PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:

Today was a fabulous celebration and culmination of a wonderful 2015. Students K-6 were acknowledged for their academic, performing arts and sporting achievements in our two Celebration of Learning assemblies. It was lovely to have Mrs Kerryn Baird as our special guest. I am extremely proud of all the students of Manly Vale and want to thank all students for their hard work and great progress throughout the year. I would also like to thank our teachers who are dedicated and committed to our school. I would like to thank Mrs Lori Learmont for her thorough planning and fabulous organisation of both assemblies. We are also so fortunate to have such an active and supportive community of parents and helpers and I’d like to thank you for all your work throughout the year.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the 2015 Year 6 School Leaders who have worked tirelessly and diligently during 2015. They have been a humble, caring and enthusiastic leadership team and we are proud of all they have achieved. Thank you our 2015 School Captains; Josh Turner and Laila Pincus, our School Vice Captains; Sean Crowe and Juliette Nankervis and our School Prefects; Tom Ellis, Charlotte Crowe, Sean Oikawa and Ruby Graham.

I congratulate our new 2016 school leadership team and look forward to working closely with them during the coming year. Well done to our School Captains; Logan Sengchanh and Katia Bjorkmann, our School Vice Captains; Tom Freeman and Olivia Inkster and our School Prefects; Sam Davies, Jade Nelson, Elliott Rowe and Indigo Kelly. We wish you all the best in your new leadership roles.

SRC Final Handover Assembly

Last Friday we announced our eight School Leaders for 2016 at the Friday morning assembly. An official handover of the Student Representative Council took place that morning as well. Our 2015 School Leaders presented reports back from the four year 6 committees; School and Cultural Affairs, Environmental, Technology and Sports, Health and Safety Committees. They spoke about the suggestions that were presented at the SRC meetings throughout the year and whether they were carried forward or not.

The Leaders of 2015 worked hard on behalf of the student body to ensure suggestions were followed up and as a result we had some successful changes in the school such as ‘half-price’ canteen day, Crazy Hair fundraiser and World Water Day fundraiser and quiet play area. The 2016 Leaders will be following up on suggestions such as ‘Waste-Free Wednesday’ and ‘Energy Saving Day’.

In the assembly we acknowledged the role and work of the class Student Representatives and each student received a certificate for their service. We also thanked our fabulous Year 6 Class Managers for their support and help with the K-2 SRC representatives. The new 2016 School Leaders then took their positions to lead the SRC for the following year. Thank you Ms Phillips for all your work in organising the SRC and making the final handover assembly such a memorable for all involved.

Minifest

Stage 3 students did an amazing job organising ‘Minifest’ for the school last Friday. In small groups they planned exciting activities for the younger stu-
dents to participate in. This was an excellent fund-raising event for Stage 3. Thank you to all the parents and caregivers for your help and support and for sending in prizes. All of the students and teachers had a fabulous, fun-filled afternoon.

Speech Pathologist
Last Tuesday some Kindergarten students were screened by Rebecca Star a local speech pathologist. She will be returning tomorrow Friday 11 December to complete the rest of the referrals and give the reports to the school. Reports will be sent home to parents next week.

New School Update
Tomorrow at Café Owl there will be an information booth for parent and community members to discuss the update of the new school build. The final Project Reference Group meeting will follow and recommendations will be discussed with the school.

School Reports
Tomorrow Friday 11 December all student reports will be sent home. These reports are a summary of a student’s academic achievement during the second semester of 2015.

Talent Quest and Dr Karl
Next Tuesday 15 December we will have our school talent quest. Yellow entry forms must be handed in to class teachers by tomorrow. Thank you to the McAvoy Family who have organised Dr Karl to open our talent quest with an interactive science show. Mufti clothing maybe worn and a gold coin donation accepted upon entry to the talent quest. This is for current students only.

Last Day of School
Next Wednesday 16 December is the last day of school. If you require supervision during the holidays please contact David from OOSH on 0430 369 288. Our first day back for Years 1-6 is Thursday 28 January 2016.

Tina Lee
Principal

New School Redevelopment
This week the school’s Project Reference Group, including P&C’s Stewart Davies and Stephen Hancock will be meeting with the Department’s project team to be updated on the Development Application (DA) presently with Council.

Council in August of this year, had requested the Department provide additional environmental and aboriginal investigations to continue their DA assessment. The flora and fauna surveys had been extended until the end of the spring period, now concluded in November. The Department’s project team advise that the latest survey outcomes and data collected support the DA submission.

Stage One that includes the construction of a new Hall, Canteen, Library, Lift, Toilets and a two storey, 24 classroom building was forecast for completion before the start of the 2017 school year, but remains as previously advised for later in the year due to delay in the DA process.

This Friday at Café Owl an information booth will again be set up from 8:00am - 9:30am for interested parents. Please feel free to come and speak to members of the project team about the project.

Book Swap THANK YOU
Thank you so very much to the children, parents and teachers at Manly Vale Public School who donated money at the Book Swap to purchase teaching resources for the community of Candela in Lima, Peru. I was able to visit a preschool (and paint the furniture) and a primary school on several occasions and hand deliver so many books, games, educational toys and stationery.

It was a very satisfying and humbling experience to visit a village that was so poor yet so full of solidarity and hope for the future. Due to ongoing financial donations such as ours, the village has received water and sewerage in the last few years and are now really focusing on their children’s education. A couple of these students have even entered university.

The Candela people were extremely interested in knowing about our school at Manly Vale and were keen to see photos of it. They showed heartfelt thanks and gratitude to “The Australians” who took the interest and the care to help them in their lives.

Lisa Cash
2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR—Term 4

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

2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR—Term 1

Week 1
Thurs 28 Jan  Students return Yrs 1-6
Fri 29 Jan  Kindergarten begin 9.30-10.30am

Week 2
Mon 1 Feb &  Tues 2 Feb  Best Start interviews
Wed 3 Feb  First full day for Kindergarten

Week 3
Tues 9 Feb  Swimming Carnival

Week 4
Tues 16 Feb  Stage 3 CARES bike safety
Wed 17 Feb  Stage 3 CARES bike safety

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 at school. 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 (and are out of the 1.6km radius) need to reapply. For more information please visit transportnsw.info/school-students
School bus number change—744 to 661, 745 to 620

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4

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Please note: The canteen is only open from 1.00-1.30pm on Tuesdays for snacks. 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 Nancy on 0431 935 543 or email: nancylambley@bigpond.com

$S$ SCHOOL BANKING $S$
There will be NO school banking next Tuesday as it has finished for the year.

CANTEEN CORNER

The Canteen Committee would like to say a HUGE thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who have helped in the canteen this year, we have had a great year and the canteen could not run without you. Special thanks also to Sarah Langley for all her hard work. We wish you all a safe & healthy Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you all again next year. Look out for the volunteer roster for Term 1 2016.

Happy holidays!
Canteen Committee

Christmas Gift Stall
If you missed out purchasing gift cards, tea towels and our book at the Christmas Party we will be having a stall outside Café Owl Friday 11 December from 8.00am to 9.00am
Beautiful Christmas Gifts created by your children.

Prices: Tea towels $20.00
Giftcards $6.00 each or $5.00 when you purchase 3 or more.
Book: $40.00 per copy

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Warringah Council** School holiday vacation care brochure now available. To download the full program and booking request form, please go to www.warringah.nsw.gov.au.


**Warringah Council CHRISTMAS BY THE BEACH**
Friday 18 December, 5.00-9.00pm, Dee Why Beach, Twilight Markets, Family Christmas Carols, Free Santa photos.

**Warringah Council NEW YEAR’S EVE FIREWORKS**
Thursday 31 December, 9.00pm, Dee Why Beach. Enjoy a spectacular fireworks display over Dee Why Beach! Picnic with your family and friends or visit your favourite restaurant on The Strand.

**Warringah Council AUSTRALIA DAY 2016**
Tuesday 26 January. Warringah celebrates with a Big Breakfast at Dee Why Beach and the Pool Party at the Warringah Aquatic Centre.

**NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK**

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**UNIFORM SHOP Opening times:**
Monday 2.30 to 3.00pm, Tuesday 8.40 to 9.00am
Friday 8.40 to 9.00am
Any enquiries email manlyvaleuniformshop@outlook.com

**MANLY VALE OSHC CENTRE**
Before and After School Care
0430 369 288
Website: primaryoshcare.com.au

**Scholastic Book Club**
Any enquiries regarding orders please email Kylie Freeman on paulandkylief@gmail.com

**P&C MEETINGS**
Every 2nd Tuesday @7.30pm in the Administration Block unless otherwise advised.

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

**School Holiday Camps**
Multi-Sport Program
involving tennis, soccer, fun and games
4-13 years of age

**Week 1**
January 11-15

**Week 2**
January 18 - 22

½ day sessions 9-12noon or 12.45-3pm
$28 per day, $112 per week*

Full day 9-3pm
$45 per day, $180 per week*

**Road Safety Tips**

Parking signs are designed to keep our children safe. Observe all parking signs at the front of the school—only park where you are legally allowed to.

**After School Tennis Program**
✓ Best coaches in NSW
✓ Bus pick up available 3:10pm each day
✓ Supervision 3:10pm - 6pm each day
✓ Free Trial
Warringah Recreation Centre Pittwater Rd, North Manly
Enquiries: wrc@voyagertennis.com Ph: 9938 1931

**MultiSport Holiday Camps**
8am - 6pm
✓ Every school holidays ✓ Super Cheap Prices