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Message from the Principal

Spark Reading Programme

In 2015 and 2016, volunteers from the Australian Business and Community Network (ABCN)- principally through Navitas and Wesfarmers- came into the school each Thursday morning during Term 3 to work with some junior primary students as part of the Spark reading programme and 1:2:1 Maths programme.

Our relationship with the ABCN has extended into 2017, with volunteers from Wesfarmers and the Insurance Australia Group (IAG) commencing work with some of our Year 1 and Year 2 students on the Spark reading programme. Spark is a one-to-one reading programme whereby identified students work with a mentor over one school term to assist with the development of reading skills. Good luck to all concerned.



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COMING EVENTS

Book Week activities-
Monday, 21 August-
Friday, 25 August
M5 Assembly- Friday,
25 August
Faction Carnival- Jumps,
Throws and Long
Distance- Monday,
28 August
Faction Carnival- Flat
Races and Team Games-
Friday, 1 September
Superhero Dress Up for
Heart Kids- Thursday,
7 September
M3 Assembly- Friday,
8 September

Quote of the Fortnight

Give children the power to
spoil our day often
enough and we will,
overtime, give them the
power to spoil their lives.

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Canteen orders:

Our Online Canteen

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

SCHOOL ETHOS

*We at Maylands Peninsula
Primary School are*

I am pleased to announce that after many weeks, we now have a school chaplain- Ms Eva Johnson. Mrs Tammie Deshon, along with the YouthCare coordinator, Ms Janine Rule, and I interviewed Ms Johnson on Friday, 4 August. We were quite impressed by what she had to say, and as such, we have offered her the role of school chaplain- which she has duly accepted. Ms Johnson is currently completing her induction and will formally start with us next Tuesday, 22 August.

On behalf of the school community, I'd like to welcome Ms Johnson to staff and wish her well in her endeavours to support the range of pastoral care programmes we have in operation within the school. Ms Johnson will be working in school Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and will be based out of the school library.

A reminder that the role of the School Chaplain is to represent the local churches in a broad, non-sectarian sense, and provide pastoral support and care to staff, students and their families, not to provide Christian Religious Education in school.

Other Newsletter Items

S6 Assembly



Congratulations to Mr Christie's S6 class for hosting last Friday's assembly. The Family Feud themed assembly about statistics was an absolute delight. The most important thing I learned from the assembly was the statement that Mr Christie's students thought statistics was the most amazing thing they have learned at school in almost seven years. I don't know whether to be excited or horrified. Nevertheless, well done to all.

Our next assembly will take place on Friday, 25 August with the students in Ms Wong's Year 3 class 'up to bat'. We will also hand out the next set of Excellence Awards at this assembly so please come on down to show your support of the students.

Aussies of the Month

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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Raya Smethurst - Year 1

Raya is a helpful, kind and caring friend to everyone in class. She goes out of her way to assist peers and teachers. Peer nominated.

Torsten Edelburg - Year 5

Torsten has been nominated by his classmates for being a caring person who is always willing to help others when needed. He is a great role model.

Bhumika Malik - Year 3

Bhumika has been nominated by her classmates because she is kind and caring and helps others. She is fair, encourages others and always follows the school rules.

Kindy NAIDOC Week activities

Here are some photos of our wonderful kindy students with some of the artistic creations they made as a part of NAIDOC Week celebrations. They certainly are a talented bunch.



Book Week- Monday, 21 August- Friday, 25 August

From Monday, 21 August-
 Friday, 25 August, we will be

celebrating Book Week. This year's theme is Escape to Everywhere. During Book Week, teachers have a number of activities planned to encourage reading and to celebrate authors who have been short listed for the 2017 Children's Book Awards which will be on display in the library. Information about these events and activities will be communicated to



parents/caregivers at the classroom level. Feel free to come into the library and see what are considered to be some of the best Australian books for children published in the last 12 months.

Debbie Fielding, Claudia Barbaro and Janie Rollinson
Library Officers

Congratulations Tengis



On the theme of books, I would like to congratulate Tengis from Year 4 who was one of only a handful of students across the state to receive a 'Highly Commended' certificate for the very prestigious Tim Winton Award for Young Writers competition run by the City of Subiaco. 1400 entries were submitted by young writers all over the state across the five age categories. Tengis' entry in the middle primary category, Mind of Metal, is a mystery story which involves a crazy inventor who makes an artificial brain in his laboratory which causes no end of problems. Well done, Tengis.

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



Staff and students are well underway with the final preparations 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 events. This will be followed later in the week with the sprints, relays and team games on Friday, 1 September. A reminder that the school canteen will not be operating a normal canteen menu on the Friday as a special 'Hot Dog Day' menu has been arranged for the day. This special menu is by pre-order only. No food will be available for sale on the day itself. Next Thursday, 24 August is the last day to get your pre-orders into the canteen. I look forward to seeing many parents/caregivers and other family members out in support. Let's keep our fingers crossed for fine weather.

Recent changes to the Smartlink App



The Smartlink App was recently upgraded and you may not be receiving your alerts from the school. If this is the case there is a simple solution - delete the app

entirely from your device and reinstall from the App store or the Google play store.

Make sure you select Maylands Peninsula Primary School from the MY APPS section in the main menu. This should fix the problem. If your alerts still do not come through please contact the school so we can ensure the issue is fixed.

You can download the new Smartlink App from the following:

1. Apple App Store: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/the-smartlink/id1105845010?mt=8>
2. Android Play Store: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.com.thesmartlink>
3. After downloading the app you'll be asked to "Allow for Notifications" click Allow or Yes.
4. You will automatically open to a search page, simply type in the first couple of letters of your school, click on it when it appears.
5. That's it your app is now saved in the new Smartlink app.
6. To customise the notifications you receive, click on the settings icon at the bottom, turn on the year group or other groups that you would like to receive messages from.

Absentee link in the App

In recent times, the school office has fielded calls from parents/caregivers regarding still receiving absentee notifications from the school regarding student absence even though they have made the school aware of their child('s) absence using the absentee function in the Smartlink App. In most cases, this has been a result of the parent/caregiver not having an email account set up on their smartphone/tablet device.

When using the Absentee function in the App, the content is converted into an email and then sent to the school's generic email address. If you do not have an email account the information cannot be sent from the mobile device to the school email as the content is provided on two entirely different platforms.

If you unsure about how to set up an email account on your smartphone/tablet device the following links may be helpful.

iOS (Apple) Devices:

- Instructions:

<https://mediatemple.net/community/products/dv/204404384/how-can-i-set-up-email-on-my-iphone-or-ipod-touch>

- Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=688VzjhGEjo>

Android Devices:

- Instructions:

<https://mediatemple.net/community/products/dv/204404524/how-do-i-set-up-email-on-an-android-phone>

- Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DAjIDgfZu8I>

**Superhero Dress Up for HeartKids Day-
Thursday, 7 September**



HeartKids WA are dedicated to providing support, encouragement and hope to families of children with Heart Disease, while raising awareness and vital funding into the causes of this chronic disease. Two of our own students, Leon and Cooper are HeartKids. Late last term, Leon suggested to the Student Councillors that we should have a Superhero Dress Up Day for our Term 3 Student Council fundraiser. As such, Thursday, 7 September is the day. So come in dressed in your favourite Superhero costume and bring in a gold coin donation to help support this worthwhile cause.

Senses Garden Shop



At the last assembly, you may have noticed some of our senior students selling vegies and herbs from the Senses Garden at a stall set up on the courtyard area. As things come into harvest, our students will set up their stall at the back of the assembly area to sell the fruits of their labour. Feel free to wander over and not only collect the freshest vegie and herbs you could imagine, but also support our students with their enterprise endeavors.

Morley SHS- Multi Media Programme and Aviation entry tests

Specialist Programs
Entry tests

M.M.P
(Multi Media Program)
or
AVIATION

{includes Art, Design, Graphics and Photography, TV broadcasting}

Places are available in the
Morley SHS
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for year 7 in 2018.

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Tuesday 22 August 2017
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P&C News

Scitech



A great big thank you to all of the Maylands Peninsula Primary School

families who attended Scitech and helped to make sure our evening at Scitech was a successful educational event.

Parents and Citizens Association President, Teresa Borwick reports that it was also a successful fundraising event. The fundraising target the P&C has set to raise for the 2017 school year is \$25,000 "Events such as these help us all reach that target" Teresa said.

On the evening a number of students won science kits as door prizes. This is in keeping with the spirit of Scitech which is to increase knowledge and awareness in science, technology and mathematics. Our lucky students were:

Daniel Vreugdenburg - S3
Benjamin Tanner - M5
Abbey Anderson - JB5
Gnyanethri Gnyanethri - M1
Atharva Humcha Rajeeva - PP4
Harley Dickie - JB4
Sachin Natraj - M3
Greta Tennant - S1
Remal Choudhary - JB2
Margarette De Austria - PP1
Elizabeth Cochrane-Poller - JB3
Roshni Salunkay - JB2
Erik Divkovic - S7

Scitech have said "We absolutely love having Maylands Peninsula Primary School here at Scitech; all of the families are lovely and our staff very much enjoyed interacting with all of the guests during the night."

School Banking



School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for children to learn about money and develop good saving habits.

On Tuesday, 5 September, we will be conducting a School Banking Information session from 8:15am to 8:45am in the school library.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth

Bank Youthsaver account for your child you can visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account. Mariana Anthony, our School Banking Specialist from the Commonwealth Bank, will be available at this session and can show you how you can do this. Mariana will also be conducting a special Token Count session to ensure that all students have the correct number of Dollarmites tokens in their deposit wallets and to check if your child is eligible for a reward.

Please join us and find out more about the School Banking program and how your child can get involved.

The School Banking Team

Canteen

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
	21 August	22 August	23 August	24 August	25 August
Week 6	Kate	Monireh	Help Needed	Karen	Helen
	28 August	29 August	30 August	31 August	1 Sept
Week 7	Kate	Monireh	Help Needed	Karen	Hot Dogs
					Help needed

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 children 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 by telephoning 9473 4111.

Community News

Would you like to know more about drugs and the impacts they have on our community?

TALKING DRUGS

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

SDERA
EDUCATING FOR SMARTER CHOICES



Helping to keep our young people safer

Parents, carers, teachers and school staff have a crucial role to play in the education of young people to reduce their risk of harm from alcohol and other drugs including methamphetamine.

SDERA has been supporting school communities for over 19 years through successful, evidence-based alcohol and other drugs and road safety education programs.

This **FREE Talking Drugs** information session is for parents and carers of students in all year levels. Come along and find out about:

- Trends in student drug use.
- The role parents/carers play in school drug education.
- Tips on how to start a conversation with children of all ages.
- Where to go for help with a drug-related problem.

Date:

Wednesday 23rd August

Time:

6.45pm-8.30pm

Where:

Hampton Senior High School Performing Arts Centre, 60 Morley Drive East, Morley

To book or for more information contact:

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Women's Health Week - Morning Retreat

WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK

Morning Retreat

Thursday, 7 September 2017
9.30am - 12.30pm
Maylands Sports & Rec Club, 50 Clarkson Road, Maylands

Let's talk about health with a fun & relaxing morning retreat.

Tickets include a Wellness Passport, goodie bag and healthy morning snacks.

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