After a very distressing start to our week with the vandalism at the school over last weekend we have finished with a positive note. The Parent Information evenings have been a great success and I would like to thank all of the parents who came to the information sessions. It was great to meet everyone and I’d like to especially thank our dedicated teachers for giving up their valuable time to provide this service to parents. In particular I’d like to thank our Stage/Grade leaders Lori Learmont, Lynn O’Grady, Lexi McDonald and Lisa Phillips for their organisation in putting together these nights and to Glynis Poole our wonderful librarian for her attendance and preparation for every session.

Thank you families

Last weekend as you probably read in the paper we were vandalised. It was a good lesson to us all to maintain a vigilant look out in our school over the weekends and call 000 if we suspect anything illegal happening. I’d like to thank the Koorey family and Wyatt family and some teachers who were here working (Sarah Birrell, Pat Dylan, Lauren Finlayson, Cadence Abrahams) for helping clean up some of the graffiti and the playground. It was great seeing the community care and spirit in action and the Manly Daily were very impressed!

School Council

The School Council met last Monday evening and I was very impressed with the proposals and work that this committee does for our school. One of the projects approved last year was a safer entrance way to the school which began this week. This will be a major capital works project done in conjunction with the P&C. The committee meets regularly when projects or policy needs to be discussed and developed. Members are nominated and elected by the current committee. The committee contains the Principal, 2 staff members (Mel Ward, Pat Dylan) 1 community member (Yorick Sweetnam) and up to 8 parents.

Congratulations Touch Footy Girls!

Last weekend a number of our girls competed in various representative age groups in the Touch Football State Cup at Port Macquarie. Rain didn’t dampen their enthusiasm or competitive spirit with the U10 squad containing Grace Carpenter and Leila Pincus winning their grand final 13-0. Lily Masters was in the U12 squad also winning the grand final 7-0 against my old hometown Wagga Wagga and an honourable mention to Sophia Ferguson who played in the U12 development squad. Manly Sea Eagles will be looking to Manly Vale Public School for the future!

Swimming Carnival – Tuesday 26 February

Just a reminder that our school swimming carnival is next Tuesday 26 February at 12.30pm at Manly pool. Parents are encouraged to come along and help and cheer on our budding champions! Children will only be allowed to leave the pool with their own parents or with a written permission note stating other arrangements.

Identity Checks – Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 February

Next week will see the certifying of 100 points of identification for all our parent volunteers. If you will be working within the school grounds as a volunteer over the next 12 months please make sure you have completed a Prohibited declaration Form and the Appendix 4-Working With Children Identity Check form. All ID must be authorised through our office or by a JP.

Safety in Parked Cars

During the week a parent reported seeing some preschool age children left in a parked car in the street. It was a very hot day and even though the windows were down this is an extremely dangerous practice. Please never leave any age children unattended in parked cars.

Tina Lee
Principal

WHAT’S HAPPENING NEXT WEEK

Monday 25 February
Owlets 9.15am

Tuesday 26 February
Swimming Carnival Yrs 2-6
12.30-3.00pm Manly Swim Centre

Wednesday 27 February

Thursday 28 February

Friday 1 March
REMINDER
MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL
SWIMMING CARNIVAL
TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2013
12.30—3.00pm
Yrs 2—6

2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Term Dates 2013
Term 1 Wed 30 January to Fri 12 April
Term 2 Tues 30 April to Fri 28 June
Term 3 Tues 16 July to Fri 20 September
Term 4 Tues 8 October to Wed 18 December

NATURE AREA—BUSHCARE
WE NEED YOU!!

Monday 11 March &
Monday 8 April—working
Wednesday 20 March—Morning Tea &
Plant ID

Please come and join our wonderful Volunteer
Bush Owls in the Nature Area from 9.00am on the
above dates. Meet at the canteen after assembly.
New volunteers welcome!! No experienced re-
quired!! Bring hat, sunscreen, water & gloves.
Learn about our beautiful bush & plant identifica-
tion. RSVP/enquiries to Ann Collins (Samuel
3/4O’G—0488 245 815).

$$ School Banking $$

Hi everyone. Each child will be receiving a banking
parent pack to take home. This pack includes infor-
mation about School Banking and the new rewards
available this year for consistent bankers. The
packs will be going out early next week. Keep up
the great banking.

School Banking Co-Ordinator.

House Captains and Vice Captains 2013

Congratulations to our 2013 House Captains and Vice Captains. Stage 3 students have a lot of leadership responsibili-
ties and these positions are important in the smooth day-to-day running of our school. On Friday we had House meetings
to vote for our sports captains. These captains are involved in running the swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals.
They also help with sports equipment on the playground and take an active part in sporting initiatives within our
school. We are very proud to announce these students as the 2013 House Captains and Vice Captains.

Hunter: Captains: Penny McClean & Alex Bjorkmann
Vice Captains: Mikaela Sullivan & Andrew Carr

King: Captains: Leah Dover & Harrison Martin
Vice Captains: Meg Fry & Lucas Harper

Macquarie: Captains: Jacqui Gopilan & Will Freeman
Vice Captains: Tia Casper & Jasper Kelly

Phillip: Captains: Lia Guard & Mitchell Nicholson
Vice Captain: Mary O’Sullivan & Zac Hughes

Congratulations!
NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK

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REMINDER
Stewart House
Clothing Appeal
Bags are due back at school by tomorrow Friday 22 February for collection.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS 2013

Balgowlah Boys Campus—Tues 26 February 9.30-11.30am. Info night Wed 27 February 6.30-7.30pm. Enquiries: 9949 4200

Mackellar Girls Campus—Tues 26 February 9.30-11.30am. Info night Thurs 28 February 6.30-7.30pm. Enquiries: 9949 2083

Manly Selective Campus—Thurs 28 February 9.30-11.00am. Enquiries: 9905 3982

Cromer Campus—Fri 1 March 9.30-11.30am. Mon 4 March 2.00-7.30pm. Enquiries: 9981 1155

Freshwater Senior Campus—Tues 5 March 4.00-7.00pm. Tues 21 May 3.00-5.00pm. Enquiries: 9905 2634

Mosman High School, Military Rd, Mosman—Thurs 7 March 5.00-8.00pm. Enquiries: 9968 1006

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Allambie Netball Club—PLAYERS WANTED:
2 x 10yrs (born 2003), 2 x 12yrs (born 2001).
Please contact Veronica on 0419 264 938 or email allambie.netball@people.net.au for further information www.allambie.netball.asn.au

CANTEEN ROSTER — Term 1

Week 5 2013 — 25 February to 1 March
Mon 25 Feb Lyn Powe 9907 6021
Tues 26 Feb Lindie Atchinson 0413 411 234
Wed 27 Feb Jodi Moore 0402 486 585
Thurs 28 Feb Ann Collins 9948 8018
Fri 1 Mar Kathy Dunn 9907 0068

Week 6 2013 — 4 March to 8 March
Mon 4 Mar Volunteer needed
Tues 5 Mar Volunteer needed
Wed 6 Mar Lyn Powe 9907 6021
Thurs 7 Mar Tory Davis 0424 304 737
Fri 8 Mar Fiona Russell 0414 355 702

It is really important to find a replacement if you can't do your rostered day! If you can help in the canteen please call Sarah on 9948 7038 or email light_love@live.com.au

CANTENE WELCOME TO OUR
FANTASTIC KINDY KIDS!!!

To celebrate the arrival of these great kids, the Canteen will be selling cupcakes and an ice block at morning tea for $1 this TUESDAY, 26th February.

We would love some Kindy mum's to help serve or make some cupcakes, so if you can help, please call Michelle Povah on 0405791953.

We still need a few more cupcakes to be made. Cupcakes can be dropped off at the canteen before school on the day. If you are helping out please meet at the canteen at 10.45am. And don't forget a dollar! - All profits are put back into the school.

Thank you—Canteen Committee

RED OWL CANTEEN NEWS

“As our school is growing there has been some suggestion of opening the canteen on Monday/Tuesday for morning tea and lunch orders (rather than just snacks/drinks/iceblocks).

The Canteen is looking at trialling an extra day at the end of this term for a few weeks (stay tuned) to ensure firstly it’s financially viable, however secondly before we commit to opening, we need to ascertain if there are enough new mum and dad volunteers who would be willing to help, as without volunteers on each day to help the canteen supervisor, we can’t open.

We are looking for around 20 new mums. If you are keen to have this service and also help out, please email michpov@hotmail.co.uk by 30.2.13 and indicate what day/s you would be available and how frequent (ie once a term).”

Many Many Thanks
Michelle Povah
**Balgowlah Physie**

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OPEN DAY: Friday 1st February
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9977 1097

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Private lessons $42 half hour & $80/hr
Interested in tennis lessons for adults? Call for a timetable.

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**P & C NEWS**

The first P&C meeting for 2013 will be held next Tuesday 26 February starting at 7:30pm. Our guests at the meeting will be Mr Paul Sheather, Principal Balgowlah Boys Campus and Ms Christine Del Gallo, Principal Mackellar Girls Campus. They will provide an overview and update on our local high schools. The meeting will also be the first P&C meeting for our new Principal Ms Tina Lee plus there are a number of activities proposed for 2013 to be discussed. So please come along to hear our guest speakers and hear what is planned for the year ahead.

Ian Blume
P&C President

**P&C FUNDRAISING**

The P & C has big plans this year to help the school raise funds for the new entrance way and other projects.

As well as raising money we like to have socials and give everyone a chance to get to know each other and have fun. To start the ball rolling (excuse the pun) is the Barefoot Bowls night and our chocolate fundraiser in March - watch the Bush Tele for more details.

A few events and fundraisers will be held throughout the year and we hope you will get into the spirit and join in as much as you are able, whether it’s eating the chocolates, testing out your trivia or watching a movie. And start sorting out your house now ready for the car boot sale.

To do all this we have a dedicated team of parents and everyone is welcome to come and get involved. All help gratefully received! And if anyone has skills and talents that could help us, or works for a company that could possibly donate any prizes or auction items then please please let us know, we would love to hear from you. Just drop a note into the office.

Thanks
Lee Meredith (IL)

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**Barefoot Bowls**

Come join the fun, a great way to start the year and meet other parents & teachers.

SAVE THE DATE—Friday 22 March 2013

Start getting your teams together—old friends, new friends, class groups, you decide!

More details coming soon.
Library bag – Children K – 4 need a library bag each week

Library days –
- Tuesday - 5/6P, 2L, KK, KM, 4S
- Wednesday - 1L, KF, 3M, 6D
- Thursday - 5W, 1AJ, KP, 3/4O’G, 2B, 1M

The Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge is for children K – 10. The PRC is a NSW government initiative. Participation is voluntary. The aim is to encourage a love of reading for pleasure, experienced through quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge! Whole school registration takes place in early March. Meanwhile your child can start to record the books they are reading now, and transfer once access is available online. For more information visit the PRC website https://products.school.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html logon (in March) with your child’s school username and password e.g. username - john.smith password - ?? *check school newsletter for updates.

Book Week - Term 3 “READ ACROSS THE UNIVERSE”
Author visits – Aleesah Darlison and Boori Monty Prior (Children’s Laureate 2013)

Multicultural Day – Term 4

Glynis Poole—Teacher Librarian