#### **Grapevine** Our weekly Preschool Term 4 to Year 6 newsletter Week 4

#### Principal's message

Our local community is doing it tough at the moment. Our famers are struggling with drought and bush fires are surrounding our local area. Some of the bushfires have impacted on staff, so our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone. When the air quality has been poor, we have put systems in place for the safety of staff and students.

This week I would like to discuss school uniforms. Whilst the vast majority of students comply with our uniform expectations, we have a few students turning up in whatever they like. This behaviour not only impacts on their participation at school but it impacts on our school as a whole. We have high standards of dress for staff and students. Enrolment at our school means you will wear our school uniform. Our expectation is not different to the other public schools in Taree. Why should we expect or tolerate anything less? We sell school uniforms at cost or less price to help our families. Please help us by ensuring your children wear school uniform every day.

I thank everyone for the positive shift with student attendance. Nothing makes me happier than hearing a parent explaining an absence. When you receive your child's student report at the end of the year, your child's attendance data is front and centre. Unexplained absences are not good.

The behaviour of a small minority of students is currently causing concern. We partner with parents to educate your child. Students are expected to follow our school beliefs and stay in their classroom in learning time. We dislike suspending students, but when students continually misbehave and their behaviour impacts on other students, then we have no other choice. Your support is needed and appreciated with this. The Halloween disco last Wednesday was a huge success. Thank you for your attendance and participation. Our deadly P&C once again were brilliant, providing a dinner service for families. Thank you P&C!

Stay Strong! Mr Paul Sortwell



#### What's on at our school?



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY TO CELEBRATE STUDENT SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

**TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER AT 9.30AM** 

The year's most awaited event is our ... SCHOOL CONCERT Aboriginal dancing · musical items · photo slideshow · circus skills · performances from all departments plus much more SCHOOL HALL **TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER** TOTALLY FREE! EVERYONE INVITED TO ATTEND

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Lost any school gear?



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We have heaps of jumpers and school gear in lost property. **PROPERTY** Claim your stuff at our school office.

#### Baaya Yurrung preschool

The Preschool children are still writing letters at their post office, but they're writing stories and numbers too. The coloured blocks outside have inspired the children to plan and create different things. Tytae and Stuart used the blocks to tell robot stories and of course the Cowboy rode off on his horse to escape Stuart's evil robot. Mirinda lines up all of the blocks to count and record the total amount. Nate built a home, Shelby and Gabby made train tracks and added wooden animals to walk down the track. Such a simple toy with so many different possibilities - (National Quality Standards 3.2.2: Resources materials and equipment allow for multiple uses and enable every child to engage in play-based learning). Inside the classroom Jordan used the crocodile toys to role play and imagine. He named the largest one, the Cranky crocodile who had to stay under the table. As Jordan played I was able to take photographs that would later be used to create a story book written by Jordan, aged 5. This is the story that Jordan wrote; "Once there were five crocodiles. They were all sleeping in the bed. Cranky crocodile jumped up and scared them. They ran away and

jumped out off the table. The three crocodiles were safe in their house and the campfire. Cranky crocodile went back to sleep and had a good dream". (Early Years Learning Framework Outcome 5.1: Children express ideas and make meaning using a range of media.) Every Preschool child expresses their ideas and thoughts in different but valid ways.

Calling any sewers, or creative parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles to assist the preschool on a secret

task!



















#### Enrol now for our Preschool in 2020!

We are enrolling children who turn 4 years (before 1 August 2020).

Call us on 6552-6333 to enrol or for further information.





#### Our Attendance Expectations Students at school everyday. All absences explained by parents.

#### PCYC Attendance Project

Students continue to enjoy their gymnastics programs at PCYC. To attend these sessions, students need 100% at school or their absences explained by parents. Generally, we will (the school) determine is the explanation is acceptable or not. This is a mainstream department project aiming to increase student attendance at school.



#### Canteen news

Our school canteen operates every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Our canteen is operated by our P&C association, so by supporting our canteen, you are supporting our school.



#### Sport news

School sport day is Friday for all classes at our school. Sports uniform is worn on a Friday. Our sports uniform consists of your child's house sport coloured polo shirt (blue, red or green) and royal blue shorts or a skort. Each child who wears sports uniform on a Friday earns their sporting house (dingoes, sharks or eagles) five house points.





#### P&C association

Our P&C is our parent representative body. The school consults with our P&C regarding key decision making. Our P&C also has the very important role of fundraising for our school and students. New members are always welcome.

Our next P&C Meeting is Thursday 14 November 2019.



#### Aboriginal Education

Judith is our Aboriginal Education Officer. Judith is happy to help our parents.



#### School banking

School banking is a great initiative to help young children save their money. School banking is also a fundraiser for our P&C. To be part of our school banking, just visit the Commonwealth Bank Taree branch and open a youth saver account.

Every Thursday at MGPS

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#### Key upcoming school events

Our last school assembly for 2019 ...... Friday 15 November at 9.25am. Presentation Day ...... Tuesday 3 December. School Concert ...... Tuesday 10 December. Last day for Preschool ...... Tuesday 17 December. Last day of school for K-6 ...... Wednesday 18 December.







Did your child miss out on attending the PCYC this week?

To attend, your child needs 100% attendance - being at school every day! OR

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They need every absence explained by you calling us on 65526333 or speaking face to face with us.

Our expectation is every child at school or absences explained.

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# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

#### PLEASE READ OUR MESSAGE!

#### Contact us

We value and appreciate your feedback and input into all aspects of our school. If you have a general school enquiry, please contact our school office on 6552-6333. If you have a specific matter relating to your child and their education, please contact our school office and ask for your child's teacher. Our school office hours are 8.30-3.30pm each school day. School uniforms can be purchased from our school office. We have a full range of uniforms including summer and winter gear. We also stock school hats so your child can be sun safe.

#### Contact us:

6552-6333 manninggdn-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au







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# SPORTS DAY

Wednesday 13 November, 10-11am. Bring a hat and join us for some fun games and activities on our back oval. Morning tea provided for everyone. We hope to see you!

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# School Assembly Superstars















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