Hello once again. We had another terrific assembly this morning, presented by Ms Powell’s Year 4 class. Their skipping rope performance was first class and was presented with much enthusiasm. Congratulations and well done to you all. I enjoyed your assembly immensely.

At the assembly, our local member of parliament, Ms Lisa Baker MLA drew the raffle for the bicycle she once again kindly donated to the school. The raffle raised $1200 for the Parents & Citizens Association and will eventually find its way back to the school by way of resource purchases. Thank you to all those people who supported it. Thank you also to Speedlite Cycles of Maylands for their continued support. The winner of the bike was Isika Kusnandar Year 4 S2.

Our winning entry for the Banners in the Terrace that will be displayed in St Georges Terrace along with the winners from other Local Government agencies during Local Government Week in August is now complete. A big thank you must go to Mr Anthony Mc Andrew (Macca) for his assistance working with Mrs Ferguson’s Year 3 group to complete the huge project that was designed by Macca’s daughter Ella. We will display the finished product at the next assembly (June 17).

Winter is now here and students will need to rug up. In the warmer months we see all of our students in uniform and they look terrific. Come winter, we have seen in the past students wearing all kinds of sweaters, jackets and ‘hoodies’ and it just doesn’t look that good. I urge all of you to get to the uniform shop that opens on Tuesdays and Thursday before and after school and purchase a school zip up jacket ($23). Your help to get everyone in a common uniform would be greatly appreciated.

There have been a few news reports of undesirable people hanging around schools in vehicles and approaching students. Please make sure you have a chat to your child/children about staying safe and safe behaviours. All classes have had instruction from their teachers about this, but your reinforcement of those messages will hopefully help to translate the advice into action.

STEVEN SALAMON
PRINCIPAL
Last Saturday 20 Year 6/7 MPPS students, their parents, Mr Salamon, Mrs Johnson and Pip Johnson (team physio) descended on Patersons Stadium to take part in the curtain raiser to the Dockers v St Kilda game. After changing into their team uniform, kindly donated by the Dockers Football Club, the team ran out on the oval. After a quick warm up and pep talk from the coach, Mr Salamon, the team were up against Bridgetown/Manjimup PS. The team got off to a flying start and were leading until a last minute goal from Bridgetown/Manjimup tied the game. A few oranges between games were quickly eaten whilst listening to the coach as he positioned players ready for the next game against South Perth PS. Unfortunately Mr Salamon had trouble getting the attention of the team as they were looking at Nick Riewoldt, Ben McEvoy, Luke McPharlin and Nat Fyfe who had come out onto the field! The team must have been inspired as they convincingly beat South Perth PS and then smashed Osborne PS. Andrei Lacsamana was adjudged best on ground by Mr Salamon. He received a Dockers jumper. We were really impressed by everyone’s skill and effort on the day and Mr Reece Young must take some credit for this as he had trained the students in the two weeks prior to the carnival.
Pre-Primary/Year 1: The beads on the necklace made a coloured pattern that went: blue, blue, red, yellow, blue, blue, red... What is the colour of the next bead?

Year 4/5: Every 20 kilometres there is a signpost advertising Uluru. How many signs are there along a 500-kilometre road?

Year 6/7: For every 3 Eagles tee shirts sold, 5 Dockers shirts were sold. Calculate the number of Dockers shirts sold if 156 Eagles shirts were sold.

Noodler Solutions from last week

Pre-Primary/Year 1 Winner: Lindsay Eringaard J1 Answer: 1 metre is longer.
Year 2/3 Winner: Prachi Dave M2 Answer: 2 caterpillars will not fit in the drainpipe.
Year 4/5 Winner: Hannah Clapperton S5 Answer: 33 metres of her backyard would be garden.
Year 6/7 Winner: Archana Jestin S4 Answer: Mahoud ran 300 metres.

To all those that braved the bad weather and attended the Biggest Morning Tea a big thank you! We raised $209 for the Cancer Council. Maylands IGA have been a great support for many years and generously supplied, the tea, coffee, sugar and milk. Thankyou for your continued support. Many thanks to all the mums that donated cakes and slices.

We look forward to seeing more of you next May.

The Junior Learning Area has a display of recount writing in the library. Community members are welcome to view the display. At our next assembly, on 17 June the display will be replaced by the Middle Learning Area’s persuasive writing work. The final display for the term will be on 1 July with the Senior learning students’ work.

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Absences

When notifying the school regarding your child’s absence please advise the expected duration that your child will be away otherwise you are required to call each day. The sms number for the school is 0408 947 235.

Enrolments

Applications for enrolments in Kindergarten, Pre Primary and Year 1 for 2012 close on Friday 29 July 2011.

Pre Primary 2

Pre Primary 2 students have been working very hard to learn the letters and sounds of the alphabet. Last Monday 30 May the students learnt about the letter Mm and made Magpies. Here is a picture of Stefan having a lot of fun and getting very dirty.

Chaplains Chat

It has been a great start to the term, hasn’t it! We have all been very busy, and thankfully NAPLAN is over for another year, well done students and teachers!

We are very pleased to have the Rainbows Program beginning this term at Maylands. Rainbows offers children from families who have experienced a major loss, the opportunity to meet in a weekly support group over a period of twelve weeks.

We will be sending out letters to families shortly. If you would like your child to be included please fill in the tear off slip and return it to school by the date indicated. The sessions will be held at school. If you have any queries please ring me.

I was also thrilled to be invited to speak at St. Luke’s, Maylands a few weeks ago. I was able to thank them for their generous support of the work that I do here, and to sing the praises of the MPPS families! St. Luke’s raises funds to support chaplaincy, as well as being involved on a voluntary basis at the school. We also have volunteers from The Maylands Uniting Church who consistently help out on a voluntary basis, along with financial support, so thank you to them as well!

Breakfast Club has been quiet of late! The early morning football and netball training has taken precedence, of course! – but I look forward to seeing all the familiar faces again soon. Thank you also, to the member of the P&C who generously donated home-made jams to the children this term. We all love it ( a little too much!) Finally, our social coffee group after Assembly is still happening in the demountable building, so please pop your head in and say hello if you have ten minutes! Coffee and biscuits provided.

Have a great weekend,

Warmly,

Merryl Custers

Thought for the week

“The best way to make your dreams come true is to wake up!” – Paul Valery