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FROM THE PRINCIPALS

This week saw our Deaf School celebrate Auslan Day. It is such an important occasion for our Deaf students and the Deaf community as it celebrates the rich language which gives them a way to connect with their world. Here at Mosman Park School for Deaf Children we are proud to communicate with this beautiful, natural language which ensures all of our students have the opportunity to be successful in life.

This year's Auslan Day was even more special as we commemorated 125 years of the Deaf School in Western Australia. Before the school was established, Deaf children did not have the opportunity to be educated. Thankfully we have come very far in that journey and now our Deaf students are given all of the same opportunities as their hearing peers.

So much has changed over 125 years and we are confident that positive changes will continue as time proceeds. Our current students will grow to become amazing Deaf mentors and help to develop the next generation of Deaf children.

To mark this significant milestone the Deaf school have done two things. One is the development of a Tribute Wall which will stand proudly on the boundary of the school on Solomon Street. It will tell about the history of the school and include information about the current students. The second tribute is the burial of a time capsule. The capsule will be opened in 25 years and in this day of such rapid technological development, we are sure there will be some huge changes in education by the year 2046.

Thanks to all the people who came along to celebrate this important occasion. We would especially like to thank former principal, Annabella McKern who was instrumental in establishing our bicultural/bilingual Deaf school here at Mosman Park Primary School. Now our students are thriving and are living examples of our school motto – 'Deaf kids CAN!!'

Monique Smith and Alison Robb

PRINCIPALS

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.

AUSLAN DAY 2021



DEAF DAYS OUT



YEAR SIX STUDENTS IN FREMANTLE PRISON



ARTIST IN RESIDENCE



Students from years 3-5 have been designing and making robots from recycled materials. Thanks to our Artist, Karen Sabitay.

YEAR FIVE CAMP AT POINT PERON



STUDENT REPORTS 2021 & CLASS PLACEMENTS 2022

Please note that MPPS class lists for the 2022 school year will be emailed to parents in the week prior to students commencing next year. The email will be sent to the parent contact listed on our school system. This was trialed successfully for the 2021 class lists as it allowed us to accommodate changes that needed to be made over the holiday period.

Student reports will be available through Connect from next Wednesday afternoon. A reminder on how to access Connect is attached to this email. Should you continue to have difficulty please contact the school admin on Thursday or Friday morning.

Alison Robb

NARRAGUNNAWALI AWARDS 2021

Even though we did not win the award for schools with RAPs, our school is still very proud of the work we have done in the 18 months we have had our Reconciliation Action Plan- it will feature in our new Business Plan in 2022. Our Elder on the School Board and Pamela Chatfield are pictured below with the Finalist awards. We are one of three schools nationally (public or private, primary or secondary) recognised for this biannual award. We were also represented at the first national Australian Reconciliation Convention in over 20 years with speakers such as Narelda Jacob's, Senator Patrick Dobson, Linda Burney (MP), Fred Chaney and Ken Wyatt (AM MP) amongst others. Pamela Chatfield represented MPPS as a panel member in a session about reconciliation in schools. We remain the only WA school to have been a finalist in this prestigious award.



CAPTIONED MOVIE OF THE WEEK

Screenings and Assistive Technology for our deaf and hard of hearing guests

OPEN CAPTION SCREENING

Tickets go on sale by Tuesday for the upcoming week if there are films scheduled. If there are no open caption sessions scheduled, all Ace cinema locations are equipped with Closed Captioning devices and headsets for amplification and descriptive audio. Simply ask the box office staff for more details. www.acecinemas.com.au.

SUNDAY, December 12TH AT 2:00PM

MEMBERS ALWAYS PAY LESS

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Parent/Carers,
Thank you for all your donations to the **Salvation Army Christmas Hampers**. They were greatly appreciated and received by Peter Vernon from Salvation Army at our Values Assembly on Thursday 2nd December. These donations will be helpful to many needy families and will make their Christmas so much more joyful.



I want to give a big thank you the parents who assisted with the breakfast club throughout the year, I could not have done it every week without your help and support, so Thank you!

Also, a big Thank You to the parents who helped with the preparation and cooking and serving of the brunch for the year 6 students and their 'You Can Do It' Brunch with Guest Speaker, Champion Para-Equestrian, Fleur Litster. I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a break from school routine that is fun, peaceful and filled with experiences that make for loving memories. Please keep safe and return to us next year well and healthy.

If you or your children have any needs in the following week that you are looking for support with, please email me at rhonda.miller@youthcare.org.au if you think I can be of assistance to you or your family. During the Christmas break, if you are in need of a Chaplain, please contact YouthCARE on 93765000.

I look forward to seeing you again next year.

Blessings

Rhonda Miller, YouthCARE Chaplain

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A Thank You from Fleur

As some families are aware, since March I've been fighting a rare and aggressive cancer called embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma, found in my lower abdomen. It's been a tough year with multiple surgeries plus 5 months of chemotherapy, but I've recently been cleared of all malignancy and can begin my recovery.

I feel blessed to have been part of the MPPS community during this journey. I want to express my gratitude for all of the offers of meals, the play dates, gifts and flowers, as well as kind words and caring smiles for Sy (Yr 4), Frank (Yr 1), other family members and me. And some amazing hands-on care from some of the clever medical and allied health people amongst our parent group.

On a more serious note, I encourage everyone to follow up on any unusual changes in their body and keep up with their regular screens such as mammograms, skin checks and colonoscopies. Please donate blood if you're able, and donate to the cancer council if you can - they're an amazing support for patients and families alike.

Thanks again and happy holidays everyone!

Fleur Edwards

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSURE 2021 AND OPENING 2022

The office will be closed from 11.30am on Friday, 17 December 2021 for the Christmas break and will reopen next year on Monday 24 January 2022. (Closed Australia Day) Students commence on Monday 31st January 2022.

2022 UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

The Uniform Shop will open the week before school resumes

Thursday 27th January: 2pm - 4pm

Friday 28th January: 9am - 11am

YEAR ONE's at THE ZOO



COMMUNITY NEWS



Adult and Children's Creative Sewing Classes with Louise Marie Back (BA Art)

Established 2009

Give yourself or your child the joy of learning to sew in a relaxed and nurturing environment

- Adult Weekday Classes
- Children's After School Classes
- Children's Saturday Morning Classes
- Children's School Holiday Programmes
- Children's Sewing Birthday Parties
- One-On-One Classes By Appointment
- Small Classes (Adults Max 5 & Children's Max 6)
- Pfaff Sewing Machine provided for each student
- Two Over-Lockers for student use

Classes held in a lovely, light, bright studio in Bicton

Please contact Louise for details on:
0424 131 415
Email: louiseback@iinet.net.au
Website: louisemarieback.com.au
Facebook: @louisemarieback



Mosman Park Netball Club Inc News

Both spring netball teams, Year 5 & Senior, could be Premier by the time you read school news. Well done players and Year 5 coach Melissa.

Winter 2022 Registration and Uniform 16 February 2022.

UWA West Coast Challenge

For Swimming WA Members

AND

Splash & Dash Carnival for 'rookie racers'

Saturday 11 December, 2021
HBF Stadium, Mount Claremont

The UWA-West Coast 'Splash & Dash' carnival is the ideal introductory meet for 'rookie racers' who are still trying to decide if swimming is the sport for them! **You don't have to be affiliated with a Swimming WA club to come along and give swimming a try!**

The 25m and 50m distances are particularly suited to novice swimmers. Registration includes a meet program, estimated timeline and a swim cap.

REGISTER NOW: see UWA West Coast website
www.uwawestcoast.org/club-nights
email: administration@uwawestcoast.org
phone: 08 6156 1900

Registrations close Saturday 4 December for UWA West Coast Challenge and Monday 6 December for Splash and Dash Carnival

www.uwawestcoast.org

COMMUNITY NEWS continued



Every Kid in a Park

Are you a Parent or Guardian of a child with a disability?
Or Passionate about inclusive Play?

Share your thoughts to help us make parks and natural reserves more inclusive!

In partnership with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, Nature Play WA is embarking on a project to ensure natural parks and conservation areas around WA are welcoming and enjoyable and inclusive of all children and families - including those with a disability.

Whether it's, camping, hiking, bushwalking, picnicking or just spending time in nature in national parks and natural reserves, your feedback will help us to inform a project plan to ensure kids of all abilities can play, learn and embrace our beautiful natural environment.

For more information, contact **Nicole McNamara**
Projects and Events Manager
Nature Play WA
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TAKE THE SHORT SURVEY NOW!
Participants go in a draw to win a \$200 gift card.
www.surveymonkey.com/r/EKIP




Struggling with reading, writing or numbers?
We are based in Cottesloe, Swanbourne and Nedlands.

EXPAND EDUCATION
Enrolling students for holiday classes the week of 17th and 24th January and term 1, 2022.

hello@expandededucation.com.au
www.expandededucation.com.au
or book [here](#)



SEASONS STREETING NEIGHBORHOOD FAIR

Stroll along to our community event..
Thursday 16th December
4 pm - 8 pm
Wellington Street, Mosman Park

This event is hosted by the 'Wellington Wishes' Town Team and supported by Town of Mosman Park

This is a community noticeboard. Mosman Park schools do not have any involvement with the functioning of these organisations. Please access your own advice and use your own judgement if you wish to follow up with any activities.