I am looking for volunteers to help in the infants classroom each week with reading groups. Like any sport, reading takes lots of practise to improve. Reading practise is very labour-intensive, and helpers can make a big difference to children in their reading development.

If you have or know of a grandparent who may have a spare half an hour each week and would like to assist in the classroom listening to our children read then please contact me at school to discuss a suitable time or fill in the form below.

Congratulations to each and every student who participated in both running and field events on Monday at our Athletics Carnival. I was very pleased to see the spirit of having-a-go alive and well. I would like to commend all of those students who improved on their personal best and those who were awarded a ribbon.

Congratulations to the following

If you would prefer to help out with small group activities in the classroom instead of reading then we would also love to have you.

The students think that it is very special to have a parent or grandparent help out in the classroom. Research shows that having a parent who volunteers improves a child’s experience of school.

Principal’s Report

Help Wanted!

Captain & Vice Captain’s Report

Hello everyone,

This week we had our sports carnival with St Josephs school. Every one went excellent. It was a lot of fun and we all tried our best. Yesterday we joined St josephs school for the Hip Hopping From Bollywood to Brazil dance workshop and it was so much fun. We all learnt some moves for example; the light bulb twists and pat the dog. That was so fun. Next Tuesday the Senior class go to orange for an Art workshop.

From Brooke & Lily
people for achieving Champion and a runner up certificates for their efforts:

Senior Boy Champion Jed Gibson
Runner-up Trae Meharg
Senior Girl Champion Brooke Windus Runner-up Lily Walker
Junior Boy Champion Tom Ryder
Runner-up Toby Gibson
Junior Girl Champion Haylee Lanser-Heinze Runner-up Keisha Meharg & Jorly Wright
Sub Junior Boy Champion Lukas Sharpless Runner-up Lachlan Lanser-Heinze
Sub Junior Girl Champion Clare Wood Runner-up Jade Ryder
Blaxland - 89pts Wentworth - 74pts Lawson - 106pts

Thank you to Adam Freeman and Tina who organised the carnival and to everyone who helped out in the many different ways to help the carnival be a success. I am very grateful to you all and most importantly I think that the kids had a great day.

We now are looking forward to the OSSA Athletics Carnival on Monday 30th April. Please note the change of date.

Class News

**Senior Class**

We have started a new verbal times table challenge which entails each student recites a times table out to the class. It is timed so there are lots of challenges but the students are doing fantastically. If/when they complete the allocated times table in the set time, they get a virtual ice cream scoop. Most students are up to their 4 x and doing really well. Our class is doing lots of group work and each group is working on a travel situation. How can one afford to travel, where they will travel to, what is needed to pack, how they will get there. We have been also looking at water and evaporation. Observing how different weather - hot and cold can change the amount of evaporation that can occur. We are starting still life drawing and today we will be drawing hands. Hope you will come and see our newly decorated classroom.

**Infants Class**

K-2 have been working hard on number work.

Year 2 have been learning about Place value of 3 digit numbers and even up to 4 digits!

Year 1 and some Kindergarten students have been working with 2 digit numbers, particularly those tricky ‘teen’ numbers.

The rest of Kindergarten have been learning to recognise numbers up to 10 and counting accurately.

We have also loved all of the sport and dancing this week.
Student Achievement Awards

To

Lily
For
being a great school community leader

To

Clare
For
dedication to her education and working hard in class

To

Keisha
For
being a fantastic helper and completing all set work

To

Jack
For
having a great attitude in class

Birthdays

Harmonie 20th March

P&C Annual General Meeting
The AGM is to be held on Wednesday, 18th March at 3.15pm.
All executive positions will become vacant.
Every one is welcome to come and be a part of the team to support our students & school.

Tuckshop
Monday 16th March
Belinda Wood

Monday 23rd March
Anne Salter

To

Zach
For
having a positive change in attitude towards his school work

Principal's Award
Hip Hop Dance

Yesterday our students joined St. Joseph’s School for a hip hop dancing experience. The students all had a great time learning simple movements and then putting them together into a dance routine to ultimately have a ‘dance off’ between boys and girls.

The Vegie Patch

Gardening Help Still Wanted!

We didn’t have anyone volunteer to help us out here. Is there anyone who is thinking about it?

Manildra P.S. has two lovely vegie patches, that are presently producing delicious tomatoes and pumpkins. This is a wonderful experience for the children as they see fresh healthy food being grown, and enjoy harvesting and sampling new fruits and vegetables.

We are after a member of the community that would be interested in helping the teachers and students to care for these gardens. Someone with a spare hour a week, that would be prepared to come in and help with the maintenance - weeding, planting, mulching, staking etc. would be invaluable to us. Please let us know if you would be interested in helping.
**Classifieds . . . .**

**MANILDRA CRAFT COTTAGE**

We have freshly cooked cakes, biscuits/slices Wed to Sun

**MADIA MEETINGS**

Held the 1st Wednesday of each month at Manildra Memorial Hall
7:30pm - All Welcome

**MANILDRA MATTERS ARTICLES**

Email articles/news to manildramatters@live.com
Last day for news 20th of each month

**- COMMUNITY NOTES -**

Term 1 & 2
St Joseph’s School Manildra
Close for any additions 10.00am Thursdays

t.press2@bth.catholic.edu.au

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**Community Health . . .**

**MEDICAL CENTRE**

Dr. Vikki Wymer consults every Tuesday & Friday between 9.00am & 1.00pm.

Ring 6364 5901 for an appointment

**CHILD & FAMILY HEALTH**

Appointments any weekday morning between 9.00am and 12.00pm at Community Medical Centre. "Before School" immunisations at 4yrs old.

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**Committees & Clubs . . .**

**MANILDRA BOWLING CLUB**

Chinese Restaurant
5:00pm Friday, Saturday & Sunday Nights

Sundays - Market Night & Members Draw

**MANILDRA GOLF CLUB**

Saturdays: Market Night
1st draw at 7:00pm,

Dinning room open for meals on the last Saturday of month (Major Market night draw) All welcome

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**Sporting Notes . . .**

**Interrelate**

Positive Parenting Seminar
Tuesday 24th March @ 5.30pm
108 McLachlan Street, ORANGE
$25 per person / $15 concession
Call 6363 3650 to book

**Cudal Soccer Club Registrations**

Fri 27th 6pm-7.30pm at Cudal Bowling Club. Enquiries-Penny Chalinor 0247074807

“Try Rugby Program 2015” - at Parkes
Fridays @ Spicer Park from 5.30pm. Cost $10 per child for 8 weeks. Program starts with a fun & interactive ‘sign up session’ on Fri 6th March, and run through to Friday 1st May.

Walla Rugby—at Parkes
Training every Thurs @ 5.30pm starting 23rd April.

For further info on both of these programs phone — Richard Rice 0428 623 210 or Doug Moore 0417 585 816

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**Church Services . . .**

**St Michaels Catholic Church**
Saturday evenings @ 6pm

**St Lukes Anglican Church**
1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays @ 10.30am

5th Sundays are combined services rotated around the Parish

**Uniting Church**
3rd Sunday of the month @ 9.00am
I ____________________________ am able to help out in the infants classroom on (please circle one)  Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday/ Thursday / Friday mornings.

I would prefer to read with individual students or help with small group activities. (please circle)

Thankyou very much.

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**Manildra Public School**

**School App**

Don’t forget our new school app. To find the app,

1. Search in itunes or Google Apps for Manildra Public School. Please ensure that you search for a phone app, not ipad app.
2. Download app.
3. Username: community
4. Password: manildraps
5. Select which group/classes you would like to be notified of, or select ‘All’. Don’t forget to scroll down to see our multistage classes.

The latest news, notes and photos will be able to be viewed, and a calendar for our upcoming school events will be on this app so you can keep up to date.