



MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**FRIDAY
11 MARCH**
HOUSE SWIMMING
TRIALS
AQUA LIFE

**FRIDAY
11 MARCH**
ASSEMBLY
COUNCILLORS AND HOUSE
CAPTAINS

**FRIDAY
18 MARCH**
DAD N KIDS CAMP OUT

**TUESDAY
22 MARCH**
HOUSE SWIMMING
CARNIVAL

**THURSDAY
24 MARCH**
EASTER SERVICE

**FRIDAY
25 MARCH**
GOOD FRIDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**MONDAY
28 MARCH**
EASTER MONDAY

**TUESDAY
29 MARCH**
PUBLIC SERVICE
HOLIDAY

**WEDNESDAY
30 MARCH**
EDU DANCE CONCERT

Dear Parents and Community members,

NAPLAN

Students in Year 3 and 5 at Mount Pleasant Primary School will be involved in the NAPLAN testing on May 10, 11 and 12. Last week students in Years 3 and 5 were given an information sheet. Should you not have received this, please contact the front office for a copy.

School Development Days

For your information, Mount Pleasant Primary School has scheduled in the following School Development Days for 2016.

- Tuesday April 26
- Monday July 18
- Tuesday July 19 –this day has been approved for all schools as an extra day specifically for Curriculum Development.
- Monday October 10

Homework Policy

Parents often ask how long their child should be doing homework for. I have included the table below as a guide. Please read this in the context of the entire homework policy which has been placed on the school website. While there is definitely a place for homework at a primary school level, it is important that it does not become onerous.

Guidelines to Homework times

All Guidelines to Homework times. Allocating specific times for year levels is not a recommended practice. However, the following is a guide:

Year Level	Focus Areas	Suggested Maximum Daily Time
Pre-Primary	Reading, letters and sounds.	10 minutes
Year 1	Reading, Writing, Spelling and Numeracy	15 minutes
Year 2	Reading, Writing, Spelling and Numeracy	15 minutes
Year 3	Reading, Writing, Spelling and Numeracy	15 minutes
Year 4 and 5	Reading, Writing, Spelling, Numeracy and other	30 minutes
Year 6	Reading, Writing, Spelling, Numeracy and other	40 minutes

Councillors and House Captains

Congratulations to Councillors and House Captains listed below who were elected by their peers. Badges will be presented at this Friday's assembly.

Green Faction Captain

Oliver Purchase
Claire Yap

Blue Faction Captain

Jennie Widing
Dev Garg

Red Faction Captain

Amelie Bolton
Griffen Collins

Student Councillor

Jackson Spencer-James
Sienna Johnston
Mischa Rowson

Library Book Donation

A selection of wonderful books was purchased by parents on the Parent Information Night of which several were donated to library. I sincerely wish to thank all those who supported this event.

Penny Porter—Library Officer

SCHOOL HOURS**Commence:**

8:45am

Conclude:

2:55pm

Morning recess:

10:50am-11:10am

Lunch Recess:

12:40pm-1:20pm

CANTEEN DAYSMonday, Wednesday
and Friday

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BANKING DAYSWednesday Mornings
before school
commences**CAMP AUSTRALIA*****Before and After
School Care*****Before School:**

7:00am—8:35am

After School:

2:55pm—6:00pm

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SWIMMING LESSONS

This Term our Year 5 and Year 6 classes have engaged in beach Swimming lessons at Cottesloe. Meanwhile the Years 3 and 4 have had their swimming lessons at the Melville Pool. Everyone did very well and all of those students involved learned valuable lessons about water safety and how to swim which is an important aspect of our Australian culture.

Pre-primary classes, Year 1 and Year 2 can look forward to swimming lessons later in the year.

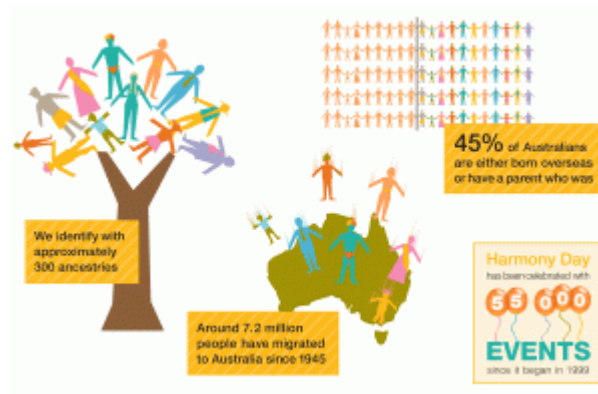
Mrs Paula Hooper
Deputy Principal

CHAPLAIN NEWS**Cake Stall**

A big thank you to the amazing group of girls who ran a cake stall last Thursday - raising \$129.10 for our 5 Cents Challenge. Your enthusiasm and heart to help others less fortunate is to be commended. Thank you also to their families for your kind support. Our running tally of the funds raised, and some examples of the education projects we are supporting amongst poor communities around the world, can be found on the pinup board near Room 1.

**Harmony Day**

On Monday the 21st March we will be celebrating Harmony Day. The theme for Harmony Day 2016 is **our diversity is our strength**. Here at Mount Pleasant PS we will have a 'Signature Wall' that everyone can sign their name to, acknowledging our diversity and celebrating that "Everyone Belongs".



CANTEEN NEWS

ROSTER

Thank you very much to everyone who has come to help so far this term in the canteen.

We are still looking for volunteers. Please Fill out the roster outside the canteen if you can assist.

Dads 'n Kids Camp Out

The canteen will be open to sell snacks, drinks and icy poles until 7:30pm Friday and again Saturday morning from 7:30am for brekkie rolls.

Julie Green—Canteen Manager

Friday
11 March **Janene Hinton Am**
Farheen Rehman

Monday
14 March **Help Please**
Help Please

Wednesday
16 March **Help Please**
Help Please

Friday
18 March **Help Please**
Help Please

Monday
21 March **Felicity Gilliland PM**

CONSIDERATION

Consideration is thinking about how your actions will affect other people and how they will feel. It is being thoughtful. Consideration is doing things in manner that benefits you as well as others.



P&C NEWS

Fundraising and Social Committee Update

Dads 'n Kids Camp Out – Friday 18 March 2016, 5pm

There are lots of 'camp sites' already sold, so please don't be shy Dads, come and book a site:

<http://www.trybooking.com/185239>

Dinner and breakfast can also be pre-ordered online or BYO dinner/picnic online. Canteen will be open to sell snacks, drinks and icy poles until 7.30pm Friday and open again Saturday morning from 7:30am for brekkie rolls. Coffee Van on site Saturday morning!

Please confirm your bookings online, no later than Tuesday, 15 March so that we can organise accordingly.

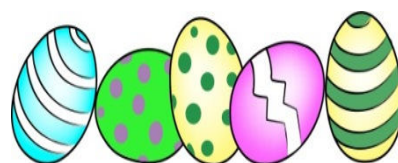


Easter Raffle – Friday, 18 March 2016

An Easter raffle is currently being organised and tickets will be available to buy at the Camp Out – four baskets filled with goodies are up for grabs and winners will be drawn on

Thursday, 24 March (before the Easter long weekend).

For those families whose turn it is to donate an Easter treat, the donations will be collected by your class reps during the next week.



ROAD WISE

Double Parking

Double parking is unfortunately a problem that places the lives of our young children at unnecessary risk. Double-parked vehicles are visual obstructions for young children trying to cross to the other side of the road. They also place children getting in or out of the car at risk, as they must venture to the middle of the road to do so. Please refrain from double parking around our school and use the other safer parking options available to you.

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**We're on
the web!**

Entertainment Book – Coming Soon!

We will again participate this year in selling the Entertainment Book with a portion of the proceeds going to the school. The book will be on sale from early April.

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SCHOOL BANKING



COMMUNITY NOTICES