

What's Happening

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL



Welcome Back- to a new newsletter format

Welcome back to one and all. You may have noticed that the format of today's newsletter is a little different. This is because we are using Microsoft Sway as the medium by which to share information with you as the software allows us to share pictures and text in a more mobile phone and tablet friendly environment.

As usual, the last term of the school year is 'jam packed' with the P&C school disco, the Year 6 Camp, Visual and Performing Arts evening, Christmas Sing-a-Long, Book Award Assembly, Year 6 Graduation and a number of class excursions taking place. Please keep track of these and many more events that are advertised on the [school calendar](#) page on the MPPS website

Classes for 2024

Now that the results of the 2024 Student Enrolment Survey have been collated, the Leadership Team will determine class structures for 2024. 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 Nielsen in the school office. Alternatively, please feel free to send your letter via email to Paul.Andrijich@education.wa.edu.au All requests will need to be received by the close of business **Friday, 27 October**. Please note requests coming to school after this scheduled cut-off date will not be addressed.

With the large number of students to place for 2024, 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.

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH



Roy Yoon

Roy's classmates say he is a kind and caring friend who is fair and shares with everyone. Roy is always smiling. He guides people well and includes others in games and activities. He is a deserving Aussie of the Month.

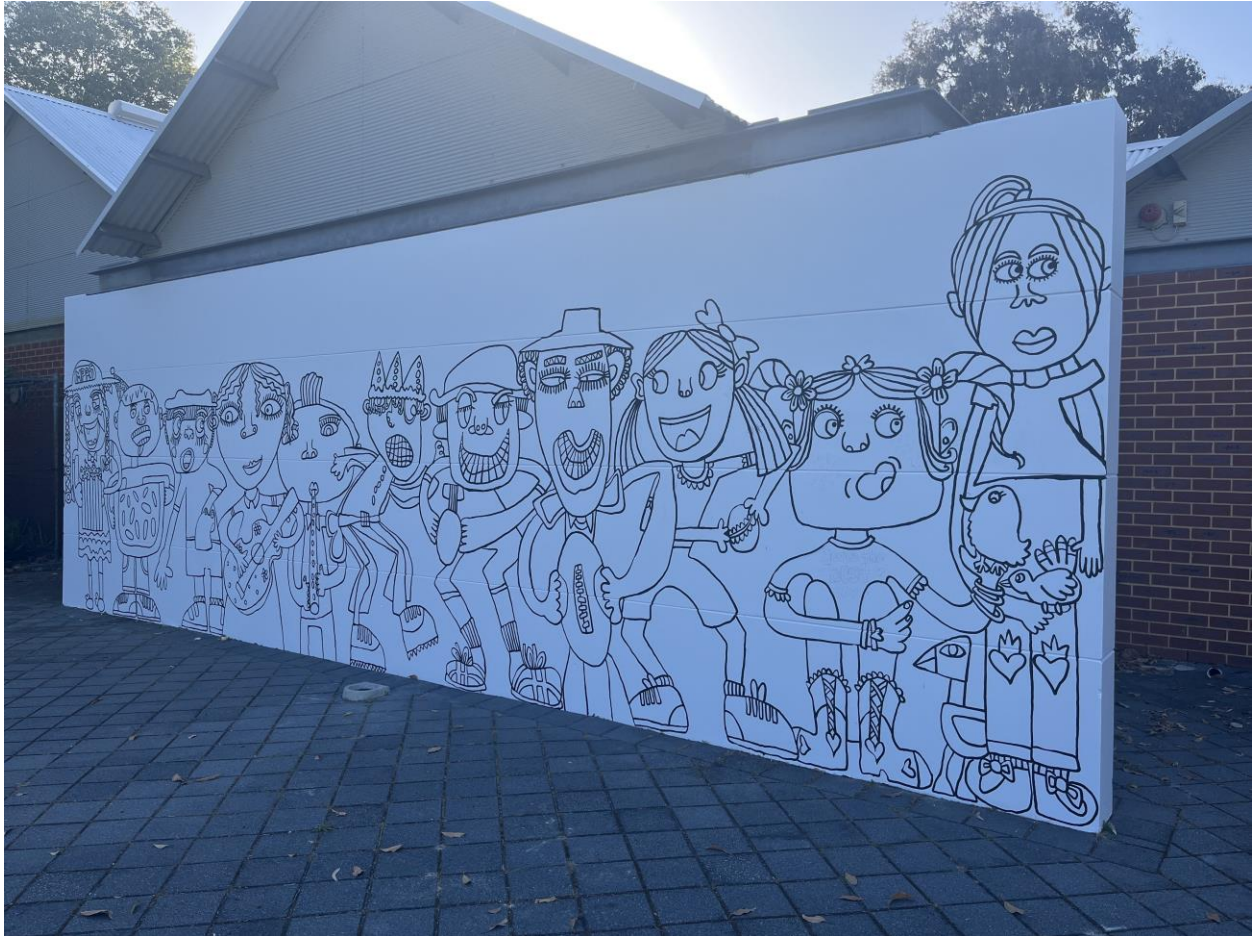
Charlotte Girvan-Brown

Charlotte is a very helpful student during classroom activities. She is loyal and supportive of her friends and is inclusive of other students. Charlotte listens to, and is respectful of, teaching staff.

Ashita Bhat

Ashita is a kind and thoughtful class member of EL1. She comes to school with a smile on her face and a positive outlook for learning. Ashita displays initiative, cooperates with peers and strives to do her best.

JB Block Mural



Many parents/caregivers would have noticed that work has commenced on the JB Block mural earlier this week. Paula Hart, the artist who has been commissioned to undertake the work, facilitated some workshops with our Year 1-3 students late last term to develop the images that have been sketched up onto the wall. Early next week, our Year 4-6 students will commence the colouring work to bring the image to life. I look forward to seeing the finished product at the end of next week. I would like to thank the P&C for their generous support in providing funding for the project.



Outdoor Classroom

The Outdoor Classroom outside JB Block will be open for business as of next week. The wooden tables were cemented into position and the final touches to the seating that forms the yarning circle underneath the eucalypt tree were completed earlier this week. Over time, there will be additional elements added to the space- signage, QR codes to access on-line information etc- but by enlarge, the major elements are now in place. I look forward to seeing students and staff accessing the Outdoor Classroom in the coming weeks.





Undercover Area Fan



The school was indeed a hub of activity over the term break with the installation of a large outdoor fan in the Undercover Area. This fan will provide much needed comfort during those days when there is little relief from the wind and the temperature is rising. Once again, thanks to the P&C for funding the installation of the fan.

2023 Interschool Carnival





2 - Jaxon A



3 - Eloise G



4 - Oisín M



5 - Jon B



6 - Lily P



As has been the case with previous years, the competition was fair, but fierce at the Interschool Carnival that took place at Steel Blue Oval on the last Wednesday of term.

We have now gone four consecutive years in bringing home the perpetual shield for the total points. This means we have won seven out of the last nine years, which is a tremendous effort by all members of our interschool team and an accurate reflection of the training they had undertaken in the weeks leading up to the carnival.

The results were as follows:

- **1st- Maylands Peninsula PS - 2146 points**
- **2nd- Eden Hill PS – 1975 points**
- **3rd- Bayswater PS - 1747 points**
- **4th- Guildford PS - 1676 points**
- **5th- Lockridge PS- 1591 points**
- **6th- Bassendean PS- 1478 points**

As with the overall competition, the battle for individual champion honours was extremely tight. Yet again, we had an outstanding result with five students placed in the 24 available positions across the six schools represented. I'd like to acknowledge the following students who placed either as Interschool Champion or Runner Up:

Year 5 Boy Runner Up- Jaxon Alacs

Year 4 Girl Champion- Eloise Gough

Year 3 Boy Runner Up- Oisin McCullough

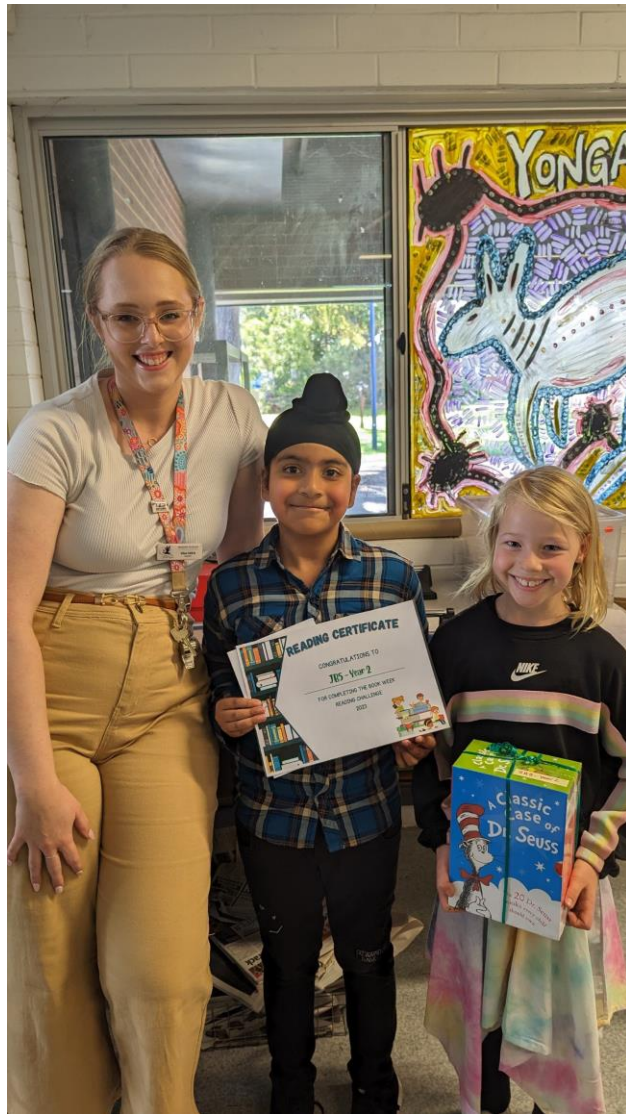
Year 2 Boy Runner Up- Jonathon Borman

Year 1 Girl Runner Up- Lily Piper

In closing, I'd like to acknowledge Miss Wyatt and Mr Christie as chief organisers of the interschool team, other members of staff who spent many lunch times assisting with the team game preparation, and all the parents/caregivers and other family members who attended the carnival to support our students. Hopefully, we can go for the five-peat in 2024.

Book Week competition







Congratulations to EL1, JB5, M2 and S1 for winning the Book Week competition held last term. By all accounts, the classes have really enjoyed reading the packs of books that they won.

Book Week Committee

The Pasta Sculpture Challenge is back this year!

PASTA SCULPTURE CHALLENGE 2023



Brief:

Make a pasta sculpture using dry pasta & glue

Make it 2D or 3D

Paint it or natural

Link sculpture to Italian history or culture

Voucher Prizes for creative & original designs

**ENTRIES CLOSE:
FRIDAY 20TH
OCTOBER**

Students can create a dry pasta sculpture at home with family members. It can be 2D or 3D, painted or left natural and linked to Italian culture or history.

Entries close Friday, 20 October and gift voucher prizes will be awarded to creative and original designs.

Please label work with your name and class and bring to the library for display.

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alian Language Teacher

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Aboriginal Storytime for the Early Years



We were thrilled to welcome Aboriginal Author and Illustrator, Gladys Milroy, to our school last term. Gladys shared her latest enchanting story, 'Penguin, Oh Penguin', with our Kindy, Pre-primary, and Year 1 classes. The children were captivated by her storytelling and the beautiful illustrations that brought the characters to life.

Gladys Milroy is from Palyku Country of the Eastern Pilbara Region. Gladys' story is told in her daughter Sally Morgan's book, 'My Place'. You can also find her artwork in the WA Museum, Boola Bardip.

WA Bike Month

your move
more ways to get there

The month of October is WA Bike Month and to celebrate, the *Your Move* student team will be holding their Active Travel Day each Friday morning during October. This will be the 13, 20 and 27 October. On these days, any student who rides, walks, scoots or skates to school will receive **two** hole punches on their Star Cards. Meet the student team as you arrive on the grass at the front of the library. Don't have a Star Card yet? No problems, you can collect one from our friendly student team on one of these mornings.

Why do we do this? Our aim, as the school's *Your Move* team, is to encourage students and their families to get active by walking, scooting and riding to school. Making a small behavioural change a few times a week can result in huge benefits for your child and the community, including:

- Reduced congestion, travel times and parking problems around schools;
- Improved safety for everyone at drop-off and pick-up times;
- Reduced carbon dioxide emissions around the school;
- Lifelong improved health and emotional well-being due to instilling positive exercise habits at a young age;
- Improved concentration and academic performance;
- More sustainable and cost-effective transport outcomes, such as reducing the need for investment in parking that may only be utilised for a short period each day, and reduced road infrastructure maintenance costs.

We hope to see you all getting active in October!!



Caleb Christie

***Your Move* coordinator**

Running Club



Well done to Mahmoud Ibrahim from Hardey who has achieved his 100km badge. Keep on running!

P & C NEWS

The raffle at the end of Term 3 raised \$1095. Thank you, Sam, for all your hard work.

Our Rollerdrome event raised \$1094.80. Thanks to Tania for organising and to everyone who came along.

We hope to see you tomorrow at the referendum sausage sizzle. We could still use a few more volunteers for pack up from 2.30pm onwards.

This term is HUGE for the P&C! We are excited to be supporting so many events and activities in the school. Please check Connect regularly for more detailed information on the following:

Community Arts

The P&C is excited to fund and support a mural project with artist Paula Hart. The outline of the mural, based on drawings by Year 1-3 students, is up on the end wall of the JB Block. Year 4-6 students will be filling in the colours next week. Please check Connect or the P&C section of QKR! ASAP for information about you can get involved with painting, and concurrent weaving sessions for Reclaim the Void NEXT WEEK.

Crazy Camel

Check Connect for more information on ordering cards and keepsakes with your child's unique artwork. Orders are open from 13 - 27 October using the link below:

www.crazycamel.com.au/33606

Disco

Get your dancing shoes on kids, the disco is coming up on Friday, 24 November. Disco tickets, food and drinks are on sale now until Saturday, 4 November via QKR! Check Connect for more detailed information.

Jolly Soles Socks

In anticipation of Loud Shirt and Silly Sock Day on Friday, 10 November, the first fundraising sock sale will commence on the following days outside the Uniform Shop (north of the undercover area).

- Tuesday 24th October (2:00-3:00pm) & Friday 27th October (8:00-9:00am)
- Tuesday 31st October (2:00-3:00pm) & Friday 3rd November (8:00-9:00am)

Payment on the day will be by cash (please bring exact amount) or via tap and pay via the Google Square. Check Connect for information about future sales.

YOUR P&C



WHAT WE DO, AND HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED!

Working together to support the students and staff at Maylands Peninsula Primary School.



7 - [MPPS P&C](#)

P&C Contacts

P & C Email: pac@mpps.wa.edu.au

Uniform Shop: uniforms@mpps.wa.edu.au

Canteen email: canteen@mpps.wa.edu.au

School Canteen



Canteen Appreciation

Did you know that many public schools have a canteen that only operates 2-3 days a week, or don't have one at all? We are so fortunate for all the incredible work done by Pia and Helen and all the volunteers to keep hungry tummies full at recess and lunch. At the P&C we are committed to making sure the canteen has all it needs to run smoothly, even at the busiest times.

That's why we've recently allocated \$4,500 to replace an aging freezer and have other plans in the works too.



8 - [QKR ORDERS / CLICK HERE!](#)

We always on the lookout for volunteers. If you think you can help, simply call into the canteen or phone **9462 6705**.

The menu is available on the [canteen page](#) of the school website. **Online orders via [Qkr](#) are preferred.**

Orders need to be placed by 9.00am on the day the order is required and can be made up to two weeks in advance.

Pia and Helen

Tummy Rumbles

SCHOOL BOARD



Visit our [school board](#) for their roles and responsibilities, terms of reference, contacts details, and board reports.

Email: schoolboard@mpps.wa.edu.au

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH AT MPPS!



Monday, 16 October | Year 6 Perth Zoo

Wednesday, 18 October | PP and Year1- Water Corporation incursion

Thursday, 19 October | Year 2 Kaarakin incursion

Friday, 20 October | JB1 and JA2 Assembly

Tuesday, 24 October | Year 1 Kings Park excursion

Thursday, 26 October | Year 5 Fremantle Goal excursion

Tuesday, 31 October | Year 1 Brownes excursion

2023 IMPORTANT DATES

2023 TERM DATES, & SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS



SCHOOL CALENDAR - All school events are on the calendar.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS - A listing of the published Public holiday dates in Western Australia.

Handy Tip! These can be automatically pulled into your own device using the "**Subscribe**" option on the bottom of the website calendar.

SCHOOL NEWS



ALL our school information is sent home via **Connect!**

ALL school consent forms and payments can be paid on **Qkr!**



Absentees - If a student is away, please SMS the school on 0408 947 235

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES




2023 Contributions and Charges.

Financial support by parents/caregivers has always played a significant role in providing resources that extend the schools capacity to add value to the learning experiences of students.

The continuing partnership between schools and parents is vital to ensuring that all students receive a level of education sufficient to carry them forward in today's society.


If you have not already paid, **payment can be made at any time through the year on [Qkr!](#)**

COMMUNITY NEWS



MIDVALE HUB
PARENTING SERVICE
PERTH NORTH EAST

Tuning in to Kids




For parents and carers of children
aged 4 - 11 years, who attend
Maylands Peninsula Primary School

Tuning in to Kids is a 6 session evidence based
program that explores ways that parents can
help their children develop emotional
intelligence and increase the emotional
connection between parents and children.

Learn more about:

- developing emotion coaching skills to help
children understand and regulate their
own feelings and emotions
- promoting co-operative behaviour in young
children
- developing parent's own emotional
awareness
- managing emotions such as anger and
anxiety

For more information and to express interest:
Scan the QR code
Midvale Hub Parenting Service (Perth North East)
Telephone: (08) 9298 0427
Email: parentingservice@mundaring.wa.gov.au




Maylands Peninsula
Primary School
60 Kelvin Street, Maylands

Fridays - 27 October, 3, 10, 17, 24
November & 1 December 2023
9.15 am - 11.15am
(must be able to attend all sessions)


Only 10 places available

Crèche - Not available for this
program

Supported by



The Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth (North East) is provided
by Midvale Hub (Shire of Mundaring) and funded by the
State Government through the Department of Communities.



Midvale Hub

Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth North East is a free service to parents/carers of children who reside in the local government areas of Mundaring, Swan, Bassendean & **Bayswater**.

Link to the service website

[Midvale Hub Parenting Service | midvalehub](#)

Link to the service Facebook page

[Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth North East | Facebook](#)



Government of Western Australia
Department of Transport



Guided community bike rides
Explore Bayswater & Maylands
Sunday 22 October
9.30 am

We ♥ WA Bike Month www.wabikemonth.com.au



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Baysie Bike Tour

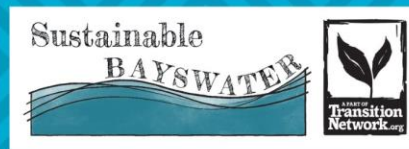


SUNDAY 22ND OCT
9.30 - 11.30AM
MEET AT ENVIRO HOUSE
BRING YOUR BIKE & A HELMET



REGISTER ONLINE
PICK A ROUTE

- BAYSWATER TOWN CENTRE
- MAYLANDS TOWN CENTRE
- RIVER ROUTE



We ♥ WA Bike Month

www.wabikemonth.com.au



DRAMA FOR KIDS WA

9 -12-year-olds

**TERM 4 WEEKLY DRAMA
CLASSES NEAR YOU WITH**

ALAN BLACKWOOD

Lessons include:

**Improvisation: Play Building: Theatre
Games: Creative Movement: Voice
Production.**

**Workshops are lots of fun and ideal for
confidence building and personal
development. Extremely reasonable
fees and obligation free first lesson.**

Venues Near You:

Maylands: Mount Lawley: Noranda

For further information and enrolment
contact:

Alan Blackwood: 9271 9128
alanpblackwood@gmail.com
www.dramaforkidswa.com.au

Facebook: Drama For Kids WA

MPPS WEBSITE



Our school [website](#) is an important source of information, and a valuable tool for parents/caregivers, and our school community. We also have translation tool on the website, so everyone can better understand the content.

Time is valuable, so we encourage parents/caregivers to [fill out our forms](#) in advance, and resource all up to date information on our school website.

SCHOOL SUPPORTERS



9 - 0433 158 384 - John Caputo



RABBLE
BOOKS & GAMES



OUR ETHOS



At Maylands Peninsula Primary School, we are committed to:

- *encouraging students to be successful learners*
- *the principles of developmental learning*
- *lifelong learning and reflective practices*

- *maintaining a safe environment for all*
 - *developing attitudes and values of care and concern for self, others and the environment*
 - *building partnerships with students, parents and the community*
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We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia, particularly the Whadjuk Noongar people, whose land our students live and are educated. We recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to them and their culture and to Elders past, present and emerging.