Principal's Report

Just recently, at our school assembly, I spoke to students about how important relationships are in life. At Marsden we recognise that the ability to develop and maintain quality relationships underpins a successful school career and later, productive, worthwhile and meaningful lives. The Department has recently revised its behaviour code for students. A significant aspect of this document describes expectations around the concept of respect. Some of the expectations include:

- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform and dress code
- Take care of property

Positive behaviour and outlook on the part of students goes a long way to building productive relationships with staff. This, in turn, gives staff the incentive to give that little bit more, that ultimately could make a significant difference to learning outcomes.

At Marsden we have high standards and expectations of our students. We also have fantastic staff that work really hard at looking after the interests of our students: in classrooms and in providing the large number of extra curricular opportunities that enable students to explore learning and shine. That is the reason why we have a happy, productive and dynamic atmosphere within the school. I would like to acknowledge and thank all our staff members for making our school a great place to learn and work and our students for their high levels of engagement and productive relationships with staff.

Gus Vrolyk
Principal

Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 28th July in the Library at 7:30pm

Canteen Helpers Needed

The canteen would love to have another 12 volunteers on its books. The normal hours are 10am to 2:30pm. Whether you can help once a month or once a fortnight, we would love to hear from you.

Thursdays and Fridays require the most volunteers. Please contact Rae on 0421 458 890 or the canteen direct on 9858 1367 if you can help
Year 7 2016 Applications
All enrolment applications for Year 7 2016 with supporting documentation, need to be returned to the Year 6-7 enrolment officer as soon as possible please.

This documentation needs to be completed before the Year 7 2016 packages are sent out to all Parents and Carers in September /October.

Thank you
Sharron Walden

If you require more information, please contact sharron.walden@det.nsw.edu.au.

Hey Sister! Mentoring Program / Year 11 Student Mentors
The following students have been successfully trained and selected to be student mentors as part of the new Hey Sister! Mentoring and wellbeing program. Hey Sister! aims to develop friendships between junior students and their Year 11 mentors. The program provides students with opportunities to learn new skills, develop rapport with others and importantly have fun. Sessions include cooking, goal setting, reflection, art making, dance, yoga etc. Hey Sister! aims to build leadership skills, self esteem and social awareness in participants.

Congratulations to the following students on their position as Student Mentor Naomi Bolliger, Kathie Feng, Maddy Hendroff, Christine Kharkourian, Kirsten Mann, Jessica Morgan, Brooke Seifert, Ursula Singh, Tahereh Shafaei, Jessica Wu.

Ms Laryssa Bernyk
Girls’ Supervisor

Calendar

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School holiday dates:

Term 3
Last day of term Fri 18 Sept

Term 4
Students start Tues 6 Oct
Last day of term Wed 16 Dec

Pinnacle Applications - Gifted and Talented class for Year 7 2016 can be downloaded from the Marsden Website

Uniform Shop

Size 14 & 16 (boys and girls) shirts are now available

New Uniform Shop opening times effective term 2, 2015 the Uniform Shop will open Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 8.30am to 10.30am when school is open
THINK BEFORE YOU SPEAK by KATHRYN POWLEY
PARENTS who think they are no good at maths, can't do percentages, and think algebra is a town in a far flung part of the world, should stop bragging about it to their kids, an education expert warns.

When adults shrug off their own poor maths ability they are affecting children’s attitudes to the subject, RMIT mathematics education professor Di Siemon said. “No one accepts that it’s OK to say 'I can’t read', but they do think it’s OK to say ‘I was never any good at maths’, which of course is not OK,” she said. That attitude simply legitimised failure at the subject in the child’s eyes. “It’s establishing an expectation that maths is really hard, and that a very significant person in your life is saying it didn’t work for them and that is OK. But it’s not OK.”

Professor Siemon said teachers reported that during parent-teacher nights parents often said: “Oh well, I was never any good at maths, what do you expect?” But maths achievement was not genetic, Professor Siemon said.

This can also be carried into other areas of schooling. Giving your child the message that you were not successful at school gives them an excuse not to try. It is better to say nothing than to dismiss education as not important in your life.

LIBRARY NEWS
NAIDOC WEEK occurred during the holidays from the 5th-12th July 2015.

NAIDOC stands for National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920's which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of Indigenous Australians.

NAIDOC Week is held in the first full week of July. It is a time to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements and is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society.

We have a display of Australian Aboriginal Books written by and about our Indigenous population in the Library. Come by and have a look.

REMINDER
Yes, it is time to log onto the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) and record all the books you have read since September last year. Click on this link https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html
The PRC is open to everyone in years 7-9 and your access password is the same as your internet password. You can also access the PRC through your Student Portal. If you have any difficulties please see me in the Library.
Work Experience 2015
Our Year 10 students recently completed their work experience and most students found it a very interesting and rewarding to be involved with different business and organisations.

Hugh McFarlane updating the website at the NSW Ambulance Service.

Seeing things in a new perspective! Alex Chen at Beresh Optometrist, West Ryde.

Ethan Rotunno shifting things into gear at Jagos Service Station, Lidcombe.

Callum Irving on the phone interviewing the contact for his published story.

Jarren Dang contemplating the expanse of the SCG where he assisted the curators.
**Marsden High School Dance Group**
Marsden High School is proud to present their very first dance group. The Marsden High School Dance group have been working extremely hard these past two terms, rehearsing every Thursday and Friday morning. The dance group has represented Marsden in a range of events including; Dracula Spectacular.

The dancers recently performed at the Sydney North Dance festival over two nights, showcasing their talent and passion for dance in front of a large audience. Dancers also competed in their very first dance competition, “Dance Spec”. The girls did an amazing job and are to be commended on their outstanding sportsmanship and effort.

The team are preparing for another jam packed term of performances and competitions which Miss Bugeja and Miss Tambree have organised for them such as; Hills Spec Dance Competition, Granny Smith Festival and Battle of the primary schools.

**Marsden Gym**
It’s open! Marsden Gym is now open and bookings are available to all PASS, SLR, CAFS and PDHPE elective students. The gym is also available to our Talented Sports Program students who are also encouraged to take the opportunity to use the new facilities. Bookings are available at the front office through Ms O’Neill. For more information or enquiries, please contact a Staff member from the PDHPE faculty.
Integrated Sport

Year 7: Out to an early start at the beginning of the year, Bradman has managed to sit comfortably out in front on the leader board. Young is reeling them in though, creeping ever so closer with good results each week. Konrad and Cuthbert are neck and neck and have both pulled some great wins the last few weeks, keeping the bottom spot very unpredictable. With two terms to go, it will be a fight to the end for the top ranked spot.

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Year 8: Bradman and Cuthbert sit equal on top of the ladder, while Young is trailing behind with only 5 points the difference. Konrad is trailing at the back, but with some very talented sportspeople in the House, you wouldn’t be surprised if they were challenging top spot by the end of the term.

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Year 9: Year 9 sport has never been closer. With only a few wins separating top spot from the bottom, this will be a competitive term for all House groups. Young is in a narrow lead, closely followed by Bradman and Cuthbert who have remained neck and neck. Konrad is only 3 wins off the top spot.

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Year 10: Top spot on the leader board is close once again. While Konrad and Young fight it out, Bradman and Cuthbert are not too far behind. A few good scores from both the bottom House groups has proved they are capable of a quick come back. With many great sportspeople across all Houses, you can never predict who will be sitting on top by the end of term.

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Open Days for 2015-2016

APM College of Business Communication
The Rocks campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

Australasian College of Natural Therapies
Pyrmont campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

Australian Catholic University
Canberra campus 29 Aug 2015
North Sydney campus 5 Sept 2015
Strathfield campus 12 Sept 2015

Australian College of Applied Psychology
Information nights 14 July, 12 Aug, 11 Nov 2015
For more information, visit www.acap.edu.au

Australian Maritime College
Beauty Point campus 30 Aug 2015
Newnham campus 30 Aug 2015
Campus tours can be arranged by appointment year round. Visit www.amc.edu.au/visit-amc

Australian National University 29 Aug 2015
For campus tours, visit http://anu.edu.au/study/events/campus-tours

Billy Blue College of Design
Ultimo campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

Charles Sturt University
Open day every day. For campus tours/appointments and course information, call 1800 DEGREE (1800 334 733) or visit www.csu.edu.au/campustour

CQ University
Sydney campus 13 Aug 2015, 2–6pm
Virtual Open Day (online only) 10 Sept 2015, 10am–6pm
For more information, visit www.cqu.edu.au/events

Griffith University
Gold Coast campus 26 July 2015

International College of Management, Sydney
Manly campus 16 Aug 2015

Jansen Newman Institute
Pyrmont campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

La Trobe University
Albury-Wodonga campus 28 Aug 2015
Mildura campus 19 Aug 2015
For other campuses visit www.latrobe.edu.au/openday

Macleay College
Surry Hills campus 22 Aug 2015, 16 Jan 2016
For a personalised campus tour, call 1300 939 888

Macquarie University 12 Sept 2015

MIT Sydney
For campus tours/appointments and course information, call (02) 8267 1400 or visit mit.edu.au

National Art School 29 Aug 2015

SAE Creative Media Institute
Sydney and Byron Bay campuses 8 Aug 2015
For up-to-date information, visit http://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events or free call 1800 SAE EDU (1800 723 338)

SIBT 29 Aug 2015

Southern Cross University
Info days and ‘virtual’ info sessions
Coffs Harbour campus 7 Dec 2015
Lismore campus 9 Dec 2015
Gold Coast campus 11 Dec 2015
For more information visit www.scu.edu.au/scuinfolays
The Hotel School Sydney 12 Sept 2015
For more information visit, hotelschool.scu.edu.au/about/info days

University of Canberra 29 Aug 2015

University of New England 1 May 2015
For personalised tours, call 1800 818 865 or visit www.une.edu.au/ campus tours

University of Newcastle
Newcastle campus (Callaghan) 22 Aug 2015
Central Coast campus (Ourimbah) 15 Aug 2015
Port Macquarie campus 6 Aug 2015

University of Sydney 29 Aug 2015

University of Technology, Sydney
City and Kuring-gai campuses 29 Aug 2015

University of Western Sydney
Parramatta campus 30 Aug 2015
UWS Campus Experience tours are held throughout the year. To register, visit www.uws.edu.au/ campus experience or call 1300 897 669

University of Wollongong
Wollongong campus 15 Aug 2015
Sydney CBD campus 29 Aug 2015

UNSW Australia
Kensington campus 5 Sept 2015
UNSW Canberra at ADFA 29 Aug 2015

William Blue College of Hospitality Management
The Rocks campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

For information on school visits days, contact individual institutions
Please log onto Marsden High School website and sign up to receive Newsletter via email. Also sign up to appropriate year lists to receive information pertaining to your child’s scholastic year.
Defence Housing Transition Aide at Rydalmere East Public School

(10-15 hours/week for approx. 1 year)

- This position aims to support defence housing students and their families to integrate into the school and wider community with the main focus being on the children's social and emotional well-being.
- The role addresses issues including the impact of mobility on the students’ education, transitions in and out of school and parental absences.
- No specific qualifications are required for this position as training and programs will be provided.
- A ‘Working With Children’ check will be required.

If you are interested in this position please contact the school on (02) 9638 2250 or email rydalmere-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to obtain a sample role description or duty statement.
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- In2cricket Milo for boys and girls 4-7 years, Saturday Mornings
- Modified competition for Under 8/9s boys & girls Saturday Mornings
- Under 10-16, Junior competition
- Junior girls only teams
- Senior competition
Registration details go to:
Please don’t hesitate to contact us
If you have any questions:
Tim French (Club Secretary)
mob: 0402 890 657
e-mail: roverscricket@gmail.com
(Club registrar)
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