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### FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Term three has been an incredibly busy term with so many fantastic programs happening around the school. On the second week of term, the school community attended the outstanding production, 'The Director' at the John Curtin College of the Arts Theatre. It was a superb event with all students performing extremely well. Teachers, parents, family members and community members who attended on each of the nights praised the ability of our Mosman Park Primary students to perform beautifully on a live stage in front of a packed audience on both nights. I would like to thank Ms Sarah Orton and her team of teachers and parents for an amazing effort. The amount of work behind the scenes including the production's choreography, costumes, props, makeup, photography, brochure design, ticketing, catering and many other areas ensured the musical was an outstanding success.

**Athletics Carnival:** This week saw the running of athletic events in preparation for the Athletics Carnival next Thursday. Mr Davey and his team have been preparing the students for individual and team events. It will be a very exciting carnival with extra activities for the Pre-Primary, Year 1 and Year 2 students with parents assisting in the running of these activities. Preliminary results after the running events show that Baldwin, Buckland and Balbuk Houses are in a tight tussle for first place.

**Leadership progression:** At a recent Board meeting a query was raised about leadership progression of staff members at Mosman Park PS. Whilst this is not unique to Mosman Park PS, or indeed any occupation, some of our staff may have aspirations for promotion whether it be within the school or at another school. All schools provide a number of opportunities for staff to lead in areas such as the curriculum, early years learning or other projects relating to school improvement such as pastoral care and sustainability. The Department of Education provides professional learning opportunities in a number of ways to aspirant principals, associate principals and Level 3 teachers. As in most careers, to be successful not only for promotional prospects, but to be a contemporary and well-rounded practitioner, it is necessary to gain wider experience in a variety of schools, whether they be hard to staff schools, regional schools or schools with a diverse population. Having these learnings and experiences not only directly benefit the students and other staff, but also hold the aspiring applicant in good stead when applying for positions in the future.

*Ian Bersan and Monique Smith*

**PRINCIPALS**

### MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to each of our students who received a Merit Certificate at the last assembly.



Pre Primary	Emilia Norton James Martin	Brooklyn Farmer Charlie O'Brien
PP/Year One	Arlo Letelier Jacob Hopson	Jono Farquhar
Year One	Katniss Koh Olli Hendersen Alice Haswell	Grace Willcocks Ollie Middenway
Year Two	Raph Scott Lucas Collica Lewis Eley	Emily-Rose Yates Lilly Acklin Lindsay Williams
Year Three	Sophie Koeman Jenina Gonzales	Ethan O'Brien Rose Gourlay
Year 3/4	Oliver Mitchell	Lola Crawford
Year Four	Evie Sumner Georgina Allen	Ethan Dillon
Year Four/Five	Levi Rewega Alisha Solanki	Lachie Brown
Year Five	Lula Kociuruba	Tilly Lidbury
Year Five/Six	Rhys Vine	Luke Gourlay
Year Six	Jake Pridmore Rafferty Scott	Jacinta Kearney
Deaf School	Danial Safer Mohamad	Chace Gibson

### MOSMAN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL WEBSITE – QR CODE



By hovering over this code with your device, you will be directed to the school website. New information is added to the website weekly.

## PAYMENTS

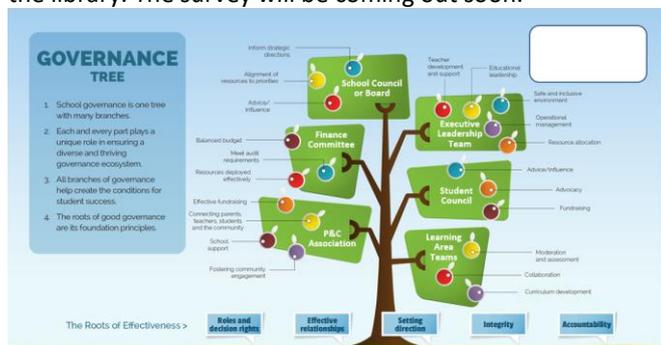
We now have an EFTPOS machine for payment of school fees and charges. We accept VISA, MASTERCARD and EFTPOS Debit card. Payments can be made at the front office.

## STUDENT MOVEMENT 2021/2022

We are required to notify the Department of our expected student numbers for the 2022 school year. This information is used to gauge our funding requirements for the upcoming school year as well as providing us with updated staffing funds, which are provided for us to manage our staffing requirements. If you are planning to be leaving Mosman Park PS at the end of this year can you please let us know as soon as possible - [mosmanpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:mosmanpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au). If your child is on a waitlist for another school it would be useful for us to have that information also.

## SCHOOL BOARD

The School Business Plan is our roadmap to improvement of student and school performance 2022-2024. It is a collaborative effort of the School Board and staff, based on feedback and evidence available. The 2021 School Community Survey is a valuable tool in this process so we encourage you to complete the survey when it arrives in your email. There are some open questions - *What are the things we are doing well at this school?* and *What are the areas for development or improvement that you would like to see represented in our next Business Plan and/or in our everyday practices?* You will find a copy of our current business plan on the school website, in the front office and the library. The survey will be coming out soon.



Here is part of the Governance Tree Diagram from the Leadership, Innovation and Strategy Team at the Department of Education. It shows the many branches of the school and how each and every part ensures a diverse and thriving system and all branches create the conditions for student success.

## STEAM WEEK

During the week, students at Mosman Park PS had the opportunity to participate in a plethora of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics activities. It was wonderful to see students coding in the computer lab, performing Oblek and bubble activities in the undercover area and perform rocket explosions in the Pre-Primary area just to name a few. Thank you to Mrs Anderson and her STEAM Team for organising events and assisting teachers and students during this exciting week of activities.

## NAIDOC and BALBUK

At the time of our last newsletter, we were yet to complete our NAIDOC Week and announce the new name to replace Stirling. Most of you will have seen the email that went out but, in case you missed it, our new House name is Balbuk. This is after the Nyungar colonisation resistance fighter, Fanny Balbuk, who fought to protect the rights of her people to their traditional lands. If you would like more information about her, you can find this at: [http://museum.wa.gov.au/explore/wetlands/aboriginal-context/fanny-balbuk?fbclid=IwAR23nD-GeD92qK57YSLndNutGdO44vGgj08BbQp1b3yBdBakl\\_nXbitSpTg](http://museum.wa.gov.au/explore/wetlands/aboriginal-context/fanny-balbuk?fbclid=IwAR23nD-GeD92qK57YSLndNutGdO44vGgj08BbQp1b3yBdBakl_nXbitSpTg)



The end of our NAIDOC Week was very exciting as we were overwhelmed with enthusiastic participation for our lunch time activities. The undercover area was a very busy place indeed with the boomerang decoration being extremely popular as was the face painting done by the St Hilda's students. Nearby, many helped the Deaf School decorate a Kaya banner which will be displayed shortly. Those who wanted some peace joined Sylvia and Skye Lockyer and others at Solomon Street for some quiet fence weaving with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flag colours. The week ended with a wonderful assembly hosted by the Year 2s. We enjoyed three musical items, including a song which introduced us to more Nyungar words. We announced Balbuk and finished with a Neville Collard's Welcome to Country where we learned more about the history of Mosman Park; he concluded with a smoking ceremony which allowed us to enjoy the scent of the leaves throughout the day, reminding us of the cultural blessings of the week.

## SERCUL TREE PLANTING



During NAIDOC week, students from Year 2 to Year 4/5 classes planted a range of native trees in our school grounds. SERCUL (South East Regional Council for Urban Landcare) provided these plants to our school as part of the Phosphorus Awareness Project grant it receives from the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA). Students learnt about the many uses for the trees including medicinal, food and drink, and shelter. Many thanks to Peter Wales and School Gardener Mark Hutchison for coordinating the planting, we look forward to using these plants once they've matured!

## NIHONGO (JAPANESE) NEWS



Last week in Japanese the Y3-6 students participated in shodou (Japanese calligraphy). They used fude (calligraphy brushes) and sumi (ink) to create 2 pieces each on special Japanese calligraphy paper. The kanji they wrote were 日本 *nihon* meaning Japan and 東京 *Tokyo*. One piece from each year group will be selected to represent the school at the state-wide Japanese Teachers' Calligraphy Competition later this month. *Ganbatte* (Good luck)!

*Blair Sensei*

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Our next Sausage Sizzle is Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Don't forget to place your order through [Quickcliq](#) by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

## ATHLETICS AT MPPS

Attached to the newsletter email you will find the list of events for the House Carnival scheduled for Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

Please find below the Throws and Jumps, scheduled for Years 3-6 tomorrow Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August.

Times	Long Jump	Vortex Throws
9.00 – 10.00am	Year Three	Year Four
10.00 – 11.00am	Year Four	Year Three
<b>Recess</b>		
11.30 – 12.15pm	Year Five	Year Six
12.15 – 1pm	Year Six	Year Five
<b>Lunch</b>		

## BOOK WEEK DRESS UP



*Some fabulous 2020 Bookweek costumes.*

Book week dress up day this year will be on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Come as your favourite character out of a book, please no boardies, bathers or thongs.

## HEAD LICE

We currently have some students with Head Lice infestations. Could all parents please check their children's hair and treat with suitable head lice shampoo if necessary. Please make sure all the eggs are removed from the hair.

## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

3P Photography will be taking school photos on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Students will receive a School Photo Order Form at the beginning of week 7. All these forms are required to be returned to school on or before photo day.

## KINDY BUSH TUCKER & SCIENCE WEEK

The Kindy Koalas and Possums had a great time planting Noongar bush tucker and bush medicine plants.

We love tending to our garden and learning more about sustainable practices, especially the ways in which Noongar people have cared for the land for thousands of years.



A big thank you to Mark who helped us in the preparation and always makes gardening fun when he visits us. Thanks also to Nick Delahunty (Anna's Dad) for making the wooden signs for the plants. They are fabulous!

We look forward to tending to our new plants as they grow and harvesting the

berries to use in our Kindy Kitchen.

Special thanks to Natasha and the team at SERCUL. (South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare) for donating them to us!

## Science Week

During Science Week we made paper planes, a balloon rocket & had fun deciding & experimenting whether materials would float or sink.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Thank you** for all the support with our fundraiser 'Beanies for Brain Cancer' last Friday. We raised **\$349.85** with the donations and the Pin the pompom on the Beanie lunchtime activity. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves too. Thanks to Indi Henderson for the idea and for doing the research into Brain Cancer and sharing it at our Values assembly. I hope you came down to school and received your free coffee from the radio station 98.5 who were broadcasting their breakfast show from our school grounds.

Chaplain's Tip for the week ... On Sibling Rivalry

Q: What causes sibling rivalry? A: Having more than one child.

This joke always gets a laugh in parenting presentations but there is more than a hint of truth about it.

If your children are constantly in competition, then you'll know how destructive sibling rivalry can be. While some rivalry between siblings is healthy, too much can have a toxic impact on family life and children's self-esteem.

If your kids constantly fight, don't despair. All that emotional energy isn't going to waste. Sibling fights teach kids valuable conflict resolution skills that can be put to use in the classroom, the schoolyard and in future personal relationships. In fact, stopping them from arguing may be depriving them of important learning opportunities.

If you or your children need support in a particular situation, please feel free to contact me via the School on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday.

*Blessings, Rhonda Miller, YouthCARE School Chaplain*

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**ANNOUNCEMENT  
'AUSLAN – NOW AND THEN'**

The Western Australian Association of the Deaf (WAAD) in conjunction with the Australian Association of Sign Language Interpreters – WA (ASLIA WA) and with the support of National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI), are delighted to announce an exhibition of 100 years of the Deaf community in Western Australia.

The exhibition entitled 'Auslan – Now and Then' will be held at the Western Australian Museum Boola Bardip on the weekend of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2021.

The Deaf community in WA has developed into a rich and thriving community within which is great diversity. From those who have Auslan (Australian Sign Language) as their first language, including the indigenous Deaf people, Deaf people who have migrated to Australia bringing their own sign languages and allies of the Deaf community – those people who work with, support and respect this community. ASLIA has become one of the Deaf community's strongest allies and within which there is also great diversity.

WAAD and ASLIA WA feel that this wonderful, rich history is one to be told, one to be valued and together they will tell these hidden, forgotten stories, to show how this history has added to and enhanced the cultural and linguistic diversity that is Australia of today and the new WA Museum Boola Bardip provides the perfect venue in which to do so.

For the first time the exhibition will include:

- "Human Library" – where members of the Deaf community will share their stories and answer questions from the audience;
- Recorded visual stories;
- Photo gallery;
- Children Corner – cultural and linguistic activities and storytelling specifically designed for young children;
- Displays of memorabilia e.g. clothing, equipment, technology;
- History of ASLIA WA and how it is intertwined with the Deaf community;

This exhibition will launch the National Week of Deaf People celebrations



## P&C NEWS

The gratitude levels pouring out from the P&C are sky high this week after an amazing show of generosity in both time and money from our school community...and we are only half way through the term!!

### Op shop ball

Camille and her team pulled together a fantastic evening last Friday at the David Jone Pavillion when over 200 parents came together to dance the night away in their finest op shop garments. Through ticket sales, bar proceeds, raffle and the auction we raised an **AMAZING \$25,000!!** We're so grateful for the generosity shown by all our volunteer parent community, but a special mention to the following people. We could not have done it without you:

Camille; for managing the event design & logistics from start to finish, Olivia; for helping to source the incredible auction items, Bernadette; and Hannah; for managing the raffle, Jeanie for managing the \$ and bar, JD, Lok and Oscar; for the fantastic tunes all night, Jean Paul Olivier; for stepping in to run the noisy auction and Ben Riley, Galbally family, McInnes family & McKinnon; family for generous contribution to the bar and helping keep the gin flowing!



Our success would not have been possible without all the incredible items and \$\$ donated by parents and local businesses. Thanks to all involved, we really appreciate it;

- 1-week accommodation at Yallingup house valued at \$3,500 & a bottle of Stonyridge 2018 Red Blend valued at \$330 - donated by Baber family
- Curated by Heart jewellery valued at \$250 & Drill set valued at \$800 - donated by Galvin family
- [Empire](#) marble table valued at \$1,200
- [Snooze](#) voucher valued at \$500 - donated by Heller family
- [Prime Tennis](#) 8 x 30min lessons valued at \$400
- [Bike Bar](#) 5 spin sessions valued at \$145 - donated by Dunn family

- [Mosman Park Golf Club](#) 18-hole golf package for 4 people
- [All Glass Cleaning](#) window cleaning voucher valued at \$250
- [Mosman Spa](#) \$100 voucher and cosmetics valued at \$150
- [The Volte](#) dress hire voucher valued at \$250 - donated by Olivier family
- [Kin](#) babysitting voucher valued at \$200 - donated by Lonie family
- Dior Sunglasses valued at \$450 - donated by Barbagallo family
- [ArtPod](#) class valued at \$100
- Career review and coaching package valued at \$400 - donated by Fleur Edwards
- Glow Anti-aging and Beauty Pack valued at \$199 - donated by Sarah Henderson
- [Best Body Pilates](#) Mosman Park 5 class pack valued at \$180
- [Good Things](#) voucher valued at \$50
- [Bakers Delight](#) Mosman Park 3 x \$25 vouchers
- Wine and Dine Package 1 valued at \$500 - [Bittersweet](#) 18`cake, \$200 [Ciccerellos](#) voucher (Unmack family), 1 x case of [Running With Thieves](#) beer, \$100 voucher for [Belin](#)
- Wine and Dine Package 2 valued at \$320 - 1 x case of [Peps](#) wine (Gallbally family), 2 x twin packs of gin (Willcocks family), [Tsunami](#) \$100 Voucher, Breakfast for 2 at [South Beach Cafe](#) (Aslan family)

We also sold over 400 raffle tickets in a fierce competition to get their hands on the beautiful hampers donated by the school families and pulled together by our class reps.

Thanks again to everyone involved...some photos can be seen [here](#).

### Sports carnival, Next Thursday 26th AUGUST

Excitement levels are growing for the Sports Carnival next week and thanks to all the parents who have put their names forward [here](#) to help out on the day. Class reps and teachers will share more information next week on the details and on our [Facebook page](#).

### Cake stall

Your children should be bringing home a cardboard box by the end of this week that we kindly ask you to fill with either a bought or home baked cake (no nuts please) for a cake stall at the carnival Please return it to the school canteen on **Wednesday AFTERNOON** or **Thursday MORNING** next week. These will help accompany the great coffee (and sausage sizzle) available on the day and contribute towards our fundraising.

### Next P&C meeting

#### Monday 6th September

7pm at School library or online [here](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85264221174?pwd=cTAXTFfZa0VtdVUwU0RkQUdsM29hUT09) (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85264221174?pwd=cTAXTFfZa0VtdVUwU0RkQUdsM29hUT09>)

We would love for as many of our school community to join this meeting including approving the use of the funds raised throughout the year. Your feedback and input is essential so please put forward any agenda items you want to add by the end of next week.

Kind regards,

Nick Lonie, President, MPPS P&C

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

Our Newsletter is very full, please see the separate flier.