**WHAT'S GOING ON AT MANO?**

### OCTOBER

**Mon 26th - Thurs 5th**  
Bike Education - *helpers needed, please see Mr Santilli if you can help us!*

**Thurs 29th**  
Music Count Us In - singing group

### NOVEMBER

**Mon 2nd**  
School Captain photos

**Tues 3rd**  
Mano Cup!

**Fri 6th**  
Walkathon!

**Sat 7th**  
Manifold Heights Community Garden Food Swap - 9-11am

**Weds 11th**  
Prep Transition 11:30am-1pm

**Mon 16th-Fri 20th**  
Prep - 2 Swimming Program

**Fri 20th**  
Seniors Blue Light Disco!

**Mon 23rd-Fri 27th**  
Prep - 2 Swimming Program

**Weds 25th**  
Queenscliff Bike Ride Parent Helper Meeting in the Senior Hub

### DECEMBER

**Weds 2nd**  
Parent Helpers Morning Tea

**Thurs 3rd**  
Prep BBQ!

**Sat 5th**  
Manifold Heights Community Garden Food Swap - 9-11am

Victorian State Schools Spectacular highlights on channel 7 at 7pm

**Tues 8th**  
Prep Transition - 9:30-11am

**Thurs 10th**  
Grade 6 Graduation

**Friday 11th**  
Whole School Transition!

**Mon 14th - Tues 15th**  
Queenscliff Bike Ride - grade 5/6 students

**Fri 18th**  
Term 4 Ends - 1:30pm finish!

**Thurs 24th**  
Christmas Eve!

**Fri 25th**  
Christmas Day!

**Sat 26th**  
Boxing Day!
Best wishes to Ms Schuster - On Friday Ms Schuster commences Maternity Leave and we wish her all the very best for the immediate future.

We welcome Mrs McPhee to our Prep team and look forward to her positive contribution during the last 7 weeks of the 2015 school year.

Planning for 2016 - Staff are currently considering class groupings for next year – taking into account parental input, student preferences and existing teacher recommendations.

This work is complex and time consuming. Whilst we also have 3 new staff to appoint for 2016, planning for next year will progress in the coming weeks with details released before the end of this term to the school community, this also included details around 2016 Booklists and Essential Education Items.

Music Count Us In - Across Australia today at 12:30pm some 600,000 students joined in to sing the song ‘GOLD’.

Whilst most students came together in the multipurpose room for this, a selected group joined community members from other schools at Costa Hall, Deakin University. This special event brings a love of music to many and celebrates the power of community.

100 tokens = Principal for an hour - At this stage of the year, some students have achieved 100 tokens and have been rewarded with being the Principal for an Hour at Mano. They have engaged in various tasks and activities in this role, including making announcements, extending morning recess, visiting classrooms and recognising positive student and staff work, sending emails, answering phone calls, approving canteen menu items, inspecting playground works, checking oval sprinkler systems, contributing to the newsletter and offering staff employment for 2016! This milestone of 100 tokens is part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Program at Mano.

Let’s keep Unleashing Potential
Barry Rowland
Principal

State Athletic Championships
Ebony McLean competed at the School Sport Victoria State Athletic Championships in Melbourne on Monday. We congratulate Ebony on reaching this level of competition and also on the outstanding results she achieved at these sports. Congratulations, Ebony!

Results:
3rd Girls 11 years Triple Jump
7th Girls 11 years 200 metres

Ball Games Day!
We are very excited to be holding the Prep and Junior Ball Games Day on Monday 9th November at Peter Lowe Reserve from 9:20-11am.

All Prep and Junior Students will be participating in a number of game/events.

We are welcoming anyone that would like to watch and/or help to come on down. A note with more information will be sent home in the coming week. We hope to see you there!

Mrs Collett

Bike Education - Can you help us?
We need your help! Can you donate a bike to our Bike ed program, either temporarily or permanently?

We are also looking for some helpers for our Bike Education for an hour or so each morning.

If you can help with either of these could you please let Mr Santilli or the Office know.

Thank you,
Mr Santilli

If you are paying for an excursion, please remember that we require your child’s permission note and payment at the same time. If you know you have a credit on your account please write “Credit” on your child’s permission note and we will offset the money against that excursion and stamp the permission note with “PAID”.

Western Metropolitan Region Softball Finals
On Tuesday the Boys Softball team travelled to Keilor Park Recreation Reserve to compete in the Western Metropolitan Region Softball Finals. All games were very close and we congratulate the boys on their performance and effort. Many thanks to Mrs Ellis, Mrs Huntley, Mrs Thornton and Mr Mirovich for transporting the children and also for your support on the day!

Results:
Mandama 4 d. Manifold Heights 2
Manifold Heights 11 d. Wyndham Park 10
Spotswood 8 d. Manifold Heights 3
As mentioned in previous Newsletters, all 2016 student Stationary requirements will be required to be ordered and paid for online. More information detailing this simple process is to come.

Other charges e.g. Essential Education Items and Voluntary Contributions will be required to be paid to the school either at the school office, online via Qkr! payment app or via BPay.

We estimate that stationary packs will be between $60.00 - $80.00 per pack depending on year level and what you order.

Essential Education Items charges will be $130.00 per student and this will cover student diary, Mathletics licence, Literacy online licence, Mathsmate, bulk resources and photocopying of text books.

Suggested amounts for Voluntary Contributions are: $10, $20, $50, $100 and will go towards our Building Fund (tax deductible), Computer Replacement Program and Grounds program.

There will also be a computer with internet access available at school for those families without internet access of their own.

Art Award
Kaisercraft are kindly sponsoring a weekly Art Award this term. Each week one student will receive a $20 Kaisercraft voucher. This week’s Art Award goes to:

Jaymee Rhodes - For creative ideas and skilful work!

Mano Cup - Tues 3rd November
As you know on Tuesday 3rd of November we will be celebrating the annual ‘Mano Cup’. Remember to dress up in your best races get up. Some examples you may dress up as are a Bookie, Jockey, your favourite dress and a fascinator etc.

REMININDER: The canteen is offering a special lunch menu for students to purchase their ‘Lunch at the races’. Lunch will be held at normal time but on the middle oval. Students are able to bring a picnic blanket to sit on during their lunch eating time. Orders are due by Friday 30th October.

2016 Parent Payments
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Mano’s before and after school care program is run by Camp Australia. More information can be found at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

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‘Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss you’ll land among the stars.’

Les Brown

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