Dear Parents and Community members,

Japanese Exchange Program
The Japanese Exchange program ended this week. It was a pleasure to have the five exchange students at our school. Yesterday morning, we were treated to a cultural dance at our assembly. It was amazing. My thanks to the host families who made this possible.

Kindergarten Information Session for Parents
This is a reminder that the Kindergarten information session will be held on Friday, 11 November at 9:30am in the staffroom. Individual invitations have been sent to Kindergarten families.

VacSwim Summer 2017
Enrolments are now open for summer school holiday swimming lessons. You can enrol online and select a variety of programs.
Enrol at: education.wa.edu.au/swimming or telephone 9402 6412.

Connect
Several parents have reported via classroom representatives or teachers that they are not receiving whole school Connect notices. There are most likely two reasons for this. Either, we have your incorrect email address or you have yet to register.
There is a Connect registration form available from the front office or you can simply phone Joleen to check your details.
I urge you to do this as we are using Connect more and more for whole school communication.

Mount Pleasant Primary School Band
The Mount Pleasant Band was formed earlier this year by Music teacher Jenny Coleman. Given the short amount of time they have been together, their performance is outstanding. On Thursday, 3 November the band will have its first public outing at the Melville Primary School ‘Play Fest’. We wish them all the very best.

International World Teacher’s Week
Last week we celebrated this special event. We were spoilt with a special morning tea prepared by our Baha’i religious education teachers. The morning tea included a presentation of an appreciation framed message which was appreciated by all staff.
We were spoilt even further with a special lunch from the parent body organised by Helen Suriano and prepared by several parents. It was an amazing lunch. Thank you to everyone that made this a special week for all staff.

Ice Skating
Congratulations to Emily Laing who has once again nominated to represent WA at the Australian Figure Skating Championships.
We wish Emily the very best in Melbourne.

School Surveys
School Surveys for parents were sent electronically two weeks ago. The response has been slow but I must remind you that your feedback is very important to us.
Please find the link below that will take you to the survey.


I urge you to complete this survey.
MDISSA Interschool Athletics

Last week our year 3-6 students participated in the MDISSA interschool athletics carnival at Bateman Primary School.

There were two days of events with throws, jumps and 400m events on Tuesday 25th October and Sprints, team games and circular relay on Thursday afternoon. Congratulations to our squad of 80 athletes who represented Mount Pleasant Primary School with enthusiasm, great cheering and 100% effort in all events. Thanks is extended to Mr Clee, Miss Gowdie and Mrs Anderson who assisted in the bay.

A big thank you is also extended to Mrs Jade Mulroney and Mrs Annette Ellul who filled our two official positions on the day. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who were our medallion recipients on the day:

- **Amelia Cranwell**  Year 3 girls  1st place
- **Jordan Hassan**    Year 4 boy  2nd place
- **Erika Smits**      Year 5 girl  2nd place
- **Noah Rey**         Year 5 boy  2nd place

This is a fantastic achievement amongst a very large group of competing students.

All athletic squad members have now received their badges which I know will be worn with pride on school uniform shirts by all students.

****T20 BLAST CUP

On Wednesday we took four teams to the T20 Blast Cup cricket competition at Shirley Strickland Reserve. We had one girls team and three boys teams representing Mount Pleasant Primary School.

Thank you to the students who nominated and committed to the three training sessions in the last week with a very hectic athletics schedule still in place!

The sportsmanship displayed at our training sessions was a pleasure to observe. Well done to all our budding cricket stars.

Mrs Jenny Hogan
Deputy Principal
**TACT**

Being tactful is telling the truth, but in such a way that no one is offended. It is knowing when to say something and when it is better to be silent. When you are tactful you handle other people’s feelings carefully. You don’t say things that will make them feel embarrassed. Treat their feelings the way you would want your feelings to be treated.

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**Christmas Hampers**

Another wonderful community-minded tradition we have at M.P.P.S. is the collection of food hampers in the lead up to Christmas. The hampers will be presented at our Carol’s Assembly near the end of term, and will be a blessing to those who are struggling around our city at Christmas time. If you would like to donate, there will be a box in each classroom where items can be placed. Non-perishable food items, festive Christmas food, decorations and gifts would be very much appreciated. Thank you for your kind support.

Wendy Anderson

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**End of Year Picnic**

**FRIDAY, 9 DECEMBER**

Save the date for our annual end of year picnic as a thank you to families for all their support during the year. Pack a picnic for you and your family to share – we’ll have entertainment for the kids and some fun giveaways!

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**BUSY BEE**

**SATURDAY, 5 NOVEMBER**

9:00am to 12:00pm

The P&C Grounds Committee will be planting, mulching, digging and creating a space for the students in an previously forgotten part of the school behind the old canteen and library. The aim is to create a calm quiet zone for them to chat, read or just be with friends.

Kids are welcome to come and help with parents

Bring spade, gardening gloves and enthusiasm.

Grounds Committee

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

The Canteen roster is almost empty for the rest of the term.

Grandparents are welcome.
COMMUNITY NOTICES

We're on the web!

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Perth Scorchers School Holiday Clinic

Have your child learn to play the Scorchers way at #TheFurnace these school holidays!

Over two action-packed mornings, participants will take part in MILO T20 Blast skill sessions, be involved in social cricket games and have the chance to meet our mascots Blaze and Amber.

Registration is open to boys and girls of all abilities aged 5-14 years old. The focus of the clinic is to have fun, participate and develop your child’s cricket skills.

When: Monday 19 & Tuesday 20 Dec 2016
Time: 9am - 3pm
Where: #TheFurnace
What to Bring: Mat, water bottle, sport shoes, Cricket gear (if awarded)
Cost: $50
P.S. Healthy morning tea will be provided!