



Newsletter

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Message from the Principal



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.

Hello again. Let me begin with a big thank you to Linda Townend for her organisation of our Science Week activities. Students were coming up to me in the playground enthusiastically telling me about their experiences. Paper planes were being tested in the quadrangle, structures created with marshmallows and paper chromatography (separating colour into pigments) and mentos rockets as well as many other investigations. Please ask your child about the activities they participated in over the week.

A number of classes also went down to the Maylands Library, now located in the new facility, 'The Rise' to meet and work with Cristy Burns author of 'Takeshita Demons' series. Cristy has written to me as follows:

Yesterday I had the pleasure of meeting and working with several classes of students from Maylands Peninsula Primary at the Maylands Library. I wanted to write and let you know how very impressed I was with their excellent manners, intelligent questions, and the preparation they'd put into our sessions. It was a real delight to spend time with them.

Congratulations to those students and their teachers who obviously prepared them so well for the experience.

Mrs Trend has students practicing for the athletics carnival to be held on Friday September 9 with the jumps and throws conducted on Tuesday September 6. Let's hope that we get some respite from the rain on those dates!

We have two new staff members with us for this term. They are Ms Julie Houghton who is working with our English as a Second Language students and Mr Chris Jones who is working with some of our Year 6 and 7 students. Welcome to both of these very experienced teachers. We appreciate the value you add to our capacity to deliver focussed education offerings to our students.

Don't forget to lock away Thursday September 22 to attend our Arts night at *The Rise* in Eighth Avenue. It promises to be a wonderful evening in the fabulous new facility. More details will follow shortly.

We are currently enrolling students for Kindergarten and Pre-primary in 2012. If you know of anyone with four or five year olds who have not yet made application please let them know that places are at a premium and they should come up to the school as soon as possible to secure a place for their child/children.

STEVEN SALAMON
PRINCIPAL

Coming Events

**Monday 22 August-
Friday 26 August**
Book Week

Tuesday 23 August
Ballet Incursion
11am-12pm

Friday 26 August
JLA Maylands
Library Excursion

**Monday 29-
Thursday 1 Sept**
St John First Aid

**Monday 22-Friday
26 August**
Kindy Enrolments

Academic Excellence Award



Peter Tzotzis Ph:9473 4888



Kateryna Bunayeva, Year 7,
For being a hard working and conscientious student who takes responsibility for her own learning in all aspects of her education.

Science Excellence Award



Summer Hicks-Aussie Broker
9267 4444 or 0407 667 678

Vincent Dalstra Year 7
Vincent has a logical and structured approach when investigating. He also demonstrates a good understanding and ability to interpret data.

Aussie Of The Month

Aussie of the Month is a WA primary school based award program that recognises personal endeavour, achievement, contribution to the community and concern for the environment.



Junior: Myles Geraghty PP2

Myles is a caring and considerate class member. He is always doing kind things to make his classmates feel special. Well done Myles!

Middle: Olivia Mendoza M5

Olivia is a civic minded student who shows kindness and consideration to her teachers and friends. She is always willing to offer assistance without being asked.

Senior: Masimbaashe Mbetu S2

Masimba is a thoughtful student and a great role model for others.

NOODLERS

Entries due by 9am Wednesday

14 September 2011



Peter Tzotzis Ph: 0407 199 669 / 9473 4888

Pre-Primary/Year 1: Which has the largest area, your classroom or the school oval?



Year 4/5: Jacqui drew a shape that covered 24 square centimetres. She coloured half of the shape. How much of the shape did she colour?



Year 2/3: The chocolate bar is made of 3 squares columns of squares. Each column has 6 squares. How many squares are in the chocolate bar?



Year 6/7: If a rectangular playing field is 450 square meters and is 9 meters wide, how long is it?



Noodler Winners from last week

Pre-Primary/Year 1 Winner: Claire Hornung J2

Year 2/3 Winner: Emily Kroonenberg S2

Year 4/5 Winner: Jawaad Khan S2

Year 6/7 Winner: Sam Bills S3

Writer Of The Month

bosch timber floors

australian wood | australian homes

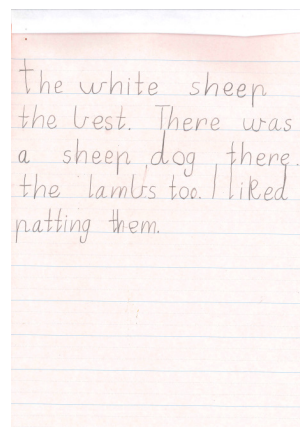
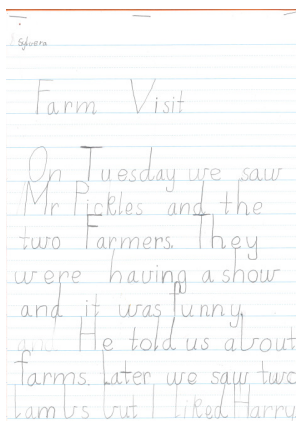
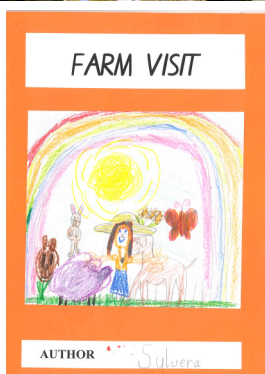
Richard and Sandy Catlin 9309 2991

www.boschtimber.com.au



The Writer of the Month was **Sylvera Berso (Yr1)**.

Sylvera wrote a retell of the play "Mr Pickles" presented by The Royal Agricultural Society. Bosch Timber Floors is sponsoring the Writer of the Month award. Mr Catlin presented Sylvera with a certificate and a Dymocks gift card. There is a Junior Learning Area writing display in the library for students and parents to view.





Library Snippet



Thank you very much to all those families in our school community who purchased items from our Book Fair. We took just over \$6,000 in sales which resulted in the library benefiting to the tune of approximately \$1,500. Congratulations to all the raffle winners, better luck next time to those who missed out.

Next week it is Book Week, when the Children's Book Council of Australia judge the best Australian books published in 2010. All the shortlisted books are on display in the library and there will be a list of the winners on Monday morning.

This years theme is "One world many stories"! Were you born overseas? Is your family background/ancestry not Australian? If the answer to either of these questions is YES, can you encourage your child to either wear the national costume of your country, or make a hat or headdress that symbolises your country and bring it to the library with maybe a story that you grew up with. We have some books in our collection that are stories from overseas and these will also be on display.

Keep reading
Carol Abell - Library Officer

3 Year Old Story Time

Our 3 Year Old Storytime program is progressing nicely with our Community Nurse Jo, Speech Pathologist Tamika and Occupational Therapist Haylee attending our sessions and giving family members advice on child development. The children have settled into a lovely routine ready for Kindy 2012.

Mrs Collins and Mrs Elgin



University of NSW Science Competition

In June a number of our Year 5, 6 and 7 students competed in the University of NSW Science competition.

A number of our students were very successful, as can be seen in the table below.

| | Credit (ranked in top 30% of the nation) | Distinction (ranked in the top 10% of the nation) | High Distinction (ranked in the top 1% of the nation) |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Year 5 | Shannon Radcliffe Abhi Ratnakar | Hannah Clapperton Ruza Kinsman | |
| Year 6 | Lachlan Evans Steven Su | Zac McGregor | Alexandru Manescu |
| Year 7 | | Aaron Hamilton Joachim Sta Ana | Vincent Dalstra |

Congratulations to these students.

Children have also competed in the Mathematics and English competitions run by the university and we eagerly await their results.

Narelle Alver
Deputy Principal

Great Day for Our Scientists

On Wednesday four of our top Science students from Year 6 and 7 competed in "The Swan District Upper School Science Challenge" at Westminster Primary. The competition involved; Science investigations, identifying images of living and non-living things, multiple choice and short answer questions and 'Naming the Famous Scientist'. For the third year running our team gained 2nd place, only 3 point behind the host team, Westminster. Our successful team were presented with the Runner-up Trophy by the Chief Scientist of Western Australia, Professor Lyn Beazley.



Vincent Dalstra, Aaron Hamilton, Zack MacGregor and Reece Jones with Chief Scientist of WA, Professor Lyn Beazley.

Better Beginnings

For Book Week 2011 Pre-primary parents are invited to stay from 8:45 to 9:15 on Friday the 26th August to learn about the BETTER BEGINNINGS library program offered by the City of Bayswater libraries. The children will then each receive a library book pack to take home.

*Success will
always feel
good, but when
we lose, it's
trying hard
that stops us
from feeling
bad.*
Wilson McCaskill,
*The Game
Factory.*



Science Week PP2

The students in PP2 used paint to see how germs move from one person's hands to the next.



Lightning Carnival

During week 10 of last term the year 6 and 7 students participated in a Lightning Carnival held at Noranda Netball Centre and Lightning Park. We had been training hard for weeks in Netball with Mrs Trend and Ms Turvey and Football with Mr Young. Thanks especially to Mr Young for coming to train us before he went to work!

Our school entered three different Netball teams; year 6, year 6/7 and year 7 along with one combined year 6/7 Football team. It was a great day with some good results by all the teams.

The year 7 girls (Ashleigh, Heidi, Natalia, Montana, Remi, Emily and Brooke) were undefeated in Netball and finished in 1st place. The year 6/7 team placed 4th and the year 6 team placed 6th. The Footy boys played hard all day and finished in 2nd place to Mt Lawley.

We would like to thank the coaches for putting in all the extra time to help prepare us for the carnival, as well as our Teachers and Parents for coming along and cheering us on.



Community News

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Electronic Community Software Plan

The eCSP is all online now! We have upgraded www.edalive.com to allow parents to download ED ALIVE software directly to their computers and to pass their savings as Cash to schools. Parents can now purchase EDALIVE software at up to 70% off.

Vac Swim 2011-2012

VacSwim gives parents the opportunity to access high quality affordable swimming classes for their children.

Closing dates for enrolments are:

7 September 2011 for October program or 9 November 2011 for December/January Program.

For further information contact VacSwim on **9345 4007** or email vacswim@det.wa.edu.au

Enrolment forms are also available from the office.

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Messages can be left in the classroom canteen basket for the Canteen Organiser or the P&C. The P&C President Cheryl Hamilton's direct email is: gcham@iinet.net.au.

Please detach and return to classroom/office

I have read and understand the information in this newsletter .

Student's Name _____

Form _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Parent/Caregiver