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**Other Newsletter Items**

**S2 Assembly**

**Meeting- Wednesday,  
5 April**

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SVAPA Information  
Night- Tuesday, 14  
March
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- ATI Martial Arts
- Inglewood United  
Soccer Club

#### COMING EVENTS

Labour Day holiday-

Monday, 6 March

S4 Assembly- Friday,  
10 March

Starlight Purple Haze  
Day- Friday, 17 March

Book Fair- Monday,  
20 March – Friday,  
24 March

Harmony Day- Tuesday,  
21 March

M4 Assembly- Friday,  
24 March

#### Quote of the Fortnight

Encourage children to come to school to better themselves by being able to work with others. The more others they can work with the better people they will become.

#### P&C CONTACTS:

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*Canteen orders:*

Our Online Canteen

*Messages for the Canteen  
or the P&C can be placed  
in class canteen baskets.*



Well done to the students in Mr Sollis'/Mr Collins' S2 class for hosting last week's assembly. I didn't know whether to laugh or cry when the doctors at the hospital attempted to shock Grandpa back into life or when prospective parents would go off to Coles to purchase pre-packed babies. However, the real highlight for me was watching Violet's over the top performance as the rich socialite. It was just like watching an episode of the 'Real Housewives of Melbourne.' 'Mixed Emotions' was a very apt title for the assembly performance. Thanks to all concerned.

Our next assembly will take place on Friday, 10 March with the students in Miss Yu's S4 class taking centre stage. This will be an 'Aussie of the Month' assembly, so it would be great to see many members of our school community out in support.

### Aussie of the Month



#### Dontae Curley Year 2

Dontae is a wonderful friend to everyone both inside and outside the classroom. He always considers others and goes out of his way to help out.

#### Ally Chin Year 4

## 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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Ally is kind and helpful to everyone in S4. She is a responsible student who can be depended on.

## Grace Wilson-Clark Year 5

Grace is kind, caring and compassionate. She selflessly puts others before herself and consistently acts with fairness and treats others with respect.

## Excellence Awards & Writer of the Month



## Radhi Patel Year 6

For her choice of persuasive techniques in her written work, producing a strong and convincing argument. Well done!

## Karen Gregory Year 5

Karen provides insightful responses during class discussions and achieved very good results in her Mathematics assessment.

## Christian McFarland Year 3

Christian displays interest and enthusiasm in Science Lessons. He has an excellent general knowledge and sound understanding of our Science topic this term. He participates regularly and successfully in our discussions and activities.

## Meet the Teacher evening

It was pleasing to see so many parents/caregivers turn out for the 'Meet the Teacher' evening earlier this week. From looking through our register of attendance, we had an average 63% (Low of 38% and high of 90%) of parents/caregivers attend over the course of the night.

Everly enough, this is exactly the same response in terms of numbers as we had in 2016. 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.



## 2017 Student Health Care Summary and Student Update Form

Next Thursday, 9 March, all students will receive the 2017 Student Health Care Summary and 2017 Student Update Form.

The Student Health Care Summary 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 for any school related activity 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 this summary form are current.

The 2017 Student Update Form lists all contact details- student address, phone numbers, email details, emergency contacts etc- for each student. Essentially, it is a record of the details supplied by parents/caregivers at the time of enrolment. Please have a look through the details on the form to see if the information on our school data base is current. If no changes are required, simply tick the '**No Corrections Necessary**' box. However, if any changes are required, please indicate what these changes are on the form itself and tick the '**Corrections Made**' box. Both forms are to be returned to your child's classroom teacher no later than Friday, 17 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, that the onus is on parents/caregivers to make the school aware of the nature of the change. Please make contact with the school office if this is the case so the school data base can be updated.

## Private number calling

There have been some instances in the last week or so when office staff have endeavoured to contact parents/caregivers to inform them that their son/daughter



has taken sick or had an accident, but have been unsuccessful. When contact is eventually made, the reason why the parent/caregiver ignored the initial call was the fact that the school number comes up as 'Private number'. Please be mindful that if you get a call on your mobile that comes up as 'Private number', it could be the

school calling.

## **2017 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)**

As has been the case in previous years, students from Year 2-6 will be able to participate in the 2017 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) programme coordinated by the University of New South Wales.

Students will be able to compete in this nationwide competition in the areas of

Mathematics, English and Science throughout Term 2 and Term 3. Detailed information about the 2017 ICAS programme and registration forms are now available in the office. All nominations and correct monies must be returned to Mrs Johnson by the close of business on Friday, 24 March. Please see Mrs Johnson if you have any further questions about the ICAS programme itself.



## **S8- Our new LOTE Room**



Our new transportable classroom, S8, which was brought into the school at the start of the year to cope with additional enrolments in the senior grades over the next few years, is now up and running. For the immediate future, the room will be utilised by Madame Marshall as our LOTE (French) room in 2017. Mr Christie's Year 5/6 class had the honour of cutting the ceremonial ribbon last Thursday and they enjoyed the experience.

### **Starlight Foundation- Purple Haze Day- Friday, 17 March**



Living with illness or injury can cause enormous strain in the lives of children and their families. The pain, loneliness and isolation that sick children feel dominates their lives, and they often miss out on normal experiences that healthy children take for granted. The Starlight Children's Foundation provides programmes integral to the total care of seriously ill children –

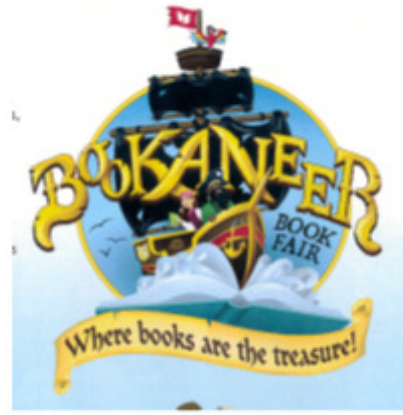
while health professionals focus on treating the illness, Starlight is there to lift the spirits of the child, giving them the opportunity to laugh, play and be a child again. In order to support the great work the Starlight Children's Foundation does in the community, the Student Council has organised Purple Haze Day for Friday, 17 March. Last year we raised \$764.70. So wear purple to school on the day and bring in your gold coin donation to help support this most worthwhile cause.

### **Book Fair**

Scholastic Book Fair will be open during Week 8 in the school library from Monday 20 March to Friday 24 March.

You can see the fair before school at 8.15 – 8.45am and after school from 3.00 – 3.30pm and on Tuesdays from 2.30 – 3.00pm.  
CLOSED AT LUNCH TIME.

Invitations will be sent home in the coming weeks showing some of the fantastic books which will be available. Pre Primary to Year 3 will have a sneak preview and write their “wish list”. Please remember this is only a wish list.



Purchases can be made in cash, credit card, EFTPOS by phone or online. If paying by phone or online please record your receipt number on the book fair invite or wish list and return to staff at the book fair.

This is a major fundraiser for the school library which helps in the acquisition of new resources.

Volunteers to help would be greatly appreciated. Please see library staff.

Debbie Fielding and Claudia Barbaro  
**Library Officers**

## **P&C News**

### **Parents & Citizens Annual General Meeting- Wednesday, 5 April**

The annual P&C AGM will be taking place on Wednesday, 5 April at 6.30pm in the Staff Room.

At the P&C AGM, all office bearer positions will be declared vacant with elections to take place on the night. As many members of the P&C will be leaving the school community in the next 12 months, we need families with younger children to become involved. To become a member of the P&C, a gold coin is required on the night. Please come along and do your bit for the school community.



If you have any queries, please feel free to contact Rachael on 0411 887 440 or at [pac@mpps.wa.edu.au](mailto:pac@mpps.wa.edu.au)

## **Canteen News**

|        | Mon           | Tue      | Wed               | Thurs         | Fri      |
|--------|---------------|----------|-------------------|---------------|----------|
|        | 6 March       | 7 March  | 8 March           | 9 March       | 10 March |
| Week 6 | School Closed | Monireh  | Manpreet<br>Karen | Suba<br>Ana   | Gary     |
|        | 13 March      | 14 March | 15 March          | 16 March      | 17 March |
| Week 7 | Dawn<br>Suba  | Kathryn  | Help<br>Needed    | Karen<br>Suba | Gary     |

### Canteen Roster

We are able to have two volunteers each day, if you would like to come in and help. Volunteering in the canteen is a great way to help out at school, and your kids will love to see you at recess and lunch.

Wearing closed in shoes is a must for health and safety regulations. Please let the canteen or P&C know if you can help. Phone 9473 4111.

### Special on the Menu

This term we have Chicken Curry and Rice (available every day) for the special price of \$3 (normally \$4.20) and Potato Top Pies (Friday only) for the special price of \$3 (normally \$3.80).

### Online Ordering - Don't forget to update room and teacher name

If you place your child's canteen order via [www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au](http://www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au) don't forget to update their room number and teacher name so that their order goes to the right classroom. To make this update, click on your child's initials in the circle on the top left of the screen (once you are logged in) to update their details.

## P&C Sausage Sizzle- Saturday, 11 March



With the school library being utilised as a polling booth for the upcoming state election, the P&C will be hosting a sausage sizzle on school grounds from approximately 8.00am onwards. For a relatively small cost you will be able to get a delicious sausage sizzle (\$3.50), sausage and a cold drink combo (\$5.00), egg and bacon burger (\$4.50) or egg and bacon burger combo (\$6.50). So please remember

to bring down your wallet or purse on the day, and not only get a delicious meal, but support the school as well.

## School Banking

Are you free for about 30 minutes on a Tuesday morning to help out at School Banking in the library? We need School Banking volunteers to keep this successful banking programme up and running. If you're interested and would like to find out



more, please pop in and have a chat with us in the library on the school banking day, Tuesday from 8.15am.

### **School Banking Team**



### **Can you help?**

Are you constantly checking Facebook or tweeting then we need you!!!! The P&C Communications sub committee needs members to assist with updating and regulating our social media sites. We only meet once a term...but need a parent who has their pulse on social media. Please contact Erin Gisborne on 0419 902 493 or [communications@mpps.wa.edu.au](mailto:communications@mpps.wa.edu.au)

### **Parent Welcome Mornings**

The P&C, together with the Chaplain, would like to welcome parents and caregivers to our school community

**Dates:** Wednesday, 8 March – Years 5 & 6

Wednesday, 15 March – Years 3 & 4

Wednesday, 22 March – Years 1 & 2

Wednesday, 29 March – Kindy A, C, E

Wednesday, 5 April – Kindy D, F & PP1-5

**Times:** 8.50am-9.45am (Years 1-6)

9.00am-9.50am (Kindy & PP)

**Venue:** Grassed area outside the Staff Room

Please bring a small plate of food to share that represents your heritage. TEA, COFFEE AND JUICE PROVIDED.

Feel free to wear your traditional or regional dress as we are celebrating our multicultural school population.

RSVP 5 days prior to your Day(s) to Cate:  
[fundraising@mpps.wa.edu.au](mailto:fundraising@mpps.wa.edu.au)

### **P&C Movie Night**

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Friday, 17 March  
MPPS Soccer Field  
Gates OPEN 6pm, Movie STARTS 7pm

Pizza and movie packs can be pre-ordered  
Popcorn, drinks, confectionery for sale until 7pm

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A P&C FAMILY NIGHT SO AN ADULT MUST ACCOMPANY STUDENTS WHO ATTEND. IF YOU ARE OF SCHOOL AGE AND ABOVE, YOU WILL NEED TO PURCHASE A TICKET.

*All classes will receive order forms this week.  
Pre-orders must be received by **Wednesday, 8 MARCH.**  
Tickets and vouchers will be returned via student handy pouches on 15 March. If you have not received your tickets by 16 March, please email Cate at [fundraising@mpps.wa.edu.au](mailto:fundraising@mpps.wa.edu.au)*

## Community News

### Mount Lawley SHS- SVAPA Information Night- Tuesday, 14 March

Prospective parents of budding artists and performers will have a chance to gain some information on Mount Lawley's **Specialist Visual & Performing Arts Program** on Tuesday, 14 March commencing at 7.00pm in the school's Tricycle Theatre. The session should run for between 1.5-2 hours.

Details of course content, extra-curricular and professional opportunities will be addressed, as will our structure and ethos. Information on the application process will be discussed as well.

After the presentation you will get a chance to have a chat with the arts teachers.

### Drama for Kids WA

Drama for Kids WA run afterschool and weekend drama classes. For further information email [alanblackwood@gmail.com](mailto:alanblackwood@gmail.com), visit <https://spaces.hightail.com/space/qkw8l> or telephone 9271 9128.

### ATI Martial Arts

ATI Martial Arts are offering free 2 weeks trial for Taekwondo classes for children. Please contact 0402 144 018 or visit [www.atimartialarts.com.au](http://www.atimartialarts.com.au).

### Inglewood United Soccer Club

Inglewood United invites aspiring young soccer players, boys and girls, ages 6 through to 18, to join us for the 2017 season.

For further information visit [inglewoodunitedfc.com.au](http://inglewoodunitedfc.com.au) or telephone 0407 391 015.

#### **NEWSLETTER ITEMS**

To include items in the school newsletter contact Gayle Tippett by email [Gayle.Tippett@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Gayle.Tippett@education.wa.edu.au)

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