

# MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Wednesday 29 March 2023

## Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition

### Optional Extracurricular Activity

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Manly Vale Public School is inviting students to participate in the **Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition**. This is separate to our whole school 'On Your Soapbox' competition where all students participate. We will hold an in-school competition in Term 2 where two speakers from Stage 2 and two speakers from Stage 3 will be selected to be entered into this state-wide, extra-curricular competition.

Your child will receive some assistance on presenting a successful, prepared speech. **However, your child will be expected to write their speech at home.** Speeches must be written on **palm cards** and practised at home so your child is comfortable speaking in front of an audience.

At each stage of the competition contestants present both a prepared speech and an impromptu speech. For their prepared speech, contestants must choose a topic from the list of multicultural topics below. The prepared speech must include research and multicultural content. The impromptu speech is chosen by the adjudicator on the day, and will be on a general, non-multicultural theme. Contestants will have 5 minutes to prepare their impromptu speeches.

Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) Topics	Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) Topics
Creating Connections	Creating connections
The Story of Australia	Everyday racism
Racism – no way!	Colour matters
Sport brings us together	My backyard
A safe place to call home	Raising your voice
When does a migrant become an Australian?	Sport is a game-changer
Kids in charge!	Learning from the past
My multicultural classroom	Privilege
Watch your language!	Identity - it's complicated
Advance Australia Fair?	Difficult journeys

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The speaking times for each division are outlined below.

Division / Speech	Warning bell	Speaking time (2 bells)	Continuous bell
<b>Years 3&amp;4 prepared speech</b>	2 minutes	3 minutes	4 minutes
<b>Years 3&amp;4 impromptu speech</b>	30 seconds	1 minute	1 ½ minutes
<b>Years 5&amp;6 prepared speech</b>	3 minutes	4 minutes	5 minutes
<b>Years 5&amp;6 impromptu speech</b>	1 ½ minutes	2 minutes	2 ½ minutes

The adjudicators will make their decision based on the matter, manner and method of the speakers. They will expect contestants to be confident and engaging, and will prefer speeches which balance personal opinion with information, and humour with sincerity. The prepared speeches need to show an understanding of multiculturalism, but the impromptu speeches do not. Finally, adjudicators will give equal consideration to the prepared and impromptu speeches.

## Time-line:

- *Weeks 3 and 4 (week beginning 8 May) Manly Vale preliminary finals* – participants deliver their speech and if necessary an impromptu speech to a panel of teachers and students where four finalists from each stage will be named.
- *Friday 26 May (Week 5) Manly Vale School finals* – Preliminary finalists deliver their speech and two finalists from each stage will be named. Parents of students presenting speeches are invited to attend and will be notified closer to the date.
- *Late term 2 (TBC) – Local School finals* - finalists represent Manly Vale Public School against finalists from other local schools. Local finals will be held at Manly Vale Public School.

Thank you for supporting this program.

Ellie Radan + Lisa Cash

Tina Lee

Classroom Teachers

Principal

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**Attn: Mrs Radan /Ms Cash**

## **Permission note to try out for the 2023 Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition**

I **do / do not** give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to try out for the 2023 Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. I understand that my child will be required to prepare his/her speech at home.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer Name: \_\_\_\_\_