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Message from the Principal

As this will be the final newsletter of the term, I wish all students and their families a relaxing and enjoyable Spring break. As has been the case in previous years, the students will have an extra day at home with both Monday, 12 October and Tuesday, 13 October being set aside as School Development days. As a result, students will be returning to school mid-week on Wednesday, 14 October.

M2 Assembly



- **Helping Hands Network- Outside School Hours Care**
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- **International Centre for Excellence (ICE)**
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COMING EVENTS

Interschool Jumps, Throws and Long Distance- Monday, 21 September
 Interschool Athletics Carnival- Wednesday, 23 September
 Year 3 (M5) Assembly- Friday, 25 September
 End of Term Three- Friday, 25 September
 Term Four commences (students) - Wednesday, 14 October

Quote of the Fortnight

Put simply, the safe classroom is one in which no child needs to be defensive.

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Our Online Canteen

Messages for the Canteen or the P&C can be placed in class canteen baskets.

SCHOOL ETHOS

We at Maylands Peninsula Primary School are committed to:

Encouraging students to be successful learners.

The principles of

Thank you to Ms Powell's Year 3 class for hosting the last assembly. Not only did the students speak so beautifully, but Matilda and Wegahta are super spellers too. Laughter is always a great way to start the day. I wonder if anyone has completed a study of the benefits of laughter and its impact on learning? There's a PhD in it for someone. Well done to all concerned.

Ms Avery's M5 class will host the final assembly of the term on Friday, 25 September. Please come along and share in the fun on what will be the last day of the school term.

Aussie of the Month



Mia Kachmar

For always looking out for the needs of others. She has a lovely caring nature and is a great role model.

Chloe Abordi

For always considering the best interests of others and making all new students feel welcome and included.

Trinity Oxenham

For being a kind class member who always looks out for the needs of others both inside and outside the classroom.

Nominated by her peers.

Riley West

For displaying the attributes of a good citizen - respect, helpfulness, consideration, manners and persistence.

Nominated by his peers.

Faction Athletics Carnival

*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.*

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Apart from a few spits of rain during the long jump, long throw and long distance events on Monday, 31 August, we were most fortunate to have fine conditions for our Faction Athletics Carnival. The contest was tight throughout the day and it literally came down to the last event of the afternoon with both Ferguson and Venville tied on points leading into the final baton relay event. At the end of the day, the difference between first and second place was 2 points! The results were as follows:

- 1st- Ferguson -592 points
- 2nd- Venville - 590 points
- 3rd- Brearley- 580 points
- 4th- Hardey- 560 points

As with the overall competition, the battle to decide Champion and Runner Up was extremely tight. I'd like to acknowledge the following individuals for placing in each respective category:

Year 6 Champions- Bakela Molgaard-Angel (Boys) and Amelie Wilkins (Girls)

Year 6 Runner Ups- Mahjoub Emad (Boys) and Kiani Secco (Girls)

Year 5 Champions- Kobe Brown (Boys) and Somiya Kumar (Girls)

Year 5 Runner Ups- William Rivers (Boys) and Aisha Musumeci (Girls)

Year 4 Champions- Charlie Charushenko (Boys) and Holly Ridley (Girls)

Year 4 Runner Ups- Robert Marchesi-Scott and Ella Jenkins (Girls)

Year 3 Champions- Jens Crosbie (Boys) and Emily Rivers (Girls)

Year 3 Runner Ups- Hytham Emad (Boys) and Alya Hunter (Girls)

I'd like to thank the P&C for making the arrangements for the cake stall and coffee van for the day, the staff for their fine efforts in preparing the students and for setting up and packing away equipment, parents/carers for turning up to support the students and the students themselves for their good sportsmanship and team work throughout the day. I would also like to particularly acknowledge our school gardener, Bruce for marking out the oval and our Physical Education teachers- Mrs Trend and Mr Turner- for coordinating the carnival. Well done to all.





Interschool Carnival- Monday, 21 September (Long jump, throws and long distance) and Wednesday, 23 September (Sprints, Relays and Team Games).

Over the last two weeks students have been training hard for the upcoming Interschool Athletics Carnival taking place next week. Parents/carers are most welcome to attend the jumps, throws and long distance events on the Monday at Guildford Primary School and the sprints, relays and team events at Steel Blue Oval on the Wednesday. Good luck to all concerned.



Funky Fitness Concert- Wednesday, 16 September

It was great to see so many parents/carers and other family members of our Kindy and Pre Primary students in attendance at the 'Funky Fitness' concert held at the Morley Sport and Recreation Centre earlier this week. It was an absolute delight to see the smiles all around the room as the children performed during the evening. I would like to thank all members of staff who turned up in support of the event, Miss Nat for leading the students and the students themselves for a fantastic evening.

On-Line NAPLAN trials



As some parents/carers may be aware, the federal government is working towards having NAPLAN delivered in a 'on line' environment by 2019. Furthermore, the Department of Education (WA) is the lead agency charged with the

responsibility of developing an understanding of the issues confronting schools. With this end in mind, Maylands Peninsula PS has been given the opportunity to be one of a number of trials schools from across the state.

Early last week, a number of our students in Year 3 and Year 5 began some small scale trials of the on-line assessment instruments. It was extremely interesting to see how the test items would present and how the students would react. It is always exciting to be on the 'cutting edge' of educational developments, and on the whole, our experience was a positive one.



Talk like a Pirate Day



The Pre Primary playground looked very different on Wednesday this week, as our Pre Primary students and staff got into the spirit of 'Talk like a Pirate Day.' Throughout the day the children had the opportunity to participate in a range of pirate games and activities. Some of our students and staff were almost unrecognisable in their pirate costumes. Well done to all concerned.



Loose Part and the Sunday Times

Last Friday, a photographer from The Sunday Times was in school to take some photos of our Pre Primary students as part of an article the newspaper was putting together about the resurgence of Creative Play in schools. If



you get The Sunday Times, keep an eye out for the article in the next week or so. There is also the possibility of some photos being put up on the Perth Now website. If this comes to pass, the school will send a SMS out to parents/carers to make the school community aware.

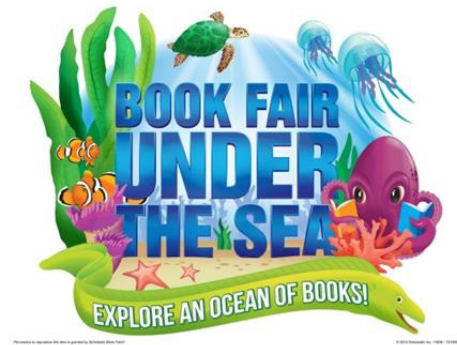


Library News

With having celebrated Book

Week this term we are now looking forward to the school Book Fair which will be taking place in Week 6 of Term 4, just in time for Christmas shopping. This year's theme is 'Under the Sea'. Put it in your diary now!

Debbie Fielding and Janie Rollinson
Library Officers



Well done, Thomas!



Well done to Thomas Kroonenburg (JB3) who placed 1st in the state for the AFL Schools Footy Tipping Competition! Out of 3,672 young tipsters, Thomas was the highest placed WA entrant. Thomas studied the form assiduously all season in order to select his tips. He is an avid footy player and Eagles fan who is always out on the oval with his Year 2 friends kicking the footy around.

As the State winner, Thomas will receive a \$300 signed football and a \$400 AFL online voucher. He has also won a \$400 AFL 9s sports pack for the school. Thanks, Thomas. I am sure that there will be many members of staff who will be seeking your advice for the 2016 AFL season.

Parents Visiting School

A reminder to parents to come into the school office and sign in and out when dropping off items/lunches for your child/ren during school hours.

School Payments



Due to the Commonwealth Bank now imposing a fee for cheque deposits, the preferred method for school payments is via EFTPOS, Direct Deposit or cash.

Direct deposits can be made into Commonwealth Bank, BSB Number 066114, Account Number 10110213. Please put your child's name and

reason for payment in the comment section.

Helping Hands Network- Outside School Hours Care

Helping Hands Network is joining the Maylands Peninsula Primary School community to deliver Outside School Hours Care – before school, after school and during holiday periods and staff development days to our

community. Due to the lack of available space on our school grounds, the service will operate from the old Maylands Primary School site at 150 Guildford Road, Maylands. The service will commence at the start of Vacation Care on Friday, 18 December 2015.



Helping Hands Network has a philosophy of building stronger, happier and healthier communities through the provision of quality childcare in partnership with children, parents and schools. They tailor their programs to meet the local school community needs. More information on the company can be found at www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au.

Parent information packs with enrolment forms will be available for collection in the school office early next term and will contain all of the information required to enrol your child(ren). It is a licencing requirement that any child using the service must be enrolled. There is no fee to enrol with Helping Hands. It is recommended that you enrol your children so that the service is available for your family, even if only in an emergency.

Families will also be advised of a parent information session to be held towards the end of next term. Senior staff from Helping Hands will be available to answer any questions you may have about this new service. As a school, we look forward to welcoming Helping Hands and know that they will add significant value to our school community.

If you are interested in using the service, please complete the expression of interest form available at the school office.

Nature Play Passports



With the Term 3 break nearly upon us, and the Spring weather in full swing, it may be a great time to enjoy some quality family time in the 'Great Outdoors'. Nature Play (WA) has created a stack of free secret missions for families to complete as part of the Nature Play Passport. The missions include riding a bike, climbing a tree, building a cubby and making a mud pie. It might even include adventurous activities like geocaching and

orienteeing.

We have a number of free Nature Play Passports in the office for those families that would like to have a go. For more information visit the www.natureplaywa.org.au or www.natureplaywa.org.au/things-to-do/geocaching-a-world-wide-treasure-hunt-for-everyone.

Primary Music Institute

Instrumental Music Lessons –
Small Group and Private
Lessons

Keyboard and Guitar Lessons
At Your School.

- Enrol TODAY – via PMI’s website OR enrolment forms available from the school front office.
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – with lessons outside of school hours.
- Only \$13.50 per child per small group lesson (typically 3-5 students for 30 minutes).
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music.
- Private lessons also available (\$32.50 per child for 30 minutes).
- Learning plan for all students via “PMI Stars” program – structured objectives with progress visibility.
- Ten minutes per day of practice at home is all that is required to see improvement!
- Instrumental music can improve your child’s school results – including for reading, maths, and coordination.
- Limited spaces available for next term so please enrol ASAP (timetables are prepared during the holidays).



International Centre for Excellence (ICE)

The ICE holiday program runs from Tuesday, 29 September - Friday, 2 October. The program is suitable for children from Pre Primary to Year 7.

Information is available at the school office or call 9271 4200 or email iceinfo@iinet.net.au.

Tiny Tots Tennis

Tiny Tots Tennis and Mega Tennis run weekly classes, holiday programmes, birthday parties and tennis leagues.



Classes are suitable for children aged 3-12 years.

Ring now for your trial lesson on 9471 8491.

Edge Learning Education

Edge Learning Education run English and Maths programs at The Rise, 28 Eighth Avenue, Maylands on Tuesday and Fridays.

They are offering a free 2 week trial during school holidays. Please call 0406 109 234 or email bala.pragasam@gmail.com for further information.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

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