



Newsletter

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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.



Message from the Principal

Hello once again,

Earlier this year, some of our students and staff were involved in the production of a DVD for the Academy of Science in Canberra. The DVD deals with the 5 E's approach that is embedded in the Primary Connections approach to Science. The 5 E's are about having students move through the phases of Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate and Evaluate to explore their world and build on existing learning and develop deep conceptual understandings of Science concepts. This approach has been used at Maylands Peninsula for the last four years and has resulted in our students demonstrating increased competence in Science knowledge and the skills of investigation and fair testing. Copies of this DVD are available for loan should you wish to see how your child participates in Science. Please enquire at the main office to obtain a copy.

Don't forget to book your table for our inaugural quiz night to be held at the Maylands Bowling Club on Friday July 1. See Cheryl Hamilton or Rosemary Johnson for details of how to book.

Our high achieving Year 6 and 7 Mathematics and Science students are well underway with the program being delivered to them from Northam Senior High. The students engage with their teacher at Northam through their computer using live video and audio and sharing of applications. The students involved tell me that they are both excited and challenged by this approach. The project is funded through an innovations grant of \$42 000 from the Department of Education.

The Education Awards for 2011 are now open for you to nominate a teacher, support staff member or member of the administration team should you wish to do so. I have already received some nominations from parents for Mrs Linda Townend, Ms Bec Turvey, Ms Lesley Watt (Teacher), Mrs Rosemary Johnson (Deputy Principal) and yours truly in the Principal category. I will place copies of these on the notice board near the uniform store at the undercover area. Please feel free to nominate the same people if you share the belief that they are doing an outstanding job or other staff who you see as worthy. The school will then put together an application on your behalf to be entered into the Awards. The nomination forms were sent home in the last newsletter, but we would be happy to provide you with a spare should you want one.

I had the pleasure of spending time with the pre-primary students in PP3 last Friday. I was privileged to watch a performance of 'Wombat Stew' and then joined students in a number of activities they were engaged in. We have some very talented students down there who glow with enthusiasm for their learning. Thank you to Ms Brittain for the invitation to join them. There are some terrific things happening in our Early Childhood area.

With winter well and truly arriving, can I once again urge you all to purchase a **school zip-up jacket** for your child to wear? This is a part of our uniform and adds greatly to the feel of the school and contributes to the student's positive perceptions of their school and the general behaviour within it. The uniform store is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays before and after school and on Friday mornings until the end of Term.

STEVEN SALAMON
PRINCIPAL

Coming Events

Thursday 23 June

Pre Primary Funky
Fitness

Friday 24 June

Disco 6:30pm-
8:30pm

Wednesday 29

June/Friday 1 July

Ear Institute
Australia Incursion
Yr 4-7

Thursday 30 June

Pre Primary Funky
Fitness

Friday 1 July

P&C Quiz Night
7pm-11pm

Academic Excellence Award



Peter Tzotzis Ph:9473 4888



Russell Teo Year 5

For his outstanding achievement across all learning areas. He has demonstrated a strong understanding of topics covered and shares his knowledge with others.

Science Excellence Award



Summer Hicks-Aussie Broker
9267 4444 or 0407 667 678



Award presented by Sonia Roll

Charlie Lim Year 3

Charli has an inquiring mind. She understands about variables and fair testing when conducting an investigation.

*Sometimes,
the benefit
of a dent in
self-esteem is
an
improvement
in character.*

*Wilson McCaskill,
The Game
Factory.*

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: Holly Ridley PPI

Holly is a conscientious student who achieves high standards at all times. She is always willing to help others and is a very valuable class member.

Middle: Jessica Fung M1 Y3

Jessica is co-operative, kind and helpful to all of her classmates. She is a great role model for others.

Senior: Natalia Radojevic Y7 EC5

Natalia demonstrates a mature approach to her schooling. She willingly takes responsibility for her own learning both at school and at home, and always presents her work to a high standard.

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Entries due by 9am

Wednesday 29 June 2011



Peter Tzotzis Ph: 0407 199 669 / 9473 4888

Pre-Primary/Year 1: Which holds more? An ice cream container or a milk carton?



Year 4/5: How many millilitres of water did Gerry drink if he drank three 375ml cans and one-litre bottle?



Year 2/3: 12 capfuls of juice half filled the big bottle. How many capfuls would I need to fill the bottle?



Year 6/7: What is the volume of a tissue box 25 centimetres long, 12 cm wide and 10 cm high?



Noodler Solutions from last week

Winners and Answers from last fortnights problems will be drawn on Monday and published in the next Newsletter.

Pre Primary 3

Pre-Primary 3 had a visit from Mr Salamon last week and we did a play of Wombat Stew. We had lots of fun.



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

P&C News

Quiz Night

The P&C are holding a Quiz Night On **Friday 1 July at Maylands Bowling Club 50 Clarkson Road Maylands at 7pm- 11pm.**

Cost is \$80 for a table of eight or \$15 for individual tickets. Only sixteen tables are available so tickets will be allocated on a first come first basis and places cannot be guaranteed until paid in full. Tickets can be purchased from Cheryl Hamilton **0402 642 408**. More information can be found on the website www.mpps.wa.edu.au/quiznight11

Cake Stall

Just a reminder to those who volunteered to bake goodies for the Canberra Fund raising stall, cake boxes will be sent home with your child on Monday 27 June with information on where to deliver your goodies. If you have any questions you can contact **Natalie Jones** on **0403 773 210**

Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop will be opened every **Friday from 8:35am** only until the end of Term

Community News

Spare Parts Puppet Theatre Presents



9th July-23 July

*Bookings
Essential
Contact*

*9335 5044 or
Email
www.sppt.asn.au*

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy

Aims to give your child ongoing confidence, self esteem and skill in verbal communication. For further information please contact **9242 4722** or email www.helengrady.net.au

NEXT P&C DATES

P&C: Meeting
Wednesday 6
July 7pm

Fundraising:
Monday 27
June 3:15pm
Staffroom

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 Cheryl Hamilton's direct email is: gcham@iinet.net.au.

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