Dear Parents and Community Members,

Sadly, at this time of the year there are always staff members to be farewelld. I would like to thank the following teachers for their hard work and efforts at Mount Pleasant Primary School:

Miss Ellie Lindner will be moving to Canberra. I would like to thank her for being such an integral part of our school and I wish her all the very best in the future.

Mrs Maria Andrews has been a long term relief teacher for 12 years at this school. Mrs Andrews has decided on a ‘sea change’ for a few years. She will be sadly missed and I’m sure all our staff will look forward to her return. We wish Mrs Andrews all the very best.

Miss Stacey Hammond has worked here in a part-time capacity for 2 years generally in tandem roles. Mrs Hammond has a lovely manner with students and we wish her all the best in the future.

Mrs Liz Bint has also decided on a ‘sea change’ and will be moving to the south of Perth from next year. Mrs Bint has made an enormous contribution to Mount Pleasant Primary School over the past 20 years. Her teaching program in general and her whole school productions over the years has become legendary! We wish Mrs Bint all the very best for the future.

Deputy Brian Schupp will be retiring at the end of this year. Mr Schupp has been at this school for 15 years and has also made an enormous contribution to Mount Pleasant Primary School. As a teaching Deputy, Mr Schupp has kept in touch with classroom practices and provided a strong educational environment for hundreds of students during the time that he has been at this school. We wish Mr Schupp the very best in his retirement.

I would also like to thank Miss Rachel Taylor for her contribution in the Kindergarten this year. It has been a pleasure to have her as part of our staff and wish her all the best for next year.

Class Lists
Class Lists for 2016 will be displayed on the windows of the undercover area closest to the canteen on Thursday January 28, 2016.

Thank You
I recently attended a thank you morning tea. The morning tea was well attended and I would like to once again thank all parents and community members who have assisted the school in any way. I would like, in particular, to thank the P&C who this year contributed almost $30,000 for various school resources not to mention their contribution towards the Nature Play program.

Church Service
The traditional church service at ‘St Michael’s Church will be held this Thursday at 9:00am for junior students Kindergarten to Year 3 and at 9:45 for students in Years 4 to 6. Students will be walked to the church under supervision by their respective teachers. Several students have queried how much they should be offering in the collection plate as this is part of the service. Please note, that there is no obligation for any student to make an offering at the service.

Graduation Dinner Dance
Last night (Monday) I had the great pleasure of attending the Year 6 graduation dinner dance. I would like to congratulate the Year 6 students on their exemplary behaviour. They are a credit to this school. Thank you also to Mrs Andrews and Mr Clee for facilitating this occasion. Thank you also to the many mums who prepared a wonderful meal for the graduates.

Voluntary Contributions and Charges
Thank you to all families that have already paid their contributions and charges. Contributions and charges can be paid by direct debit.

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## CHAPLAIN NEWS

Our final cake stall for the year raised $103.50. A massive thank you to the amazing girls and their families for making it possible. Also, on Friday 4th Dec we collected the 5 cent jars from the classrooms and made a coin spiral. This raised $293.75, which brought the total amount we fundraised for our 5 Cents Challenge this year to $2008.95!! What a wonderful help that will be to families and communities caught in poverty around the world. Mr Phil Croot from TEAR Australia, also visited our assembly on Friday 4th, and shared information about one of the education projects in Cambodia our contribution is supporting.

On Thursday December 10 we were fortunate to have a visit from Ashley and Tim from the organisation Zero2Hero. They were here to help prepare our year 6 students for transition to High School. Ashley spoke about important self care strategies for managing our emotions, especially in the areas of anxiety and stress.

Finally a heartfelt thank you to everyone for your generous donations to our Christmas Hamper appeal. The hampers will bring much comfort and encouragement to families in need around our city. What a wonderful school community we belong to - your generosity throughout 2015 has blessed so many people!

Wishing you all a fantastic Christmas and joy-filled start to 2016.

Best wishes, Wendy Anderson

## T20 BLAST SCHOOL CUP

Last Wednesday, 2 December our school entered four cricket teams into the T20 Blast School Cup Carnival at Tompkins Park. The children enjoyed the day and we would like to thank all the parents who assisted with transportation. Special thanks go to Mrs Mulroney, Ms Peros and Ms Smith for acting as team managers on the day. Every team played well and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the carnival. Two of our teams remained undefeated and both of our other two teams only lost one match each. Mount Pleasant won both the boys and girls T20 Blast School Cups. Congratulations to all participants and parents for making it such a wonderful day.