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FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It's certainly a great time to be a student in either the primary school or the Deaf school here at Mosman park. There's a very happy buzz around the place and it seems everyone is happy to be fully into the swing of 2021. Students in our Deaf school have been busy with technology making decorative hair clips with the 3D printers. They are also using drones to gather data from around the school. Being Deaf doesn't slow our students down at all. We make sure they have access to their language, Auslan, and with that our school motto is Deaf Kids CAN!! I am very proud of the work I'm already seeing coming up to my office and I feel this will be a very productive year for our students.

Within the next two weeks, Auslan classes will start for our junior students. Traditionally the students of Mosman Park Primary School love learning Auslan and you will see them practising around the school yard. We now have a number of signs around the school which include English, Auslan and Noongar languages, so you can also teach yourselves some Auslan.

Today principals, deputies and teachers from both schools were inducted into the Curtin Uni program of Mentally Healthy Schools. You will start to see reminders to Act, Belong, Commit around the schools and we will be sharing further information as we develop the way this initiative will be driven by the schools. The aim is to do everything we can to ensure our students, staff and families have good mental health and strategies to use for times when this is challenged.

Finally, keep your eyes open for some new upgrades around the school. We will be upgrading the front street entrance to the office and the side gate entrance near the library. We hope to make these areas more welcoming and less congested. We will also be adding a new mud kitchen in the pre-primary area. This will be built by the same company who has created all of our other nature play spaces, so we know that the new space will be a huge hit with the students. 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.

EARLY YEARS SESSION

Research has shown that working with families and developing links between school, family and community ensures healthy child development and leads to better learning outcomes for children. At MPPS we run a number of Early Year Sessions to help introduce children starting in Kindy in the following year (2022) to our beautiful Kindergarten, and each session focuses on a certain area of child development. Our First session is 26th March, no need to RSVP, please come along.



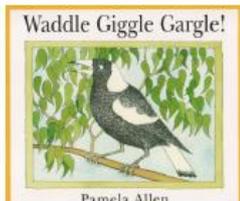
Mossie Magpie

Storytime & Play Session

for parents and Pre-Kindy children

Waddle Giggle Gargle!

by Pamela Allen



Pamela Allen

All parents and their 3 year old children are invited to attend this story time and play session as part of the Mosman Park P.S. Orientation Program

One of our Kindergarten teachers, Denise Barnett, will read this story by Pamela Allen.

This program focuses on developing children's speech and language skills, with this session focussing on the chirpy chatter of magpies. Children will make a magpie mask to chirp with.

We will endeavour to have a speech pathologist or student present.

Date: Friday 26th March
Time: 9:30—10:30am
Mosman Park P.S. Kindergarten
Solomon Street, Mosman Park
Mosman Park Primary School
Future sessions: 11th June, 3rd Sept, 12th Nov



AN IMPORTANT EARLY YEARS PROJECT
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Government of Western Australia
Department of Health
Child and Adolescent Health Service

Mosman Park Early Years is a joint program between Mosman Park Primary School, Child and Adolescent Community Health, local playgroups and parents, with support from the Town of Mosman Park.

SUN SAFETY - HATS

Our school has a "No Hat, No Play" Policy in place all year round. A hat is to be worn during sport, physical education, recess, lunch times and on excursions. Please mark it clearly with your child's name.



MOBILE PHONES

The Student Mobile Phones in Public Schools policy introduced by the State Government in 2020 bans students from using mobile phones from the time they enter school grounds to the conclusion of the school day.

This includes smart watches and listening accessories, such as headphones and earbuds.



The policy supports staff and students to:

- reduce the potential for learning distraction
- protect the privacy of staff and students
- improve health and wellbeing
- reduce the chance of students bringing external issues to school through technology.

MEET THE TEACHER

Music



Hi my name is Leanne Jeffrey and I've been teaching music for the last 15 years. Recently I've taught at Leda PS and Bambara PS. I really look forward to meeting your children and sharing my passion for music. I also a keen cyclist so remember to watch out for me and my fellow cyclists on the road!

DOGS

We welcome the number of families who are assisting with our parking issues by walking, riding or scootering to school. Many families are using this opportunity to exercise their dogs and we welcome this practice. It is very important however to understand that some students and adults are not comfortable with dogs and our primary responsibility is to ensure all of our school community feel safe. In order to ensure we can continue our 'animal friendly' practices can you please ensure the following:

- NO dogs in classrooms (unless for a special occasion and with the invitation of the teacher)
- NO dogs on the verandah areas as this is a very congested and busy space at the beginning and end of the day
- NO dogs in the Pre-Primary enclosure
- Please do not tie dogs near the entrances or stairways. Also be aware of busy areas where there is a lot of movement and activity. To keep your dogs and students safe please secure them in an area away from these areas.

YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP ROLES

We will be announcing the Year 6 Leadership positions at the Assembly on March 5th. As we have such a talented and fabulous cohort of Year 6's who have nominated for positions we are aware that there will be disappointment for some students. It would be great if you could talk to your children about this and reinforce with them that there will be more leadership and committee roles coming up in the following weeks.

WHEELS AT MPPS

Just a reminder to make sure your child is confident and fully road safety aware before allowing them to ride or scooter alone to school. We recently have had a number of injuries of fairly young children who were riding/scootering to school unattended. A reminder to dismount once you reach the school grounds and walk your bike/scooter while on school grounds.



MPSDC NEWS



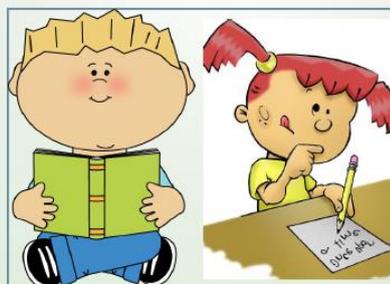
Friday is library day. We get to change our books and sit down and watch a story. We always look forward to a story in Auslan presented by a Deaf Role Model. Thank you to Therese and Chris for making reading so much fun!

READING AND WRITING IN THE EARLY YEARS

WHEN? TUESDAY 2ND MARCH
7-8PM
WHERE? MPPS LIBRARY

Parents of students in Pre-primary and Year One at MPPS are invited to an information session on "*Supporting Your Child with Reading and Writing in the Early Years*". We are delighted that Jenny Baker (Fremantle Speech) can share the latest research with our families.

Limited places! <https://www.trybooking.com/BPAKP>



ASSEMBLY

Our first assembly will be hosted by T11 and T10 classes on Friday 5th March at 8.50am.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

I am still looking for extra adult help on *Tuesday & Thursday* mornings for **Breakfast Club 8am to 9am**. I would love to have your help preparing the food even if only for *a half an hour*. I do have 4 students rostered on each morning but they are not able to do anything which involves knives or hot elements, where they can be cut or burned. Therefore, I do need a couple of adults to assist in the preparations. Please let me know as soon as you can, so I can organise a roster.

On behalf of the P & C, I have organized for a guest speaker to address parents on the topics of Resilience and Anxiety management to help their children express and resolve social and emotional issues. This event will be held in the School Library on Tuesday 16th March in the evening at 7pm for about an hour. We will offer refreshments of tea & coffee so may sure you arrive a little beforehand so you can get settled before Gemma starts her talk.

 **Gemma Lee Taylor**, Founder, BCom BSc(Psy) Hons, will discuss children learning strategies to improve their executive skills functioning:

- Regulate their emotions
- Control impulses which can get them into trouble
- Be flexible when things do not go to plan
- Organise themselves for school
- Initiate work and stay on task

At some point, to some degree, all children struggle with emotional regulation, exercising self-control and getting along with others.

The P&C will be circulating information about this event via Facebook group as well.

Please feel free to discuss any issues concerning you or your child with me if you think it would help you or your child navigate a problem. If your child or you require support or have a need, please contact me on the school number or via email.

Blessings

Rhonda Miller, YouthCARE Chaplain

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SCHOOL PARKING

A reminder to please drive carefully and be patient in school zones, especially in parking areas. If your child rides their bike or scooter to school, please take the time to go over road safety with them. There is no parking on the road or verge on Victoria St or Winifred St. Town of Mosman Park Rangers regularly patrol these areas and issue infringements. Parking is available on Solomon St, both from Victoria St & Lochee St.

P&C NEWS

Thanks to all the parents and teachers who turned up for both the Welcome Picnic on Friday evening under the fig tree, and also the P&C AGM on Monday evening. It was great to see so many new faces while the kids enjoyed putting on a great show on the stage!



P & C AGM

P&C have ensured that we kick off 2021 proactively by providing a great boost of over \$40,000 for the school class resources, kindly revamp, curriculum areas and design and technology kits. We still have some way to go to bring the Kindy building and playground up to the required standards while also providing additional musical instruments to help support our new music teacher, Leanne. We hope to raise over \$40,000 from events and initiatives this year to help support the school in providing the best facilities and learning experiences for our children.

There are some great plans ahead from our sustainability committee following some great initiatives that have already kicked off such as greatly reducing single use plastics from canteen and the Containers for Change bins at school.

Thanks to all the class reps who have volunteered their time to help pass on information and wrangle canteen volunteers when required. There will be further information shared in the coming weeks. Thanks also to the everyone who has offered to step into P&C exec and committee roles, your input and time is greatly appreciated.

Vice-President - Rachel Mathewson

Treasurer - Jeanie Moulin

Secretary - Carly West

Canteen - Taylor & Vanya, **Uniform** - Matt, Clare & Leanne, **Events & Fundraising** - Camille, Bernadette & Chitra, **Sustainability** - Lynda, Celine, Jo, Carly & Taylor

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead as we I am delighted to take on the role of President this year to continue Jane's great work in helping with the growing MPPS community and our fundraising initiatives. MPPS student enrolments have grown from 344 to 446 since 2015 and I look forward to working with Town of Mosman Park to help keep our school as the heart of a growing neighbourhood. As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch at any time with and ideas, feedback or concerns.

Kind regards,

Nick Lonie, President MPPS P&C

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CANTEEN NEWS

Excellent start for Term 1, 2021!

Thank you to all students, parents, volunteers, and staff for your ongoing support.



It has been so lovely to be back and to see all the children so excited for canteen each Friday.

We would also like to thank the sustainability committee for their donation of reusable forks and plates to the canteen, they have been a huge success and hope to continue using them for the rest of the year.

Reminder that all orders are to be placed online via <https://quickcliq.com.au/> and please make sure your child has the correct teacher and classroom number to allow for lunches to be delivered.

Please do not hesitate to email or call me if you have any questions.

Taylor Langley, Canteen Coordinator

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Mosman Park Playgroup mosmanparkpg@gmail.com

Come along to Alf Adams Pavilion

Monday and Thursday after school drop-off

8.45-11.00am

Membership includes family so send the Grandparents, Carers and Babysitters

Specialist Expo



Monday 8 March 2021
3:30 - 5:00pm

Current Year 4, 5 and 6 students and their families are invited to learn more about the Approved Specialist and Academy programs available at Fremantle College:

- Specialist Contemporary Music
- Specialist Marine Studies
- Specialist ICT
- Gifted and Talented Selective Academic
- AFL Academy
- Academic Excellence Academy
- SLP Autism Spectrum Disorder

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A wonderful opportunity for Year 5 students to attend transition sessions in Specialist Marine Science and Specialist ICT as 'Specialists in Training'.

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Join your local community netball club for the PNA winter competition at the Mathews Netball Centre. Yr2-5 NETSETGO Friday Comp 7 May-20 August. Yr 6 Saturday Comp 8 May-28 August. Register via my.netball.com.au - 2021 Junior fees \$200. Uniforms \$60 from vaydasport.com

For player enquiries & volunteering information contact Margaret Baldwin OAM 0409990715 mosmanparknetballclub@gmail.com www.facebook.com/MosmanParkNetballClub

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UWSC SUMMER PROGRAM:
TERM 1 2021 -

Monday 1 February to Thursday 1 April

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