FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Independent Public School
I was informed this morning that Mount Pleasant Primary School has been selected to become Independent Public School in 2015. To a great degree this acknowledges the positive partnership between the school and the community. The next step will be an extensive training course to prepare for 2015.

Book Fair
A huge thank you to all parents who supported Book Week by purchasing and donating a book to our library. There were $4000 worth of books donated which is a wonderful result. Thank you once again.

Invitation for Families to Host A Japanese Student
Our school is hosting a group of students from Japan from October 19-November 5 and we are desperately seeking more host families from Years 5 to 7. The students attend each day with their host. This is a very rewarding program and you receive $450. If you can help, please contact this office on 9316 1045. We currently have 2 responses but need at least 6.

Appledcross Senior High School Enrolments
We would like to remind all students who live within our local intake area and who are wishing to attend Applecross Senior High School in 2015 (either year 7 or Year 8) that enrolments are now overdue. We require a full enrolment pack returned to us as soon as possible (not just an application for enrolment form). Please call Kerry on 9314 9367 or email Kerry.date@education.wa.edu.au if you require a full enrolment pack. We would like to move onto assessing out of area applications however we need all in area applicants finalised first. Thanks for your support in this matter.

Concert Band 2
Congratulations to Chloe Mowday (clarinet) and Ethan Lewins (baritone) on their contribution to Concert Band 2 receiving an ‘Excellent’ in C Division at the WA Schools Band Festival on Friday August 15. Well done!

Mt Pleasant Students Get their Dose of Dairy!
Last week, the year 5 students of Mt Pleasant primary learnt about dairy production, and the importance of including dairy in their diets.

The session was organised by Alysia Kepert, Curriculum Consultant in Agricultural Education at the Department of Education WA, and was deliberately timed to coincide with “Dairy Week”.

In the presentation, Alysia aimed to touch on content relevant to all learning areas, in her ambition to make food and fibre issues a relevant and engaging context for all students. The school canteen also got on board and made banana smoothies especially for Dairy Day, and the kids tried their hand at milking using an artificial udder.

Thank you to Alysia Kepert and Cathy Latino for supporting the program in Room 2.

Mundella Dairy generously donated yoghurt for all student which they all really Enjoyed and used towards their daily dairy count!
SCHOOL HOURS
Commence:
8:45am
Conclude:
2:55pm
Morning recess:
10:50am-11:10am
Lunch Recess:
12:40pm-1:20pm

CANTEEN DAYS
Monday and Friday
9316 4003

SCHOOL BANKING
Wednesday Mornings before school commences

CAMP AUSTRALIA
Before and After School Care
Before School:
7:00am—8:35am
After School:
2:55pm—6:00pm
0452 247 189

FROM THE NURSE

Colds
Upper respiratory tract infections or colds are everywhere, especially in winter, so it is almost impossible to stop children from catching them. Here are some points which may help:

- Teach your child to cover his/her nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, and to wash hands straight afterwards.
- Hands should be washed after blowing noses and before eating.
- Use tissues once and then throw them in the bin. (Avoid using handkerchiefs.)
- Keep your child home from school if he/she has a cold/cough/fever/pain.
- Make sure that your children eat a balanced diet of plenty of healthy foods.
- Keep children away from smoke – it irritates their eyes and nasal passages, making it more likely that they will catch a cold.

What to do if your child gets a cold
No treatment will cure a cold or make it go away more quickly, but you can help your child feel more comfortable:

  - Rest: This need not be in bed.
  - Provide extra drinks: If your child doesn’t want to drink much, try giving lots of small sips of water, milk or juice, or iceblocks to suck for older children.

SPORTS NEWS

House Athletics
A request was sent home last week seeking helpers for our Athletics Carnival which will be held on September 18 and 19. Thanks to those who have responded already. If you haven’t replied yet and can help, please return the ‘Help Slip’ as soon as possible.

The times help is needed are Thursday from 9.00am until approx. 11.30am (Year 3-7 students involved) and Friday from 9.00am until 2.30pm.

If you have misplaced or didn’t receive the note seeking help, contact the office or myself (Brian Schupp) for a copy of the note.

Australian Schools Cross Country Championships
Congratulations to Charlotte George who represented Western Australia in the recently held Australian Schools Cross Country Championships in Albany. It is a great honour to be selected in a State Team and is a just reward for the effort and training involved. Charlotte and her WA peers performed extremely well. They ran 5th in the relay.

Well done Charlotte.
No stopping signs are located around our school to help your children stay safe. They mean that cars cannot park or drop off/pick up children at all or in some instances during the hours specified on the sign. It may seem convenient to park or stop in these areas but it may also endanger the lives of children, especially small children, who cross the road or walk through this area to school. This sign consists of a red ‘S’ in a circle with a line through it.

Parents, please support the canteen by volunteering to help. If you’ve never helped out before, now is the time! Even if you have only an hour to spare, I can still use your help.

is a roster outside the canteen or I can be contacted on 0430 141 282 or beanerjag@hotmail.com.

Julie Green—Canteen Manager

Mt Pleasant Primary School
2014 Lap-a-thon

Mount Pleasant Primary P&C will again be holding a Lap-a-thon as its major fund-raiser for 2014. The activity has been designed to be a happy, healthy and fun way to raise money for our school.

This whole-school event will take place on 17th October at 1:30pm to 2:45pm on the school oval.

Further information will be heading your way over the next couple of weeks. We look forward to your involvement and thank you for your support.

P&C Fundraising Committee

RED

BLUE


GREEN
COMMUNITY NEWS

Volunteers WANTED

Have you got a morning or afternoon to spare? Would you like to help your local community? Are you 18 years or older?

Volunteers are required for driving our clients to appointments in our vehicles and yours.

Bus drivers are needed to drive the Melville community buses and transport the local community groups.

We need social support volunteers with an interest in crafts for the aged and youth disability.

Please call Melville Cares on 9319 0900
Or email info@melvillecares.org.au

We're on the web!

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