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Maylands Peninsula
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Message from the Principal

Principal's signature

COVID-19 Update

Two weeks into the new operational guidelines, and things are looking as close to 'business as usual' as we would have hoped. Student absence is more or less confined to those students who have tested positive or who are sick for other reasons. As of today, we have 27 students who are currently in isolation as a result of testing positive. This represents 4% of our total school population.

Most families took up the opportunity earlier this week to collect their free RATs from the school library. A reminder that if your family was unable to make it to the school to collect your allocation of RATs, to come to the school office in the next week to collect your box(es) of test kits.

As mentioned in the first newsletter of the term, the school will no longer be contacting parents/caregivers regarding COVID-19 cases in specific classes. However, the school will still keep the school community aware of general messaging about all things COVID-19 e.g. community updates provided by WA Health or changes to operational guidelines made by the Department via the school newsletter and *Connect* messages. The school has also developed a dedicated [COVID-19 Response](#) page on the school website that contains frequently asked questions, information about close contacts, links to report positive cases in the household, isolation requirements and web links to WA Health information.

There has been some confusion regarding isolation and return to school dates. As a general rule, if a child returns a positive result before the start of the school day, and commences isolation that morning, the school has noted this as Day 1 for isolation purposes. However, if they return a positive result during the day, or after school, this day is considered Day 0, and they begin their Day 1 of isolation the following day. All students will need to complete 7 full days of isolation. If you are unclear about return to school dates, please contact the school to seek clarification. Your support on this matter is greatly appreciated.

A BIG Thank You to our P&C

Next Friday is P&C Day WA. On behalf of our students, staff and the wider school community, I would like to thank all those volunteers who help out in any way they can to make our school the great place that it is. Whether this be helping out in the school canteen, Uniform Shop, volunteering at P&C led events- such as the lap-a-thon or disco nights- taking on an executive, sub-committee or general member role at the P&C level.

The new playgrounds located in the Pre-primary and down under the peppermint tress, a range of classroom resources, Phys Ed notice boards and the like that have been provided to our school are as a direct result of the amazing volunteer work that our P&C do right throughout the year.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.



Other Newsletter Items

Assembly





M3 Assembly

By all accounts, last Friday we had a great first assembly of term with Ms Bonetti's/Mrs Lake's M3 class taking centre stage. This being the first assembly after the lifting of audience restrictions, it was pleasing to see the assembly area full of students and a large number of parents/caregivers in attendance. The skipping extravaganza that the students put on for the benefit of the audience was extremely well received. The students discussed some of the health benefits associated with skipping and demonstrated all the sorts of things you can do with a skipping rope to keep yourself healthy. Well done to all concerned.

Our next assembly will see the first of our Year 2 classes up on stage with Ms Offer's/Mrs Jonsson's JB2 class, along with Mrs Ekeh's JB5 class putting on the show. Furthermore, we will present the next round of 'Aussie of the Month' Awards for 2022.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Excellence Award

Cjay Cheuk - Year 4

Cjay works conscientiously to complete all his work with care and accuracy. He listens to instructions and leads his peers by modelling on-task behaviour. His hard work has resulted in some excellent persuasive writing.

Writer of the Month

Isabella Tranter - Year 2

Isabella is a very competent writer who expresses ideas and opinions well, by using interesting vocabulary, as well as accurate spelling and punctuation. Congratulations, Isabella.

Safe Routes to School Survey- Closes Friday, 20 May

A reminder to all that the [*Safe Routes to School*](#) survey that the City of Bayswater is undertaking closes next Friday, 20 May. Many parents/caregivers may not have noticed the [hazards and infrastructure suggestions](#) aspect of the survey. The interactive aspect of the map allows respondents to drop a pin to indicate a hazard, identify some sort of infrastructure upgrade or even make a suggestion for an alternative safe route to school. Once these pins have been dropped, respondents have the opportunity to leave comments to clarify their thoughts.

As mentioned in the last newsletter last week, [Transition Town Bayswater](#), (the community engagement arm of [Enviro House](#) in Bayswater), are conducting guided community walks along the proposed safe routes to school. The first walk took place last Saturday, but the second walk is scheduled to take place on Sunday, 15 May. If you would like further information about this event and/or would like to register your interest in attending, please click [here](#).

Year 1 Brownes incursion

On Wednesday, our Year 1 students had the opportunity to learn about the dairy industry with the crew from Brownes coming to school. After watching a video about the farm to dairy process, the students had the opportunity to get up and personal with Amelie, the cow and Curly-Sue, the cattle dog. A great time was had by all.





Premier's Reading Challenge- Reading can take you anywhere

Late last week, the Premier launched the '[Premier's Reading Challenge](#)' for 2022. Students from Kindergarten to Year 10 are invited to uncover the great mysteries through the world of books and sign up for the challenge of logging 12 books or more from May to 9 September. Readers will go into the draw to win extraordinary prizes.

No matter where you are, you can experience the joy of reading and explore thousands of amazing stories.



Lost property

With the advent of the cooler weather, our lost property box is starting to fill up with jackets and

jumpers that have been left behind in the playground or courtyard. Please make certain all items of clothing are clearly labelled so that they can be returned to their rightful owners. The same goes for drink bottles and lunch boxes, as there are quite a number in the box as well.

If you are missing something, please check through the lost property box in the next week. At the start of the following week, the Student Council will go through the lost property box to empty the contents. Any unnamed articles of clothing will be donated to the Uniform Shop whilst other articles that are unloved will be given to the Good Samaritans or the Salvos.



P&C News



Come and get your democracy sausage- Saturday, 21 May

With the school being a designated polling booth for the federal election taking place on Saturday, 21 May, make certain you have some loose change in your pocket to stop by the P&C stall to purchase your democracy sausage and cold drink. Just another great example of the P&C supporting our school



Community News



Bayswater Lacrosse Club

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Upcoming Events

Friday, 20 May | JB2 and JB5 Assembly

Saturday, 21 May | Democracy P&C Sausage Sizzle

Monday, 30 May | School Board Meeting

Friday, 3 June | JB4 Assembly

Monday, 6 June | WA Day holiday

Friday, 10 June | Faction Cross Country Carnival

Visit the school calendar on the website for details of all future events.



Quote of the Fortnight



Success will always feel good, but when we lose, it's trying hard that stops us from feeling bad.

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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