Dear Parents and Community members,

Welcome back to Term 3.

This term we also welcome our new Deputy, Jenny Hogan. One of Jenny’s major portfolios will be the area of Student Services.
Welcome also to Jade Gowdie, who will be coordinating the Physical Education Learning Area for this Semester.
Another warm welcome to Wayne Dyson, who will be working with the school’s ICT needs this term.

Special Events
This term we will be celebrating ‘Science Week’ during week 4, commencing Monday August 8. We will also be celebrating ‘Book Week’ during week 5, commencing Monday August 15. The students will be involved in various activities including both incursions and excursions. If your child is involved in any excursions, separate notification will be sent home. There will be a ‘dress-up as your favourite book character’ on Friday August 19.

Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC)
A reminder that PEAC Testing for Year 4 students will be held next Wednesday August 3.
Tomorrow, approximately 100 students will be involved in the Australian Mathematics Competition. Good luck to all students involved in testing programs.

WA Education Awards 2016
Celebrate our school and the inspirational people who work here by nominating them for a WA Education Award. More information about the nomination process can be found at:
W: education.wa.edu.au

Host Families Needed
Recently students in Years 4, 5 and 6 received information on Host Families as part of a Japanese Exchange program from October 16 to November 2, 2016. This is a wonderful program and parents who have been involved in the past have provided very positive feedback. I encourage you to become part of this program.

Students Leaving 2017
This is the time when schools begin to look at class structures for 2017. As all schools now operate under a one line budget, it is imperative that we get our numbers right as early as possible or face the possibility of being over funded or worse still having to re-structure the school. To this end, please return the slip attached ONLY if your child is moving to a new school or location. Please do not return this form if you have a child in Year 6.

IF YOUR CHILD/REN WILL NOT BE RETURNING IN 2017
PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SLIP AND RETURN TO THE FRONT OFFICE
(Does not include Year 6 leavers)

My child/ren

will not be returning to Mount Pleasant Primary School in 2017.

Which school will they be attending in 2017:
CROSS COUNTRY FACTION RESULTS

Last Friday, in perfect weather conditions, the students from year 3-6 participated in the ‘Faction Cross Country’ event. The students ran a 1.6km course. All students from Red, Blue and Green houses ran with commitment and showed their endurance across this distance. Well done students for your fantastic efforts in the races.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received a medallion for champion, runner-up and 3rd place within each race.

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<td>Griffin Collins</td>
<td>Oliver Purchase</td>
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The overall results for each faction were – congratulations to GREEN who were victorious on the day. * The lowest total points is the winning faction.

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A very BIG THANK YOU is extended to all parents, school community members and staff who contributed to the smooth running of the cross country event. Your help is greatly appreciated and ensures our students participate in a well organised and rewarding sporting event. Thanks to Miss Gowdie, our Phys-Ed Specialist, for the fantastic organisation of this event.

The top six place getters in each year level (boy and girl) will now compete in the ‘Interschool Cross Country’ event to be held next Tuesday August 2 at Brentwood Primary School. Students in the Interschool Cross Country Squad took home information and permission notes yesterday.

CLEANER AND GARDENER CASUAL RELIEF

We are often in a position where we cannot find casual relief for our cleaners and gardener when they are on leave. If you have any interest in casual short term work, please contact Tanya Hunter on: 9316 1045.
SELF-DISCIPLINE
Self-discipline means self-control. Sometimes it is very difficult to control our thoughts and feelings, particularly if you feel hurt or angry, but you can control what you do with them. Take charge of yourself and decide how you want to talk and how you are going to act.

Friendly Schools Plus
Last term I had fun working with Miss Edmond’s Pre-primary class, using the Friendly Schools Plus curriculum, to equip students in areas such as self-awareness/emotional awareness, understanding and interpreting social situations and social decision making.

Zero2hero - Tough Stuff
Zero2hero are facilitating a pilot of their Tough Stuff resilience running program at our school next term beginning in week 3. The program is designed for year 5 & 6 students - information and interest forms have been sent home to these students. For further information, please contact Hayley 0404008030.

Zero2hero are seeking volunteers to assist coaches in providing running and fitness training for the 8-week Tough Stuff resilience pilot program on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings. Volunteers will need to be capable of running 4km and hold a valid Working With Children Check (assistance can be provided). Please contact Hayley to register your interest and availability on 0404008030.

ROAD WISE
Walking to school
While walking to school is encouraged for school children, here are some hints for parents to follow to ensure your children enjoy a safe trip to and from school every day:
- Where possible, walk to school with your children, especially if children are under the age of 10.
- Arrange for another adult or a group of older friends to walk with your children.
- Walk your children along the safest route to school and identify hazards and appropriate crossing locations along the way.
**Math Moments**

Everyone should have a Math Moment in their lives where they get to spend family time solving fun mathematical problems.

Watch this space in various newsletter to get your Mathematical fun. Problems will be at different rates of difficulty – so you are welcome to select the problems that are fun for you.

A Math Moment Box will be placed in the office. If you choose to engage in ‘Math Moments’ you are welcome to place the problem/s you have engaged with in the box. This will go into a fortnightly draw to win a small prize (announced at the following formal assembly).

It’s all about having some fun together.

**Math Moment Conditions:**
- Problems must be solved together (parents and child/ren)
- Problems must have evidence of working out. What steps did you take to solve the problem?
- Family names and Room Numbers must be written on any submissions.

**Math Moment Time...**

**Beginning Mathematicians**

Draw a picture that shows how you worked this problem out.

There were 18 apples in the box. Meg took 3 apples out and her brother Nigel took 4. How many apples were left in the box?

**Middle Mathematicians**

What number goes in the ____ to make the number sentence true?

\[1 + 3 + 5 + 2 + 4 + 6 = 3 \times ____\]

**Advanced Mathematicians**

1. The perimeter of a square is a rectangle is 42cm. Each side is a counting number of centimetres. How many different areas are possible for such a rectangle?
2. When 150 is subtracted from a number, the result is the same as when the number is divided by 7. What is the number?

Don’t forget to show your working out.

Good Luck!

Paula Hooper  
Deputy Principal