



Message from the Principal



School Ethos

We at Maylands Peninsula Primary School are committed to:

Encouraging students to be successful learners. The principles of developmental learning. Life-long learning and reflective practices. Developing attitudes and values of care and concern for self, others and the environment. Maintaining a safe environment for all. Building partnerships with students, parents and the community.

I trust all parents and students had the opportunity to enjoy the lovely Autumn weather we had over the last few weeks. We already have a jam packed term with NAPLAN testing, In-Term swimming, NAIDOC Week and Semester One reports scheduled to take place. A reminder that the Term Two School Planner is now available on the school website. All the key dates/activities that are already known to the school have been included. Please keep a copy on the fridge and add in any extra dates that are made known to you throughout the term.

NAPLAN Assessment Programme 14-16 May

The National Assessment Programme – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) begins next Tuesday, 14 May for students in Years 3, 5 and 7 in the areas of Language Conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar), Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Friday will be reserved as a 'catch up' day so that students who may have been absent for any assessment will have the opportunity to complete tasks. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. As most assessments will be taking place early in the morning session, it is imperative that all students are at school on time. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers.

Coming Events

**Tue 14 - Thurs 16
May**
NAPLAN

Friday 17 May
Year 4 (M2) Assembly

Monday 27 May
School Board Meeting

Friday 31 May
Year 4 (M1) Assembly

ANZAC Day service- Friday 20 April

It is my opinion that the significance of ANZAC Day appears to be growing with the passing of time. Therefore it was most pleasing to see the degree of reverence displayed by the students at our ANZAC Day service on the last day of term. I'd like to congratulate the student councillors as hosts and the many members of the school community who brought in flowers to place at the bottom of the school flagpoles. Lest we forget.



**PAUL ANDRIJICH
PRINCIPAL**

Make space for stillness and quiet. It's the place in which we learn to listen to ourselves.

Wilson
McCaskill - By
Wisdom not by
Force



Student Update Form

Now that cold and flu season is well and truly in top gear, it is imperative that the school has all the correct details on its student database. On a number of occasions this year, the office has experienced difficulty in contacting parents/carers due to contact details having changed since the time of enrolment. This only results in sick children waiting unnecessarily for parents/carers and becoming quite distressed.

As a consequence, all parents/carers would have received a Student Update Form yesterday afternoon which lists all the current information pertaining to each student at the school. By taking a few minutes of your time to look through the form, making any alterations (if any) and returning the form to school ensures that our student database contains the most up-to-date information. Could all forms be returned to your child's classroom teacher or to office staff by **Thursday, 23 May**. Furthermore, it is imperative that if there is a change to any contact details throughout the year that the office is notified.

Similarly, if there are medical conditions that require a documented Action Plan e.g. peanut allergy, bee sting allergy, epilepsy etc or if there are any standing Family Court Orders or unusual custody arrangements that the school needs to be aware of, please make an appointment with a member of the school Leadership Team through the office.

Netball Trials- John Forrest Secondary College

Trials are being held on Wednesday 22 and 29 May 2013 for the specialist Netball programme at John Forrest Secondary College. Please see Mrs Millar in the school office if you would like a copy of the trial package. Please contact Lynn McPherson at John Forrest Secondary College on 9473 4035, or by email on lynn.mcpherson@education.wa.edu.au if your Year 5, 6 or 7 student is interested in choosing Netball as a full time subject at secondary school.

John Forrest Secondary College- Parent Information Evening- Tuesday, 21 May

The principal and staff of John Forrest Secondary College invite all parents/carers of students in Year 5,6 and 7 to an Information Evening on Tuesday, 21 May (Aim to arrive at 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start). Please contact the college on 9473 4000 if you require further information.

Perth College - Information Sessions and Community Tours

Available dates are Tuesday 14 May and Thursday 20 June.

Commencing at 9.00am. Tour commences at approximately 9.30am followed by refreshments at 10.30am. Please register your interest for the 2013 sessions by contacting the Community Development Officer, Natalie Humphrey via email development@pc.wa.edu.au or call 9471 2124

Library Snippet

Welcome back to school after what we hope was a lovely holiday. May is National Reading Month, so please encourage your children to sit quietly for a while each evening and read a book. Many new books will be appearing in our library over the coming weeks, feel free to come in and have a look around and check out what your children have to choose from.

Thank you to Mrs. Ridley and her team of coverers who make it possible to get the new books to the students a lot quicker than waiting for us to cover them.

Book Club issue 3 flyers will be with you soon (if not already) these must be returned **BEFORE END OF SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 23 MAY**. Please make sure your child's name and class number are on each order form you put in. An order form (complete with cash) was found last term in a plastic bag on one of the benches – there was no name or class number on the form. If you think you may be the owner of this order please see me.

A timely reminder with the winter months coming up and also swimming lessons, to ensure your children have suitable library bags. Wet/damp and books are not a good combination.

Mrs. Fielding will be joining me in the library from the start of Term Two. She will be in here, Tuesday and Friday and I will be here Monday, Tuesday p.m. Wednesday and Thursday.

Happy reading
 Carol Abell/Debbie Fielding – Library Officers

New Classes



S3's New classroom. (Old PEAC)



S5's New Classroom



Inside S5's Classroom



S4's New Classroom



Inside S4's Classroom

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Please detach and return to classroom/office

I have read and understand the information in this newsletter .

Student's Name _____ Form _____

Signed _____ Date _____

Parent/Caregiver

CANTEEN NEWS

Order online for MPPS Canteen from 13 May 2013. Visit "ouronlinecanteen.com.au"

Oat & coconut biscuits are still available on Tuesdays for \$1.00.

Vegetable soup special is currently spiced roast pumpkin & lentil soup.

Community News

Lyric Dance Studio

Jazz/Hip Hop Dance Classes

Starting Thursday 23 May

Time: 4-5pm

Ages: 6-14years old

Where: The Rise Maylands Community Hall

Phone Janelle on 0403 356 949

STS Student Exchange

STS Student Exchange are seeking Aussie families who are busy, friendly, interested in other cultures and willing to welcome an STS exchange student into their family.

If interested please call 1800 263 964 or email stsf@people.net.au.

Website: www.sts-education.com.au

Limited Edition - Coloured Commemorative Coin

For a \$10 donation the \$2 Poppy coin will come with a Certificate of Donation.

Australia's first commemorative \$2 coin in colour has been unveiled by the RSL and the Royal Australian Mint. A unique Australian legal tender; this ground breaking \$2 coin is simply an outstanding keepsake for every Australian.

All funds raised go to support our vital RSL programs helping thousands of Veterans' and serving Defence personnel and their families in homes and communities across Australia.

If you would like one please phone your orders to the National Office on 02 6248 7199.

NEXT P&C DATES

P&C:
Wednesday
5 June 2013

Fundraising:
Monday
27 May 2013

All Welcome

Contacts for the

P&C:
Email:
pac@mpps.wa.edu.au

CANTEEN:
Email:canteen@mpps.wa.edu.au

Messages can be left in the classroom canteen basket for the Canteen Organiser or the P&C. The P&C President Shauna Weeks is available on 0402 525 242

More information on the P&C and community events has been placed on the noticeboard in the window of the library.