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**Maylands Peninsula**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## Message from the Principal



### **COVID-19 Update**

A reminder that all families are able to collect their allocation of RATs from the library on Monday or Tuesday next week. Please refer to the Connect message that was sent out yesterday with details about the arrangements for collection.

### **Work/Life Balance**

As many people would know, maintaining a healthy work/life balance is critical for ensuring ones' mental health and physical wellbeing. In recent years, many organisations have been proactive in developing strategies to look after the physical and mental health of its employees.

As part of the Department of Education's Wellbeing strategy for its employees, staff are encouraged to 'disconnect' from work related activities outside of business hours or whilst on leave to provide time to engage in activities that maintain a healthy work/life balance. Given the COVID affected world we continue to live in, taking time over the weekend or during term breaks to recoup and recover is more important than ever. As such, please do not be too disappointed if that email you have sent through over the weekend/overnight is not responded to within a few hours. Staff will get back to you in due course during the working week.

We all require the opportunity to step away from what is a very demanding, yet rewarding occupation to recharge our batteries. Thanks for your support on this matter.

## Other Newsletter Items

### Assembly



### S8 Assembly

Thanks to Ms Sloan's/Mr Davey's S8 class for hosting the first assembly of the term. As part of the underlying 'hidden superpower' themed item, the students themselves brainstormed and developed each of the small sketches that they performed throughout the assembly. The audience were very much engaged throughout. Well done to all concerned.

Our next assembly will feature the Year 3/4 students in Ms Peden's/Ms Kinnersly's M5 class. At this assembly

we will present the next round of Excellence Awards for the year.

### **S3 Excursion to WA Museum Boola Bardip**

On Tuesday, 2 August, our class (S3) went on an excursion to the WA Museum Boola Bardip for the day. We were supposed to go by train, but due to the weather we had to go by bus instead. The bus picked us up at 9:00am and we were accompanied by parent helpers Mr Glover and Mr Metcalf, as well as our teachers.

When we arrived, we sat down for a quick recess before starting an educational course about Cultural Collisions. We learned about other countries interactions upon first meeting the Indigenous people of Australia. We took notes and discovered that the interactions had varied results. We learned a lot about Aboriginal Australian history.

After that, we had lunch and split into our four groups to explore the museum. There were many different displays and exhibits to see about history, connections, animals and more. After our time exploring, we gathered back at the agreed meeting point and got back on the bus to head back to school.





Overall, it was an interesting and educational experience, and we recommend it to everyone.

**Raya, Indra and Abhi**

### **Pasta Sculpture Challenge**

Buongiorno a tutti! Good morning/day everyone.

Our **Pasta Sculpture Challenge** is on again this year, for students learning Italian in Years 2-6.

Did you know there are over 350 types or shapes of pasta and about four times that many names for them!

If you are a lover of pasta (or maybe not), this is a great opportunity for students and family members to participate in this fun STEAM project! Your sculpture can be 2D or 3D and you can paint it or keep it natural. Get creative and try to link the sculpture to Italian culture or history, Eg. foods, transport, sports, fashion, buildings/monuments, famous people (inventors, explorers, artists).

There will be several prizes for the most innovative and creative sculptures. Entries for the Pasta Sculpture Challenge close **Thursday, 8 September** and can be

dropped off in the library. The winners and prizes will be announced at the end of Term 3.



Materials: Pasta (various shapes & sizes), PVA glue or hot glue gun (low temp), cardboard, vinyl record or packing foam (for base), liquid paint or spray paint.

Buon divertimento! Have fun!

Signora Schunck  
**Italian Teacher**

Aussies of the Month





### **Ethan Scott - Year 6**

Ethan always ensures that others are considered, included and heard. Ethan gives up his own time willingly and constantly demonstrates great citizenship qualities. He is very respected by his peers.

### **Ishaan Minhas - Year 1**

Ishaan is a reliable, patient and motivated student who is a consistent role model for his peers. He listens attentively, works hard and makes positive choices every day.

### **Mina Truong - Year 4**

Mina contributes to her class everyday. She is aware of the rules and routines and helps her classmates participate in activities. Mina is reliable and a leader who has a positive outlook on learning.





## **Writer of the Month - Naomi Cook -Year 4**

Writer of the Month is presented to Naomi Cook for her attention to detail in all areas of writing. Naomi creates pieces that transport the reader into the world she is writing about. She develops her characters and creates setting using all her five senses. Well done, Naomi!

## **Calling all small business owners**

On the subject of awards, are you a small business owner, or know of someone in the local community who may be looking for an opportunity to 'give back' to the school? Mrs Alver is searching for two organisations/businesses who would like to support the school by providing the 'Writer of the Month' and Science Excellence Awards. Generally speaking, we present these awards to students twice a term.

Please contact Mrs Alver in the office if you would like to know more about what is involved.



### Lap-a-thon

After some concerns with the weather forecast earlier in the week, the ever popular P&C Lap-a-thon is all 'done and dusted' for another year. The variety of sporty themed costumes worn, and in some cases created for the day, was outstanding. Thanks to all members of the school community for getting behind what is the biggest P&C fundraiser of the year. Thanks also to the P&C Fundraising volunteers and the many parent/caregiver helpers that offered their assistance over the last day or so. A great team effort.







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## **NAIDOC Week**

Even though national NAIDOC Week celebrations took place during the Term 2 break, the school has elected to acknowledge its significance next week.

NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations peoples and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. A number of activities have been planned by staff at the classroom level to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.



## Jeans 4 Genes Day- Monday, 8 August

A reminder that Monday is 'Jeans 4 Genes' Day. For the cost of a gold coin donation, students and staff will be able to wear jeans to school. All money raised on the day will be sent to the Children's Medical Research Institute to help fund research to advance prevention and treatment of genetic disease. Thanks to all for your support.



## St John's First Aid

Earlier this week, we had the crew from St John's speak to all our students from Kindy- Year 6 about the importance of understanding basic first aid. Everything from knowing the phone number to call in an emergency, how to correctly put on a bandage or place someone in the recovery position was discussed.



## Textile Club

This term, Mrs Owens has been running an afterschool Textile Club in the Art Room for a number of our students in Year 5 and Year 6. The students will get the

opportunity to learn a number of textile related skills, such as sewing on a button and bead, pinning, tacking and utilising a variety of stitching techniques to complete some small projects.





### **Gardening Group**

Even though the weather hasn't been the best for getting out into our school gardens, our gardening volunteers have been busy planting seeds and potting seedlings in preparation for planting out in the garden when the fine weather returns. I would like to thank

Mrs Belinda Scott and Ms Jacqui Barr who give of their time each week to help with this most worthwhile programme.



## P&C News



### **Fathers' Day Raffle**

MAYLANDS PENINSULA PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C



1 ENTRY  
\$2

3 ENTRIES  
\$5

MANY AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON FROM:

- Bunnings
- Body Fit Training
- Extension Fitness
- Do you Personal Training
- Grow & Grind
- Titan Pop Culture
- Bendigo Bank
- Dome
- Big4 Holiday Parks



TICKETS AVAILABLE ON QKR!  
or with cash and form in school office.

All Qkr purchases will get an extra ticket.  
Family & friends welcome. Tickets can be purchased until Thursday, 1 September 2022.  
To be environmentally friendly no 'RAFFLE TICKETS' will be sent home.

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## Community News



## Treasure Market

The Uniting Church Mount Lawley are holding a Treasure Market on Saturday, 13 August 2022 from 9.00am to 12.00pm at 165 Railway Parade, Mount Lawley. Parking is available at the rear.

Upcoming Events
<b>Monday, 8 August   Jeans 4 Genes Day</b>
<b>Monday, 8 August- Friday, 12 August   NAIDOC Week activities</b>
<b>Friday, 12 August   M5 Assembly</b>
<b>Friday, 12 August   SSWA Year 5/6 Interschool Cross Country Carnival -Selected Competitors</b>
<b>Monday, 15 August   School Board meeting</b>
<b>Tuesday, 16 August   Year 6 Helping Minds Incursion</b>
<b>Wednesday, 17 August   Year 1 Bayswater Library Incursion</b>
<b>Thursday, 18 August   S1 State Library &amp; Museum Excursion</b>
<b>Monday, 22 August - Friday, 26 August   Book Week</b>
Visit the school calendar on the website for details of all future events.  <a href="#">VIEW ONLINE CALENDAR</a>



Quote of the Fortnight



When the unpleasant or unfortunate happens, acknowledge it and understand it. Then bounce back with all the force you can muster.

## 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.

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