Dear Parents

Our Commitment; Excellence, Innovation, Community

In this Mona Vale Mail I speak about our Fund Raising activity for 2013. Fund raising is vital if we are to continue to improve our facilities and provide 21st Century resources for our students. I ask the community to get behind our one event, the Car Raffle, a new concept for our school community but an extremely effective one. While it is easy to say Governments should provide additional funds, the reality is that they provide the basics. At Mona Vale we will provide a world class education with world class resources. I need your support to achieve this goal for our students.

P&C 2013
The new P&C Executive has been elected and I would like to congratulate Vice Presidents Aid Bisson and Sarah Saunders, Treasurer Alison de Kleuver, Secretary Harris Anasson, Executive Members Christopher Hunt, Mark Welch, Mark Thornton, Severine Deleure, Katy Wiseman, Veronica Sewell, Nadine Phipps and Trudi Seymour.

At the moment the President’s position is vacant and we are hopeful that someone in our community would be willing to undertake that role. If you are interested please contact the school and we will pass on your interest to the P&C Executive. I look forward to working with new Executive to achieve the exciting projects we have in place for this year.

Fund Raising Car Raffle 2013
We will be holding one fund raising event in 2013, the raffling of a Nissan Micra, provided by Narrabeen Lakes Rotary. The funds raised will be used to complete the 2013 Technology Plan by providing a secure wireless network across the school and completing our playground equipment improvements. The raffle will involve each child being sent home with two books to sell. Tickets are $2 each and are very easy to sell, no chocolates, tooth brushes or Freddo’s!!

The raffle is audited by the NSW Government so it important that unused books be returned and noted. The raffle has the potential to raise in excess of fifty thousand dollars with very minimal effort. Most extended family members and neighbours are happy to part with $2 to win a car.

A simple organisation sheet will accompany the tickets home that will explain the process to return the tickets. This raffle was run at my previous school, with enormous success over the past 7 years and a member of the local community has been the winner of the car on four occasions. It would be good for a Mona Vale community member to win in 2013.

Greg Jones  BA Macq  MA Ed Macq
Principal
Term 1, Week 4
Friday 22nd February 2013

Mona Vale Planner

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From the Office

Administration hours are Monday to Friday 8.30am – 3.15pm

Term 1 Accounts & Excursions
Term 1 accounts have been sent home this week. Please make sure you have returned your pink permission note to your teacher. We have already had a large number of accounts paid. Thank you! Early settlement of accounts is much appreciated.

School Website
A copy of all the notes that came home with the term account have been posted on our website. The website also has dates for Kindergarten 2014 tours. Enrolments for Kindergarten 2014 will be accepted after 29th April.

PSSA T-Ball
Apologies T-Ball parents I did not invoice the cost of PSSA on your account. Please add $30 to your account if you are in the PSSA T-Ball team. Apologies for the inconvenience.

Mosman and St Ives High School Academic and Performing Arts Extension Program
Information packs have arrived for these schools. If you would like more information please contact Administration.

Thanking you

Leonie Gallard, School Administration Manager
Amelie, Charlie and McKenzie with a selection of the toys and resources we were able to purchase

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Last year our school community collected thousands of Woolworths ‘Earn and Learn’ vouchers. Last week we took delivery of all the fantastic resources we were able to purchase with the vouchers. Kindergarten and Year 1 classes have new games and resources which are already being used. Mona Vale School would like to say a massive thank you to Woolworths, Modern Teaching Aids and all the wonderful friends of the school who collected the vouchers for us.

Simone Rizzuto
Assistant Principal

Canteen

From Monday, when you are ordering chicken burgers now on Flexischools - there is a slight change. Same delicious chicken burger but it will come as a chicken burger with lettuce as standard - extras like tomato sauce, mayonaise or bbq sauce will come in a sachet in your lunch order bag. Any combination - as now - will remain at $3.50.
This week we are very happy to have Mr Hill back on board for rehearsals and pleased to hear that baby Adam is out of hospital and doing very well.

**Band Camp**

All band families should have received their band camp forms and invoices this week. Please note the following important dates:

Permission forms due back to the school office: **Next Friday 1st March**

Band camp fees due: **Friday 15th March**

Band camp dates: **5th – 7th April (6th - 7th for Training band)**

If you have not received these notes, please ensure that you advise the band committee of your email address by emailing monavaleband@gmail.com. Remember to tell us your child’s name and which band they are in.

**Band fees**

For Performance and Concert bands, Semester 1 band fees and Band Camp fees have been included on the one invoice for accounting purposes. However please note that while camp fees must be received by Friday March 15th, Semester 1 fees are not due until Tuesday April 2nd.

**Primary Discos**

This term’s primary disco will be held on the last day of 1st term, Friday 12th April.

Last week’s newsletter mentioned that the disco would be held at Pittwater High School. However there are a number of logistical issues to be worked through so at this stage the venue for Term 1 disco is still to be confirmed.

The very popular primary discos are our band program’s only fundraiser for the year. This money is vital to the band program and is used to buy and service instruments, and to purchase the wonderful music that our children play. We need up to 20 volunteer parents for each disco to help make it a safe and fun night for the kids.

We are asking parents to volunteer on the night that their child’s band is rostered on. We would love it if you could spare 2 hours once a year and help our band program.

We will advertise for volunteers closer to the disco.

Term 1 – Performance Band
Term 2 – Training Band
Term 3 – Concert Band
Term 4 – Open to all band parents (those who have not had a chance to help out).

MVPS Band Committee

monavaleband@gmail.com.au
Congratulations to our Tennis stars. Charlotte Davanzo and Josh Cranston were successful at the district trials and will be representing our school and Pittwater zone at the Regional trials at Parramatta on the 12th March.

Congratulations to our Basketballers, Ella Worland, Jasmine Bonomi and Gabi Van Dyk, who will be representing our school and Pittwater zone at the regional basketball trials at Thornleigh on the 5th March.

Congratulations to Ella Worland who was successful in gaining a spot in the Manly Warringah Netball squad. Well done Ella we are proud of you.

Congratulations to our cricketing girls, Jemma Murphy, Sharon Nobs and Aleesa May who will be representing our school and Pittwater zone at the regional basketball trials at Ourimbah on the 4th March.

Good luck to all of our Zone competitors, swimming at the WAC on Thurs 28th Feb in the Pittwater Zone carnival. Swim fast and have fun!

Good luck to all our sporting stars. We are proud of you.

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**COMMODORES NETBALL CLUB**

Your friendly local netball club
Looking for a few more girls to join their teams this season.
All abilities welcome
 Especially from Yrs 2, 3, & 6
 Girls age 8, 9 & 12 this year

Have fun, make new friends and be part of great team of girls
Come on your own or with a friend
Call Vicky 0432 058 277

Narrabeen Football Club requires soccer players.

U11s - Require 2 to 3 players
U12s - Require 3 to 4 players

Games are on Saturdays. Mixed teams.

For more information see the website (http://www.narrabeenfc.com.au/) or contact the subjunior coordinator Jo at subjuniors@narrabeenfc.com.au