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**Maylands Peninsula**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## Message from the Principal



### **Kindy- Year 6 'Meet the Teacher' night- Wednesday, 22 February**

It was pleasing to see so many parents/caregivers turn out for the 'Meet the Teacher' evening Wednesday last week. Hopefully, everyone embraced the opportunity for a return to normal operations with no COVID related impacts needing to be considered. On behalf of the staff of our school, I would like to say thank you to all members of the school community who turned up in support.

### **Harmony Week**

One of the wonderful aspects of our school is its cultural diversity. Of the 732 students in our school, 53% have a language background other than English with 80 different languages represented in our school

community. Given this cultural diversity, it is no wonder that Harmony Week is such an important event in our school.

Harmony Week provides the opportunity for all to show cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home- from the traditional owners of the land to those who have come from across the seas. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

The theme this year is 'Everyone Belongs'. Please take the time this Harmony Week to join in celebrations with your friends, your family, your workplace, and our remarkable multicultural community!

To celebrate Harmony Week, we would like to see as many children as possible wearing traditional costume from another country on **Tuesday, 21 March. Please note: Kindy groups (A, C and E) will celebrate Harmony Day on Monday, 20 March.** If you don't have a traditional costume, please wear something **orange**, in support of Harmony Week.

As part of our celebrations, Mrs White has arranged for a Vietnamese cultural group to visit our school on Monday, 13 March to perform traditional songs, dances and musical instruments. Information about other events taking place at the classroom level around the school in the lead up to Harmony Week will be sent out via *Connect* by staff in the lead up to the week itself.

### **Other Newsletter Items**

Assembly





## **S1 Assembly**

Congratulations to Ms Turvey's S1 class for their amazing assembly performance. For many years I have wondered about the history of Chinese New Year and its origins. However, the performance of the students on the day to explain in which order we celebrate the various animals and the individual qualities they possess made it very easy to understand. I particularly enjoyed Novak's performance as the elderly god. Well done to all.

Our next assembly on Friday, 10 March will feature the S4 students in Mrs Eftos' and Ms Farr's class. At this assembly, we will present the next round of Excellence Awards. Come one, come all.

## **2023 Student Health Care Review and Student Update Form**

Yesterday morning all families would have received a Connect message with links to the 2023 Student Health Care Review and Student Update Form.

The Student Health Care Review is completed by parents/caregivers at the commencement of the school year and is retained at the office and classroom level for staff to refer to when planning excursions or attending school events outside of school- such as In-term swimming and Edu Dance rehearsal. By completing this form, parents/caregivers will not be required to complete any additional paperwork in respects to your child(ren) when they leave the school grounds throughout the year. Any subsequent excursion paperwork that is sent home will ask you to simply tick a box indicating whether your child's health care needs that are listed on the summary form are current.

The Student Update section lists parent contact details- student address, phone numbers, email details, for each student. Essentially, it is a record of the details supplied by parents/caregivers at the time of enrolment. Please complete the electronic form indicating any changes and click submit. The form is to be returned no later than **Friday, 10 March**.

Furthermore, I would like to remind all parents/caregivers, that if there is a change of circumstances regarding contact details or student health care needs throughout the year, the onus is on parents/caregivers to make the school aware of the nature of the change. In order to make this process as simple as possible, an update form is available on Qkr for parents/caregivers to complete.

It is imperative that the school has the most up-to-date details on the school database, particularly in cases of emergency. Thanks for your support on this matter.

## Excellence Awards



## Writer of the Month

**Amaira Oberai Year 3**

Amaira has written a well articulated story called "Emma's Miraculous Birthday". She is able to use correct speech marks and transitional words all the way through to keep the flow and make the story interesting to read.

## Science Excellence Award

### Toby Goldstraw Year 5

Toby has a strong interest and background knowledge in Science. His engagement in Chemical Science lessons, including an investigation involving carbon dioxide greatly enhanced the learning experience for his peers.

## Academic Excellence Award

### Dhaksheh Mehan Year 2

Dhaksheh has a positive attitude towards all learning. He is always ready to learn and participates in all discussions

## Aussie of the Month



### Farah Cheetham

Farah has been nominated by her classmates for the kindness and care she shows others. She is willing to assist others who need help. Farah comes to school each day with a positive attitude and a smile.

### Elise Watson

Elise has been chosen by her classmates for being kind and supportive to everyone. She thinks of others, really cares and has good leadership skills

## **Jasper Brook**

Jasper is a mature, courteous and responsible student. He is a positive role model, cooperates well with his peers and is always willing to help others.

## **2023 NAPLAN**

In previous years, I wouldn't be talking about the National Assessment Program– Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) until early Term 2. However, in mid-2022, the decision was made by the Australian Government to shift these assessments into Term 1 from the commencement of the 2023 school year. Information about NAPLAN was sent home by Mrs Alver to families with children in Year 3 and Year 5 in late February.

In preparation for the assessments, our Year 3 and Year 5 students have been conducting practice assessments with Mrs Alver, Mr Davey and their classroom teacher to familiarise themselves with how the tests present and how to operate the functions of the laptop devices they will be using.

The first assessment takes place on Wednesday, 15 March and concludes on Monday, 27 March for students in the areas of Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar) and Numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents/caregivers can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents/caregivers may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers.

If parents/caregivers wish to know more about how the NAPLAN assessments present, a [public demonstration](#) website is available for parents/caregivers to visit and to see examples of the various types of assessments for Year 3, 5 7 and 9.

Next Tuesday, Mrs Alver will send home information via *Connect* about the testing timetable for all classes involved in the assessments. Good luck to all our students.

### **Dogs on school grounds**

Yesterday afternoon, we had one of our younger students bitten by a dog who had been tied up to a fence just outside one of our classrooms. This was quite a frightening experience for not only the child concerned, but for those who witnessed the attack.

I would like to remind all members of the school community not to bring dogs onto school grounds. If you choose to walk your dog to school during pick up or drop off with your children, please either tie your dog up well away from the school site and away from footpaths or other areas frequented by children e.g. the back of the Gibbney Reserve pavilion, or alternatively, walk to the school boundary and ask your child(ren) to walk to class from there and/or meet you back at the same spot in the afternoon.

Your support on this important safety matter is greatly appreciated.



## Maylands CaLDEYLink

In 2022 we had a very successful year at the Maylands Multicultural Playgroup, at Maylands Peninsula Primary School. Last year we received "Overall Best Practice" for our centre and program and we presented at the annual WA KindiLink/CaLDEYLink conference.

We were proud to see 17 of our students well prepared to enter Kindergarten this year with some staying at Maylands and others going to schools around the metro area.

We continue to look for new families who speak little or no English to join CaLDEYLink in a relaxed setting that is both social and informative. We strongly encourage families to speak in their home language to their children at the centre, while our facilitators provide the resources and English component to encourage a language rich experience.

Our main priority is building solid language foundations for children aged birth to four. The program uses Enriched Caregiving, Conversational Reading and Learning Games to promote the use of language to help children engage, understand and express their ideas and emotions.

These social interactions and learning games provide children with multiple tools and skills when starting Kindergarten.

If you would like to join in or know families who would be interested you can collect a form from the school office, email us or come and visit us at CaLDEYLink on a Monday or Tuesday, 9am - 12pm, during the school term.

We look forward to having you join us at Maylands CaLDEYLink.

Phyllis Vimini  
**ECE Teacher**



## P&C News



**P&C Meeting Wednesday, 8th March, 6:30pm  
at the Library.**



### **P&C Contacts**

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### **School Board**

The School Board can be contacted via email:

## Community News



### John Forrest Secondary College- Specialist program information



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Contact our Enrolment Officer on (08) 9473 4013  
Applications for Specialist Programs close:  
Cricket - 20 March 2023, Tennis - 29 March 2023, Music - 12 May 2023, Netball - 28 April 2023  
For more information please visit the College website:  
[www.johnforrest.wa.edu.au/view/specialist-programs](http://www.johnforrest.wa.edu.au/view/specialist-programs)  
JOHN FORREST SECONDARY COLLEGE 180 DRAKE STREET MORLEY WA 6062

### Calling all girls in Years 3-6 The Mount Lawley/Inglewood Junior Football Club is Recruiting



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### Bayswater Lacrosse Club's Modcrosse Sessions

## BAYSWATER LACROSSE CLUB'S MODCROSSE CLINIC



Come on down to Bayswater Lacrosse Club for our 5 week Modcrosse Clinic. During this program your kids will learn the basics of lacrosse, build their confidence, stay active and make friends! **\$10 for the full 5 weeks**, all equipment is provided and it's a great opportunity for your kids to try lacrosse in a safe and supportive environment.



### DETAILS:

**WHEN:** Every Thursday of March (2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd + 30th).

**WHERE:** Bayswater Lacrosse Club - Halliday Park, 2 Coode Street, Bayswater 6053

**TIME:** All sessions 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Any queries call Gregor Wild 0418 159 451  
To register your kid/s please contact the club manager, Narelle Tatlow;  
[clubmanager@bayswaterlacrosse.com.au](mailto:clubmanager@bayswaterlacrosse.com.au)



## City of Bayswater- A Conversation about Crime

You may know the City is taking a proactive approach to addressing concerns about crime and community safety within the City of Bayswater, and in April 2022 held a forum called A Conversation about Crime. The forum was well attended by the community, Councillors, WA Police, Neighbourhood Watch and City officers.

Feedback and ideas captured during the forum were a first step to inform the development of a City-wide Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan. You can find the outcomes report on our engage page at the link below.

**We now invite you to be part of the Community Survey that will capture input from the wider community (including residents, business and community groups).**

You can complete the survey online by following the [link](#) or find a paper copy at the Civic Centre and the City's three libraries. Submissions close Friday, 31 March 2023.

Interested individuals can also attend a drop-in session to ask questions or talk to the City's security team. You can find them at:

Noranda Shopping Village    Tuesday 7 March  
10.00am – 1.00pm

Bayswater Twilight Market    Friday 10 March  
5.00pm - 8.30pm

Evening in the Park                  Saturday 18 March  
4.00pm - 8.30pm

Coventry Village Morley            Friday 17 March  
10.00am – 1.00pm

We look forward to receiving your input. An outcomes report from the survey will be available on the Engage page in April/May.

The Community Engagement Team  
**City of Bayswater**

### **Midvale Hub Parenting Service - Free Parenting Programs**

Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth North East is a **free** service to parents/carers of children who reside in the local government areas of **Mundaring, Swan, Bassendean & Bayswater**. Please visit their [website](#) for information and programs available.

Upcoming Events
<b>Monday, 6 March   Labour Day Holiday</b>
<b>Wednesday, 8 March   P&amp;C Meeting</b>
<b>Friday, 10 March   S4 Assembly</b>

**Wednesday, 15 March | NAPLAN commences**

**Friday, 17 March | P&C Sundowner**

**Monday, 20 March | Pre-Primary and Year 1 On-entry reports sent home**

**Monday, 20 March | Harmony Day for Kindy A,C,E**

**Tuesday, 21 March | Harmony Day**

**Friday, 24 March | S6 Assembly**

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

[VIEW ONLINE CALENDAR](#)



## Quote of the Fortnight



To the detriment of children, parents have been convinced that if they are not being conspicuously kind, they are being obviously cruel.

## 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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