

KEY DATES

DECEMBER

- 2 YR 6 GRADUATION
- 9 PUPIL FREE DAY
- 10 YR 10 FINAL DAY
- 15 PRESENTATION
- 15 STUDENT LED INTERVIEWS
- 16 PUPIL FREE DAY
- 17 END OF TERM (1PM FINISH)



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 MATILDA LEHNER
- 5 MISS S
- 6 MELODY LITTLEWOOD
- 6 JOHNNY WALTERS
- 12 CHAYSE PLANT
- 16 ISABEL GRANT
- 19 DANIEL ZANKER
- 23 ELLA TOGATUKI
- 26 LUKE THOMPSON
- 31 JOBHI PLANT

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 6 CHELSEA CHAPMAN
- 10 KIM
- 14 MRS CARROLL
- 27 ZACH LEHNER
- 28 JAICE SMYTHE
- 31 MR VINE

TERM DATES

- Term 1: 27 Jan - 01 Apr 2021
- Term 2: 19 Apr - 25 Jun 2021
- Term 3: 12 Jul - 17 Sep 2021
- Term 4: 04 Oct - 17 Dec 2021



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Manangatang P-12 College Newsletter

Respect

Relationships

Resilience

Responsibility

This week we welcome Kate Everitt to our staff for 2022. Kate has a very strong and successful history as a teacher's aide. She will be working with the Primary team to support students requiring intervention and additional supports.

Our assembly this week was magic!

This week we hosted the 2022 Foundation students and their parents. College Captain speeches were presented Manang Star Awards were presented Led by the SRC led it started off with the F/1 students and their Year 6 buddies dance presentation

2022 College Captains

Congratulations to Alannah Taylor and Jake Baker for being elected as the 2022 College Captains. Commiserations to Tom Cassidy and Harper Mcnicol who missed out. All four students presented inspiring and convincing speeches at this week's assembly; we were very proud of each of them. The SRC will be led by Sarah Plant and Nic Vine next year, I look forward to seeing how the positive culture around student voice, leadership and agency continues to grow.

Camps and Excursions

Last week I was lucky enough to witness the awesomeness of our students on camp and on excursion. I visited the Year 7 and 8 students at Green Lake. I found them paddle boarding in the lake it was heart-warming to see them playing happily together, Sarah and Nic had been approached by nearby campers who wanted to share how impressed they were with the way the students conducted themselves, their friendliness and happy disposition. Then on Friday I accompanied the Spirit House winners to Mildura to celebrate their achievement again – not that I was surprised but I was touched by the nurturing nature of our older students towards the younger ones and the gentle friendships they have with each other. We had a beautiful day; I hope this will be a tradition that will continue in years to come. The Mallee students who remained at school spent the day doing team building activities including a flash mob dance that was executed at the school assembly this week.

Excellence in Maths

This term primary students sat the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) Progressive Achievement Tests in Mathematics (PATMaths) test with fabulous results. A huge congratulations to the following students for achieving a certificate of Excellence:

Johnny Walters top 1%, William Grant top 4% and Kayla Shand top 20% of Australian Year 1 students

Rory Plant top 2% of Australian Year 2 students

Elise Thompson top 2% and Amelia Johnson top 25% of Australian Year 3 students

Jasper Plant top 25% of Australian Year 4 students



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Student Led Conferences After Awards Ceremony Wednesday December 17 Update

The Manangatang P-12 College Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday December 15 starting at 10.30am in the stadium. Student Led Conferences will begin after the Awards Ceremony and run until 2.45pm. These will take place in the primary wing. Primary teachers will complete Student Led conferences with their homegroup students.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 8,9&10	Year 11
Nic Isabel Caitlin Cooper Jayda Anders	Kaylene Jaxon Ricky Lee Maddy Rylee Declan	Shelley Alex Jorja Lex Lachie	Melinda Ben Sienna Gabby Ruby	Nat Plant All Year 11 students

Secondary students will be shared across teachers as stated below.

Parents may also touch base with subject teachers during this time but not in lieu of Student Led conferences.

Robbie, Marney, Nat M, and Leonie will supervise students in room 5A and the library

Students are free to go home once their Student Led Conference is completed.

There is no need to make appointments, student led conferences will be timed and will not go longer than 15 minutes

There will be a Sausage Sizzle (gold coin donation) and bottled water on sale while families wait for their appointments. Students are free to go home once their Student Led Conference is completed.

All visitors to the school must bring their vaccination certificates to enter the stadium for the Awards Ceremony.

Unvaccinated parents can arrange a Zoom meeting with teachers for Student Led Conferences. These can be arranged at any time.

Please call the front office if you have any queries.

Wishing you all a safe and Merry Christmas.

Nat Mouvet

Congratulations

Sara and Jaiden

Caccianiga on

the birth of

Marlie Anna



College News

African Drumming

Students were able to experience and participate in an African Drumming session on Wednesday 24th November. The Preschool invited us to join in with this opportunity and it was really great to integrate the soon to be Foundation students of 2022.

Kofi was our wonderful facilitator and all students gave drumming a try. The stadium was filled with laughter, chanting and thumping of the drums. Staff also participated and found some difficulty when it came to waving AND hitting the drum at the same time.

Miss Amanda



2022 Science Project

During the Summer holidays could everyone please keep their 1.25 and 2 litre PET plastic bottles and bring them to school next year. Year 7/8 Science are going to build a PET bottle greenhouse in the Ag Plot – this project covers lots of areas such as recycling, sustainability, heat energy, energy transfer.

The younger students will also be able to do mini greenhouses with them and germinate seeds for the garden beds.

Thank you



FOUND

A wireless earbud was found in Mr Goodwin's class.

If you believe this is yours, please come to the office with the matching pair for identification.

Ninja Warrior

On the second day of the Grade 2 camp, they worked with the Grade 3's on a collaborative project. Students were asked to work as a group, without teacher intervention, to create a Ninja Warrior course for the class. They watched some Ninja Warrior episodes, examined the playground and came up with a course for us to try. Students then created roles for other students not competing. Every student had a go at the course, filming, commentating, supporting the Ninja and being in the crowd. We had a guest Ninja compete (thanks Jobhi) which created interest from other classes. Other secondary students then had a go at the course and interest continued to grow, with staff all becoming involved. We ended up with five different categories. The next step was to design trophies and print certificates. We looked at the original Ninja Warrior trophies and designed our own Manang trophies and medallions. Winners were:



Category	Winner	Encouragement Award
F/1	Johnny Walters	Hurley Anderson
2/3	Chayse Plant	Ella Togatuki
4/5/6	Darcy Plant	Matilda Lehner
Secondary	Ben Zanker	Gabby Zanker
Staff	Nat Plant	Miss Amanda

The Year 2/3 class would like to thank everyone who competed and supported our class project that grew into a whole school event.



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Swimming Program

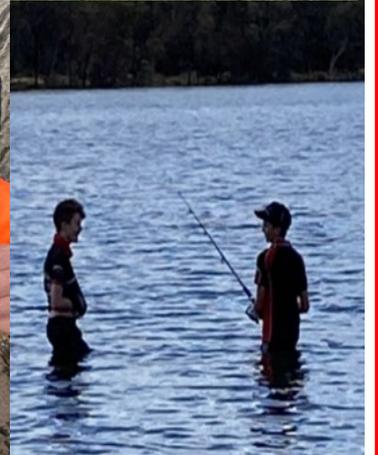
The warm weather has timed its run superbly to coincide with the beginning of our Swimming Program. In Primary classes, our focus has been body positioning and kicking, with a few fun challenges as well. The Secondary students have been playing aquatic games they designed earlier in the year, focusing on collaboration and communication.



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7-8 Camp

After Covid restrictions prevented the original camp to 15 Mile Creek, the 7/8s had a two day camp at Green Lake. The focus of the camp was connection, with the two groups having a series of challenges to complete, both in and out of the water. The students had the opportunity to paddle, swim, bike ride and fish. They made the most of this and were constantly active as a group throughout the camping period. Other campers at Green Lake commented on how well the students interacted with each other and fellow campers at the Reserve, which is a credit to the way the students conducted themselves. Thanks to Mrs. Mackenzie for her organisation of the camp, and to Sarah Plant and Mr. Vine for taking the students and creating an enjoyable camp.



Merry
Christmas



College News

MANANGANTANG STAR AWARDS



*Congratulations to the following students who received a Manangatang Star Award
for their outstanding work and effort during Weeks 7 & 8*

Carter Arentz; Numeracy
Willow Walsh; Transition into a new class
Elise Thompson; Numeracy
Aidan Plant; Numeracy
Jasper Plant; Literacy
Jayda Plant; PE and Camp
Alex Barker; Fun Day

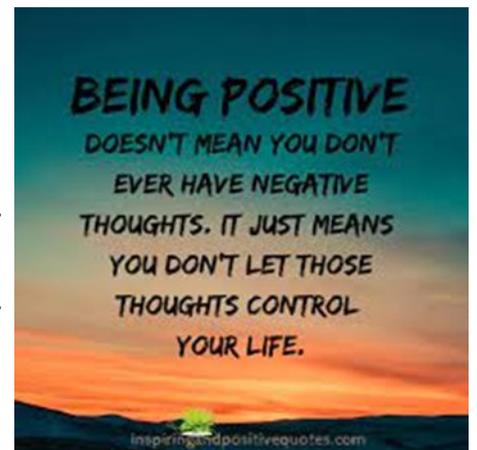


Wellbeing Update- Kim Critchley

Today (1st December) I had the awesome privilege of watching students find the Elf on the shelf, who is hiding around the school. Other students helped me decorate my room. I loved that the students were looking forward to seeing how my room would be decorated, sadly due to a sore back there was not much decorating. Hence why the offer of help was greatly taken up. LOST, however, is one Christmas tree. You would think I would have remembered where I put this away. I am sure it will pop up soon, hopefully.

For some, the reason for the season is not one of celebration and joy. It is quite the opposite, so I want to take this time to acknowledge this. For some who struggle either financially, mentally or emotionally this time of year can be a reminder of what has not gone well for them, what has been lost or never gained. How does Santa bring laptops, gaming consoles, new phones, iPad's for some, while others get clothes, school bags, bathers, when really all they wanted was a bike???? Does Santa love other kids more ????? Clearly the answer is NO! Santa loves us all the same. Well then, the next question is "why did Sally get a new bike and I didn't, I put that on my Christmas wish list like Sally did"? How do you explain this to your kids if they ask? What is your go to? Have you thought about what messages we are giving our kids with Santa and gifts???? Do we and our kids show gratitude??? How??? Christmas, gift giving and gratitude this time of year seem to come up a lot don't you think?

Today I send out positive thoughts to all of you who need it. I am letting you know that your future does sit in your hands, you can make it a good one. Your past does not define you and we all have one, it has the opportunity to make us stronger if we choose to allow it to. Find the joy, what makes you happy and focus on that. Ask your kids about the African drumming, it was uplifting, taught us to stop and listen (we were not great initially in following instructions) and to rejoice in our skill which we all have.





SOMERS SCHOOL CAMP



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Dear Parents

Every two years our school is offered a limited number of places at the Department of Education and Training's Somers School Camp. This year our allotted time is from 1/3/2022 until the 9/3/2022. It is a nine day commitment and as such I would ask that you **only** fill in the expression of interest form, if children can attend without concerns of sports or family commitments. Sunday is a day when visitors can attend from 12.00 – 2.30pm and again children **must** be able to return to their camp activities willingly after their family leaves.

Children who gain selection from our school will join with 100 Grade 5 and 6 children from our school district in this very special Outdoor Education and Personal Development program.

The camp has both indoor and outdoor activities all run by specialist permanent teaching staff with the assistance of nine local teachers who will accompany the children to and from the camp.

The activities are mainly physical and outdoor and include High and Low Ropes Courses, Boating, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Challenge Swing and Initiative Activities which require a reasonable level of physical fitness. All children are also required to take part in the following activities: Archery, Art, Drama, Environmental Studies, Bush Cooking, Orienteering, Bike Education, Flying Fox, Bush Dancing, Disco Night, Singing and Diary Writing. Separate boys and girls living arrangements are provided but all activities are done in mixed groups.

The fee for the camp is \$260 and must be paid in full before children can attend. The fee includes transport, accommodation, meals and pocket money.

This is a great camp and provides children with the opportunity to accept challenges, improve their self esteem, meet and mix with others from our local area, have fun and learn at the same time.

If you would like your Grade 5 or 6 child to attend please fill in the expression of interest form below and return it by Friday 10th December.

Names will be selected at random however consideration of behaviour and social skills must be taken into account.

If you have any questions please contact me at school.

Donna Mackenzie,
Camp coordinator.

Somers School Camp Expression of Interest

My child would like to be considered to attend Somers School Camp next year on 1st March until 9th March 2022.

Parent/Guardian please sign this form and return it to school by **Friday 10th December.**

Thankyou

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Parent Signature

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Date

SCRUBLORD CAR WASH

Where: Stadium entrance of College

When: 24/11/2021 from 10.30am

07/12/2021 from 9.30am

What: **Basic Wash** \$5.00 (hose off with pressure washer)

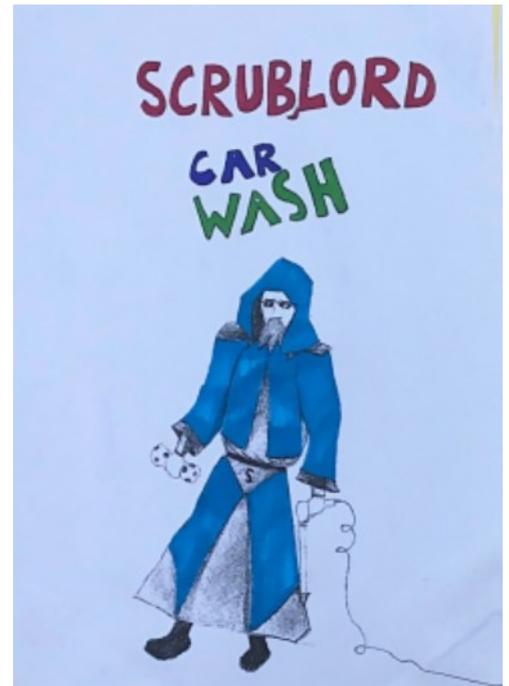
Soap Wash \$10.00 (hose off, soap up, rinse)

Soap and polish \$15.00 (hose off, soap up, rinse, polish)

Soap, polish and interior \$20.00 (hose off, soap up, rinse, polish and interior clean)

Interior clean \$7.00 (interior vacuum and wipe)

Extra: For \$1 extra you can get a light beverage and snack



POT PLANTS

Succulent bowls - \$5-\$10
Individual succulents - from
\$1.00

Christmas market
wednesday the 8th of December

Christmas market

drinks

Slushies - from \$3.00

Soft drinks - \$2.00

Water bottles - \$2.00



PRESCHOOL TRANSITION DAY

THURSDAY 9TH DEC - 10:30AM TO 12:30PM
AT MANANGATANG PRESCHOOL

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE FOR MORNING TEA

The **Manangatang Racing Club's Annual General Meeting** is this year taking place via Zoom to accommodate the late harvest and save travel time and costs for board members.

What: Manangatang Racing Club Annual General Meeting

When: Thursday December 9

Time: 7pm

Where: via Zoom

Any board members who have not received the Zoom link via email should contact club secretary Adam McNicol by emailing him at adam@tenbagpress.com.au or contact club president Neville Arentz at Nutrien Ag Solutions Manangatang.

Thank you!

Adam



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VANILLA, CHOCOLATE AND
STRAWBERRY ICE CREAM -
\$5.00

SMALL LOLLY CUP - \$3.50

LARGE LOLLY BAG - \$4.50

AVAILABLE AT THE
CHRISTMAS MARKET
DECEMBER 8TH

CANDLES & KEY RINGS

HANDMADE WITH LOVE
GREAT GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS
CASH ONLY PLEASE

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 8TH 2021

5 PM

MANANGATANG REC RESERVE

Merry
Christmas



CHRISTMAS MARKET



Food + Drink Stalls / Fresh Produce /
Handmade Goods / Pot Plants / Candles /
And Much More

- Wednesday December 8, 2021 -
- 5:00 PM -

MANANGATANG REC RESERVE

Gold Coin Entry
Cash Event - No Eftpos Available

kindly sponsored by:



Lost Property

Just recently it seems that quite a few jumpers, hats and other personal items (lunch boxes) are being found in the yard and left behind in classrooms. It is easy to return items when they have been labelled. To help staff return items can you please ensure that all personal items have a name on them.



COLLEGE PAYMENTS ARE NOW DUE

College payments can be paid directly into the
College bank account

BSB 033 250

Account number 602160

with your name as a reference,

or by cheque made payable to

Manangatang P-12 College...Thankyou

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***Manangatang P-12 College
acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres
Strait Islander peoples as the first
peoples and traditional custodians of
the lands where we live, learn and
work.***



MANANGATANG COMMUNITY CAROLS

Sunday 19th December

Catholic Church lawn @ 7.30pm

Bring your own chairs. No supper due to restrictions.

Free icypoles on the night.

Offering to the local school

For further information contact: Lionel Price 0447241157

To attend this event, you must be double vaccinated

