The term is racing by and Easter will be upon us in no time. Our school leaders had a wonderful time at Leadership Camp and especially cooking their own dinner on an open fire. Thank you Mr Dylan and Miss Phillips for attending the camp and giving our year 6 leaders this wonderful training. I certainly enjoyed teaching year 6 for the day while you were gone.

P & C Meeting
Last Tuesday night we had our second P & C meeting. Many of the ongoing concerns with traffic, buses and parking came up and some solutions suggested. This week we are to have lights installed on our school crossing and some random parking ranger visits. Please make sure that you do not park in the “No Stopping” area outside the school as it is very dangerous and blocks access to drivers and buses. We have elected year 5 bus monitors to report bus incidents in the morning and afternoon.

The P & C also gave the school $35,000 from the fundraising pool to purchase 2 new smartboards for the new demountable classrooms and support the Reading Recovery training within the school. The funds will also be used to provide visual workshops, assist in the implementation of maths extension groups in stage 3, develop a drama program in year 2 mentored by the Sydney Theatre Company and support science workshops with a science mentor from Sydney University. I’d like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents and community members who assist with ongoing fundraising for the school as it has provided all of our technology and now supporting programs in which to fully utilise the resources purchased.

School Fees
Yesterday the note for school fees went home. The government gives the school $65 per child to cover paper, books, resources for the year. The P & C do an amazing job in funding re big projects including wireless technology, laptops, Ipads, extra staff support for extension programs, and facilities including the shade shelter etc. The school fees cover the costs of art materials, science supplies, maths resources, readers including home readers, some technology, paper, books, pencils etc. The school cannot run to the capacity it is without these much needed fees. The voluntary contribution section on the fee schedule will cover library books and resources, science and maths equipment and whole school resources. Please try and pay your fees. You can pay it off in instalments over the year. Manly Vale prides itself on the quality of education and programs we can provide but this is only possible with your financial support.

Zone Swimming
Good luck to the 35 students who will represent our school at the Zone Swimming Carnival at Warringah Aquatic Centre. Mrs Cash and Mrs Ward will accompany the team. It is always a fantastic day and Manly Vale Public School students always strive to do their best in representing our school. Well done team!

Ride Safely To School - Friday 13 March
Tomorrow we are allowing students to ride their bikes to school. All bikes can be locked up behind the canteen. Bikes and helmets will be checked and school bike licences will be handed out on the day. Please ensure that your bike is in road worthy condition and enjoy this great physical activity. All PSSA games and training is cancelled tomorrow due to the Zone Swimming Carnival.

Design, Make, Innovate (DMI)
Our years 5 & 6 students have been working with Mackellar Girls Campus to design and make a bridge that meets specific criteria. The bridge had to span a 40 cm gap, be made from paddle pop sticks, string and masking tape and be able to hold a weight of 500g. I witnessed some fantastic designs and disasters yesterday but was very impressed with the amount of student engagement over this activity. The final DMI day is next Monday with the final judging done at Mackellar Girls Campus the following Friday.

Parent Teacher Interviews—Week 9 & 10 (23 March - 2 April)
The last 2 weeks of term have been scheduled for one to one interviews with your child’s class teacher. All interviews are booked online and the booking sheets will be open as from next Monday 16 March at 9.30am. Please log in using the instructions provided in this newsletter.
and on the note sent home and book a 15 minute slot with your child’s teacher.

**School Photos - Wednesday 18 March**
Next Wednesday is school photo day. Every student will be in a class and individual photo and envelopes should be in to your child’s teacher by Monday 16 March at the latest. Family photos require a separate envelope that can be picked up from the office, otherwise online ordering is available. Please make sure your child is wearing full school uniform on that day with black shoes and white ankle socks.

**School Council AGM - Monday 16 March**
Next Monday we will have our School Council AGM. If you are wishing to stand for a position on the school council for 2015 please fill in a nomination form and send into the office asap.

**Bus Monitors and Choir Captains**
Tomorrow the following students will receive leadership badges at morning assembly. I thank and congratulate these students in standing for these valuable positions within our school:


Choir Captains: Lily Graham, Jade Nelson

**Teddy Bears Picnic – today**
Kindergarten took their well loved teddy bears for a picnic today with their year 5 & 6 buddies. It was a wonderful outing for all students culminating in an ice block back at school. Thank you to the year 6 and kindergarten teachers for organising this lovely day out for our new students.

**Easter Hat Parade**
Our Kindergarten students will be making Easter bonnets with their buddies over the next few weeks and will parade them on Monday 30 March. Year 1 & 2 students will also be involved in the parade. Keep the afternoon free that day to come up and watch the parade.

**Student Concerns**
Please make sure that you keep your child at home if they are not well. We have had a lot of children coming to school sick of late with the office turned into a “medical facility” by lunchtime. If they are not well in the mornings it is best that they stay home to recuperate as we don’t have the staff or resources to look after a lot of sick and hurt children.

**Tina Lee**
Principal

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**Parent Teacher Interviews 2015**
Interview bookings will be opened to parents on Monday 16 March and cut off on Friday 20 March. Interviews will run during Weeks 9 & 10 from Monday 23 March to Friday 27 March and Monday 30 March to Thursday 2 April. To book an interview for your child you will need to log onto Manly Vale Public school website:

http://www.manlyvale-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

- Click on the ‘School Documents’ tab
- Click the link that says ‘Teacher Interview Bookings’
- Click on the link http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/home
- Enter the code-WEQYZ
- Click on your child’s teacher and follow prompts to add your name, email and child’s whole name.

**Lexi McDonald**

**Operation Art 2015: Call for Entries**
Operation Art 2015 is an initiative of The Children’s Hospital at Westmead in association with the New South Wales Department of Education and Communities. The Operation Art program provides a forum for schools and students to demonstrate their visual arts achievements through exhibitions at the Armory Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park and the Art Gallery of New South Wales.

**Conditions of entry**
Each school may submit up to four works of art from any student in Kindergarten – Year 6

**Theme:** Cheerful and uplifting works appropriate for display in hospitals.

**Entry fee:** $90 for framing each of the four selected artworks,( inc. GST).

**Size:** Minimum A4 (30 x 21cm), maximum A2 (42 x 60 cm), depth maximum 5mm

Students may use a variety of media and materials when creating works for submission to Operation Art. All entries must be 2D forms. Entries must be submitted to Mrs Kemp by the first week back after the Easter holidays: 20-24 April. Only selected finalists will receive a permission form which must be returned with payment by the end of Week 2 Term 2.

All submitted works will be professionally framed and exhibited at the Armory Gallery Sydney Olympic Park opening on Saturday 5 September 2015. Students, families, principals and teachers will be invited to attend the official opening. All exhibited students receive printed certificates, invitations and catalogues. Come and be treated like a star artist at the Sydney Olympic Park opening day event! Full details available at: www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au

**Katrina Kemp**
**2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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**2015 Kindergarten Open Day**

Sat March 28th gates open 5.00pm movie starts 7.00pm
Location: The Calabria Club, 1 Campbell pde Manly Vale

**CAFE OWL**

Due to District Swimming Carnival on Friday, Café Owl will stop serving at 8.40am sharp. So please get there early to enjoy our delicious Egg & Bacon Rolls & Coffee!

**HOT CROSS Bun SPECIAL MORNING TEA—MONDAY 30 MARCH**

Order on Flexischools (available next week) or write your order on a paper bag and hand it to the canteen. All orders by Friday 27 March please (Hot cross bun $1.50, chocolate/strawberry milk $2.00, popper $1.50).

**SCHOOL TERMS 2015**

Term 1 Wednesday 28 January to Thursday 2 April
Term 2 Tuesday 21 April to Friday 26 June
Term 3 Tuesday 14 July to Friday 18 September
Term 4 Tuesday 6 October to Wednesday 16 December
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Warringah Council Autumn 2015 School Holiday Program brochures are available from the school office. Some excursions programmed are Taronga Zoo, Maritime Museum, Imax Theatre, BBQ @ Clontarf etc.

Local Warringah Community Markets Saturday 14 March, 11.00am-4.00pm, 244 Warringah Rd, Beacon Hill. Handmade, artisan & mixed wares, fashion, kids, beauty, foods etc. Stall enquiries—0412 203 462.


UNIFORM SHOP Opening times:
Tuesday 8.40 to 9.00am
Friday 8.40 to 9.00am
Any enquiries email manlyvaleuniformshop@outlook.com

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.

MANLY VALE OSHC CENTRE
Before and After School Care
0430 369 288

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

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

PSSA SPORT
Please check the school’s website for cancellations of PSSA sport due to the weather www.manlyvale-ps.schools.nsw.edu.au

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