

# Newsletter



**Mount  
Lawley**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
*Strive for Wisdom*

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Edition 3, Week 5, 1 March 2023

## Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 1 March Board Meeting – 5.30pm Staffroom	Thursday 2 March P&C AGM – 6pm Staffroom	Thursday 2 March Ulniform Shop Open (8.30-9.30am)
Friday 3 March Senior Assembly	Monday 6 March Labour Day Public Holiday	Friday 10 March World's Greatest Shave/Whole School Assembly

Dear Parents, Staff and Community Members,

It is so lovely to be back at school after clearing some leave. I had a busy time doing the tourist thing in Tasmania. While away Mrs Grace Adam expertly steered MLPS, aided by the excellent school staff and their flexibility and Ms Lesa Mileto assisted in so many ways. Thank you to everyone who helped maintain the excellent teaching and learning at MLPS during my absence. The “village” certainly worked together to ensure no disruptions to school life.

**Parents as Partners** As you would already be aware Parent engagement in learning is known to lead to improved outcomes for students of all ages. Schools and teachers can support parent engagement by building partnerships to connect learning at home and school. The terms parent engagement and parent involvement describe how parents and families support their children's academic achievement and wellbeing. Parent involvement usually focuses on school-based activities such as attending events or volunteering in class. Parent engagement encompasses children's learning at home, at school and in the community, recognising the cultural and social diversity of families and communities. There is strong evidence linking parent engagement with improvements in academic achievement for children of all ages.

<https://www.education.gov.au/supporting-family-school-community-partnerships-learning/family-school-partnerships/parent-engagement-learning>

We encourage all our parents and carers to become involved in school life. One way to become involved is through the P&C. **Our first meeting is at 6pm this Thursday, in the staffroom.** We would love to see you all there, supporting our school for the benefit of all students.

**Our Board is also meeting this week, 5.30pm, Wednesday in the staffroom.** You are always welcome to attend Board meetings as observers. Board plays an important role in contributing to good school governance so that school resources are used efficiently, and community expectations and the school's priorities reflect the needs of students. Board is typically Week 4 and 8 of each term, Thursdays at 5.30pm.

**Traffic Management** I have unfortunately spoken with two of our neighbours this week about traffic management issues on Third Avenue. There are two concerns that are causing frustration. Parents illegally parking at the 'No Stopping' yellow line directly adjacent to the Give Way sign, during school drop off and pick up. This is a significant traffic hazard especially when a vehicle is stopped at the Give Way sign giving way to oncoming traffic, as there is no room for oncoming traffic to manoeuvre. The other issue is parents parking on our neighbour's verges, damaging sprinklers and impacting the visibility of traffic hazards as they use their driveways. I urge you to be considerate of our neighbours, their property, and the road rules.

**COVID 19** I regret to inform you that I also have bad news regarding COVID 19. We have a number of staff and students impacted by the virus at the moment. We are planning the best we can to minimise disruptions to the teaching and learning programs. With staff absences due to COVID 19 and other factors we do try to maintain a consistency with the relief provided. In these challenging times of teacher and labour shortages this is not always possible. I do apologise for the disruption that will occasionally occur. This is a timely reminder to keep our school community safe and if you or your child have cold or flu symptoms, or test positive to COVID-19, please stay home until symptoms resolve.

**World's Greatest Shave** On Friday 10 March we will be having a whole school assembly for the World's Greatest Shave. Currently our Crazy Hair Team is made up of Mrs Nicola Brodie, Mr Luke Fogliani and Year 6 students Eliza Bedford, Harlow Koerting, Sophia Mahon, Eilish Looby, Owen Eggleton, Matteo Caceres, Harry Harman and Ruby Pryde. Team members will be shaving their heads, cutting their ponytails or colouring their hair to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation. The team has currently raised an outstanding \$5980.50! We are so proud of the way our school community is getting involved by being brave and donating for a worthy cause. I look forward to seeing you all at our assembly next Friday.

Kind regards and take care  
Sandra Martin

## World's Greatest Shave and Crazy Hair Day

Dear parents and guardians,

Friday the 10 March is Crazy Hair Day at MLPS. This is a chance for the students to come to school with their hair as wild and colourful as they want. Please make sure to give your child a gold coin to support our World's Greatest Shave fundraising. The student leaders will collect your kind donations after assembly.



We have two staff members and multiple students participating in the World's Greatest Shave by shaving off all their hair (That's right! All of it!) or cutting off their ponytails. Shaved hair will be collected and is used to make ocean bombs to help clean the oceans of oil spills. Ponytails will be used for wigs to give to people who have lost their hair from blood cancer. Funds collected from donations go towards helping families living with blood cancer and research to find a cure.



Tax deductible donations can be made to the Mount Lawley Primary School Crazy Hair team by clicking the link below.

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/MLPSCrazyHair>

Thank you,

Eliza Bedford, Harrison Nilsen, Sophia Mahon & Cohen Dunning  
Student Leaders

## Traffic Management Group

The P&Cs Traffic Management Group has received some great feedback from parents/carers about Year 1 bike sessions so far.

Children are gradually becoming confident about riding and learning about safety.

Thank you to the Department of Transport's Your Move program & MLPS school community to make this happen!



**MLPS YEAR - 1**  
**Bike Sessions**

- Starts Wednesday 22 February 2023 for 4 X weeks until March 15
- No training wheels on bikes

It's free, thanks to the Your Move program and MLPS being eligible for a Connecting schools grant.

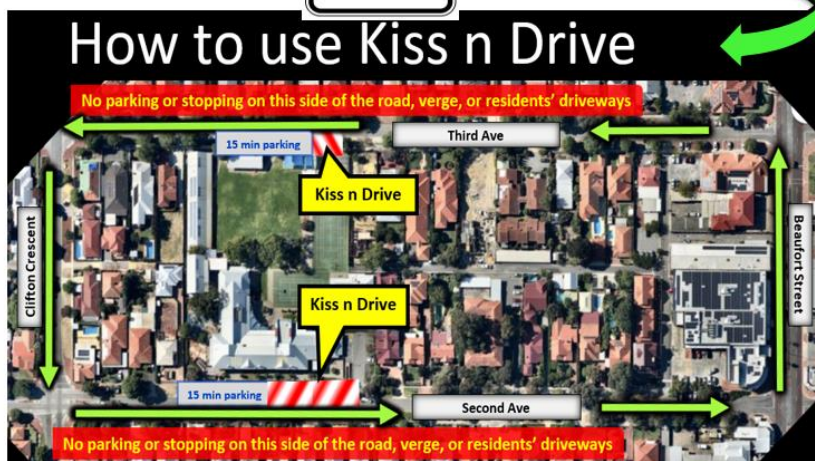
Also, thank you to the volunteers, Darryn Watson and Robert Stuart who conducted bike maintenance before the first session to make sure your child's bike was safe.

**Year 1 Bike Sessions**  
**1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

Please be patient and courteous and please **No U Turns**



Mount Lawley Primary School encourages an informal one-way traffic system around the main school, to improve traffic flow, Kiss n Drive and safety



**Stay Tuned...**

**NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY**

**Friday 24 March 2023**

The P&C AGM and first general meeting will be held at **6:00pm on Thursday 2 March 2023 in the Staff room.**

At the AGM, all office bearer roles, executive roles and committee chair roles and subcommittee roles are available. Office Bearer roles are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer (we have nominations already for these roles, but everyone is welcome to nominate).

Executive members have an additional voting right if executive meetings are called outside the general meeting.

As an ordinary member, you have voting rights on any issues we vote on such as spending.

The P&C is also responsible for the Social and Fundraising Committee, Canteen Committee and Traffic Management Group. All these committees have chairs nominating but again everyone is welcome to nominate for any P&C role at the AGM. These groups always need and welcome new members.

If you are interested in nominating for a role, please complete a nomination form (these were sent in a Connect notice on Wednesday 22 February). If you would like to join as an ordinary member for this year, please come along to the first meeting to sign up and bring a \$1 coin.

Meetings are held once a term on the Thursday of week 5 of the term. Please come and show your support in any way you can, big or small, it is all appreciated.

Feel free to contact me to have a confidential chat with me regarding any the above. [president@mlpspc.org](mailto:president@mlpspc.org)

Breanna Catania  
President

### MLPS is a SunSmart School



Sun exposure can lead to skin cancer and other forms of skin and eye damage later in life. Remember to Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Layer sunscreen on thickly 20 minutes before going out into the sun and reapply sunscreen every two hours. Do not rub it in!

There is no such thing as wind burn! Wind may dry your skin but it will not burn it. Remember to Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide! when the UV Index is 3 or above.

Ultraviolet radiation can penetrate clouds so do not be fooled when it's overcast. Protect yourself from the sun when the UV Index is 3 or above.



### One of these things is not like the others.



Broad brimmed, legionnaire and bucket hats protect the neck, ears, temples and sides of the face – offering very good sun protection to these vulnerable areas which are common sites for skin cancer. Baseball caps and visors do not provide adequate protection.



### Uniform Shop

**Uniform Shop dates for Term 1:** Thursday 2, 16, 30 March, 8.30-9.30am

Second hand uniform donations are always welcome. Please drop to the school office or directly to the uniform shop.

#### Volunteers

The uniform shop is run entirely by parent volunteers, from ordering to deliveries to running the shop. If you would like to help out and meet new people and gain new skills, please contact Katie at [mlpsuniformshop@gmail.com](mailto:mlpsuniformshop@gmail.com)

### 2023 MLPS Student Diaries

Student diaries are available at the front office for \$10.00 if your child does not already have one. NB: If your child is in Pre-Primary, teachers will be handing (pre-ordered) diaries out in Week 7 when the home reading program begins.

## Learning Assisted Program (LAP) 2023

Thank you for considering our LAP Program in 2023

Please return to the LAP Coordination Team by completing this form by Friday 10th March - Week 6

### History of LAP

LAP has been running in **Australia for over 36 years**. It started as a program that provided students who were struggling with reading, although not to the degree that they were readily identified as students that needed help - so they were left to struggle on, finding learning to be more and more difficult and falling further behind. There was no organised support at that stage. It started by **recruiting parents and other community members to become involved in supporting** these students, so they had a more **positive learning experience**.

LAP was created to **identify** those **students that required a little extra support**. As volunteers (parents/student community members) are **the essential element in making this program function** and be successful, the volunteers/tutors are giving a child **two x 30 minutes sessions or 1 x 1 hour session of one on one attention**. It can make a huge difference in the child's confidence and attitude to learning. The rapport that develops between the tutor and the student is primary to the programs effectiveness in **bringing about change**.

The **individual time spent** with a LAP child, making them feel important and having **positive learning experiences** enables the child to take these attitudes/knowledge/skills back to the classroom.

The program can be as simple as **reading a book to a child, having a chat about their weekend, playing educational board games, doing a jigsaw puzzle, completing educational computer games, assisting with sight words and sounds, working on basic maths operations with concrete materials or gaining confidence in writing**.

Follow the link below if you would like to sign up to be a LAP Volunteer

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RaA4P3Ru0yDsLdutDYWJ2POpLZ9xzhMhPzbXL4CUvpUM0NaNFJSOUU0MjdVRzNQOUFMTTgwNjA2NS4u>

## Community News

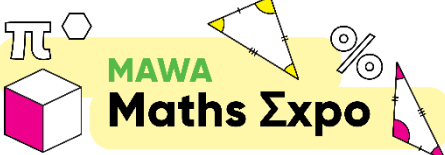


### Inglewood Mount Lawley Community Garden

Thank you for having us at the Welcome Day, we enjoyed talking with families about sustainability, creating green spaces and our local community garden.

Save the date! We will be having an open day at the garden on Saturday 13 May, with tours of the garden and activities for kids.

If you would like to find out more about the Garden or how you can join in the fun as a member, visit [www.inglewoodmtlawleycommunitygarden.com](http://www.inglewoodmtlawleycommunitygarden.com)



A maths expo – now that's something different! The expo is targeted

at families in the aim to provide support to parents and students with mathematics learning at home by showcasing interactive resources. It will be a fun, interactive day with lots of opportunity to see a variety of resources that make learning fun, and there are prizes to be won on the day!

Sunday 12 March 2023

10:00am – 1:00pm

Stirling Community Centre, Main Hall – Karrinyup

Expo Registration

Members: \$10 per family

Non-members: \$15 per family

Every family that attends will receive a \$10 voucher to use at the MAWA stand.

Register - <https://mawainc.org.au/maths-expo/>

Registrations now open for boys and girls in Kindy to Year 2

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE

HAMER PARK  
MT LAWLEY

SUNDAY MORNING PROGRAM  
STARTS IN APRIL

- CLUB OF THE YEAR 2022
- AWESOME CULTURE
- GREAT COACHES
- FANTASTIC FACILITIES
- GIRLS AND BOYS



**ATHENA**  
Calisthenics Club

**WHO WE ARE?**

We are a community based not-for-profit Calisthenics Club training locally in Dianella, Girrawheen and Ballajura.

**WHAT WE DO?**

Calisthenics is perfect for all ages to build confidence, improve stamina, make new friends and stay active. It's an exciting sport that is a mix of dance, gymnastics, simplified ballet, singing and apparatus work.



**CALL OR TEXT BROOKE**  
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**ENQUIRY DETAILS BELOW**  
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www.athenacalisticclub.com



**MODERNIANS HOCKEY CLUB**

JOIN US. SEASON 2023.  
modernianshockey.org



**ROOS** Sign up now for 2023  
**GIRLS REGOS OPEN**

ROOS WEBSITE UNDER LIGHTS  
SEASON STARTS END OF APRIL  
PRE-SEASON STARTS MARCH

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QUERIES: EMAIL [girls@roosjfc.org.au](mailto:girls@roosjfc.org.au)

**MODERNIANS HOCKEY CLUB**  
TRAINING BEGINS 6/4/23 SEASON BEGINS 28/4/23



**JUNIOR PROGRAM**  
YEAR 3/4

Train with your team, sharpen your skills and play on weekends

Mixed teams of boys and girls.  
Training Thursdays 4:00 - 5:00pm.  
Games Saturdays at Perry Lakes.

**GOLDSTIX**  
KINDY TO YEAR 2

Learn hockey in a fun, safe and inclusive environment

10 week program starting Term 2.  
Thursdays from 4:00 - 5:00pm at Charles Veryard Reserve, North Perth.  
Includes brand new Gryphon pack with stick, ball, shin pads and bag.

**COME AND TRY**  
KINDY TO YEAR 6

Join us for a 4 week trial of hockey training in a social setting

Thursdays 4:30 - 5:30 pm  
Charles Veryard Reserve, North Perth.

**JUNIOR HOCKEY**  
YEARS 5 TO 12

Join Mods for this winter season. Training starts Thursday 6 April 2023.

Girls and boys teams.  
Training Wednesday / Thursday at home ground Charles Veryard or Warwick turf.  
Weekend games.

**SENIOR HOCKEY**  
18 TO 84

Men's and women's teams catering for all abilities including Masters. Grass teams play on Saturday afternoons and turf teams play across the weekend.

**FIND US AT**  
Modernians Hockey Club  
Charles Veryard Reserve  
Bourke Street, North Perth

website  
[www.modernianshockey.org](http://www.modernianshockey.org)  
register  
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[juniorepresident@modernianshockey.org](mailto:juniorepresident@modernianshockey.org)

Modernians is a family friendly club that believes hockey is for everyone. We have competitive and social teams that cater for boys and girls, men and women from 4 to 84. Whether your stick has been collecting cobwebs for a few years or whether it's brand new. We would love you to be part of our club.

