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PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Message from the Principal



Welcome to our new newsletter format!

Data analytics of our newsletter readership, indicated that the vast majority of parents/caregivers access the school newsletter via iOS or android devices, rather than via desktop or laptop devices. As such, we have re-designed our newsletter format to make it more mobile friendly and in harmony with our new school website. Going to a paperless newsletter format further supports our sustainability initiatives within the school. Hopefully, everyone likes the new look, feel and functionality of our newsletter. Enjoy!

Welcome Back

Welcome back to one and all, particularly those new members of the school community that have enrolled earlier this week. As usual, the last term of the school

year is 'jam packed' with Book Week, the Year 6 Bridgetown Camp, Visual and Performing Arts evening, Christmas Sing-A-Long, Book Award Assembly, Year 6 Graduation and a number of class excursions taking place. As always, please keep a copy of the Term Planner on the fridge and add in any extra dates or changes to dates that are made known to you throughout the term.

Phase 4 Operating Guidelines still in place

As most parents/caregivers would be aware, the tentative date for moving to Phase 5 of the WA COVID-19 Roadmap, is due to come into effect on Saturday, 24 October. This means that the Phase 4 Operating Guidelines outlined below that came into effect at the start of Term 3 remain in place until otherwise advised.



- Parents/caregivers on school site- Parents/caregivers are able to attend school sites to attend pre-arranged meetings and for student drop off and pick up. Physical distancing of one adult per two square metres and good hygiene practices should apply. In order to limit adult-to-adult interaction, parents/caregivers are asked to move promptly off school site at the conclusion of the school day. Playgrounds remain off limits.
- Classroom access- In order to limit adult-to-adult interaction, there will be no parent/caregiver access into classrooms. Existing arrangements regarding parent/caregiver meetings with staff by prior arrangement only will continue to apply.
- Canteen- The canteen will be open for counter sales at recess and lunch. However, it will not be open for before school service for the ordering of food.

In the event that we progress to Phase 5, information will be sent home to parents/caregivers regarding how this will impact on day-to-day operations within the school. Thank you for your continued support.

2021 Student Enrolment Survey

Thank you to all members of the school community who promptly responded to the 2021 Student Enrolment Survey that was sent out towards the end of Term 3. The automated response process worked extremely well with the school having close to 95% of responses back before the end of term.

Paul Andrijich
Principal

General News



Container Deposit Scheme

It has been pleasing to see so many families bringing in recyclable containers as part of the Containers For Change Scheme. Our big, blue bin that is located outside the caged enclosure behind JB Block is already filling up. Please remember to keep collecting any refundable containers and bring them into school

when you get the chance. As was mentioned in the last newsletter, if every child in the school brought in only one eligible item per week, this would mean that the school would earn roughly \$70.00 per week/\$700.00 per school term.



Assembly



S6 Assembly

Thanks to Mr Christie's S6 class for hosting the final assembly of Term 3. The social media themed assembly was not only entertaining, but educational as well. What a great way to end the term. Well done to all concerned.

Our first assembly of the term will feature a combined effort from the students in Ms Peden's and Ms Powell's M5 and M4 class respectively. At this assembly, we will present the first round of Excellence and Aussie of the Month Awards for Term 4. Come one, come all.

Aussie of the Month Winners

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Daisy Miller-Jetta - Year 1

Daisy is an empathetic student who genuinely cares for others. She is extremely kind and accepting of everyone. As a friend, Daisy gives more than she takes and puts the needs of others before her own.

Poppy Hale - Year 4

Poppy has been nominated by her peers for being thoughtful, respectful, helping younger students during breaks and being kind to everyone all the time.

Louis Tan - Year 6

Louis was nominated by his peers for always treating others with kindness and respect. He is a responsible

class member who willingly assists his peers.



Interschool Athletics Carnival

We had a wonderful day at Steel Blue Oval for our Interschool Athletics Carnival on the last Wednesday of term. The competition was tight and fierce all day, but the level of sportsmanship displayed by all schools in attendance was amazing.

After being runners up in 2019, our team was able to go one better this year by bringing home the perpetual shield for the total points. This means we have won four out of the last six years, which is an outstanding effort and an accurate reflection of the impact of our Physical Education programme and the lunch time training that has taken place since our faction carnival.

The final results are as follows:

1. Maylands Peninsula PS - 2130 points
2. Eden Hill PS - 2001 points
3. Bayswater PS - 1829 points
4. Bassendean PS - 1663 points
5. Lockridge PS- 1561 points
6. Caversham PS- 1497 points
7. Guildford PS- 1363 points

As with the overall competition, the battle for individual champion honours was extremely tight. I'd

like to acknowledge the following students who placed either as Interschool Champion or Runner Up:

Year 5 Boy Champion - Thomas Lishman

Year 4 Girl Champion - Caterina Rose De Toledo
Rodrigues

Year 4 Boy Champion - Ethan Stoute

Year 2 Girl Champion - Molly Kavanagh

Year 1 Boy Runner Up - Finn Piper

In closing, I'd like to acknowledge the staff who have spent many lunch times preparing the team for the carnival, Ms Wyatt as principal carnival organiser, Miss Wong and Mr Christie for assisting with the team game preparation, and all the parents/caregivers and other family members who attended the carnival to support our team. Hopefully, we can go back-to-back in 2021.

Circus Lap-a-thon

Even though we were under cloudy skies, staff, students, family and friends really enjoyed the opportunity to come together as a school community for our 'Circus' Lap-a-thon. There was a colourful array of costumes on display during the day.

Many thanks to all the parent/caregiver volunteers who helped out during the day for set up/pack away or in the canteen. Thanks also to those many parents/caregivers, family and friends who came down to support the students. Particular thanks to the P&C Fundraising Committee for making all the arrangements for the day. Once again, it was a very smooth operation.

Please have a read through the information sent home via Connect regarding payment options. The preferred method of payment is via Qkr. All pledges need to be back at the school or deposited into the P&C account by Friday, 30 October. Winners of the major prizes will be announced at the 6 November assembly. Thanks to all.





Book Week

Monday, 19 October - Friday, 23 October

After making the difficult decision to postpone Book Week back in August, it will be great to see a return to normal operations with our students being able to celebrate Book Week next week.

This year's theme is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds. Our staff have a number of activities planned to encourage reading and to celebrate the authors who have been short listed for the 2020 Children's Book Council of Australia Book Awards. The undoubted highlight of the week will be the whole school Dress Up Day scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 21 October. Hopefully, we will see a variety of costumes on display as our students come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

Congratulations Chelsea

Congratulations to our school chaplain, Chelsea Wylde, who has been nominated for a 2020 ARIA Award for Best Original Soundtrack or Musical Theatre Cast Album for her work on the I Am Woman soundtrack.

Chelsea is a very accomplished singer, and it was her voice that became the voice of the late Helen Reddy on the movie soundtrack. On behalf of the school community, I would like to congratulate Chelsea on her nomination and wish her all the best for the award ceremony on 25 November. Well done, Chelsea.



Berringa Wetlands Excursion

On Friday, 18 September, S1 and S2 went to Berringa Wetlands to learn more about the native plants in Australia and about the weeds that live and are causing issues in our nearby wetlands. We had already had a lesson on the different types of weeds, so we had some idea of what we needed to look for.

We partnered up into groups and did a scavenger hunt to find as many weeds as possible. To win a prize, we had to find the weed, take a small sample of the weed, such as the flower or a leaf of the plant, and then count how many different species of plants we had collected. We also had to name all of the native plants that we saw in the wetland.

We all enjoyed our morning and had lots of fun during this excursion and we learnt a lot about native plants and weeds. It really linked in with our Biological Science focus back in class.

Yvonne Tan- Year 6



Pirate Day- Wednesday, 23 September

There was a colourful array of pirate costumes on display as the Pre-primary students celebrated International Talk Like a Pirate Day on Wednesday, 23 September. The students had the opportunity to engage in a variety of fun and educational activities throughout the day. A good time was had by all.

Chaplain's Chat

We are already one week into a busy final term of school – well done to all for getting this far after such a turbulent year.

As the busyness continues, it is so important to continually check-in with ourselves and our own journey of wellbeing. So, how are you today? And can you accept where you are at in this moment? Please know that I am available if you ever need someone to talk to, either over a phone conversation, in person, or via email. I look forward to another rewarding term of learning and growth here at Maylands Peninsula PS.

I hope to see you around!

Chelsea Wylde
Maylands Peninsula PS Chaplain

P&C News



Canteen News

Welcome back everyone!

The Circus Lap-a-thon was a wonderful sight to see. So many great costumes and so much energy! The circus cupcakes with clown faces were a huge hit with the kids. Thanks for the great idea Pia!

Halloween

On Wednesday, 28 October we will have a special spooky menu.

Look out for the posters on the new Tummy Rumbles Noticeboard and stay tuned for details.

Roster

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
	19 Oct	20 Oct	21 Oct	22 Oct	23 Oct
Week 2	Felix			Ginny	Felix
	Another needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Another needed	Another needed
	26 Oct	27 Oct	28 Oct	29 Oct	30 Oct
Week 3	Felix			Ginny	Felix
	Another needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Another needed	Another needed

New Look Slushies!

Things have changed for the better! Slushies now come in one medium size in a return cup with a paper straw for \$2. When the cup is returned, \$1 is paid back.

Slushies are very popular in Summer and until now they created a huge amount of plastic waste. Now the waste is only an itty bitty compostable straw and the cups go into our dishwasher for a hot wash to be reused over and over again. Knowing this makes the slushies taste better too!

Keep Smiling

Helen, Charlotte and Pia

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Community News



Creative Kids Art Club

Come and join us for exciting art and craft!

Kids after school art classes
available in Bayswater, 5-14yrs.

Visit the website for more details and to book

www.creativekidsartclub.com.au

Baigup Wetlands - work session

Come and help restore native habitat to benefit birds and wildlife that call Baigup Wetlands home on Sunday, 25 October. Starting at 9.00am with work

along the back track to remove weeds. Stop work at 11.00am for a cuppa, biscuit and chat.

Email info@baigupwetlands.org



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 21 October | Book Week Dress Up Day

Friday, 23 October | M4 and M5 Assembly

Friday 30 October | JB2 Assembly

Wednesday, 4 November | Loud Shirt Day

Friday, 6 November | JA1 and JP2 Assembly

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.

Quote of the Fortnight

There are no quotas on kindness.
The world can never have too much.
Yet, one act of cruelty is immediately one act too many.



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