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Maylands Peninsula
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Message from the Principal

Principal's signature

COVID-19 Update

Since our last newsletter, there hasn't been a lot to report in the way of COVID-19. Our numbers of students at any point in time that are isolating at home remains reasonably stable. As of today, there are 30 students currently in isolation. Overall, over 50% of our students and staff have tested positive this year. It will be interesting to see when we get our first repeat positive case, which hasn't happened as yet.

Most families have collected their free RATs from the school. However, if you haven't collected your RAT allocation, please collect them from the school office in the coming week. If your child(ren) are collected by an OSH provider, and you haven't collected your allocation as yet, please ask the centre staff to collect them from the office on your behalf.

Whilst most things are pretty much back to business as usual, we are still living with COVID-19, and should all be doing our bit to stop the spread. I would like to remind everyone that our school playground and courtyard areas are still off limits after school. In recent weeks, I have noticed numbers of students staying behind after school to play handball with friends or play on playgrounds. As was the practice over the last few years, if parents/caregivers are wishing to catch up with friends and the like, please move over to Gibbney Reserve at the conclusion of the school day. Your support on this matter is greatly appreciated.

National Reconciliation Week- Be Brave. Make Change.

Today marks the beginning of National Reconciliation Week, which runs from today through to Friday, 3 June. This year's theme is 'Be Brave. Make Change' and sets the challenge for all members of our community to continue making ever important strides towards a culturally responsive and reconciled society.

In a letter sent out to schools by the Director-General, Ms Lisa Rodgers, she states:

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all of us to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. So let's Be Brave together. Let's reflect deep within our hearts to ignite our empathy and compassion, to enact positive and practical actions to Make Change. Let's walk together on this journey through deep listening and understanding of diverse experiences and unify our awareness and intelligence in building our strengths to continue the important work that takes place each day in our schools and our communities.

Please, take the time to consider what reconciliation means to you, your family, your workplace, our school, its students and the local community. Think about those small steps you can take to deepen your understanding of the world's oldest continuing living culture, not just only during the coming week, but every day.

WA Day (Public Holiday)- Monday, 6 June

A reminder to all parents/caregivers that Monday, 6 June is the WA Day public holiday. Please make use of the extra day at home with the children as it is the last public holiday that falls in school term for the remainder of the year.

Other Newsletter Items

Assembly



JB2 and JB5 Assembly

A very big thank you to Ms Offer's/Mrs Jonsson's JB2 class and Mrs Ekeh's JB5 class for hosting last week's assembly. I really enjoyed the very entertaining text innovation of Mem Fox's *Possum Magic* that the children presented on the day. This was a very good example of our Writing programme at Maylands Peninsula PS, which is based on Pie Corbett's *Talk 4 Writing* programme, where students take a well-known story and change certain aspects e.g. characters or setting, to create a story which is both familiar, but new. Well done to all concerned.

Our next assembly will feature the Year 2 students in Mrs Coulson's JB4 class performing for our viewing pleasure. At this assembly we will present the next round of Excellence Awards for the term.



Aussies of the Month



Holly Baumanis - Year 3

Holly is a quiet and respectful member of the school community who demonstrates initiative to help others. She is compassionate and supportive of those in need and a positive peer role model.

Khantur Boldbayar - Year 2

Khantur is an enthusiastic and conscientious learner who approaches every aspect of school life with positivity. He is a well mannered, kind and supportive class mate.



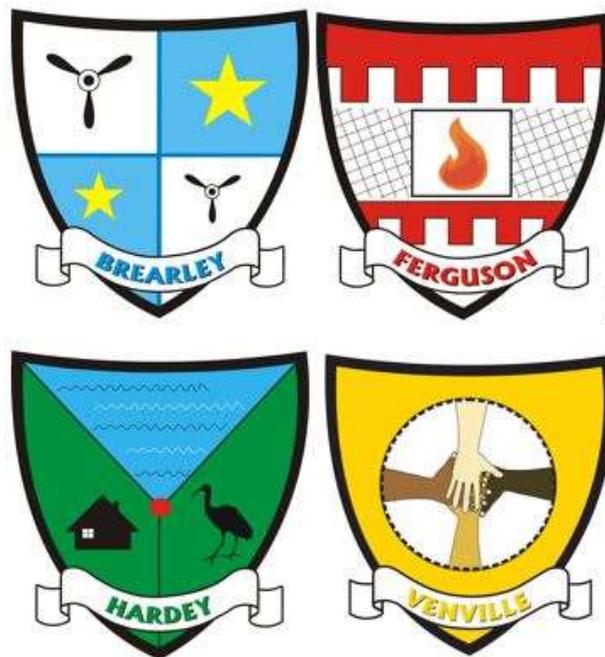
Faction Cross Country- Friday,10 June

Our Faction Cross Country Carnival for 2022 will take place on Friday, 10 June on Gibbney Reserve. All students in Years 1-6 will be participating. Our Year 1-3 events will take place from 10.50am-12.20pm, with the Year 4-6 events scheduled to take place after lunch from 1.00pm onwards.

Students do not have to run the full distance, but participation is expected. Year 1 and Year 2 students

will run 800m, Years 3 and 4 students will run 1.2km, and the Years 5 and 6 students will run 1.6km. There will be an overall winning faction, and a Champion and Runner up Champion for boys and girls per year group. Presentations will take place for all year levels at the conclusion of the last event. Students are encouraged to wear their faction colour on the day!

Please refer to the *2022 Faction Cross Country Parent Information Pack* that was sent home to parents/caregivers via *Connect* yesterday afternoon for further information about the order of events on the day and scoring system. In the event that the carnival is not able to take place due to inclement weather, our 'back up' day will be Tuesday, 14 June. Students in Years 3-6 who place first or second will represent Maylands Peninsula PS in the Interschool Cross Country Carnival at Guildford PS on Wednesday, 22 June.



Spectators are welcome to come and support their children and their factions. Spectators may watch the events from Gibbney Reserve, as long as they keep away from the marked areas of the course and Faction Bays. The start and finish lines must be kept clear for the judges and officials.

Running Club

We have had a number of students achieve significant milestones this fortnight. Well done to Finn P and Tom

from Hardey; and Nikau, Finn H and Shaun from Venville for breaking the 100km barrier. Keep up the great effort, boys. Your 200km badge awaits. Congratulations also to Felix from Brearley for achieving his 200km badge. Good on you, Felix. At the last assembly, we made a very special presentation to Jack from Hardey, who is the first Year 5 and second student overall, to receive a 500km medallion. Congratulations, Jack!









Interschool Footy Carnival

Yesterday, a number of students across our Year 5 and 6 cohort travelled to Jubilee Reserve in Bassendean with Mr Christie, Mr Morris and a number of parent helpers to participate in an interschool footy carnival. By all accounts, the competition was fierce, but fair. In keeping with the interschool theme for the last few years, our students were fortunate enough to come home with the shield for winning their division. Well done to our team, congratulations to Mr Christie and Mr Morris and thank you to our parent helpers.







Edu Dance Performance Nights- Wednesday, 22 June and Thursday, 23 June

Our annual Edu Dance nights for our Year 1-6 students at Morley Sport and Recreation Centre are currently being organised. Further information will be forthcoming regarding your child/ren's costume, day rehearsal schedule and the time they will appear on stage. To ensure you are able to attend your child/ren's performance, please find below the list of which classes will be dancing each night.

Wednesday, 22 June - EL1, JA1, JB1, JB2, JB5, M1, M5, S2, S3 and S6.

Thursday, 23 June - JA2, JA3, JB3, JB4, M2, M3, M4, S1, S7 and S8.

As was the case in 2021, we will 'split' the performances on each night into two sections separated by a short interval to move people in and out of the Wellington Room.

In respects to our younger students, our Pre-primary students will have their Edu Dance concert on the afternoon of Tuesday, 21 June commencing at 3.00pm

in the Undercover Area. For our Kindy students, who are participating in Edu Dance for the first time, there will not be a performance per se, but parents/caregivers will be invited to attend the last lesson for each group. Kindy staff will inform you of the day/time closer to the nominated date.

Kindy Art

If you wander down to our Kindy classrooms, you will notice some very colourful additions to the walls outside the classrooms. These amazing works of art were created by the 2021 Kindy students, along with the help of Ms Offer, who was working in the Kindy rooms last year. Mr McKnight, our school gardener, fastened them to the walls last week, and they have really brightened up the Kindy playground. Well done to all concerned.



P&C News



Democracy Sausage Sizzle

The P&C would like to thank everybody who volunteered to help at the Democracy Sausage Sizzle. Thanks also go to those who supported in the lead up to the event and by purchasing food on the day. There was a fantastic sense of community and it was great to see some new faces. Together we raised \$2711.00 for the school. We're looking forward to our next fundraisers: sock sales for Crazy Hair and Silly Socks Day and Lapathon in Term 3.



P&C fundraiser- Crazy Hair and Silly Socks Day

Get ready to style your locks and don some fun socks because the school is having a Crazy Hair and Silly Socks Day!

The event will take place in the final week of term on Wednesday, 29 June (or Thursday, 30 June for Kindy A

and C) as the Term 2 Student Council fundraiser. Students are asked to please bring a gold coin to school on the day to go towards childhood cancer support charity, Redkite.

Throughout June, the P&C will also be selling colourful socks outside the school uniform shop when it's open (8:45am-9:15am on Thursdays), on assembly mornings and some other school events.



Kids' sizes cost \$8.00 and adult socks are \$10.00 each. Socks can be bought in-person only; using cash or cashless Qkr! payments. Grab a pair to wear on Crazy Hair and Silly Socks Day. Proceeds from the sock sales will go towards funding school resources for our kids.

MPPS P&C Fundraising Committee - Raffles

27 prizes were allocated and \$608.00 raised from the Mother's Day raffles. Thank you to all parents/caregivers who donated prizes. Special thanks to local businesses Open House Yoga, Sherbet Cake & Bake Shop and River Yoga.

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Community News



Review of the Bayswater Bike Plan

The City of Bayswater is currently in the process of updating its Bayswater Bike Plan. As such, it has engaged the services of GFG Consulting to undertake the review on their behalf.

The City of Bayswater has commenced a [Bike Plan Review Survey](#) which enables community members to provide feedback. Similar to the *Safe Routes to School* survey, there is an interactive map on a separate tab alongside the survey itself where community members can drop a pin on a map to indicate where improvements to the cycling network are required.

At this stage, the survey concludes on Monday, 30 May, so you have a few days in which to complete the survey and identify areas of improvement on the interactive map.

Uniting Church - Treasure Market

The Uniting Church, Mount Lawley are holding a Treasure Market on Saturday, 11 June from 9.00am to 12.00pm. Parking is available at the rear of 165 Railway Parade, Mount Lawley.

Midvale Hub Parenting Service - Free Services to Parents

Below is a list of parenting programs/workshops that are commencing soon! Midvale Hub Parenting Service is FREE for parents and carers who reside in the local government areas of Mundaring, Swan, Bassendean and Bayswater.

Supporting Your Child's Emotional Development

Maylands Public Library - Wednesday, 15 June 9.30am - 11.30am.

Let's Talk Toileting

Maylands Public Library -

Wednesday, 22 June 9.30am - 11.30am.

Protective Behaviours Parent Workshop

Maylands Public Library - Wednesday, 29 June 9.30am - 11.30am

| Upcoming Events |
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| Monday, 30 May School Board Meeting |
| Wednesday, 1 June P & C Meeting |
| Friday, 3 June JB4 Assembly |
| Monday, 6 June WA Day holiday |
| Friday, 10 June Faction Cross Country Carnival |
| Friday, 17 June S7 Assembly |
| Visit the school calendar on the website for details of all future events. |
| VIEW ONLINE CALENDAR |



Quote of the Fortnight



Not being brilliant at something is not an excuse to be awful at it. Be as good as you can be. Remember, the more time you spend in the good zone the more chances you have of being brilliant. Brilliance by its nature is occasional, whereas good can, through effort, be constant.

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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