

## Edition 16, 25 October 2023

Dates for the Diary						
Friday 27 October	Friday 27 October	Saturday 28 October				
Pre Primary Excursion	Room 5 Year 5 Assembly	P&C Progressive Dinner				
Thursday 2 November	Friday 3 November	Thursday 16 November				
Board Meeting	Room 7/8 Year 3 Assembly	P&C Meeting				

Dear Parents and Carers,

Mount Lawley Primary School's Vision is Together – Learn, Respect, Inspire, Create and Celebrate. We like to think we live this vision every day and use many strategies to create a friendly and supportive culture.

Research shows that bullying is reduced with the development of social skills and resiliency factors. We do this by:

- Providing all students with opportunities to develop and practise getting along with other children through explicit teaching and classroom learning activities
- Creating a positive social environment within our school which actively discourages bullying including cyber bullying
- Maintaining, developing and supervising the school grounds to encourage cooperative play, kindness and care during breaktimes
- Continuing to encourage staff, students and parents to treat all school community members with respect, care and compassion
- Implementing a consistent approach to managing reported bullying incidents
- Provide parents with resources and strategies to help them communicate more effectively with their children about bullying when the need arises

A reminder, we can only do something about an issue if we know about it. Please let us know if your child does not feel safe and supported at school. Further information and support for families is available at: <a href="https://friendlyschools.com.au/families/">https://friendlyschools.com.au/families/</a>

What a fabulous time we all had at the disco on Friday night. Bopping to the music and partying among the shimmering streamers and fluoro dressed revellers was so much fun. Events like the disco do not happen without hours and hours of organisation prior to the event, and parents and staff volunteering to make sure the event runs smoothly. So, thank you everyone who was involved, especially to Simone who coordinated the whole event, it was truly fabulous.

Friday, 27 October marks 2023 World Teachers' Day. This is an opportunity for us all to celebrate, recognise and thank our teachers for all the work they do. Our teachers continue to put students first and strive to make a difference every single day. Teachers play an important role and I am sure you will join me in thanking them for their passion and dedication to inspire our young people. Please make a special effort to thank your child's teacher on Friday.

Thank you to the 48 people who have completed our MLPS School Survey so far. Your opinion is important to us so please take the time to let us know what you think. The online platform is currently showing 20 people have partly completed the survey. Please remember to submit your survey after you have completed it so your responses can be collected. Once your survey is complete inform the front office so your child can go into the draw for one of three book vouchers. The survey closes on Friday 10 November at 10pm.

At next week's Board meeting we will be discussing the 2023 NAPLAN data. You are all welcome to attend as observers. The Board meeting starts at 5.30pm, in the staffroom.

Take Care

Sandra Martin

## **Class Planning 2024**

We have commenced developing our classes for the 2024 school year, and it is very important that we are working with accurate student numbers. If your child/children are not attending MLPS next year, please let us know as early as possible by emailing mountlawley.ps@education.wa.edu.au

If you have any educational exceptional circumstances that you would like taken into consideration for your child's class placement for 2024, please provide them in writing to <u>Sandra.Martin1@education.wa.edu.au</u> by this Friday 27 October (Week 3 Term 4).

### **Before School Supervision**

MLPS originally implemented before school supervision from 8.00am as we are not able to offer before school care on site. Duty of Care requirements are that staff supervise during this time. We would like to continue this provision however; it is becoming increasingly difficult with the large numbers of students attending.

We would like to remind families that this service is in place for students who need to be dropped at school earlier than 8.30, because parents need to go to work. Students sit quietly in the undercover area talking to friends, reading, drawing or engaging in other quiet activities. Please do not drop your child at school prior to 8.00am.

## After School Play

With the fine weather upon us many families are staying and playing after school.

A few reminders:

- All play is on the oval, basketball courts or the two playgrounds facing Third Avenue. No students should be in the nature play, undercover area or outside of Room 11 and 12.
- Students are not to play in the sandpit with the boat.
- Students waiting for pick up should not be playing.
- We do expect that after school play is fully supervised by parents at all times.
- Students are expected to follow the same rules after school that we have during the day. We expect their behaviour to be kind and respectful and for students to continue to play safely.
- Play equipment is not to be accessed after school.
- Please endeavour to leave the school grounds by 3.45pm.

## **MLPS LEGO Masters Update**

Congratulations to all students who have competed in LEGO master heats so far. The creations have been amazing, making it very difficult to judge!

Two teams from each heat go through to the Grand Final in Week 6. Congratulations to the following teams for winning their heats.

Heat 1 – Space	Heat 3 – Under the Sea			
Nina H and Margot K - Year 2	Otis T and Harvey G – Year 1			
Macy L and Shriya P - Year 3	Josephine L and Rose D – Year 1			
Heat 2 – Pirate	Heat 4 – Living Thing			
Charlie E and Sreeetanvi M - Year 4	Linda H and Alyssa D – Year 5			
William S and James O - Year 4	Kade W and Ewan L – Year 5			

Mrs Hawkesford and Mrs Brodie

#### **Scribblers Family Festival**

Scribblers Festival is two days jam packed of free family fun including adventures in storytelling, art and creativity, at Cathedral Square next to the City of Perth Library. Scribblers Festival is on this weekend Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 October from 11am – 4pm each day.

For the full program follow this link Scribblers Family Festival | 28 - 29 October, 2023 (scribblersfestival.com.au)

Mount Lawley Primary School has been given the opportunity to be part of a program where University Graduates from Italy complete part of their Humanities Degree as a Language Assistant in an Australian school. If we are accepted as part of the program, the Assistant would be assigned to our school for Term 1, 2024.

We are seeking expressions of interest from our community to host the Italian Student, starting around 22 January through to 5 April (exact dates TBC, however it is a week before Term 1 starts and a week after Term 1 ends). If you are unable to host for the whole time, there is also the option of having two host families accommodate the student for 6 weeks each.

Suitable Host families would have a child that will be enrolled at MLPS in 2024, or whose children have been part of our school in the years leading up to 2024.

Some key information that needs to be considered by potential host families includes:

- Host families are to provide free accommodation, including main meals, and access to usual living facilities, such as laundry facilities.
- As there is no renumeration for the host family, the student must agree to help around the home for 4 hours per week with duties such as babysitting, tutoring the Host Family's children, gardening, cooking and so on.
- Host families should treat the student as an adult member of your household and include them in normal family activities.

If your family is interested in hosting the Language Assistant, or you would like further information, please send an email to Christine.Ashkenazy@education.wa.edu.au by Friday 3 November.

Thank You

Christine Ashkenazy Acting Deputy Principal

## **Board Meeting**

## Q: What are you doing on Thursday 2 November from 5.30pm-7.30pm?

A: Coming to the Annual Public Meeting for Mt Lawley Primary School Board!

Come along to keep up to date with important school issues, including presentation of the 2023 NAPLAN data. Parents/caregivers considering nominating for 2024 positions are particularly encouraged to observe meetings in action.

#### MLPS Board hope to see you in the staffroom!

## **Honour Certificates**

Congratulations to the following Students who received an Honour Certificates at last week's Junior assembly.

Janine B – Year 1	Hamish R – Year 1		Mina T – Year 1		Rafael L – Year 1	
Freida F – Year 1	Lexie W – Year 1		Thomas S – Year 2		Alice P – Year 2	
Eli K -Year 2	Poppy S – Year 2		Judd S – Year 2		Emma M – Year 2	
Elliot C - Year 2 Aa		Aariv P	P – Year 3		Beatrix M – Year 3	



#### 2023 Banksia Yearbooks

A reminder that you can pre order 2023 Banksia Year Books online Via Qkr!

If you are unsure if you have already pre ordered a Banksia Yearbook (these were available to order when completing your Campion booklist order last year), please call the office to check on 9238 0800.

Yearbooks will be distributed in the last week of Term 4.

# **Community News**

Calisthenics is an exciting sport that is a mix of dance, gymnastics, simplified ballet, singing and apparatus work.

It's perfect for all ages to build confidence, improve stamina, make new friends and stay active.





Call or text Brooke on 0422 487 930 Email info@athenacalisthenicsclub.com Visit www.athenacalisthenicsclub.com Or find us on Facebook and Instagram



Play Tennis are running before school tennis clinics again this term at Mount Lawley Primary School and have now added an extra day! PP-Year 2: Tuesday 7.45am - 8.30am and Year 3 – 6: Monday 7.45am - 8.30am

Cost: \$140 per child

Duration: 8 Weeks

**To enrol:** go directly to this link <u>http://www.playtennis.com.au/primary-school-tennis/</u> and follow the prompts to Mount Lawley Primary School

OR

Fill out the form (available from the front office) and return it by email directly to <u>rhys@playtennis.com.au</u> or call Rhys on 0401873440 and bring payment along to the first lesson or pay by direct banking from the emailed invoice.

First session will commence Week 2 Monday 16 & Tuesday 17 October and runs for 8 weeks consecutively.





# Scarborough Summer Sports

Join Football Futures and Edmund Rice Centre for weekly soccer, basketball or volleyball on the foreshore.

Date: Fridays over Spring/Summer Time: 5.00pm – 7.00pm Venue: Scarborough foreshore area.

No registration required - just rock up! Best suited to those aged 12-17 year old.