# Grapevine Our weekly Preschool Term 1 to Year 6 newsletter Week 5

#### Principal's message

It is exciting working at Manning Gardens because the school is always a hive of activity. There is quality teaching occurring in every classroom. Happy and enthusiastic students abound at our school. Our staff are always giving their all for our school and students. We have many wonderful activities coming up over the rest of Term 1. Keep up to date with all of our latest happenings here, and on our Facebook page. We certainly do make great things happen at MGPS!

Stay Strong! Mr Paul Sortwell



# Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) helps create a positive learning environment at our school.

We are working to improve student wellbeing and behaviour in partnership with you!







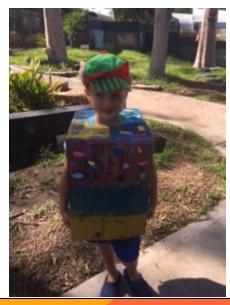




# UPCOMING Gardens PS

School Assembly Week 5 ........... 28 February.
School cross country ......... 4 March.
Rep cross country at Mitchell's Island ........... 12 March.
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.







#### Baaya Yurrung eschoo '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.

> We have been busy planting trees and making trees trunks using old cardboard boxes.



Thankyou to the parents that have helped us create our family tree at Preschool. Its going to look great as a wall display.

The Preschoolers have been working hard to make our garden a beautiful place for plants to live.



We can wait to plant some of our favourite fruits and vegetables. What a great way to learn where our food comes from.

**Becoming** creative in our outdoor environment.



Collaborative partnerships with families enhance children's inclusion. learning and wellbeing. NQS 6.2









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.





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!

Manning Gardens Together We Grow

## Our Attendance Expectations

Students at school everyday.

All absences explained by parents.





## ATTENDANCE MATTERS. ALL DAY, EVERY DAY





#### 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



- 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.

#### 2020 End of Term Rewards



240 Golden Gotchas



Or an activity of equal value.





180 Golden Gotchas









120 Golden Gotchas





In school movie and popcorn





60 Golden Gotchas





Ice cream





# Absence from school daily text message from MGPS.





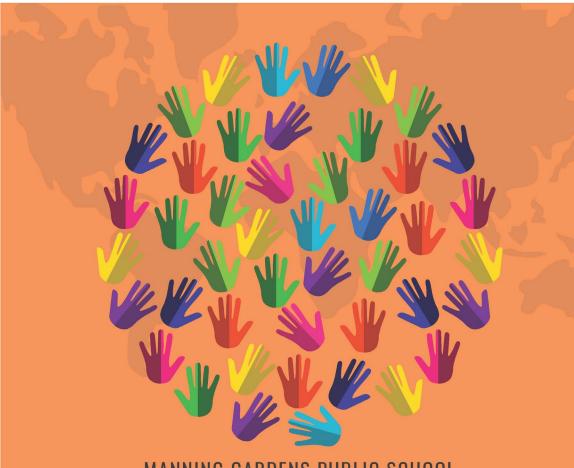
We send out a daily text message when your child is not at school and we don't have an explanation.

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.

# Positive Behaviour for Learning LEARNING I BEHAVIOUR I WELLBEING





MANNING GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

# Harmony Day Gelebration

Everyone belongs at our school!

Monday | 23 March 2020 | 8.45am

TOGETHER WE GROW

# 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.

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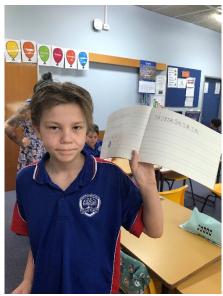
# Students in the Spotlight Students are our No.1 focus at MGPS!





















### what's happening across our school?





# Tomorrow at Mauring Gardens

On Monday 24 February, our class teachers commence parent meetings to help educate your child. Meetings are required for all students in our support unit and all Aboriginal students in our mainstream department. Please see your child's class teacher for more information.

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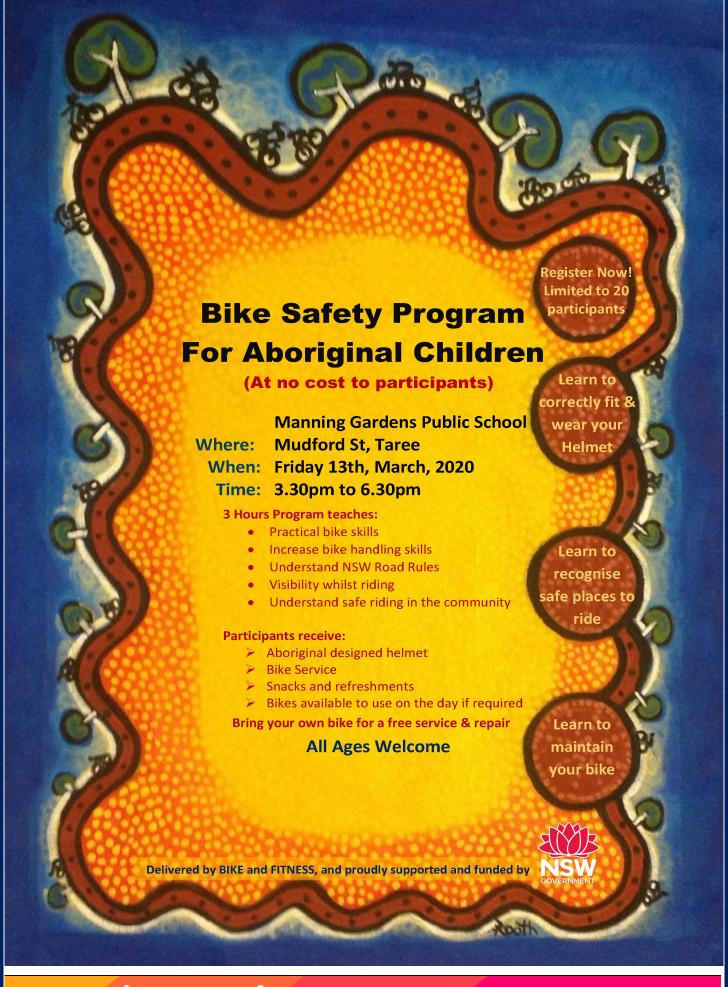
# CROSS COUNTRY 2020

Wednesday 4 March from 12.15

STUDENTS WEAR SPORTS UNIFORM

School Back Oval

A TEAM WILL BE SELECTED TO ATTEND THE INTER SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY ON 12 MARCH



**ADDING** 

# MINUTES TO A CHILD'S READING MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE OVER THE YEAR

#### A COMPARISON OF YEAR 5 CHILDREN



"Adapted from Adams (2006) with baseline data from Anderson, Wilson & Fielding (1998).

#### DID YOU NOTICE?

THE MORE MINUTES CHILDREN READ PER DAY, THE MORE FLUENT THEIR READING BECOMES.
FROM 5 MINUTES TO 15 MINUTES PER NIGHT THERE IS AROUND

A 200% INCREASE IN WORD EXPOSURE OVER ONE YEAR!

RESEARCH SHOWS US THAT THE BENEFITS OF READING MORE IMPROVE PERFORMANCE IN:

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE, VOCABULARY, READING COMPREHENSION, VERBAL FLUENCY AND SPELLING.\*\*

"\*Curningham and Stanovich (1998).

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Let's Raise Readers!

### NSW **Anti-bullying**



Bullying is when someone repeatedly tries to hurt you

#### It can be:

- Physical, verbal or social
  - Easy to see or hidden
- Face-to-face or online



## **Bullying**

- What you need to know -



#### – STOP – face-to-face bullying

- Ignore
- Practice being calm and confident
- Pretend you don't care
  - Say 'stop' or 'no'
    - Tell someone
  - Report at school



#### STOP –Online bullying

- Block
- Ignore
- Unfriend
- Keep evidence
- Tell someone
- Report at school

#### Tell your parents and tell your school.

Visit the Office of the eSafety Commissioner to learn more about reporting online bullying. If you think added support would help, call Kids Helpline on 1800 55 1800. It is free and private.

antibullying.nsw.gov.au