Relieving Principal’s Report:

Asian Cultural Morning
What a great way to start the week. Stage 3 held their Asian Cultural Morning and I was fortunate enough to be invited to visit all 3 classes. I was WOWED by the students in depth knowledge of their chosen country and enjoyed sampling many tasty treats and now have put a few more countries on my ‘Bucket List’, that I want to visit. Thank you Stage 3 for a wonderful experience.

Vietnamese Visit
On Tuesday I was lucky enough to welcome 23 teachers from Vietnam to our school. The teachers from Can Tho City were here in Australia for 3 weeks learning about different teaching styles. They were extremely impressed with the classrooms that they visited and said that it was very different in their homeland. A huge thank you to KP and Miss Panetta, 3/4 A and Mrs Ashton and 5F and Miss Fisk. By the end of the visit they all agreed that this was an amazing school and that they’d love to come back for a longer visit.

Kindergarten Picnic Day—2016
On Wednesday Miss Panetta and myself had the pleasure of spending some time with our new Kindergarten children and their parents at Manly Dam. It was great to see the children interact with one another and for the parents to have a chat and ask questions to both of us. We hope that this will make the transition to school in 2016 much smoother for everyone.

Musica Viva Performance
Tomorrow the children at Manly Vale will have the pleasure of a visiting musical group from Senegal. Teranga will be performing traditional Senegalese music and instruments. The children have been learning about this through the Musica Viva program throughout the term.

Lynn O’Grady - Relieving Principal

Good Luck Olivia!
We wish Olivia Inkster the best of luck in the State Swimming Carnival in Adelaide next week. It has been a long road of preparation for the event and we hope Olivia achieves her personal best in the 50m breaststroke.

P&C AGM – Tuesday 24 November
Next Tuesday in the staffroom at 7.30pm we will wrap a very successful year with the P&C Annual General Meeting. At this meeting all current positions on the P&C will be declared open and nominations will be put forward for new candidates or retained candidates to fill positions. All parents and citizens are welcome but a gold coin membership is required for voting rights on the night. The school is undergoing a lot of change and an active P&C that represents and reflects all parents within the community is important. Please consider attending the meeting and perhaps nominating for one of the roles below.

What is the P&C?
The Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations of New South Wales (P&C Federation) was established in 1912 and represents, at state level, more than 2,100 public school parent and citizen associations (P&C associations). P&C associations are made up of parents, caregivers and citizens. P&C Federation is committed to fostering the community partnership at every level within the Department of Education and Communities and celebrating the achievements of the government school system.

Members of P&C associations attend regular meetings of the organisation as a legislated parent body for community voice and work with the school on activities within the school including policy and management plan development and fundraising as examples. P&C Federation offers its member P&C associations a range of services and advice on matters such as insurance, incorporation, meeting procedures, association management, constitutions, by-laws, the rights of parents and students, industrial and legal matters, incorporation, authority to fundraise and what P&Cs need to do to comply with the GST.

President - Stewart Davies (current)
The President is responsible for:
• The successful functioning of the P&C Association meetings
• The attainment of the P&C Association’s objectives
• Ensuring that the P&C Association takes part in decision-making processes in the school
• Fostering fair participation of all members and ensuring that all new members are made to feel welcome
• Supporting volunteers
• Consistent adherence to the constitution

Principal’s Report:
I am writing this newsletter with my leg up at home and certainly looking forward to catching up with you all next Monday when I return. I will still be on crutches so will be less mobile than usual but certainly looking forward to being back.
• Acting as the P&C Association’s spokesperson when public statements or actions are needed
• Setting up lines of communication with the Principal
• Being signatory on the Association’s bank accounts
• Chairing meetings, in the absence of the President, one of the Vice-Presidents will chair the meeting or the meeting can elect a chairperson from the members present for that meeting.

Vice President - assists president with administration and meetings. Fills in in president’s absence.

Secretary – Kylie Freeman (current)
The Secretary is responsible for carrying out the administrative tasks related to the decisions of the meetings as resolved. The Secretary prepares, in consultation with the President, all meeting agendas. The Secretary is required to attend P&C Association meetings and take notes of the discussions in order to produce a set of Minutes for subsequent distribution to members and for receipt, possible amendment and adoption at the following meeting. (In the absence of the Secretary the meeting should elect a person to take the Minutes, this person should be identified in the Minutes.) Further, the position includes receiving and tabling all correspondence as well as writing and dispatching outgoing correspondence as resolved/appropriate. The Secretary also issues notice of all meetings and maintains official records of the P&C Association such as the constitution, by-laws, rules of subcommittees, Incorporation Certificate, ABN details, list of financial (voting) members, minutes, attendance book.

Treasurer- Natalie Chew (current)
It is the Treasurer’s responsibility to:
• keep accurate accounts of receipts and expenditure
• supply a statement of finance to every meeting
• prepare an annual statement, which must be audited
• ensure that all monies received are banked promptly in the appropriate account.

There are various other roles on the P&C which will be discussed at next week’s meeting. These are not official roles but very important to the running of the P&C and requiring volunteers. These include: Band Liaison, Canteen liaison, Fundraising coordinator/s, Class Coordinator communications officers, Bushcare liaison and Owlets coordinator.

School Spectacular - Next week
I’d like to take this opportunity to wish our school spectacular dancers Juliette Nankervis, Bonnie Kis, Jacinta Blundell, Isla Cooper, Hayley Birch, Jade Nelson, Emily Stoddart, Max Marsters, Logan Sengchanh and Indra Adnyana all the best for their performances next week. I will be attending on the Friday night and look forward to seeing our wonderful school dancers in this spectacular event.

Thank you to Ms Panetta for her enthusiasm, commitment and dedication to our dance program. This is a wonderful way to complete 2015. Thank you to all the parents who have helped out with costumes and transport for the evening. It has been a big commitment but one the students will always remember.

Tina Lee—Principal

Disco
On behalf of year 6, Mr Dylan and myself, thank you to all those students who came to the disco on Thursday night. It was a fabulous night with everyone dressed in Christmas Hawaiian gear! DJ Andy entertained us for hours and we fundraised lots of money for the year 6 present and graduation. Thank you to Mr Dylan for organising the disco and thank you to the year 6 students for being so helpful on the night.

Crazy Hair Day
On Monday we raised $500.00 for Rasmata our World Vision sponsor child. Thank you to everyone for giving so generously to someone who will appreciate it so much. The hairdos were amazing! If you have time please read the posters on the Tech Room windows and find out more about Rasmata and where she comes from in Burkina Faso.

Stage 3 Asian Culture Study Presentations
Stage 3 students have been studying Australia’s global connections with Asian countries in HSIE lessons in class and in Information Skills with Mrs Murphy Haste. In small groups they were allocated an Asian country. They were given several questions to research which provided a snapshot of the country’s population, customs and heritage information, education system, standard of living, costumes, land formation, trade relations and political structure. Together the students had to write and make a traditional recipe from their designated country and research a traditional art form. We were very impressed with the presentations that were showcased on our open morning and thank all the parents for their contributions and for visiting. Congratulations years 5 & 6 students for your engaging presentations and detailed research work.

NSW Parliament House Morning Tea with Mr Baird
On Monday 23 November I will be accompanying four of our year 6 leaders to NSW Parliament House to have morning tea with Mr Baird our local member and Premier of NSW. The students will have an opportunity to discuss leadership with Mr Baird and meet with year 6 leaders from other local schools.

Miss Phillips
2016 Leadership
It is a very exciting time for our year 5 students as they embark on the leadership process in preparation for 2016. Every student in year 6 has a leadership position and forms the Student Representative Council that gives a ‘voice’ to the entire student body.

At this stage all of year 5 students have nominated peers to be eligible for voting to achieve one of the 8 leadership positions of School Captains, School Vice Captains and Prefects. They have completed online voting to select 16 students to present leadership speeches. The speeches will be written under Mrs Lee’s supervision on Tuesday 1 December and a copy will be sent home that night. The speeches will be presented to years 2-6 students in the hall on Wednesday 2 December. This is a student only assembly. Voting by 3-6 students will take place on Wednesday and votes will be collated that afternoon.

We wish all the nominees the very best for Wednesday week 9. The 8 school leaders will be announced in the Friday 4 December morning assembly and the 2016 leaders will participate in the final SRC handover assembly at 10.00am which parents are invited to attend. Leaders will receive their actual positions at the Celebration of Learning 3-6 assembly.

High School Transition
Year 5 students have started their transition to high school journey and attended Balgowlah Boys and Mackellar Girls ‘Taster Days’ today Thursday 19 November. They participated in ‘high school’ activities and lessons showcasing the broad range of subjects they will be studying from years 7-12. The students thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity and the experience of what is to come!

Miss Phillips

LIBRARY NEWS
Borrowing has ended and I need all library items returned for annual stocktake. Please help your child to find these items. I do appreciate your support at this time.

Glynis Poole—Teacher Librarian

MINIFEST 2015
Kindergarten – Year 6

Year 5 & 6 students are organising their annual MINIFEST for Friday afternoon 4 December. Small groups of senior students will be running a variety of fun and exciting activities. The afternoon is a fundraising event that helps raise money for the Year 6 gift to the school.

All students have the opportunity to have a go for 1 token. The children purchase tokens in the morning of the Minifest from Year 6 students in the playground. It costs $2 for 10 tokens. The children may purchase more tickets during the afternoon. It is always a good idea to ensure they have a small carry bag which they can put their prizes in throughout the afternoon.

As this afternoon requires a lot of running around, movement and possibly water play students are allowed to wear sensible mufti clothing for the day (no thongs, singlets etc).

Children are being asked to bring in small prizes to donate to the activities during week 9. The prizes can be small trinkets or lollies. When the children bring in lollies we request there are no chocolate type lollies owing to traces of nuts which some children are allergic to.

Years 5 & 6 students. Miss Phillips, Miss Fisk & Mr Dylan.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB
This is the last issue of Book Club for 2015. Please submit orders by Friday 20 November. No late orders accepted.
2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 4

Week 8
- Mon 23 Nov: School Leaders to Parliament House Xmas Canteen special day
- Tues 24 Nov: P&C AGM 7.30pm
- Thurs 26 Nov: 2016 Junior Band rehearsal
- Fri 27 Nov: School Spectacular matinee 12.00noon
- Sat 28 Nov: P&C Xmas Party & book launch, Calabria Club 2.30pm

Week 9
- Tues 1 Dec: 2016 Leaders speech written
- Wed 2 Dec: Scripture Xmas Service 9.00am & Volunteer’s Thank You morning tea 11.00am
- Yrs 3-6 2016 Leaders speeches
- Fri 4 Dec: Final SRC handover to new leaders Mini Fest

Week 10
- Mon 7 Dec: Stage 1 & Stage 2 Picnic Day
- Tues 8 Dec: Stage 3 to Jamberoo Kindergarten graduation
- Thurs 10 Dec: Celebration of Learning K-2 9.30-10.30am Yrs 3-6 11.00am-12.30pm

Week 11
- Mon 14 Dec: Yr 6 Graduation Assembly & dinner
- Tues 15 Dec: Talent Quest
- Wed 16 Dec: Yr 6 Clap Out; Last day of term 4

School Terms 2016
- Term 1: Thursday 28 January to Friday 8 April
- Term 2: Wednesday 27 April to Friday 1 July
- Term 3: Tuesday 19 July to Friday 23 September
- Term 4: Monday 10 October to Tuesday 20 December

WHOOPING COUGH (Pertussis)

There has been a couple of reported cases of whooping cough on the northern beaches.

Time from exposure to illness—7 to 20 days.
Symptoms—starts with runny nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.

Do I need to keep my child home? Yes, until the first 5 days of a special antibiotic have been taken.

2016 SCHOOL OPAL CARD

Application forms are now available online. Students progressing from Yr 2 to Yr 3 need to reapply.
For more information please visit transportnsw.info/school-students
**NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK**

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**CHRISTMAS TREE SALE**

In support of Fairlight Manly Cubs & Scouts
Saturday & Sunday 5-6 December from 6.30am till sold out. Hinkler Park, Pittwater Road, Manly (near Manly Lagoon)

**Road Safety Tips**

Regular maintenance checks of a bicycle or scooter will help to prevent accidents or injuries. Always check that the tyres, brakes, bell, pedals, chain and reflectors are in good working order.

**After School Tennis Program**

- Best coaches in NSW
- Bus pick up available 3:10pm each day
- Supervision 3:10pm - 6pm each day
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