#### Grapevine Our weekly Preschool to Year 6 newsletter Term 1 Week 4

#### Principal's message

My family experienced some bad luck this week when our house was flooded. All of us experience hardships at one time or another. It is how we 'bounce back' that is important. We are an inclusive school community. If you need support or assistance, come up and see us, we will do our best to provide assistance.

We had our first school assembly last Friday and it was brilliant. Our assemblies are about highlighting our students. Check out the photos at the back of this Grapevine.

Do not forget attendance matters! If you do not explain your child's absence, we will be calling you! This is how we collaborate with you to educate your child!

Stay Strong! Mr Paul Sortwell







Coming soon to MGPS!



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## WPCQMING Gardens PS

School Assembly Week 5 ........... 28 February.
School Assembly Week 7 .......... 13 March.
Harmony Day celebration ......... Monday 23 March.
School Photos ......... Wednesday 8 April.

**Easter Celebration ...... Thursday 9 April.** 

School assemblies take place in our school hall at 9.25am.

# Sport Update Sport is a key learning activity at Manning Gardens Public School

Last Thursday students from MGPS attended the Lower Manning Small Schools swimming carnival at Wingham Pool. We participated with pride and effort, achieving many fantastic results. Congratulations to all students who represented our school. We are so proud of you. Thank you to Mrs Goodwin, Mr Easey and Bob for taking our students on the day.

PCYC sport in the mainstream occurs each Thursday and Friday. Do not forget we expect all students to wear our sports uniform on Friday. It is our designated school sports day. Coming soon is our school cross-country carnival, which we hold on our back oval. Start practising your running now!

#### Baaya Yurrung 'Baaya Yurrung' means 'rise above'

@ Manning Gardens Public School

#### Baaya Yurrung preschool

Patrice Chapman is our new permanent preschool teacher. Each week Patrice will provide a rundown of events and happenings at our preschool.

> New and old friendships are blossoming down in the Preschool.



**EYLF Outcome 4.1** Children are developing dispositions for learning such as curiosity, cooperation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence, imagination and reflexivity.

What sound does a frog make?

How do they move?

We love learning at Preschool.

> Making a habitat for the green tree frog Miss Leanne found at big school.



The children were lucky enough to see a real green treefrog at Preschool.



We love making and playing with playdough. Its great for developing our fine motor skills.

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Taking a closer look at a cicada shell.



We love discovering and investigating living things at preschool.

Moving like the blue tounged lizard we found.

EYLF Outcome 4.4
The children resource their own learning through connecting with people, place, technologies and natural and processed material.



We are very active at the Preschool. Always on the move.

EYLF Outcome 3.2 Children take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing.



We currently have an active survey on our school's Facebook page. What type of hat do you think our children should wear at school? We value your input and ideas. This survey was a suggestion from our P&C meeting.



Can you help us out?



## what's happening across our school?

Check out this beautiful display outside MSWB! Thank you Alison Sheldon, Mrs Wykes and Ms Barry.











Our P&C operates to help our school and our students. We have a great P&C made up of parents and community who are friendly and fun people – no politics or fighting here! Our P&C runs our school canteen with all profits going back to our school.

Our next P&C meeting is Thursday 12 March at 9.30am, down at our canteen. Everyone welcome, including new members and parents!

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

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#### 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 are available for purchase from our school office every Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 10.30-12.30pm. We have a full range of uniforms including summer and winter gear. We also stock school hats so your child can be sun safe.

### Keeping kids safe

#### Items banned

- Devices that provide unfiltered Internet connection - iPads, DVD/CD players, game consoles, handheld PCs, smartphones, laptops, tablet
- All electronic communication devices
- Devices that can store/record/ play audio-visual content
- That can transmit or receive images

This applies to all students. Exemptions can be sort.





# Absence from school daily text message from MGPS.





We send out a daily text message when your child is not at school and we don't have an explanation.

We also send out a daily text message if your child is late to school. We consider late to school as any time after 9.15am.

All students at school everyday.
All absences explained by parents.



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#### School Banking newsletter.

Term 1 update.

#### CommBank Bushfire Support

In light of the recent devastating bushfires, we want to share how we can help. Applications are now open for Bushfire Recovery Grants to help rebuild community facilities, schools, fire brigades and replace lost or damaged equipment. Please encourage your local community groups to apply by 31 March 2020, for grants of up to \$50,000. If you're a CommBank customer and you've been affected, we can also give you a hand with your finances. **commbank.com.au/bushfirerecovery** 



#### 2020 Treetop Savers Adventure.

This year, the Dollarmites (Pru, Addy, Spen, Lucas and Pat) are ready to take children on a Treetop Savers adventure to the enchanted Treehouse of Savings. Here they'll discover lots of fun financial activities and rewards for saving.

Many surveyed parents think it's important to make learning about money engaging and to reward good saving behaviour\*. And this year, we're changing our School Banking rewards for the better. We're introducing new eco-friendly and reusable rewards, alongside other rewards that encourage creativity, as well as indoor and outdoor play.

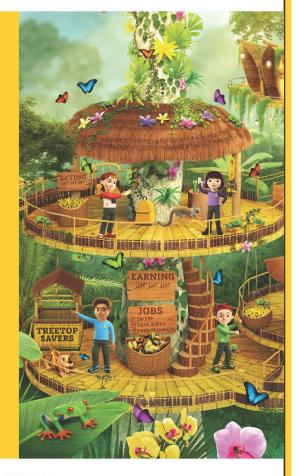
#### Activity 1: Add up Addy's pocket money

Addy gets \$2 pocket money every time she does a job in the Treehouse of Savings. If she does 9 jobs, how much will she have earned?

A: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Activity 2: Find and count how many frogs and butterflies you can see

A: \_\_\_\_\_ Frogs and \_\_\_\_\_ Butterflies.



#### **Term 1 Treetop Savers rewards**

When your child makes 10 deposits with School Banking, they can redeem one of our Treetop Savers rewards. Term 1 rewards are available now, while stocks last.



Terry Denton's Activity Book



Mini Soccer Ball

Any questions about the School Banking program? Ask your School Banking Co-ordinator for a parent's pack or visit **commbank.com.au/schoolbanking** 

\*Parents of Australian primary school children, School Banking Research, conducted by Fiftyfive5, May-June 2018. Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124

Answer: Activity 1: \$18. Activity 2: 10 Frogs and 11 Butterilies



## How to install the SkoolBag app

instructions for parents and community

- 1. Get your favourite mobile device
- 2. Open the App Store/Play Store
- Search for "SkoolBag"
- **4.** Download the free app
- Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users



for Android users





#### **FOUR WAYS TO EXPLAIN SCHOOL ABSENCES**



#### in person

Speak with your child's class teacher or visit our school office and speak with our admin team.



#### drop us a note

Write a note and send it to school with your child.



#### give us a call

Call our school between 8.30-3.30pm to tell us your child is going to be absent from school or to explain an absence from school. Ph: 6552-6333



#### use skoolbag app

Use our Skoolbag app to report an absence from school at any time and any where you like. Download our skoolbag app at your

app store. It's totally free.







#### together we grow

Children experience more success when they attend school on a daily basis. Working in partnership, we can ensure your child has access to the best learning experiences. This can only happen when your child is at school.

All students at school everyday. All absences explained by parents.



## School Assembly

## superstars















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We make learning fun!



















## Assembly Superstars

































AND WILLIAM

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