

MANNERING PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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🛉 PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It only seems like yesterday that I was writing our last newsletter. It is all hands-on deck around school with kindergarten orientation starting this week, reports being written and end of year activities being organised. I have been impressed with our school leaders and their amazing positive attitude, especially during last week's Remembrance Day ceremony.

Sentral Parents Portal

Notes will be heading home this week regarding our new parent communication platform. The Sentral Parent Portal is replacing SkoolBag and eventually Class Dojo. The app can be downloaded for free from the Apple App store and the Google Play store. When signing up, you will need to create an account using a personal email address. Once you have done this and verified your email, you can link your account to students at our school using the unique ID on your letter. If you misplace this, please contact the office. If you have another adult who would like to be linked to your child or children, please contact the school and leave your request with Lorna.

Facebook and Presentation Day

We are constantly updating and reenergising our Facebook page. Please jump on, give it a 'like' and let your family, friends and community know about it. Mrs Vine and I are looking at livestreaming our Presentation Day on Friday 4th December through Facebook. More information on this will be forthcoming.

WATER BOTTLES

Due to current COVID guidelines, the <u>school is not allowed to have bubblers</u> <u>operational</u>. Now that the warmer weather is kicking in, please remind students to bring a water bottle to school <u>with their names on them</u> as our water refill stations are still available.

Staffing for 2021

We have locked in our staffing for 2021 and classes are close to being finalised. While we won't announce actual staffing and classes until closer to the end of the year, we can confirm that Krista Dowdell and Kiah Tierney have both accepted temporary 12-month contracts for next year. Ms Dowdell will be on class and Mrs Tierney will be supporting Mrs Pilgrim in the Learning and Support role. Welcome back to the team Krista and Kiah!

Cross Country and Gibalee Day

I'd like to thank staff for their time and energy in supporting both the cross country and Gibalee Day this term. These were two very successful days and provided a great social outlet for students in what has been a very challenging year. While I know our term is looking slim in terms of extracurricular activities due to COVID, please be mindful that we have made certain decisions to ensure all students are receiving quality learning that was sorely disrupted at the beginning of the year.

★ STAR STUDENTS ★

I absolutely love seeing children excited about their learning! Well done Knoxx, Slater and Peter. Fantastic spelling and writing!

> Mitchell Welham Principal



P&C MEETING: Tuesday 17th November at 6:30pm in the staff room. Please enter through the pool gate and head straight to the staff room (next to the office block). All parents and community members are welcomer to ioin.

Presentation Day: Friday 4th Dec (Wk 8) **Reports to families:** Friday 11th Dec (Wk 9) **Last day for students:** Wednesday 16th Dec (Wk 10)

SEMESTER 2 REPORTS

Student reports will be heading home on **Friday 11th December (Week 9)**. These reports



will revert back to our full reporting scale and original school template as teachers will have had two consecutive terms of uninterrupted teaching and learning.

👻 REMINDERS

2021 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Kindergarten Orientation begins THIS WEEK!

- Wednesday 18th November: 9:15am to 11:00am
- Wednesday 25th November: 9:15am to 11:00am
- Wednesday 2nd December: 9:15am to 11:00am

On the day, parents/carers are to bring students to the office undercover area where they will sign on, sign a COVID Safe form and help sanitise hands. School leaders will walk future Kindy's down to the Kindergarten rooms. At 11:00am, parents/carers are to meet on the basketball court where students will be walked over at the end of their session.

STUDENTS WITH FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS

A reminder not to send students to school if they are unwell, even if they have mild symptoms. Parents MUST contact the school and take children to be COVID tested. The school must also be provided with proof of returned result.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE FOR 2021

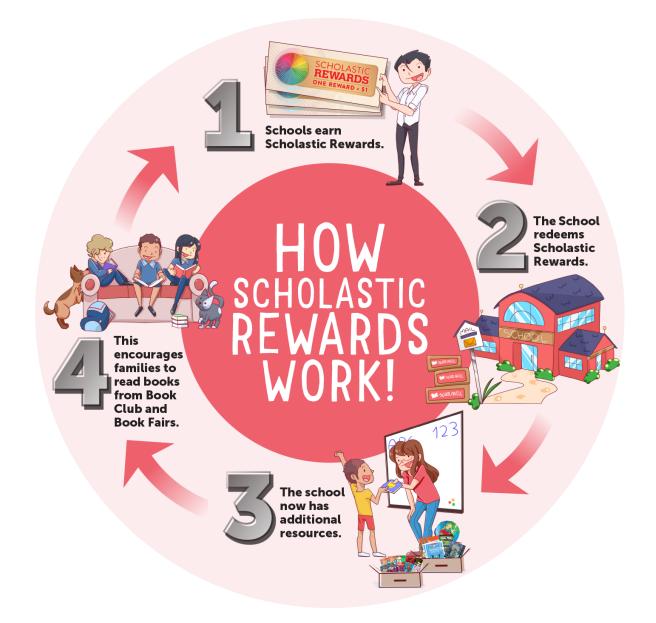
Families can prepare for the new school year as OSHC bookings for 2021 are now open. Registration is free for families interested in attending our care – and we recommend that all families register so that they can access care whenever they need it. They simply have to log in and register through our Parent Portal and start booking.

www.campaustralia.com.au/virtual-info-sessions

Bookclub News

Bookclub issue 8 is due back to school or ordered online through the LOOP system by Friday 27 November. This is our last bookclub for this year.

We would like to thank all the students and parents that support our school by purchasing books through our Scholastic bookclub. This diagram shows how it works.





Give the gift of reading this Christmas!

Wednesday 25 November: 8pm—5pm Thursday 26 November: 8am—5pm Friday 27 November: 8am—5pm

Scholastic Warehouse - Gate 3, 76-80 Railway Crescent, Lisarow

We are opening our warehouse doors one last time before Christmas. There will be incredible book deals that are too good to miss!

We hope you find this an incredibly affordable way of restocking your classroom and school library, buying end of year gifts or ticking off your Christmas shopping list.

Come along for some amazing book bargains and if you can't make it, please share the details with your colleagues and school community so they don't miss out!

We hope to see you there!

For the latest updates and announcements please follow this event on Facebook by clicking the link below.



