

# MANNING GARDENS PS NEWSLETTER

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## Principal's News

Did you know that we are a proud Kidsmatter school? Kidsmatter is a mental health initiative aimed at building and sustaining a healthy, happy and positive school community.

where all stakeholders have input into how the school works. As a school staff we believe in inclusiveness and connectedness and we will aim to keep you in the loop about all the educational decisions impacting on your children and what is happening in classrooms and around the school.

You should have noticed that we are sending home weekly or fortnightly newsletters. You are also receiving regular updates from our school library and from our Indigenous team. Our Year 3 and Year 5 students completed the NAPLAN tests this week. We were mightily impressed by the positive attitude and enthusiasm of our students. There is a lot happening across the entire school, chat with your child's teacher and stay up to date!

Stay strong!  
Paul Sortwell

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### Our kids matter.

KidsMatter helps our school nurture happy, balanced kids.



[kidsmatterprimary.edu.au](http://kidsmatterprimary.edu.au)

One aspect of the Kidsmatter philosophy is being an inclusive school,

*We Make It Happen*

## Whole School Family Picnic

It is almost time for our next Whole School Family Picnic Day.

This term's picnic day will once again be held on our back oval from 11am until 1pm on Wednesday 1 June.

Bring a picnic, bring a rug or your favourite camping chair and join with us for some free entertainment, giveaways and some special surprises.

This activity is a quality wellbeing initiative that seeks to build a stronger home, school and community feel across our great school.



### Whole School Assemblies

Friday at 9:25am

- ◆ 6 May
- ◆ 3 June
- ◆ 17 June
- ◆ 27 June (NAIDOC Week)

## Child Protection Lessons

In Term 2, all classes from K-6 across the mainstream and support units deliver child protection units. These are mandatory units that teach your child safe behaviours. These lessons will also look at parts of our body and use correct anatomical terms for our private parts. If you do not want your child to participate in these lessons, you must contact your child's class teacher before Tuesday 17 May.



## Student Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

This term student reports will be sent home on Thursday 16 June. These student reports will provide information on your child's learning progress for the first half of 2016. Parent teacher interviews will occur on Monday 20 June and Tuesday 21 June, from 3.25pm until 5pm on both days. Ten minute timeslots will be allocated for you to meet with your child's class teacher. We hope all parents will attend these interviews.



*Our School Beliefs are Be Safe Be Fair Be A Learner*

## Athletics Carnival

Our athletics carnival is this Friday 20 May, weather permitting. The athletics track has been created on our back oval and all the staff have been training!

We hope you can join with us for this very special sporting event. We expect all students will be in our sports uniform and we also expect every student to participate. It is not about winning or losing, it is about being part of a team and having a go!



## Upcoming P&C Meeting

**Wednesday  
8 June  
At 5:30pm**

**New members are always welcome!**

## Term 2 Dates and Events

16 May	After School Learning Centre (ASLC)	26 May	ASLC
16 May	SCG and SCB library visit	26 May	Careers Through Reading - Years 5/6
17 May	ASLC	26 May	Grapevine goes out
17 May	SCR ten pin bowling	27 May	Eternity Aid visit - 5/6B
17 May	SCG and SCB excursion	30 May	ASLC
19 May	ASLC	30 May	SCB and SCG day trip
20 May	No Whole School Assembly	31 May	ASLC
20 May	ATHLETICS CARNIVAL	31 May	SCR ten pin bowling
23 May	ASLC	31 May	SCB and SCG day trip
23 May	SCB and SCG day trip	1 June	WHOLE SCHOOL FAMILY PICNIC DAY
24 May	ASLC	3 June	Whole school assembly at 9.25am
24 May	SCR ten pin bowling	3 June	SCG ten pin bowling
24 May	SCB and SCG day trip	6 June	ASLC