Dear Parents and Community members,

Edu-Dance Concerts
Parents are invited to attend our Edu-Dance Concerts located in the Undercover Area at 2:00pm on the following days:
- **Wednesday March 30 - Rooms: 8, 14, 15, 12, 1, 7 and 18**
- **Thursday March 31 - Rooms: 16, 2, 11, 9, 4, 13 and 18**

Easter Church Service
The Easter Church Service will be held on Thursday March 24 at St Michael’s Anglican Church, 53 St Michael Terrace, Mount Pleasant. Parents are welcome.

The junior classes (Pre-primary—Year 3) will commence walking to the Church immediately after the school siren to be at the Church for a 9:00am service. The senior classes (years 4 to 6) will commence walking to the Church at 9:30am for a 9:40am service.

Easter Tuesday
For clarification, please note that schools in WA will **not be open** on Easter Tuesday March 29. This is part of the Education Act General Agreement 2014 for teaching and non-teaching staff. This is not a public holiday and has not been a usual occurrence for schools as it generally falls within the school holidays.

Return to School Term 2
Students will return to school on **Wednesday April 27**. Monday April 25 is Anzac Day and Tuesday April 26 is a staff Development Day.

Thank you to the P&C
Mount Pleasant Primary School would like to thank the P&C for their generous support in various learning areas. This includes:
- Junior home readers—$4,160
- Various Kindergarten indoor and outdoor resources - $1,200
- Pre-primary outdoor swings—$339
- Two mobile whiteboards—$1,200
- Art equipment—$699
- Physical Education equipment—$936
- Music - Drum kit—$950
- Signage - double sided sign on Queens Road - $1,925
- Giant chess set (64cm pieces) and plastic chess set - $980

This goes a long way towards supporting our school and we are very appreciative.

**Election of P&C Office Bearers**
Congratulations and thank you to the following people who were elected to drive the P&C and support our school.
- **President:** Donna Quinn
- **Vice President:** Tenille Dartnall
- **Treasurer:** Linda Baker
- **Assistant Treasurer:** Robyn Main
- **Secretary:** Cameron Schuster
- **Executive Committee:** Robina Chidlow, Jackie Meddows-Taylor and Joe Fasolo
- **Committee Chairs**
  - **Canteen:** Neeta Pollard
  - **Environment:** Robina Chidlow
  - **Fundraising and Social:** Jackie Meddows-Taylor with support from Renee Morrell-Brown
  - **Safety House:** Jennifer Narozny
  - **Grants:** Stacey Waters
  - **P&C Nominee to the School Board:** Stacey Waters

Thank you to all the outgoing P&C members, in particular to Helen Suriano for her three years as President and Alison Wallace for her year as Treasurer. Their commitment has ensured strong success for the P&C.

**For Your Information**— I will be on leave for the last two weeks of this Term.
THANK YOU

Special thanks to Claire Selsmark and Barbara Masiello for not only coordinating the Aston Scholastic Book Club, but also for the huge effort in preparing a beautifully packaged set of books for each classroom. Thank you also to Sarah Sheehan and the many parents who took it upon themselves to supplement the junior home readers. This group of parents have donated some 500 quality books. Thank you again and well done.

Harmony Day
On Monday Mount Pleasant Primary celebrated Harmony Day. Amongst other things, the students were involved in a whole school signature banner to promote ‘togetherness’ on Harmony Day. Special thanks to Wendy Anderson for organising this.

PICASSO COWS 2016

Students, a cow, paint and glue. Curious? Over the next 6 weeks. Mount Pleasant Primary School is bringing the farm to the classroom with the Picasso Cows program.

The program celebrates one of Australia’s biggest agricultural industries, the dairy industry, and also teaches children that milk doesn’t just come from the supermarket!

The students will get to design and paint a life-sized fibreglass cow in one of three themes – Unbeatable Bones, Fuel for Life or Farm to Plate – documenting their findings from start to finish in a learning journal. It’s interactive fun with an important educational message.

We often hear from nutrition experts that Australian children aren’t having enough calcium every day and that dairy foods such as milk, cheese and yogurt are one of the biggest sources. Despite this, most primary school children aren’t having enough. This program will tie in with our classroom nutrition education, teaching children about the importance of the five food groups, including dairy foods, for good health and wellbeing.

And that’s not all! Our school is one of several schools in Western Australia participating in Dairy Australia’s Picasso Cows program, creating some healthy competition! At the end of the program there’ll be a presentation day and the winning school will be awarded $250.

We look forward to keeping you updated on the program. Any ideas or suggestions you have to celebrate dairy within the school community, let us know. You can also find out more about dairy foods at: www.legendairy.com.au
**CHAPLAIN NEWS**

**Next Cake Stall**
*Thursday 31st March*
Variety of goodies will be for sale at lunchtime.
Prices usually range from $1 to $3 (fundraising for education projects amongst the poor)

**HARMONY DAY**
This Monday March 21 was National Harmony Day. As a school we celebrated our diversity and demonstrated that 'Everyone Belongs' through creating a Signature Wall for everyone to sign. It will be displayed in our undercover area all this week.

**Hero Award**

This award is presented to **Amy Ellul**
In recognition of the positive contribution you make to our school.
Thank you Amy for serving our school with excellence, getting up early on Tuesday and Thursday mornings to train the younger Mount Pleasant P.S. students at Applecross SHS. Your enthusiasm and willingness to serve is greatly appreciated. Congratulations on the wonderful example you set for others.

**Chevy Ryan**
In recognition of the positive contribution you make to our school.
Congratulations Chevy on the kindness, compassion and self-less care you have consistently shown over a long period of time to others in our school community. This was illustrated when you shared that you "...know how to fix feelings. I play with them, and play with them until they’re happy. I did it in Kindy and Day Care. Whenever I walk past someone I say hello". Thank you for making a wonderful difference in our school.

**P&C NEWS - Fundraising and Social Committee Update**

**Dads ‘n kids camp out**
A BIG THANK YOU to all the families and volunteers who supported this event. Fundraising events like this and others that will be hosted during the year can only be a success with the support from our school community. The camp out raised approximately $2,800.00, these and other funds raised by the P&C will contribute directly to school resources as requested from the teachers and principal. This year our fundraising will contribute to junior home readers, various indoor and outdoor Kindergarten resources, Pre-primary resources, art, music and physical education resources only to mention a few!

**Easter Raffle**
Look out for the winners to be announced in the next Newsletter! The raffle will be drawn on Thursday, 24 March 2016 to go home with the lucky winners at the end of the school day and there are four hampers up for grabs!

**Entertainment Book** – Pre-orders now open!
We’re very excited to be fundraising with Entertainment™ this year. Order your NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Books and Entertainment™ Digital Memberships from us today, and 20% of the proceeds contribute towards our School!
Order your new Entertainment™ Book or Entertainment™ Digital Membership before 4 May 2016 and you will receive up to $230 worth of additional offers that you can use right away!

The following link will take you to our page for orders: https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/84711

Remember friends and family are welcome to order from us as well.
**For all fundraising queries please contact Jackie**

**CARING**
Caring is paying attention to the things that matter to you. You can care for yourself, for other people, for pets or for special things.

When you care for something you treat it with respect and concern.
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SCHOOL BANKING

COMMUNITY NOTICES

GLIGA VIOLIN
3/4 Outfit, cast and shoulder
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