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**Maylands Peninsula**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## Message from the Principal

### **Classes for 2021**

Once the results of the 2021 Student Enrolment Survey have been collated, the Leadership Team will determine class structures for 2021. As a consequence, staff will start to consider individual student placement. When teachers are forming classes, we take into consideration the needs of students with a view to achieving a balanced class. Where possible, we strive to get this balance based on academic performance, gender, behaviour, work habits, social networks and the specific needs of the child. In forming classes, we also factor in the additional information given to us by the parents/caregivers. We support this process, but would like to stress that any information received from parents/caregivers is considered as one part of the total picture in the formation of any class. **Furthermore, I would like to**

**point out that parent/caregiver contact with the school will not guarantee student placement in a particular class and as a school management issue, student placement remains a staff and Leadership Team decision. Requests in relation to choice of teacher will not be considered as a placement factor.**

In order to get our class placements as accurate as possible, we ask that if parents/caregivers have any special requests of an educational nature that may impact on your child's/children's class placement for next year (e.g. placement of twins/siblings or custody issues) to please confirm this in writing in a letter marked 'Private and Confidential' and addressed to 'The Principal'. This letter can then be handed to Mrs Tippett in the school office. Alternatively, please feel free to send your letter via email to the school's email at [MaylandsPeninsula.PS@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:MaylandsPeninsula.PS@education.wa.edu.au) marked to the attention of 'The Principal'. All requests need to be received by the close of business **Tuesday, 10 November**. Please note requests coming to school after this scheduled cut-off date will not be addressed.

With the number of students to place for 2021, it is not possible to accommodate all requests from parents/caregivers, but we will endeavour to make the best student placement with the information we have at hand. Please refer to our [Classroom Placement Policy](#) available on our school website for more detailed information about the class placement process.

### **Nature Playground Official Opening**

After some considerable delay due to the impacts of COVID-19, we were finally able to 'officially' open our nature playground with the cutting of a ribbon between the trees that lead into the nature playground space. This was our opportunity to recognise the many individuals and businesses that had contributed in many different ways to assist with the overall fundraising effort. On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank everyone that has helped out to realise our grand dream. Your support has been greatly appreciated.



## General News



**M4, M5 and JB2 Assembly**





## Writer of the Month

Eloise Gough - Year 1

For your excellent detailed narrative and recount. You have so much to write about, page after page. Your neatness, vocabulary and flow of thoughts are beyond expected.

## Academic Excellence

Abby Ridley - Year 5

Abby has been consistently achieving the top marks in class, in all assessments across Literacy, Numeracy and Science. She always gives 100% effort to complete tasks according to the given rubric and submit them well before the deadline. She is a perfect example of when you aim high, you can achieve great things. Congratulations, Abby.

## Science Excellence Award

Raghav Bhatia - Year 1

Raghav is able to explain in detail why things change and the effect of these changes. He creates diagrams that are neat and labelled accurately. Raghav applies himself to all tasks with enthusiasm and actively participates in class discussion.



## **Aussie of the Month Winners**

### **Rowan St Quintin - Year 3**

Rowan is always willing to help others. He encourages others to always have a go and remains cheerful in the face of adversity. Rowan is a humorous friend who respects the environment and loves to share his interest and knowledge of insects with others.

### **Elizabeth Cochrane-Poller - Year 5**

For being a kind, caring and compassionate student who will selflessly put others before herself. She consistently acts with fairness and treats others with respect.

### **Lucas O'Doherty - Year 1**

Lucas has a great attitude towards school. He is a caring and helpful class member who is always willing to help others and offer support to his teachers and his peers.

## **Visual and Performing Arts evening- Wednesday, 11 November**

A reminder to all about the **Visual and Performing Arts Evening** taking place on Wednesday, 11 November from 5.00pm-7.00pm.

As highlighted in the attached flier, student art works that have been completed throughout the year will be on display in the library, art room and Pre-primary 4. At 6.00pm, we will have the opportunity to listen to performances by the Year 5 and Year 6 Instrumental Music School Services students, the MPPS Choir (Years 4-6) and MPPS Band (Year 6) in the undercover area.

As we are at still at Stage 4, information will be sent home via Connect next week to outline to the school community the COVID-19 safe protocols that will be in place on the night.

We look forward to seeing many members of our school community in attendance.



The invitation flier is enclosed in a dark blue border. At the top, it features three small images: a person playing a keyboard, the school logo, and a child's drawing. The school logo is for Maylands Peninsula Primary School, featuring a blue bird and the tagline 'Learning together'. The main title is 'Invitation Visual and Performing Arts Night'. The text invites all school community members to the event on Wednesday, 11 November, starting at 5.00pm. It details the art exhibition locations (library, art room, PP4) and the performers (MPPS Choir, MPPS Band, and IMSS ensembles). At the bottom, it says 'Looking forward to seeing you!' and provides the date and time. Two more child drawings are shown at the bottom corners.

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Learning together

### **Invitation**

#### **Visual and Performing Arts Night**

All members of the school community are warmly invited to the  
Visual and Performing Arts Night at  
**Maylands Peninsula Primary School on Wednesday, 11 November**  
commencing at 5.00pm.

The art exhibition will take place in the library, art room and PP4  
and will feature student art works from Pre-primary to Year 6.

At 6:00pm the MPPS Choir (Years 4-6), MPPS Band (Year 6) and the  
Clarinet, Guitar and Flute Ensembles (IMSS) will perform their  
repertoire in the undercover area.

Looking forward to seeing you!  
**Wednesday, 11 November**  
**5 - 7 pm**

## **Book Week- Monday, 19 October- Friday, 23 October**

After a somewhat delayed start, Book Week has come and gone for another year. It was wonderful to see how engaged the students were with the array of Book Week activities that took place throughout the week. As usual, the highlight of the week was seeing how students and staff embraced the opportunity to come dressed up as their favourite book character on the Wednesday. I know I really enjoyed the opportunity to try and guess who each student was dressed up as. Furthermore, it was great seeing the students enjoying the opportunity to walk around the school as part of the Book Week Quiz to try and work out what each teacher's favourite book was growing up. What a great way to commemorate Book Week for another year.





### **Moo-ca is starting to come to life**

The students in M4 have started the process of doing the fine detail work for Moo-ca. In the coming weeks, the students will start filling in the line work to bring Moo-ca to life. I'm sure she will be a colourful addition to our school.





### **Congratulations Molly**

Molly Williams (M3) is a finalist in the City Of Bayswater Community Arts Award 2020 in the Primary School (Years 1 - 6) category. Her artwork was selected from over 500 entries as a finalist and will be part of the City of Bayswater's Art Awards Exhibition being held at The Rise from 1 - 14 November 2020. Judging will take place on Saturday, 31 October. On behalf of the school community, I would like to wish Molly all the best.



### **Container Deposit Scheme**

Thanks to all members of the school community for your support of the *Containers For Change* Scheme. It only took 8 days to fill up our big blue bin, which is an outstanding effort, and returned just over \$90.00 for the school. Keep saving those eligible containers and bring them into school as all the money that we receive will be put back into programmes that directly benefit the students.

### **Loud Shirt Day- Wednesday, 4 November**

The designated Student Council fundraiser for Term 4 is Loud Shirt Day. For the cost of a gold coin donation, staff and students will have the opportunity to wear a 'loud' shirt to school next Wednesday. All donations will be passed onto the Telethon Speech and Hearing Institute to help create awareness and to assist deaf and hearing impaired children in our community.

# Loud Shirt Day



**Pizza Making**

Congratulations to the students of S2 for earning your pizza reward at the end of Term 3! The students had a successful term in Italian classes learning language and cultural differences on the topic, 'La mia Casa' (My House). As a reward for their efforts, they were given the opportunity to make their own pizza. The students learnt to 'impasta' (knead) and 'stende' (stretch) the dough as well as adding their own taste for their 'ingredienti' (toppings). Going by the buzz of excitement coming from the students and the tantalizing aroma wafting through the Kindy and senior classrooms, this was a sure indication the pizza making was a 'fantastico' experience for all involved.  
Signora Schunck Italian Teacher





### **Running Club**

Congratulations to Daksh Nonabur (100km) and Ethan Scott (200km) for reaching significant milestones as part of the Running Club.





## P&C News



### Canteen News

#### Halloween Theme

The Halloween themed pizzas broke sales records! It was great to see how excited the kids were about spiders in their muffins and eyeballs in their jelly. Thanks everyone for supporting this special day at the canteen. Special mention goes to Raluca who volunteered 2 days in a row to help make it all possible.

#### Fabulous posters

Have you noticed our striking canteen posters? A graduate of MPPS, Hannah, now in Year 8 is to thank for the great graphic design that brings our messages to life.

### **Naidoc Week and Bush Tucker**

Week 5 is Naidoc Week and bush tucker is on the menu!

On Tuesday, 10 November our Big Biscuits will be enhanced by the addition of Wattle seeds and choc chips. Wattle seeds have been a source of protein and carbohydrate in Australia for 1000's of years. When roasted and ground, they have a chocolaty taste.

On Thursday, 12 November the muffins will include a dollop of Quandong jam. Quandongs (fun to say and fun to eat) are a fruit that grow on small parasitic trees in desert regions of Australia. When made into jam they become very smooth and peachy in flavour. Yummy, yum, yum.

### **Our Slushy machine is working again**

Reminder of how to buy slushies now: Slushies now come in one medium size in a return cup with a paper straw for \$2.00. When the cup is returned, \$1.00 is paid back. This keeps waste out of landfill. Slushies are for sale after the lunch bell for students in Year 1 to Year 6.

Keep Smiling

Helen, Charlotte and Pia

	Mon 2 Nov	Tue 20 Oct	Wed 21 Oct	Thurs 22 Oct	Fri 23 Oct
Week 4	<b>Banaz</b> <b>Radena</b>	<b>Felix</b> <b>Raluca</b>	Volunteers needed	<b>Ginny</b> Another needed	<b>Felix</b> Another needed
	26 Oct	27 Oct	28 Oct	29 Oct	30 Oct
Week 5	<b>Felix</b> Another needed	<b>Raluca</b> Another needed	Volunteers needed	<b>Ginny</b> Another needed	<b>Felix</b> Another needed

## P&C Contacts

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## School Board

The School Board can be contacted via email:

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## Community News



### Gifted and Talented programs

The Department of Education offers a range of gifted and talented programs at selected secondary schools across the state. If your child is in Year 5 in 2020, you can apply now for entry into Year 7 in 2022. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information about the programs, who can apply, how to apply and where to go for more information. Limited places may also be available for children entering Years 9, 10 and 11 in 2022. Applications close on Monday, 8 February.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE**  
**MONDAY**  
**8 FEBRUARY 2021**

Bring out your child's exceptional creativity and academic talent with our unique Gifted and Talented Programs.

Our academic, arts and languages programs offer learning environments that challenge, inspire and empower children to excel and thrive.

Programs are run at select public secondary schools, and include a fully selective academic school and an arts college. This year, applications open for our new Gifted and Talented Academic Program at Alkimos College, giving your family even more options.

Your child will learn with like-minded peers and be taught by expert teachers and mentors who will extend and enrich their studies.

If your child is in Year 5 in 2020, you can apply now for entry into Year 7 in 2022. Limited places may also be available for children entering Years 9, 10 and 11 in 2022.

Apply online: [education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented](https://education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented)

For more information:  
☎ 9264 4307    ✉ [gtstu@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:gtstu@education.wa.edu.au)



## VacSwim summer holiday programs

There are four VacSwim programs running over the summer holidays with over 180 VacSwim locations around Western Australia. So wherever you are spending these summer holidays, there will be lessons near you.

Further information about fees, locations and how to enrol are on our [website](#).

Upcoming Events
<b>Wednesday, 4 November   Loud Shirt Day</b>
<b>Wednesday, 4 November   P&amp;C Meeting</b>
<b>Friday, 6 November   JA1 and JP2 Assembly</b>
<b>Wednesday, 11 November   Visual and Performing Arts Night</b>
<b>Thursday 12 November   Mt Hawthorn Area Band visit</b>

## Quote of the Fortnight



Success will always feel good, but when we lose, it's trying hard that stops us from feeling bad.

## 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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