



# THE GRAPEVINE

TERM 4 WEEK 6 - 14 November 2016

## Principal's Message

*A significant period of time has elapsed since the last edition of Grapevine was published. Thankfully, all classes have been sending home regular class newsletters to keep you up to date with all the latest happenings at our fantastic school.*

*Class teachers are currently preparing our Semester 2 Student Reports. These reports will be personally handed to you at our school Presentation Day on Tuesday 13 December, starting at 9.30am.*

*Parents and community have recently participated in several surveys. We have been seeking your opinions regarding a variety of matters to improve and enhance the programs we deliver at our school. Over 38 parents and community completed our Tell Them From Me Survey which was seeking feedback on a variety of matters including student learning, staff delivery of educational services and other matters relating to our performance. Once again, data from this survey will help shape the way we deliver teaching and learning in 2017.*

*Our canteen survey has now closed and based on the information gained from parents and staff, I can confirm that every effort will be made to have an operational canteen in 2017. Initially the canteen will only open two days per week and it was great to see several parents put up their hands to help run the canteen in 2017.*

*Don't forget we have made some changes to our school uniform, after extensive consultation. A new price list will go home this week. Watch out for it!*

*We are your school so feel free to contact us about any matters involving your children and/or their education.*

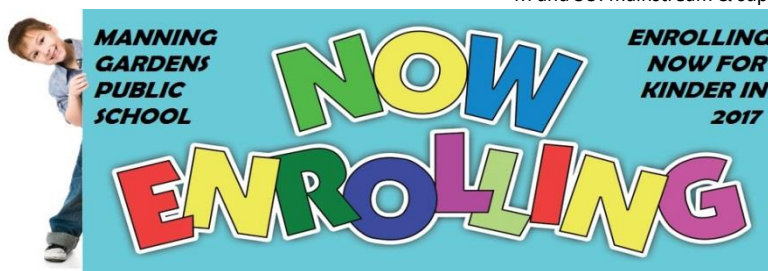
*Stay strong and smart!*

*Paul Sortwell, Principal.*

## Upcoming Events

Year 6 Farewell Dinner	Tuesday 29 November	Time – to be confirmed
Year 6 Farewell Disco	Wednesday 30 November	Time – to be confirmed
Proposed Whole School Picnic Day	Wednesday 7 December	Time – to be confirmed
Preschool last day for 2016	Thursday 8 December	
School Presentation Day	Tuesday 13 December	9.30-11.30am
Class Christmas Parties (M and SU*)	Thursday 15 December	Time – to be confirmed
Last school day for students in 2016	Friday 16 December	8.45-3.15pm

M and SU: mainstream & support unit



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## Congratulations Jeremy!



Jeremy is a student in our Support Unit.

Earlier this term, Jeremy participated in the State athletics championships for students with a disability.

Jeremy competed in the 100m, 200m and 800m events.

Jeremy finished just outside the top three positions in the sprint events.

In the 800m, Jeremy finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. This means that Jeremy is the second fastest 800m runner for his age group in the whole of New South Wales.

We have already celebrated Jeremy's success at a school assembly.

Congratulations Jeremy and his family on your recent success.

Keep up the training. We are very proud of you!

## Visiting Our School

Just reminding everyone, parents and community, that all visitors to our school must sign in at our front office.

This is a legal requirement in all New South Wales public schools. We need to know who is on the school grounds at any given time in case there is an emergency. We ask everyone to comply with this expectation.

Once you have signed in, our friendly office staff will ask you to wear a visitor's badge. This tells all our staff that you have followed the correct procedure and have a right to be in our school grounds.



## Refurbishment of Classrooms

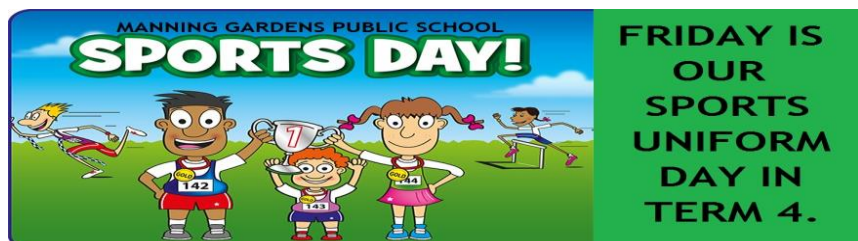
We have started a process of refurbishing all classrooms across our school. From 2017, you will notice new 21<sup>st</sup> century classrooms with bright, attractive and functional furniture that will help both teachers and students to have more productive educational experiences. Our goal is to refurbish at least one classroom in our mainstream and support unit departments every year for the next four years.

## After School Learning Centre

Our After School Learning Centre is being coordinated by Ms Karon Lindner in Term 4.

The program operates every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The daily program runs from 3.20-4.20pm and is totally FREE.



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