It was great to start our week with a whole school photo in the shape of a “60” to celebrate Manly Vale Public school’s 60th birthday. This photo will be on display in the school office later in the year but will feature in our communication of our birthday celebrations in Term 3. Our traditional whole school photo day is on Wednesday 18 March.

60th Birthday Committee
Our P&C fundraising team is gearing up for the celebrations by collating a school recipe book filled with stories, recipes and photos of our school and its community past and present. Our next P&C meeting Tuesday 10 March at 7.30pm we will talk about the celebrations and take names of people who would like to be a contact for past students, teachers and parents. Feel free to email the school with your expression of interest if you are unable to make the meeting.

Reading Recovery/ Higher Order Thinking Skills
Thank you to Mrs Katrina Kemp who is training to be the new Reading Recovery teacher for our school. Mrs Kemp has been busy evaluating year 1 students and assessing their reading capabilities. The other part of her role this year has been to cater for our gifted and talented students and in so doing many students have participated in science workshops over the past few weeks.

His name is Mr Henrique Furstenau Togashi and he will be assisting in classrooms during Term 2 & 3. We also will be liaising with the Sydney Theatre Company later in the year for some drama extension programs, and participating in some visual arts workshops later this term. Mrs Kemp, Ms Maksut and Miss Phillips have also set up Edmodo for online discussions of problem solving activities for interested students and will be running maths extension workshops for Stage 3 students next term. Thank you Mrs Kemp for all your work in setting up these valuable programs in our school.

Leadership Camp—next Monday 9 March & Tuesday 10 March
Next week our school leaders Laila Pincus, Sean Crowe, Tom Ellis, Juliette Nankervis, Charlotte Crowe, Sean Oikawa, Ruby Graham and Joshua Turner will attend their first leadership camp. They will participate in leadership training with other school leaders from other schools. Mr Dylan and Miss Phillips will attend some sessions over the 2 days. We are very proud of our school leaders and hope they have a wonderful learning experience next week.

Stage 2 Colonial Excursion
Next Monday, Stage 2 (years 3 and 4) will be going to the Rocks in the city to experience what it was like in the days of the early 1800s in Australia. Please make sure all permission notes have been returned to teachers and that students arrive on time to catch buses in that day. Teachers attending will be: Mrs Ward, Mrs Ashton, Miss Sussanna and Ms Maksut.

District Swimming—Friday 13 March
Congratulations to all the students who will be representing our school at the zone swimming carnival next week. We seem to have a strong team of 35 students this year and look forward to hearing their
results from the day. Thank you to Mrs Ward for her organisation of the event. Please ensure that permission notes and entry fees are paid as soon as possible to the office.

**PSSA Lunch Orders**—Sushi and Sandwiches available only
Due to popular demand we are going to allow PSSA students to order some lunches from the canteen on a Friday. The canteen workers are able to provide sushi and sandwiches for PSSA players but unfortunately will not be able to provide hot food to PSSA teams. Please feel free to order from this limited range on Fridays.
Thank you to Sarah and the volunteer helpers for providing this service.

**High School Forms**
Year 6 received their expression of interest forms for high school this week. All forms should be completed as soon as possible and returned to school for processing. The last day to return forms is Monday 16 March. A reminder that the Selective High School test is on Thursday 12 March at 9.00am.

**Parent Planner App**
If you purchased the Parent Planner App last year please complete the survey so we can get some feedback on its usage. Follow the link below:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8K8QKDX
The survey will close by Friday 13 March at 4pm.

**Ethics Teacher—Stage 3 Class**
One of our ethics teachers is unable to continue teaching next term and will need to be replaced. If you are interested in being trained as an ethics teacher to assist with the Stage 3 class please email Inessa Jackson on mvps.ethics@gmail.com.

**NAPLAN**—Tues 12 May, Wed 13 May, Thurs 14 May
Every year, year 3 and 5 students sit NAPLAN—National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy. The tests take place Australia wide. Please make sure that if your child is in years 3 or 5 that you don’t schedule any holidays during this time. The timetable is:

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**SRC & Leadership Assembly**
Last Friday we presented the SRC representatives, Library monitors and Band captains with their badges for the year. These leadership roles are very important in our school and I congratulate every student on their election.

**School Council—AGM**
Would you like to help build our new school?

The Manly Vale Public School Council is looking for new members for 2015 as we enter the exciting building stage of our new school redevelopment.

The role of the School Council is distinctly different from our fantastic P&C and focuses on the planning and management of the school to ensure the highest quality education of all our students.

Our School Council AGM is on 16 March so if interested please download the nomination form from our website or obtain one from the office and submit before 13 March. For more information call Stephen Hancock 0407 665 291.

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CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1

| MON  | 16 Mar | Meg Tonkin & Julia Beck |
| TUES | 17 Mar | Alex Cooling |
| WED  | 18 Mar | Shay Gillings |
| THURS| 19 Mar | Leonie Scholtens & Nancy Lambley |
| FRI  | 20 Mar | Greg Pryor, Heidi Galang, Julia Beck |
| MON  | 23 Mar | Lindi McK |
| TUES | 24 Mar | Amelia Johnson |
| WED  | 25 Mar | Susanna Popata |
| THURS| 26 Mar | Mel Grsic, Marina Hatzakis |
| FRI  | 27 Mar | Julie Rowe, Natalie Chew |

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 Sarah on 9948 7038 or email langley.sarah8@gmail.com

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN OPENING MONDAYS

Don’t forget the canteen is continuing to open on Mondays for lunch orders for EVERY week this term! The trial will be reviewed again at the end of the term and unless it is supported by the school community it will not continue beyond then. Sarah has a yummy new Monday menu so get your Monday lunch orders in.

PSSA Lunch Orders

Great news! PSSA participants are still able to order lunches on Fridays. However, due to volume and time constraints they are only able to order sushi and sandwiches. Anyone participating in PSSA and ordering a hot lunch will receive a cheese sandwich. Please assist the canteen by only ordering sushi and sandwiches on a Friday if you are in PSSA.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is for children K-9. The PRC is a NSW government initiative. **The aim is to encourage a love of reading for pleasure, experienced through quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge!**

For more information visit the PRC website: https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

Log on with your child’s school username and password eg. Username—john.smith  
Password—??

Please contact Glynis Poole  
PRC Coordinator

*check school newsletter for updates

PHOTO TIME

Wednesday 18 March

Is our annual Manly Vale Public School Photo Day. Class photos, individual portraits, sibling/family photos, SRC and Year 6 leaders photos will be taken on this day.

Envelopes are being handed out today for you to complete and return as soon as possible and returned before the photo day. You can also order online this year using the following code:

P2B 2TY HEW

Sibling/family photo order forms can be obtained from the office.

Students are to wear full SCHOOL UNIFORM on this day—even if they have dance (girls may want to wear short leggings underneath their dress or pack a pair in their bag). Also please make sure that you are wearing clean black shoes with white socks. We are very proud of our uniform at Manly Vale Public School and we wear it with pride.

Please help this photo day to be the best one yet. Thank you for your support!

Lexi McDonald- Photo Coordinator

Manly Vale Public School “RIDE2SCHOOL” Day

Friday 13 March

Lots of children at Manly Vale Public School ride their bikes to school each day—what a healthy, active way to start your learning day and save on petrol!......at Manly Vale Public School we would like to encourage our students to ride (part or whole way) to school on 13 March. Ms Cash will be.......and some other teachers too.....don’t forget to wear your helmets and a smile.

Ms Cash
**2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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**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