

MANNING GARDENS PS NEWSLETTER

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Principal's News

We have had a great start to Term 3. Teaching programs are operating well in all classes and students are engaging in their learning. School staff are implementing strategies to support students who require trauma care.

This week marks Education Week in New South Wales. We are very proud to be part of a strong and effective public education network. The real strength of public education is that we cater to all students. We do not discriminate against students. Manning Gardens is a very unique school in the Manning Valley in that we are three schools in one. We provide quality early childhood education. We provide quality education for mainstream students K-6 and we also provide quality education for students with disabilities K-6.

We have a huge number of events coming up in the next few weeks that will cement our reputation as the school

for big student events and celebrations. Next week our senior students head off to Tea Gardens for three days at the Aussie Bush Camp. This camp is a great opportunity for students to build relationships, build self esteem and build a strong sense of wellbeing.

We also have our upcoming whole school picnic day, our Mini Olympics, Book Fair and Book Week and many more big events and celebrations.

With the Olympics starting tomorrow, rest assured that your school will be covering the Olympics in detail and celebrating Australian sporting success. Don't forget to follow my niece Jessica Ashwood who will be swimming for Australia in the first week of Rio 2016. Aussie, Aussie Aussie, Oi, Oi Oi!

Stay strong!
Paul Sortwell

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We Make It Happen

Whole School Assemblies

Friday at 9:25am

- ◆ 29 July
- ◆ 12 August
- ◆ 26 August
- ◆ 9 September

Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a Tell Them From

Me student survey in Term 1 this year. Asking students to complete the survey twice in a year allows us to identify trends in students responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will take less than 30 minutes to complete. The survey will be administered between 22 August and 21 October.

Get Your Free Daily Telegraph Everyday

From 4 August, for the next few weeks, you can collect your free daily copy of the Daily Telegraph from our school office. Students at school will also be reading the newspaper to stay up to date with the Rio Olympics and other events happening around the school. Students will also be working through Olympic activities through a Daily telegraph initiative called 'Quest for Gold'.



Update Your Details To Share in \$200!

We often try to contact families and find that your mobile phone details have changed. We are currently updating all family contact details. There is a form to complete that you can obtain from our school office, from our Facebook page or from our SKOOLBAG app. If you update your details, you can go into the draw to win one of four \$50 gift cards. That's right, we are giving away \$200 for updating your contact details.



Our School Beliefs are Be Safe Be Fair Be A Learner



Whole School Picnic Day 24 August

Our next whole school picnic day will be on Wednesday 24 August from 11-1pm. This picnic day will be absolutely huge! On this day we will also be celebrating the Rio Olympics with our own Mini Olympics. If that wasn't enough, we will be holding our annual Book Week Book Fair in the library on this day. Come on up and celebrate public education with us! It is sure to be a great day for everyone at our school.



Upcoming P&C Meeting

TO BE ADVISED!

New members are always welcome!

