

OUR  
SCHOOL  
BELIEFS:

- BE SAFE
- BE FAIR
- BE A  
LEARNER

SCHOOL  
TIMES:

Morning play starts at 8:45am. NO supervision is provided before this time.

Lessons start at 9:15am.

First break 11:30-12:15pm.

Second break 1:45-2:15pm.

School finishes at 3:15pm.

ALWAYS  
STAY UP  
TO DATE:

Our Facebook page is updated daily!

Download our skoolbag app and join the paper-less generation.

# GRAPEVINE

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## Back To School Time

It's late January and the days are long and hot ... it must be back to school time in Taree. On behalf of all the school staff I would like to welcome back all returning families and also extend a very warm welcome to new families that are experiencing Manning Gardens Public School for the very first time. Inside this edition of Grapevine you will find all the key information you will need to know

about our school staff, classes and key policies. Next Friday on 5 February we will be holding our annual Meet the Teacher BBQ Breakfast from 9am. Come along, have a chat with your child's teacher and enjoy breakfast on us. Our school has three strategic directions that guide the way we do things. We aim to

deliver Quality Wellbeing, Quality Teaching and Quality Leadership. We hope you and your family have a wonderful year with us! Stay Strong!  
Paul Sortwell



## No Hat No Play Policy

We implement a no hat no play policy at our school. This means that if students want to play in the sun, they need to be wearing a hat. It really is that simple! You will also see that all

staff wear a hat when they are outside. We expect all families to supply their own hat and this helps to reduce the spread of head lice. Please ensure your child has a hat at school every-



# Support Unit Classes 2016

Be Safe



Be Fair



Be a Learner



We are fortunate to have no staffing changes in our Support Unit.

SCB is taught by Mr Beckton in the top block.

SCS is taught by Mrs Stace, also in the top block.

In the bottom block, SCW are taught by Mrs White.

Also in the bottom block is SCG, taught by Mrs Goodwin.

SCR has moved to a new location and can now be found in our middle block area of the school. Some of the students in SCR will be working with mainstream classes in 2016.

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## Meet The Teacher BBQ Breakfast

Join us for our famous meet the teacher BBQ breakfast next Friday 5 February. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's

teacher and find out what they will be learning this year. This is a great opportunity for you to partner with us!



*“One joy  
scatters a  
hundred  
griefs.”*

## Preschool and Early Intervention

Great things start early at our school!

We have an award winning preschool and early intervention class.

Preschool is taught by Mrs Deehan.

Our early intervention

class is taught by Ms Gilchrist.

Our early childhood team are highly experienced and set your children up for success with innovative and high interest learning systems.



# Our Canteen Is Closed

Just a reminder that our canteen is still closed.

Please do not send your children to school with money, as they cannot spend it!

We will provide an emergency lunch for students without

food, in emergencies.

Emergency lunches can be ordered via our Skoolbag app or via a request from your child to their class teacher.

We aim to ensure that no student ever goes hungry.



## Mainstream Classes 2016

We have 5 mainstream classes in 2016.

Kindergarten is taught by Ms Hudson and Mrs Masters.

1S (Year 1) is taught by Ms Somerville.

2/3T is taught by Ms Theo and Ms Atchison.

4/5S is taught by Mr Stevens.

5/6B is taught by Mrs Blick.

Mainstream classes could change depending on the number of enrolments we take in 2016.



*“Be the best you can be!”*

## School Executive Team

Our school provides Quality Leadership via a committed and dedicated school leadership team. Mr Sortwell is the school principal. Ms Hudson and Ms Theo are the assistant princi-

pals and Mrs Lee manages our school front office.

If you have a concern, a member of our leadership team will do their best to help you out.





## **MANNING GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL**

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**Together We Grow**

**Manning Gardens PS is a vibrant and dynamic school, catering for students from Preschool to Year 6. We have a Support Unit and Early Intervention class for children who require specialised, additional support. Staff work tirelessly to create a caring and supportive environment where children feel safe and can develop a lifelong love of learning.**



## **We Have The Best SLSOs In Taree!**

Here at Manning Gardens Public School we believe we have the best SLSOs in the Manning Valleys

What are SLSOs?

SLSO stands for SCHOOL LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICER.

These fabulous people,

just like our teachers, support students with learning and enhance the quality of education in our classrooms.

You may know our SLSOs by their first names: Sharon, Michelle, Julie, Bob, Uncle Ron, Alana, Kerrie,

Ann, Jodi and Kim.

We also have Aunty Karen who is our Aboriginal Education Officer.

Aunty Karen dedicates her time to supporting Aboriginal students across our school.



# **NOW ENROLLING**