PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:

Congratulations to all those children who “Walked Safely To School” last Friday. With the increase in traffic it is a far better and safer alternative for most of our students who live close enough. As the Daily Telegraph reported on Saturday, “111 speeders in seven school zones over 2 days and 5 children were hit by cars near schools.”

Very worrying observations but reflecting what we at Manly Vale Public School are witnessing every day. Just this week I have observed a driver speeding through the crossing on the mobile phone, parents blocking driveways and pedestrian access to the school and calling their children across the road to cars and people failing to use the crossing. Even yesterday a student at the school was nearly hit by the bus on his way to school. Rangers will once again be doing random checks at the school and I thank our P & C president Stewart Davies for his perseverance in trying to prevent an accident out the front of the school.

Tomorrow the gate next to the uniform shop will be padlocked to prevent people crossing at the corner. Access to the school will be via our new main entrance only.

Drama Audition
Today our School Drama group Ashleigh Powe 4W, Molly Dover 4/5B, Katia Bjorkman 3/4L, Olivia Inkster 3/4L and Elliot Rowe 3/4L auditioned for the Arts North Drama Festival. If successful they will perform at NIDA on the afternoon of July. Ms Kemp, with the assistance of Ms Hall over past 2 weeks, have been preparing busy practising their presentation “Please.” This is the first time our school has entered this event and we are all very excited about the outcome to the audition this morning. Well done Ms Kemp and your drama stars!

Bushcare
The Bushcare group will be meeting this Monday and taking interested students from Years 3-6 on a walk at lunchtime. We have a newly painted bridge over the pond area which will hopefully prevent the students from falling into the frog pond! Thank you Ken Dewell and Matt Phillips our General Assistants.

Stage 3 Ethics Classes
We have a teacher for the class now and she will be trained and ready to start on Wednesday 11 June. All students who applied for the class will be moved from non-scripture to that class by this date. An expression of interest form will come home to all Kindergarten students by the end of this term hopefully to start Ethics classes by the end of the year. Any enquiries about the Ethics classes can be made to Inessa Jackson at mvps.ethics@gmail.com.

Kindergarten Open Day – Wednesday 11 June
In a few weeks time we will open our school to new and interested parents for tours and performances by our band, choir and dance groups. A short information session will also be given in the hall.
Band Workshops
Next Monday our Senior Band will have an extended workshop, and on the Tuesday the Junior band will have their workshop. These extended practice sessions will allow the students additional tuition with tutors in order to “fine tune” their skills and pieces in preparations for their upcoming performances. Attendance on these days is vital for the preparation of the band as a whole. Thank you to Ben and Misa for their organisation of tutors and the workshop experience.

Afternoon and Morning Drop Off
Please be prompt in leaving the school grounds at pick up and drop off. We now have 50 students in the OOSH centre so we are moving their afternoon tea area to outside the hall. Teachers on the morning duty are finding it very difficult with parents staying around the playground. It is necessary for students to have time with their friends before school to run off energy. Strollers and toddlers do not mix well with school students trying to run around and play with their friends.

School Bus
We have had a lot of trouble with behaviour from the children catching the morning bus. As the 745 is very crowded many children are sharing seats and standing up on the bus. This is very dangerous and so after many letters and complaints to the bus depot a new bus has been added to the morning (744). The 744 departs from Mackellar Girls Campus at 8.39am every morning and stopping at various places on the way to Manly Vale Public School. However there are still only a few children choosing to catch this bus as it comes after the 745 which departs from Allambie Rd at 8.20am and stops at Mackellar Girls Campus at 8.31am. If your child is able to wait the extra 7 mins at Mackellar Girls it is preferable to crowding the first bus 745. Please talk to your children about sitting quietly on the bus and waiting sensibly at the bus stops.

For more info please go to the Sydney Buses website www.sydneybuses.info and click on School Students in the menu, insert Manly Vale Public School in lookup bar, roll your mouse over the bus routes to highlight them on the map.

Advice from a “Parent Principal”
Please know that the safety of our students is our main concern. With the increase in students at the school and therefore the increase in cars and people entering and exiting the school, we need to be aware of the dangers of this increase in population. Building resilience and independence is very important in children. Allowing children to catch the bus, kiss you in the car and then walk into school or saying goodbye at home and walking to school, are excellent ways to promote independence and positive mental health. There is nothing better than exercise before that start of a school day and being allowed the opportunity to mix with your peers free of parent intervention and control.

Tina Lee
Principal

2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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| Week 4  | Mon 4 Aug | Great Aussie Bush Camp Years 5 & 6 |

School Terms 2014

Term 2 Tuesday 29 April to Friday 27 June
Term 3 Tuesday 15 July to Friday 19 September
Term 4 Tuesday 7 October to Wednesday 17 December

DANCE ENSEMBLES
It is a busy time for the Boys and Girls Dance Ensembles! Both Ensembles recently auditioned for the Sydney North Dance Festival to be held at Glen Street Theatre. They were successful and will be performing at the festival. The Ensembles will be taking part in a dress rehearsal on Monday 16 June at 10:30am. Both Ensembles will perform that night at 7:30pm and on Tuesday 17 June at 5.00pm. Both Ensembles will perform a matinee on Wednesday 25 June at 11:30am. Further information on costumes and transport will be sent home next week.

If you would like to see these wonderful dancers in action, tickets are available from the Glen Street Theatre box office, by phone on 9975 1455 or at www.glenstreet.com.au. Tickets go on sale Monday 2 June.

We hope you enjoy the show!
Lauren Finlayson and Natalie Panetta
Dance Coordinators
**Summary of P & C Meeting 20 May 2014**

**School Council—NTR**
- Canteen—P & C approval given to purchase new pie warmer. Class coordinators will be asked to advertise for a second helper on Fri day mornings 9-10.30; Canteen office requires a clean out. Date TBA.

**Fundraising**—Mother’s Day raffle raised $4137; Mother’s Day stall raised $2625.30; 14 June - Trivia Night. Tickets will be available through Flexischools.

**Band**—Hoping to purchase some new instruments - french horn, euphonium, percussion instruments; Updating tutor list. Performance booked in for Northern Beaches Festival.

**Treasurer**—$30,000 donated to school; Balance as at 30 April now is $13,278.95; Term deposit $12,871; Andy Corner has finalised audit of 2012 accounts.

**Uniform**—Yr 6 Hoodies - returned for corrections.

**Environment**—Thank you to Ann Collins, Mel Lovell, Caroline Pickering and others for helping on 5 May.

**Cafe Owl**—Increased number of rolls to meet demand; Special fundraiser for families in need within the community will be conducted this Fri (30 May); Owlets—Thank you to those that recently donated toys.

**Spicks & Specks Trivia Night**

Theme: “Spicks & Specks”

Saturday 14 June 2014

Mackellar Girl’s Campus Hall from 7.00pm

Our biggest fundraising event of the year!!!

Make up a table and join us for what is set to be a fun night of music & pop culture trivia, games and lots of laughing.

**Tickets:** $25 per person

Make up a table of 8-10 with friends, get to know other parents in the class or bring your family & friends along.

Pizzas are also available for pre-sale for $12 each

Tickets will be on sale every day from 29 May until 12 June outside the uniform shop (or buy online via Flexischools). Dress as your favourite musician, band or other star! There will be prizes for ‘best dressed’. The evening is BYO drinks & nibbles. Pizzas may be pre-ordered when you buy your ticket and tea, coffee & cake provided for a small donation. There will be an amazing auction, great games and some fabulous prizes to be won.

All money raised will go to the school for improvements in information technology and literacy resources for all students.

Thanks for your support—The Fundraising Team

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**SUSHI DAY THANK YOU!**

Well, what tasty, yummy sushi we all enjoyed on Tuesday thanks to Benjamin’s (1AM) dad MJ & his brother Min, Yukie, Sharon & Nancy (who supplied the drinks). Min, MJ & Yukie worked like steam trains making the sushi fresh to order. Min owns a sushi bar called “The Sushi Maru” on Longueville Road at Lane Cove and kindly donated all the sushi supplies for the day, giving the school a profit of $384.50. Many, many thanks from Manly Vale Public School.

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**Our Spicks & Specks Trivia Night** is on next month. It is our biggest social fundraiser of the year and we would like everyone to be involved and come along on the night. We would also like to ask if you can help in any way, we need prizes and auction items, so if there is anything, no matter how big or small that you or your company can donate it will help make our fundraising a great success. Thanks you to those very kind families who have already donated.

We are always looking for goods or services to help with fundraising so if you can’t this time, please bear it in mind later.

Thanks for your support of the school—P&C
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Warringah Council presents Wellness Walk: Gulgadja Muru, Saturday 28 June, 1.00-4.00pm—see evidence of local Aboriginal life as you take a guided tour of Gulgadja Muru and enjoy afternoon tea on the shores of picturesque Manly Dam hosted by conservation biologist, Jess Relton. FREE, bookings essential events@warringah.nsw.gov.au or 9942 2603.

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Any enquiries email manlyvaleuniformshop@outlook.com

PSSA SPORT

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P&O MEETINGS

Every 3rd Tuesday @7.30pm in the Administration Block unless otherwise advised.

OWLETS

Owlets meet on Tuesdays from 9.15-11.00am in the school hall. Feel free to join in! For further information contact Kyrralyn 0422 404 273.

Scholastic Book Club

Any enquiries regarding orders please email Kylie Freeman on pkfreeman@iinet.net.au

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