The weary travellers have returned from their Canberra excursion. It was a jam-packed week of amazing experiences for students. Congratulations must go to every one of them. Their behaviour was excellent with this reflected in the very positive comments received from every attraction they visited. They were even congratulated by the Qantas Captain upon landing at Perth Airport. I would like to give a big thank you to Mrs Alver who organised the event and to Mr Turner and Mrs Hamilton who supervised students 24/7.

A report by students and some photographs of some of the activities appears later in this newsletter.

Kindergarten and pre-primary enrolments closed on August 3. However, we still have a few vacancies in each area. Should you know anyone with a child who is turning 4 before July next year (Kindergarten) or a child who is turning 5 next year (pre-primary) please let them know they should come to the school and enrol as soon as possible. Pre-primary is compulsory for all students in 2013.

Don’t forget to keep Wednesday September 19 free as students will be performing at our annual dance night. This year it will be conducted at the Morley Recreation Centre. More details will follow.

Our school athletics carnival will be held on Friday September 7 at Gibbney Reserve. The long distance, jumps and throws are held on Tuesday 4 September. Students are already practising hard for the competition. They will be competing for a place in our school team for the Interschool Athletics Carnival that will be held on Wednesday September 26.

STEVEN SALAMON
PRINCIPAL
Aussie Of The Month

Aussie of the Month is a WA primary school based award program that recognises personal endeavour, achievement, contribution to the community and concern for the environment.

**Junior:** Aaron Chavez PP2
Aaron is a polite and friendly class member. He is a thoughtful student and always looks for ways to help others. Aaron is a pleasure to have in PP2 as he is a wonderful role model.

**Middle:** Mandana Yaghoobi Y1 M4
Nominated by her class mates Mandana is caring, co-operative and respectful of others. She willingly helps her classmates and teachers and always tries her best. She is a great role model for her peers.

**Senior:** Gerard Cabriles S5 Year 5
Nominated by four classmates Gerard is a kind and co-operative class member who always tries to do his best. He is a supportive, honest and good friend to everyone. Gerard is always helping others to solve problems in the playground.

**Winners in Science**

Last week four of our top Science students competed in the District Science Challenge, a Science Week event. For the past three years the MPPS team has been the runner up. This year our team excelled in the investigations, identifying the image, naming the scientist and short answer activities to finish as clear winners ahead of Highgate Primary.

The shield and trophy was presented to our successful team by WA’s Chief Scientist Professor Lyn Beazley. Akshaya Ravichandran and Reece Jones from Year 7 and Hannah Clapperton and Donia Lal from Year 6 were praised by the judge for their fair and accurate investigating and great team work.

Donia, Hannah, Akshaya, Professor Beazley and Reece.

**Cake Stall**
On Wednesday 29 August after school in the undercover area.
Prices $1 and 50c.
S3 are fundraising for their Leewin Sail Excursion.
S3 parents please leave your cupcakes, mini muffins or whatever you like to bake at the canteen on Wednesday morning.
Noodlers

Entries due by 9am Friday
31 August

Pre-Primary/Year 1:
How many toes are there altogether on 3 feet.

Year 4/5: At the Pizza Palace, Fred, Felicity, Phil and Freda all decided to order a different type of pizza. They chose prawns, ham, cheese and anchovies. Use the following clues to match the pizza choice to the person. Fred hates anything from the sea. Phil is allergic to tomatoes. Felicity is a strict vegetarian. Freda hates anything salty.

Year 2/3: There are 30 legs in the park. They all belong to children and dogs. There are the same number of children and dogs. How many children and dogs are at the park?

Year 6/7: Ted works 3 days then has one day off. Mary works 5 days then has 2 days off. Today is Monday and they have both just begun a work period. How long will it be before Ted and Mary have a Saturday off together?

Pre-Primary/Year 1 Winner: Connor J1 Answer: 7 triangles
Year 2/3 Winner: Sophie M5 Answer: Mum should get $11.50 change.
Year 4/5 Winner: Rashaun S2 Answer: There are 8 combinations of ways Rosemary could get to school.
Year 6/7 Winner: Asmma S3 Answer: A milkshake costs $2.50

Library Snippet

A fabulous start to Book Week was our assembly on Monday. The students (and the staff) looked fantastic in all their costumes. Now everyone can enjoy their visits to the Maylands library listening to Meg McKinley and Christie Burne, who are local authors. Ms. McKinley has a book which was short listed in this years Children’s Book Council of Australia lists.

Book fair raised approximately $1,600 for the library/school. The commission has been taken as part books (from the fair) and part Reading Reward points which can be used with Book Club and several of Scholastic catalogues.

Please don’t forget afternoon tea next Wednesday for a book covering session, everyone welcome for as long or short a time as you can come.

Happy reading

Carol Abell
Library Officer

I have read and understand the information in this newsletter.

Student’s Name ______________________________ Form ___________________
Signed ________________________________ Date ____________________

Parent/Caregiver
On Monday 20 August at Maylands Peninsula Primary School, our students celebrated Book Week by dressing up as their favourite book character. Even the teachers dressed up (they looked wonderful). We had a parade so each class could come on stage to show their costumes to everybody.

Each class helped to make a page in The Book about Books, which is in the library if you would like to see it. Akshaya and Simarleen had a quiz about books arranged for each year level to answer. The answers were something to do with a book that is well known in each classroom. We all sang a song near the end of the assembly which was about reading books. Some students from each class were interviewed and filmed by year sevens and the videos were shown to everyone at the assembly.

We just want to thank Mrs. Abell and Mr. Sollis for arranging the assembly for us to enjoy.

By Charli Lim
Jessica Wilkins
Justin Nathan S2

Red Kite Dockers Football Clinic

Last term we held a Go Red for Red Kite day and raised over $775. As a result of this enormous effort by everyone, we won the football clinic with the Dockers. Last Wednesday two of the Dockers football team came to the school and took a footy clinic with our Year 6/7 students and a class of Year 5 students. Ryan Crowley and Nick Suban - the Dockers ambassadors for Red Kite, an organisation that helps children with cancer and their families - took the students through some drills and skills before giving each child a poster which they signed. Both players commended the students for their behaviour and enthusiasm. We look forward to being involved again next year.

Kidsport (A chance to participate in community sport and recreation)

Kidsport, a Department of Sport and Recreation initiative, allows eligible Western Australian children aged 5—18 years to apply for financial assistance to contribute towards club fees. The fees will go directly to the registered Kidsport clubs participating in the project through their local government.

Application forms and a list of City of Bayswater and City of Swan Registered Clubs are available from the school office.

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