

19th November, 2019.

Dear Zone Principals,

School sport and representative sport have continued to enjoy a high profile within Manly Zone in 2019. The representative school sport pathway is the <u>largest</u> gifted and talented program offered by the Department and school sport offers opportunities for students of all abilities to be involved in worthwhile physical activity. The Premiers Sporting Challenge, School Swimming Scheme, NSWPSSA Knockout competitions and the school sport pathway have been accessed by many of our 13 affiliated schools.

In 2019 our Manly Zone representative students were extremely successful in all of our Sydney North Carnivals. Our 105 strong swim team placed 2nd at the Sydney North carnival. Our cross country team of 80 students placed 1st. Our athletics team of 110 students also placed 1st. From these carnivals, many students from our zone then went on the represent Sydney North at NSWPSSA Championships, NSWPSSA at School Sport Australia Championships and at various National carnivals as members of NSWPSSA teams. These students represented our zone proudly.

Our Friday PSSA competition is a huge part of our Zone and this year we had over 2000 students (each season) competing in both Summer (8 sports) and Winter (5 sports) PSSA. This program could not occur without the ongoing support of each of you. The support that you give to allow your teachers to take on the roles of Coaches and Convenors for our sports is much appreciated and we thank you for this.

Schools participating in sport are promoting healthy and active lifestyle programs in personal development, health and physical education. Manly Zone is extremely supportive and successful in allowing its students to participate in sport via a number of different avenues and we will continue to promote the development of the physical skills of all students in 2020.

Thanking you sincerely, Katí Holt Harbord Public School Manly Zone PSSA President