

Manning Gardens Public School Grapevine School Newsletter

Term 4 Week 1 12 October 2017

Principal's Message

Welcome back to our last school term of 2017. Term 4 will be a very busy term as we conclude our planning for our new school plan 2018-2020. You can be part of this process by completing the Tell Them From Me parent survey via: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/mgps17>

Also occurring this term will be Semester 2 student reporting and the usual end of year special events such as Presentation Day and our Year 6 farewell.

We concluded Term 3 with a very successful hot dog day fundraiser, our end of term disco and also our first touch footy afternoon. All three events were very successful. Our 'Free Lunch Fridays' in Term 3 were a 'hit' and we will be having more 'Free Lunch Fridays' this term.

Stay Strong! Paul Sortwell



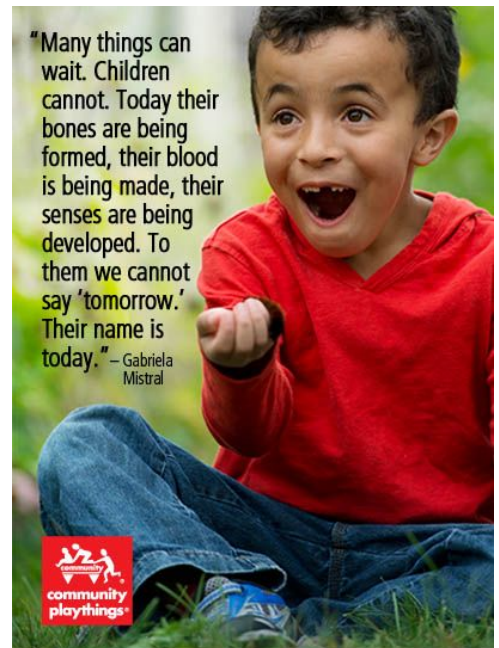
School Uniform

A friendly reminder about our school uniform. We expect all students to wear our school uniform on a daily basis. This includes the proper polo shirt and proper royal blue shorts or skort. Girls do have the option of wearing our school dress too. When children wear a uniform they feel a sense of belonging and feel part of the team. We ask that parents partner with us in regards to the wearing of our school uniform.



No Hat, Play in the Shade

We expect all students to wear a hat at school, when outside in the sun. Students can bring their own hat or wear our school hat, which can be purchased from our school office for \$5.



Touch Footy Afternoon, 22 Sept



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Staff Update

We welcome Mrs Rhiannon Hardy to our Support Unit teaching team. Mrs Hardy completed her final internship with us in Term 3. Mrs Hardy will be teaching SCH. Mrs Pam Smith, our Support Unit Assistant Principal, will be off class full time in Term 4.



Your Contact Details

Are your contact details accurate and up to date? We need to have current addresses and most importantly phone contact details. If your phone number has changed, we need to receive your new number. Don't wait for an emergency to discover we don't have your current details. This applies to emergency contacts too. You can update your information via our Skoolbag app or in person at our front office.



Culture Afternoon

Our Aboriginal Education team, led by Mr David Amidy and Ms Karen Cochrane, are organising a culture afternoon for Friday 20 October from 12.30pm. There will be a 'Free Lunch Friday' on this day. Stay tuned for more information about this important cultural event for all Indigenous and non-Indigenous families and students.



School Beliefs

Three core beliefs guide us in everything we do at MGPS. These beliefs are:

Be Safe – Be Fair – Be A Learner.

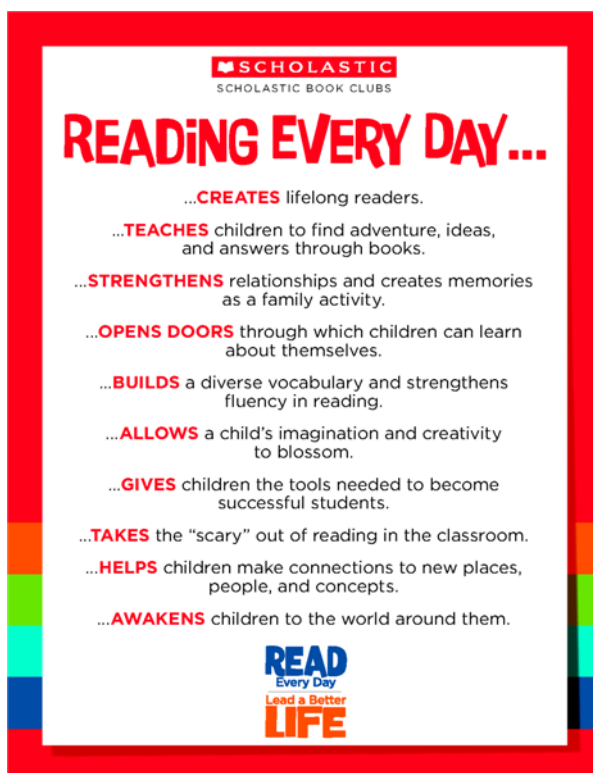
Class teachers regularly teach these beliefs to their students. These beliefs link in with our positive behaviour for learning initiative, 'Buddies not Bullies'.



End of Term 3 disco, Wednesday 20 Sept.



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SCHOLASTIC
SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUBS

READING EVERY DAY...

- ...**CREATES** lifelong readers.
- ...**TEACHES** children to find adventure, ideas, and answers through books.
- ...**STRENGTHENS** relationships and creates memories as a family activity.
- ...**OPENS DOORS** through which children can learn about themselves.
- ...**BUILDS** a diverse vocabulary and strengthens fluency in reading.
- ...**ALLOWS** a child's imagination and creativity to blossom.
- ...**GIVES** children the tools needed to become successful students.
- ...**TAKES** the "scary" out of reading in the classroom.
- ...**HELPS** children make connections to new places, people, and concepts.
- ...**AWAKENS** children to the world around them.

READ
Every Day
Lead a Better
LIFE

