

Principal P&C Report November 2022

Thank You Morning Tea 17th November 11.15am.

We invite all P&C volunteers who support our students at Manly West to attend a morning tea at the Griffin St entrance next Thursday 17th November at 11.15am. We are so appreciative of the enormous support our students and staff receive throughout the year from the P&C, Scripture and Ethics teachers, parents and caregivers and the wider community of volunteers. This year of course has been a significantly busy year with our Centenary.

Centenary Dance and Drama Production

This was a successful event with parents and caregivers giving praise and positive feedback. The students were engaged and active and will have excellent memories of the Centenary production.

Referendum House Names

The students have used a referendum led by Year 6 and they have had a majority of students voting to change the House names. The staff and parents will now be surveyed. The colours will remain the same.

Invoicing

Invoicing has been very different this term. We apologise for some confusion as we are changing over to a new system and hope to have this in place in 2023. WE currently need parents to support the PSSA Summer invoicing and the Arts and Craft Levy. We will also be sending out a technology levy next year to update our computer needs for NAPLAN and Check in Assessments. Check in assessments are becoming more frequent throughout the year and computers need to be in excellent order for students to complete without technical problems.

PSSA and Buses

As parents are aware, there are high end challenges with buses for all schools. The NBLA Principals have proposed a Gala Day twice a year for Summer and Winter PSSA, trialling in Term 1. We will find out soon whether the NSW PSSA has approved this suggestion. This will alleviate the bus problems.

Education –Professional Learning

The new K-2 syllabus will be implemented in 2023. Our staff are already very familiar with the new English and Maths language and the explicit teaching that will be expected to occur for our students. The Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction (APCI) leaders, Mrs Milburn and Mrs Johnson are currently guiding our Assistant Principals with programming and scope and sequences for K-2. Each week at the management meeting, they are also demonstrating some of the key points of the documents for staff so that they become familiar.

In 2023, Mrs Milburn and Mrs Johnson (APCI) will conduct a webinar to parents to support parent knowledge of the new curriculum. The teachers and students this year have focused on Reading, Fluency and Vocabulary.

By next week, 15 staff will have completed the Lyn Sharratt Learning Suite Clarity modules. Another 12 staff will complete a mini version next year.

Visible Learning and Novice to Master with Writing will continue in 2023.

AMU/Landscaping

New Roofs for Toilets completed.

New Roofs for Block A, B, C will be completed between now and January 13th 2023.

Landscaping for Boyle St will start 19th Dec 2022.

Playground equipment concept \$110000 has been approved by the Asset Management for 2023 installation

Julie Organ

Principal

Manly West PS.