

# Newsletter

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Dates for the Diary		
Uniform Shop Open (8.30-9.30am) Thursday 3 August	Senior Assembly (Rm 3, Year 6) Friday 4 August	Author Visit (Sean Avery) Year 1-3 Friday 4 August
Author Visit (Norman Jorgensen) Year 4-6 Monday 7- Thursday 10 August	Board Meeting Thursday 10 August	Junior Assembly (Rm 7 and 8, Year 3) Friday 11 August

Dear parents and carers

Term 3 is progressing with the usual busyness we expect at MLPS.

Last week we had a “lockdown” drill. It was very successful in helping us to prepare for potential emergencies or threats. The primary purpose of drills is to enhance safety and readiness in case of a serious incident. Our lockdown went off without incident and staff and students gave positive feedback about the process.

Today our Year 1 students excitedly went off to Kings Park on an excursion, Koora Koora Kaarta Koomba. They discovered how Perth (Boorloo) has changed over time and learnt about the traditional custodians, the Whadjuk Noongar people, exploring the roles in traditional Noongar society. They also learnt about the sustainable uses of our boodja, barna wer boorn (country, animals and trees). And they did not get wet!

Tomorrow we are hosting some departmental and international visitors from the Shimeikan School in Fukuoka, Japan. They will tour our beautiful school to learn more about Government schools and the public education system in Western Australia. It will be great to show them some highlights of our wonderful facilities and learning programs.

On Saturday, 4 teams of 4 students from Year 5 and 6 will be competing in a Robocup challenge at All Saints College, Bull Creek. The teams of students have designed, built, and programmed robots to perform to a piece of music. We wish them luck in what will be a great learning experience and we hope for, as well, an exciting and fun time.

Then on Tuesday 15 August MLPS is scheduled for a National Quality Standards (NQS) verification visit. A consultant from the Primary Early Childhood & Education Support Branch and a school-based verifier will be attending. The NQS provides an Australia wide approach to regulation, assessment and quality improvement for early childhood education and care and outside school hours care services across Australia. This verification will provide us with support to see how we are tracking against the NQS from an external perspective. Verifiers provide feedback to schools based on observations, discussions and evidence presented during their visit to the school. When we receive our feedback, we will share it with the school community.

I will be escaping this busyness on the 16 August as I take some overdue LSL until the end of Term 3. Jared Lawson will be Acting Principal in my absence. Christine Ashkenazy will undertake a Deputy role when she returns from leave in Week 8. We will be flexible with staffing to cover in the office, if the need arises, for the time my and Christine’s leave clashes. Christine’s appointment will continue into Term 4 as Anthea Phoenix takes her parental leave. While I am on leave, we are fortunate to have a capable team of educators and administrators who know our school well. They will collectively oversee the day-to-day activities and continue to uphold the high standards our school community values. Please know we have made these staffing decisions based on the consistency of the teaching and learning programs in classrooms, the need for staff to clear leave and the continuity of leadership within the school.

Take care

Sandra Martin

## Library News

### Scholastic Book Club

Issue 5 book club catalogue are due this Friday 4 August by 3pm. Orders can be made online via LOOP (link below) or cash by filling out the form on the back of the catalogue and placing correct money with order form in the book club box in the library. This issue Scholastic are offering free books with any order \$30 and above when ordered online via LOOP (see the catalogue for more details) [www.scholastic.com.au/loop](http://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

Thank you for your support with Scholastic book club. Each order earns points to the school to redeem for resources that every student can enjoy.

### Library bags

Please ensure students have a library bag to borrow books on their library day. To reduce the possibility of books being damaged while being transported to and from school Mount Lawley Primary School has a "no bag no borrow" policy.

Excellent library bags can be purchased from the uniform shop for only \$8.

## Year 1-5 Leavers 2024

If your child is in Year 1-5 and will not be returning to Mount Lawley Primary School in 2024, could you please let us know in writing at [mountlawley.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:mountlawley.ps@education.wa.edu.au) as soon as possible, to assist us with class planning for 2024.

## Cookie Dough Fundraiser

### COOKIES ARE BACK!

MLPS Cookie Dough fundraiser is running again this term, your child should come home with an information leaflet this week.

- Order tubs of delicious frozen cookie dough which can be safely defrosted and refrozen many times from freezer to fridge for use.
- Ten great flavours to choose from, including doggie biscuits for your furry pals
- Just scoop and bake - simple.
- Earn fun prizes the more tubs you sell.

It's run entirely online/cashless - follow the instructions to set up an account, then forward the link to friends/family to get their orders. (You can take cash for orders but will need to then order online on your account)

### How to Setup

- Go to [cookiedough.com.au](http://cookiedough.com.au)
- Follow prompts to register
- Select 'Mt Lawley Primary' (not Mount)
- You may choose to register each child separately, or just once as a family

This was a big hit last year, so hope you all enjoy some easy delicious home baked cookies in time for easy snacks, entertaining and cookie ice-cream sandwiches over the Term 3 holidays!

Final order date: 18 August

Cookie dough delivery date: 18 September Pickup from canteen

Any questions or problems with ordering contact Bria 0478 615 862

## P&C News

The P&C would like to thank our newest canteen staff member Ying Emery for keeping the canteen open in Belinda's absence. Thank you to all our great volunteers who also assisted and are regular helpers. We appreciate you.

Great news, from this Thursday 3 August, the canteen will be open on **Wednesdays, Thursday and Fridays**. Please contact Belinda or Ying if you can help them on these days. Please also support the canteen when you are able.

There are many social and fundraising events coming up so please keep an eye out on our Facebook page. You can find the page below and please answer the membership questions to join. [Mount Lawley Primary School P&C public group | Facebook](#)

Our next P&C meeting will be held on **Thursday 17 August 2023** in the staff room. Light refreshments will be provided. The informal "babble session" will commence at 6:00pm with the formal meeting commencing at 6:30pm.

Hope to see you there. New faces always welcome 😊

Breanna Catania  
P&C President

## Honour Certificates

Congratulations to the following Students who received an Honour Certificates at last week's Junior assembly.

Ben H – Year 2	Henry L – Year 2	Henry B – Year 1	Jude P – Year 1	Cooper C – Year 1
Minnie T - Year 1	Johan C – Year 1	Darcy W – Year 2	Nina H - Year 2	Miles M - Year 3
Josefina L – Year 3	Adeline H – Year 3	Macy L – Year 3	Ari H – Year 3	Riley M – Year 2



## Vacswim



# VacSwim

Enrolments now open!  
Places are limited,  
so get in early.

Help keep your child safe in the water.  
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