days

MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY FROM Week 2







Fundraising

The Mothers Day Stall will be held from Tuesday 8 May until Thursday 10 May in the Canteen with gifts available to purchase ranging from \$1.00 to \$15.00.

School Photographs

A date to remember - Monday 21May, Week 5, Term 2.

New Mower

Last Thursday the school took delivery of a brand new ride-on lawnmower. We are very lucky here at Manning Gardens to have such large grounds but they do require quite a lot of maintenance. Neville, our tireless hardworking General Assistant is very happy with the new mower.





MGPS Gallery

Term 1 Excellence Assembly



Mrs Theo presenting the awards to her Kindergarten class











Miriam, Ebony and Meaghan are very pleased with their awards



It was great to see so many worthy recipients from the **Support Unit**





Fun Day

Last Friday there was the Fun Day which was one of the best Fun Day's we have ever had. There was a cake stall, jumping castle, mystery slime, chocolate wheel, and lots of other things. Even the Fire Brigade came and let the students hop in and use the hose pretending to put the fire out. Jay Davis performed music and sang. It was a lot of fun and thanks to all the children and adults that participated on the day.

Daniel 5/6C



Wanay spinning the Chocolate Wheel



Melissa doing the ever popular facepainting on Summer



Byron and Claudette at the cake stall

MGPS Gallery

SC1 Excursion to Crowdy Head



SC1 had a wonderful day last Wednesday on their excursion to look for "Crazy Crabs". As well as finding some small grey crabs on the sand in the river, the children walked along Harrington wall and played in the park. They ate hot chips for lunch, fed and chased the seagulls, built sandcastles and walked along Crowdy Beach.

To finish off the perfect day, they had ice-cream at McDonald's and played on the equipment. Everyone enjoyed looking at all the fun photos when back at school.





A perfect day!



Bailey making sandcastles



Ryan enjoying his ice-cream at McDonald's













COMMUNITY NEWS

Free Hair Cuts!

Free hair cuts are available at Nik's Cutting Edge, shop 3/63 Albert Street, Taree.

For more information or a booking please contact 6552 6496

Ghinni Ghinni Youth and Culture Aboriginal Corporation are holding a music workshop during the holidays on 11, 12 and 13 April.

If interested, contact them on 6551 2160 for more information