

# MANILLA CENTRAL SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



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### ***Stage 5 Anti Bullying Girls camp 2025***

Over the past few weeks, the Year 9 and 10 girls and boys attended an "Anti-bullying Camp" at Oakhampton, Split Rock Dam. Ready with their cold weather gear the girls arrived last Monday morning. Isobel and Athena delivered a consolidated Rock and Water program, promoting healthy relationships, self-awareness and building resilience and self-confidence over the two day camp. Mr Galloway introduced photography as a mindfulness strategy, focusing on the now, capturing that still frame of everything that is around you at that point in time. With various other activities, the girls built a large bonfire, cooked home-made pizza's in camp ovens and had a rich out of school learning experience.

### ***Stage 5 Anti Bullying Boys camp 2025***

On Wednesday of last week, the group of boys armed with warm sleeping bags, hiking shoes and a can-do attitude arrived happy and excited to be in an outdoor learning environment. With Mr Van Doesburg taking the lead, they learnt various life skills like catering for large numbers, managing their time and, like the girls, a consolidated Rock and Water program with Isobel. While also becoming one with their environment, camouflaging themselves into the scrub around them, avoiding Mr Galloway's ever buzzing drone attack (capture the flag, human vs tech)... The boys dined in style, cooking up mash potato in the camp ovens and enjoying freshly smoked pork ribs. "Best ribs I've ever tasted" was one of our food critics comments (Tyler Barrett).

Again, a big thank you to Mr Mole, sharing his stories of resilience and bouncing back. The kids really do take a new appreciation of how lucky they are....

"It was great to spend time and connect through activities and learning many different life skills, while learning respect for others, sharing heart felt feelings".

The girls and boys had a fantastic time. They open heartedly filled their "toolbox" with skills and knowledge that will help them throughout life. A big thank you to all staff involved including those who remained behind at school covering the teaching lessons of those staff away. Finally, thank you to the owners of Oakhampton for helping with accommodation once again.





### Principal's Reflection Term 3 2025

Welcome everyone to our last newsletter for the term.

Last week we welcomed Year 12 to their final awards assembly. When we gather again on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September it will be to farewell them at their Graduation Ceremony.

In reflection of the term that we are nearing the end of:

Mr Connors and Tom Priest accompanied our Ag Team to AgQuip for the 3 day Agricultural fair cooking the BBQ for the Murray Grey Society. In doing this the team worked tirelessly from 9.00am to 4.00pm each day—prepping, cooking, and serving lunches to the public. They received many positive comments, with several people comparing the teamwork to that of a well-trained football side.

Mrs Lynch and Shona Daley took the Girls Open Netball team to Dubbo for the State Championships. I'm not sure how many years the Girls Netball team has made it through to state championships and staff I asked couldn't recall either, but it is long run of years, which is an outstanding achievement for a small central school. The girls also enjoyed a visit and support from a special surprise guest, Miss Nott, who coached the team here for quite a few years. While the team found it tough going at this level this year they conducted themselves and represented the school very well.

We had students compete at the Tamworth Zone Athletics Carnival with several students progressing on to being selected to compete at state level and while I don't know if I'd quite call this a sport, our chess team reached the 5th round of the state knock out and have Farrer to play next. This is the furthest we have gone in the state knockout, so well done to the chess team. Mr Galloway wanted to acknowledge the work done by team Captain, Noah Dhu, who has the team keen and practising and this reflects the increasing skill of our chess players to progress this far.

Continuing to build on our successful Literacy program across both campuses we have analysed NAPLAN and Cold Write results and there is an overlap here of areas of strength and areas we can focus on. Staff have received professional learning relating to writing and how to build skills in students to write more detailed complex sentences that show greater mastery of writing and concepts.

Congratulations and well done to awardees this term. Let's have a great last week of the term.

Thank you

Shane Kelly  
Principal

## Home Reader Award

### Fabienne Marshman

75, 100 & 125 Nights of Reading



## MANILLA CENTRAL SCHOOL

Safe, Respectful, Responsible learners



# Kindergarten Transition

All children who are ready to start Kindergarten in 2026 are invited to attend our 'Transition to School' program.

In order to attend the program, please complete an enrolment form.

These are available at the primary office.

**We can't wait to see you!**



**When:** Each Thursday up until 27th November

(excluding the school holiday period)

**Time:** 9.10am - 1.30pm





### Kindergaren Transition Day 3

Our Transition students received their very own Manilla Central School sports shirts, and they look so smart and ready for school! These shirts perfectly complement the school hats they received in our first week.

It was such a beautiful day, and we enjoyed an outdoor picnic lunch. We also had a fantastic time playing on the gym equipment and stilts during outside fitness. The students had fun exploring coding with the Beebots, learning how to input instructions and watching where their little bee travelled.

Our theme this week was all about spiders! The kids loved learning fascinating spider facts, singing nursery rhymes, and listening to spider stories. In art, we had so much fun using a potato masher to create unique spider prints.

Preparing for school in Transition is such an exciting and fun journey!





## PBL Assembly

Congratulations to all award recipients at last Thursday's Primary PBL Assembly..



# I AM A GIRL

*Come 'N' Try*

## GAME-BASED LEARNING



**I AM A GIRL - COME 'N' TRY!**

**COST:** FREE

**AGES:** ALL GIRLS AGED 5-10 YRS

**DATE:** THURS 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2025

**TIME:** 9.30AM - 11.30AM

**WHERE:** TAMWORTH SPORTS DOME  
7/9 Jack Smyth Dr, Hillvue

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## MULTI SPORT HOLIDAY CAMP

**AGES:** 4 - 13+

**TIME:** 9AM - 12PM

**DATES:** 29 SEP - 3 OCT  
7 OCT - 10 OCT

**PRICING:** \$40 PER DAY

**MULTI-DAY DISCOUNTS:**  
\$10 OFF 4-6 DAYS  
\$20 OFF 7-8 DAYS  
9TH DAY FREE!!!

**EARLY BIRD SPECIAL:**  
EXTRA \$5 OFF 1-5 DAYS  
EXTRA \$10 OFF 6-8 DAYS  
Offer expires 15th September








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# Tamworth All Abilities Colour Run

Thursday 9 October 2025  
10AM - 12PM  
Tamworth Sports Dome

Join us for a free, fun, and inclusive community event

The Tamworth All Abilities Colour Run brings our community together with accessible activities for everyone. Wear white clothing and get ready for a colour-filled morning, followed by a free sausage sizzle and drinks!

Scan to RSVP



## Boys Schools Holiday Clinic

FREE come and try clinic - for boys 10-14 years



### NETBALL TEACHES SKILLS FOR LIFE!

- Improve skills, coordination & strength
- Learn to work in a team
- Increasing self confidence
- Increasing social connection



Thursday 2nd October  
Tamworth Sports Dome  
9:30am - 11:30am

Follow the link or scan the QR code to register

<https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/c376fa>



Find out more at [netballnsw.com.au](https://netballnsw.com.au)

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**FREE ENTRY**

**FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER**  
**4.30PM-6.30PM**

24 CARINYA AVE,  
MANILLA

**JOIN US FOR OUR 2025 OPEN DAY EVENING**

ALL CURRENT AND NEW FAMILIES WELCOME!

IS YOUR CHILD TURNING 3 IN 2026? COME AND EXPERIENCE WHAT PRESCHOOL IS LIKE WITH US!

FACE PAINTING-SAUSAGE SIZZLE-PAINTING-PLAYDOUGH-BLOCKS-PLAY GROUND AND MUCH MORE!!!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

**MANILLA COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL INC.**

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

**SPRING INTO THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT PCYC**

- BASKETBALL**
- GYMNASTICS**
- NERF/LASER TAG**
- STEM**
- CREATIVE ARTS**
- PICKLEBALL**
- OZ TAG**
- FUTSAL**

Book 3 Days and Get the 4<sup>th</sup> Free (T&Cs apply)  
Check out your local School Holiday Program below



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# ONE STEP AT A TIME

## What is Single Session Thinking (SST)?

Sometimes, one conversation is all it takes to make a difference. SST is about making the most out of each session—focusing on what matters to you right now and taking one step forward.

## How does it work?

**Before the session:** We'll check in to see what's on your mind and what you'd like to focus on.

**During the session:** We'll work together to find a focus that feels important to you. We'll check in along the way to make sure the conversation is on track. Your thoughts, feelings, and ideas matter—we'll share insights and support as we go.

**After the session:** We'll look at what's next—whether that's one session or more. We decide together!

## Why SST?

**Your choice:** Come when you feel you need support. One session can be enough, but it's okay if it's not.

**Youth-friendly:** We're here to listen, focus on what's important to you, and make decisions together.

**Flexible support:** You're welcome to come back whenever you need!  
Get in touch!

Reach out to us anytime.  
We're here for you—one step at a time.



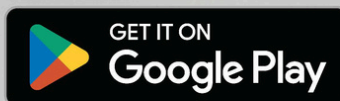


# Experience the Sentral for Parents App

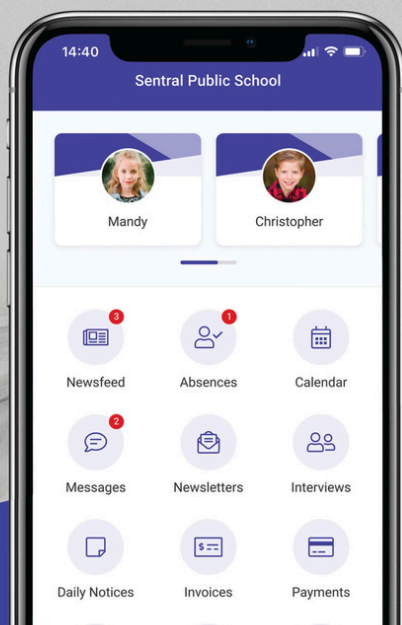
**Stay connected and informed about your child's education.**

To get started:

1. Download the app:



2. Scan the QR code for instructions and FAQ's:







## MANILLA NETBALL

*Official Netball NSW*

# COME & TRY DAY

*Who can join?*

- Girls: all ages
- Boys: up to (and including) those turning 12 in 2026
- You do NOT need to be registered with Netball NSW - this is a day for anyone to come and see what all the excitement is!
- Tell your friends!!!!!!

An afternoon of fun, games & learning new skills!

Come and see what netball is all about in a friendly and supportive environment.

**Friday**  
10 October, 2026

**Starts at**  
12:00 - 4:00PM

**Manilla Central School**  
Secondary Campus

**CONTACT US**

Proudly Supported By Netball NSW

0481 207 077  
Sam Cheers

ManillaNetballClub  
Like & Follow us on Facebook to stay updated.

Registration will open soon via  
PlayHQ - dont miss out



## Positive Behaviour for Learning

Term 3, Weeks 4 & 10

We are learning to use  
responsible behaviours  
in all settings.



## COMING EVENTS - Week 10 Week B

**Mon, 22 Sep**

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**Tue, 23 Sep**

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**Wed, 24 Sep**

- Year 12 Farewell Assembly - 9.30am
- Year 12 Farewell Dinner - 6.30pm

**Thu, 25 Sep**

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**Fri, 26 Sep**

- Last Day of Term 3

## Term 4 - Week 1

**Mon, 13 Oct**

- Staff Development Day

**Tue, 14 Oct**

- Students return to School

*Wishing everyone a safe  
and very happy holiday!*

Manilla Central School, as a service to the school community, may publicise non-school events which may be of interest. Manilla Central School does not endorse or sponsor these events and accepts no responsibility for the service provided.

Tamworth Aboriginal Medical Service - Aboriginal Corporation

# CULTURAL FAMILY FUN DAY

**Tuesday 30 September**  
10am to 2pm  
Viaduct Park, Peel St, Tamworth



**JobLink Plus Hairdressers**

**Rides and jumping castles**

**FREE feed from The Deck**

- Route 37 Band
- Live Entertainment
- Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony
- Facepainting and Snow Cones
- Gomerol Dance Academy
- Bushtucka Bunjie
- Cultural activities and service providers

This is a FREE family event.  
Don't miss out on a fun day these School holidays!

Are you a service provider who would like to participate?  
Call or text Chris on 0417 631 338

