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Message from the Principal

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Evacuation drill

We had a very successful 'Lock Down' drill a few weeks back with all staff and students following our school protocols and procedures to the letter. We will now see how our evacuation procedures 'stand up' by conducting an evacuation drill once Interm Swimming has concluded. As was the case with our 'Lock Down' drill, our staff will discuss with students the reasons for conducting an evacuation drill and how our processes work. Please do not be too alarmed if you see our students exiting the school grounds and going out onto Gibbney Reserve sometime over the next few weeks.

Farewell Mrs Reed and Mrs Pitsonis. Welcome back Ms Nugent.

At the last assembly we wished both Mrs Reed (JB2) and Mrs Pitsonis (S8) all the best as they head off on Parental Leave. With the ladies heading off, Ms Sonya Nugent will be returning early from her own Parental Leave to work in tandem with Mrs Jonsson in JB2 whilst Mr Matt Davey will commence full time work in S8.

School Board Report

The Term 3 School Board meeting took place earlier this week. Our School Board Chair, Mr Clayton Hanrahan, will provide a report which will be sent out via Connect next week and made available on the school website in due course. Please take the time to read through the report to gain an understanding of the main points of discussion.

Other Newsletter Items

Assembly

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JB2 Assembly

Thank to the amazing students in JB2 for hosting last week's assembly. The 'Friendship' poem that the students recited had some very important messages about how to grow and nurture relationships with others, in the same way a gardener must look after their garden to be at its best. Well done to all concerned.

As we still have another week of Interm Swimming followed by our Faction Athletics Carnival taking place, our next regular assembly will not take place until Friday, 8 September. This assembly will be a joint Year 2 assembly with Mrs Coulson's JB4 class and Ms Offer's M1 class performing for our viewing pleasure.

Aussie of the Month





Talulah La Vertu

Talulah has been chosen by her classmates because she encourages people to do their best. She helps classmates when they need help, is kind and cares for everyone. One of her classmates believes Talulah is the nicest person they have every met.

Brodie Lyon

Brodie exemplifies kindness and care in everything he does. His genuine concern for others creates a classroom atmosphere where everyone feels valued and embraced. It is a pleasure to have Brodie in JA3.

Yu Jia Lam

Yu Jia is a polite, respectful and responsible student. He is described by his classmates as being kind and helpful both inside and outside of the classroom. His class mates feel comfortable approaching him for help with Maths as he is always patient and understanding.

Excellence Awards



Jacob Collings

Jacob is a mature and self-motivated student during science activities. He demonstrates a vast depth of scientific knowledge which he enjoys sharing with his peers.

Evelyn Gough

Evelyn has an inquisitive mind. She seeks out feedback and ways she can improve her work and understanding. Evelyn produces work of an exceptional standard and achieves well above the expected level across all areas of the curriculum.

Ushika Kunwar

Ushika has beautiful and neat writing on the familiar topics that we have learnt this term. Whilst she is new to the English language, Ushika tries her best everyday to sound out, to read with some fluency and to put it all in writing. Her effort is remarkable!

Year 2-6 Interm Swimming lessons

We have had a solid start with the first week of the Year 2 - 6 Interm Swimming program. As was the case with our Pre-primary - Year 1 group, please remember to label all articles of clothing, towels, swimming goggles etc. Furthermore, please remember to always keep the 'Kiss and Drive' area at the front of the school clear for the bus to access throughout the day. One more week to go.

Book Week Dress-Up Day- Wednesday, 30 August

As part of Book Week celebrations for 2023, students from Pre-primary - Year 6 and staff will have the opportunity to come dressed up to school on Wednesday, 30 August as either a character from a book they know, as the book itself or they can wear a costume related to this year's theme of Read. Grow. Inspire.

As has been the case for many years, a costume parade for the Pre-primary - Year 2 students will take place on the grassed area between the school Administration Block and JA Block commencing at 8.45am. Feel free to come along and be amazed by the wonderful array of costumes on display.

NAIDOC Gallery Incursion

To celebrate NAIDOC week, an Aboriginal Art Gallery was held last Wednesday in our CaLDEYLink room. Students from Kindy to Year 6 were invited to view Miss Liedel's family artwork, read books, and examine artefacts from the Pilbara region. The Palyku artist in this gallery included Sally Morgan (known for her book 'My Place'), Amberlin Kwaymullina (author and illustrator of 'Billie and the Blue Bike') and Gladys Milroy (author and illustrator of 'Dingo's Tree'). This year, the art gallery was interactive. By

scanning a QR code, students could listen to Gladys Milroy talk about how she created her book 'Silver Leaves' and examine some of the original sketches that are featured within it.







Rip 'n' Sip for Reclaim the Void

The 'Rip 'n' Sip event that took place last Friday was an outstanding success with several parents/caregivers, students and staff all meeting out on the oval by the playgrounds to rip up the many sheets that have been donated to the school. We had so many volunteers that we took up the opportunity to create several hula hoop looms in readiness for weaving the 10cm strips of fabric into many colourful dots. Thanks to all for your support of the Reclaim the Void project.



2023 School Photos

Information about school photos will be sent home via Connect in the coming week. Furthermore, all students will be provided with their individual Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home with their own unique code.

The photographers will be in school over three days from Monday, 4 September – Wednesday, 6 September.

As has been the case previously, families will be able to book sibling photos. These will be taken during recess and lunch breaks over each of the three days. Details about how to book your children (Kindy – Year 6) for a sibling photo will be included in the information sent home via Connect.

Faction Carnival- Monday, 28 August (Long jump, distance throw and long distance) and Friday, 1 September (Sprints, Relays and Team Games).

Preparations are well underway for the school faction carnival being held in Week 7 of term. We will start proceedings on Monday, 28 August with representatives from each faction participating in the long jump, distance throw and long distance running events. This will be followed later in the week with the sprints, relays and team games on Friday, 1 September. Despite a few interruptions with wet weather, Miss Wyatt and Mr Christie have still found the time to practise the team games and individual events with students.

A reminder that the school canteen will not be operating a normal canteen menu on the Friday of carnival week as a special 'Hot Dog Day' menu has been arranged for the day. This special menu is by preorder only. No food will be available for sale on the day itself. Qkr orders close at midnight on Sunday, 27 August. If you would like a hot dog on the day, remember to get your order in.

Running Club





Good Job Helena on getting to 100km. Well done to Rob for reaching the 100km mark.

P&C News

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Parent Leaderball at the Faction Carnival-Friday, 1 September

Get excited because it's time to impress your child/ren with your sporting prowess on Faction Carnival day!!

This year we're up against the teachers' team, the school councillors' team and the well-practiced faction captains' team.

Book and pay for your spot for \$10 per participant.

1. Go to Qkr! P&C Fundraising & Events page then "Parent/Caregiver Leaderball" and register as an individual for \$10.00 or as a team of 8 for \$80.00. Please provide name and contact details.

2. Can't throw/catch/run? No problem, sponsor your faction instead!

3. Meet at 11.50am by the judges' tent, Faction Carnival, Gibbney Reserve on Friday, 1 September. Race time is 12.00pm.

*Places are limited and given on a first come, first served basis. The spots filled up very quickly last year, so get on your skates!

*All funds raised go towards sports equipment for our school.



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Community News

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Midvale Hub

Midvale Hub are offering parent workshops at Maylands Peninsula PS during Term 3.

The following workshops are available to all parents and caregivers. There is

Anxiety and Your Child

- Wednesday, 13 September
- 5.30 pm 7.30 pm *
- *note this is an evening session

Protective Behaviours

- Friday, 1 September
- 9.15 am 11.15 am

Please submit your expressions of Interest in any of these workshop through 'Workshops' in Qkr.

Upcoming Events

Monday, 21 August - Friday, 25 August | Year 2-6 Interm Swimming Continues

Tuesday, 22 August | Faction jumps, throws and long distance events

Monday, 28 August | Faction jumps, throws and long distance events

Wednesday, 30 August | Book Week Dress-up Day

Friday, 1 September | Faction Athletics carnival

Monday, 4 September - Wednesday, 6 September | School Photos

Friday, 8 September | JB4 and M1 Assembly

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

VIEW ONLINE CALENDAR

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Quote of the Fortnight

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Our effectiveness as adults, parents and teachers must not measured by how well we make our children happy, but by how well we have empowered our children to make themselves happy!

School Ethos

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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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