

Newsletter

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**Mount
Lawley**
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Strive for Wisdom

Edition 13, Week 3, 1 August 2018

Dates for the diary

3 August	Faction Cross Country Year 3 to Year 6	14 August	ICAS Maths
9 August	Board Meeting	15 August	Parenting Workshop (for parents from K- Yr 6)
9 August	P&C Meeting	15 August	Interschool Cross Country @ Coolbinia PS
10 August	Item Assembly – Year 4/5 Room 15	17 August	Coffee and Chat with the Principal
10 August	Science Alive permission and payment due	29 August	Mathematics Workshop (for parents from Yr 3-6)
13 August	Science Alive In School Activity Yr 3-6	12 September	Gifted Learners. (For parents from PP - Yr 6)
14 August	Science Alive In School Activity PP – Yr 2		

Focus for 2017 – 2019

Our focus over the next 3 years is to develop a whole school approach to learning, with academic rigour through rich and engaging learning experiences, in conjunction with developing the whole child (with parents as partners), to make our school a school of choice within the community and for every child to be empowered and reach their full potential.

Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Community Members,

In 1989 the late Robin Williams made a movie called, Dead Poets Society. In it, he played the role of an English teacher that 'awakens' the learning possibilities inside each of the students and they in turn, start to see the world of opportunities that await them. One of my favourite scenes is where he draws all the students in close to quote the lines of a Walt Whitman poem, and adds his interpretation of what Whitman is trying to say. "It's life. That the powerful play goes on and you may contribute a verse. What will your verse be?" What a great question – 'What will your verse be?' When I look around at our students, many of them are already trying out different personas, searching for who they might want to be today, trying something different a few days later in their quest of finding out who they are – it's humbling to think that as educators we may have a part in developing aspects of such great people. But today I wish to look further afield – at all of us – our school community.

All of us are invited to contribute a verse to our school. And I hope you feel you make that contribution as something that comes especially from you. Our community is made up of so many different people – different cultures, languages, values, family make-up and ways we interact with each other. We have mums who work fulltime or part-time, working dads, stay at home mums or dads, single mums, single dads, blended families, happy families, sad families, grandparents who care for our children, daycare kids, families with pets or without – the list goes on and on. In all the different blends of our community the most important aspect is that we work together. I am a working mum; it seems some days I'm here more often than I am at home. I still have a child in school and some of my other kids are at Uni or work. I have 2 cats (even though I'm not really an animal person) but all my children love animals. Some days it seems I haven't been able to 'give' to my child, or his school events because I'm at work. I know this is something working parents (whether mums or dads) grapple with daily. I also remember a time when I was a stay-at-home mum with five kids under five and I was the president of the P&C, the fundraising coordinator, the playgroup leader, the performing arts coordinator at the kids' school and on a variety of committees in the town in which we lived. I think I was at my kids' school so much they wished I would just stay home! I was certainly able to "contribute my verse" in person when I had a bit more available time. Now, I don't have the opportunity to be as active in my own child's school community but I contribute where I can and am as involved as I can be, given my current role.



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When I look at what we have at our school – we have an incredible Board, made up of parents and staff, an active P&C and fundraising committee who work tirelessly for all students at our school, volunteer netball coaches and coordinators, the Chess club, parent helpers for sports in the faction and winter carnivals, parents who help during class assemblies to paint backdrops, art helpers in Jennie Downie's room, volunteers in the library, people who help listen to students read and parents and community members who volunteer their time for our LAP program. We also have parents and community members who work and can't physically attend school to assist but cook endlessly for events or donate items and attend events when they can. However you contribute your verse, please know that you are highly valued and we appreciate your support in its many forms. For some it may seem that certain people or groups are the "face" of the school and that's usually because they are the ones who are able to contribute in that way where they have time and drive to move ideas and plans forward. We are so grateful for those faces! They do an incredible job and are often able to step up and do things when others are unavailable or just because they love participating in those specific areas. Some of you in the community prefer to contribute quietly and where you can and we are very grateful for that as well. Our school's diversity and spread of skills is what makes it possible for our school to have such a dynamic parent and community body. Today I wish to acknowledge all of you and thank you for contributing *your* verse to our school. We couldn't be on this journey without you.

As always, my door is open for anyone to come and see me if you would like to have a chat or you can email me at Cavelle.Monck@education.wa.edu.au I welcome you at any time to have a visit and a chat!

See you in the playground.

~Ms Cavelle Monck, Principal

Honour Board

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**The following students were awarded Honour Certificates at the Friday July 27 assembly.
Congratulations to all recipients and a special acknowledgment to Year 3/4 Room 6 for their class item.**

NEXT ASSEMBLY

Our next assembly will be held on Friday August 10 by Year 4/5 Room 15– all welcome to attend.



PP	Xavier Greenman	Year 3	Fletcher Bell
PP	Blake O'Brien – Lynch	Year 3	Minh Pham
PP	Ryan Pillay	Year 3	Jack Ryder
PP	Stella Trezise	Year 4	Lewis Kapiteyn
PP	Scarlett Redmond	Year 4	Akein Wijegunaratna
PP	Angela Abrha	Year 4	Valentina Draca
Year 1	Matteo Caceres	Year 4	Katelyn Davies
Year 1	Jaxon Mansfield	Year 4	Meenakshi Krishnanand
Year 1	Sophie Bassett	Year 4	Nina Smith
Year 1	Vincent Ryder	Year 5	Nicholas Qiu
Year 1	Kanoa Hahipene	Year 5	Scarlett Beckingham
Year 2	Riley Farrier	Year 6	Harry Fosberry
Year 2	Owen Wemyss	Year 6	Fernando Rodriguez Rivera
Year 2	Yash Patel	Year 6	Sam Hearse
Year 2	Mason Helean	Year 6	Charlotte Cherry

Students leaving at the end of 2018

To assist us with our planning for 2019, we ask that parents advise us if their children are not returning to us next year. Please drop us an email to MountLawley.PS@education.wa.edu.au with the details including the children's names, the leave date and the destination school. Your assistance is much appreciated.

Late Arrivals

Students arriving after the final bell at 8:50am must come through the office and sign in, to obtain a late slip for their teacher.

STEM Parent Information Night

In celebration of National Science Week 2018, I will be offering a parent information night on STEM education. This will be held on Thursday 16th August at 7:00 pm in Room 4. This information session is for **all** parents so please come along and be prepared to get hands-on! If you have any further questions, contact Mrs. Theshani Kaler via theshani.kaler@education.wa.edu.au

Science Week Activities

Science Week is coming up in Week 5 and we have some fun activities planned including a presentation by Science Alive. Presenters from Science Alive will be visiting on 13 and 14 August to deliver an exciting show to students from Pre-Primary to Year 6. The program will examine our changing Earth and its place in space, the sun, the moon and our solar system. They will also explore the forces that drive the universe and students will be amazed by the science of rockets. The cost is \$3.50 per student and the permission and payment form is available on our website – click [here](#).

STEM Girls @ MLPS

Our first STEM Girls sessions for 2018 were a great success! To get the ball rolling, the girls were given a 'Mystery Build' task. During the session, they worked through the STEM design process to create a tower, rocking chair, rocket, bridge, swing or water slide. After constructing their designs, the girls calculated the cost of their creation. Quickly they realised the importance of structural integrity, visual aesthetics and a conservative budget. Throughout the Semester our STEM Girls will continue to take part in more exciting hands-on activities, so find a STEM Girl and ask them what they've been up to this week!



If you have any further questions or would like to collaborate with STEM Girls @ MLPS, contact Mrs. Theshani Kaler via theshani.kaler@education.wa.edu.au

Wednesday Workshops

Please mark in your diaries some AMAZING workshops. These are a great way to learn new information and meet with other parents in the community. Please note; no children are to attend these workshops.

"Boundaries, Bouncing Back and Blessings" (for K-Yr 6 parents) - 15 August 2018 at 7pm

Parents and carers are invited to join Cavelle Monck in the covered assembly area where she will be presenting a parenting workshop that looks at setting boundaries for children, building resilience and the blessings of parenting

Mathematics and Problem Solving in the Middle to Upper Years (for Years 3-6 parents) - 29 August 2018 at 7pm

This workshop presented by Grace Adam will focus on Problem solving strategies. This is the side of mathematics that enables us to use the skills in a wide variety of situations. Young students who are engaged in meaningful problem solving develop basic skills, higher-order thinking skills, and a repertoire of problem solving strategies.

Gifted Learners - 12 September 2018 at 6pm

Gifted WA will be presenting a workshop all about gifted learners for interested parents of students in PP to Year 6. Please join us in the covered assembly area.

NATA Young Scientist Of The Year Award 2018

The competition encourages students to think about what science is and examine how it impacts on people's everyday lives. Students from primary schools across Australia are invited to enter the competition to win cash prizes.

This year's theme is 'Medical Science - towards 2050' which will encourage students to undertake an investigation around any topic related to medical science, both now and in the future.

The aims and purpose of the competition are:

- to promote to children the benefits and value of science
- to provide students with the opportunity to participate in science on a national platform
- to encourage students to apply their creativity to scientific solutions
- to demonstrate the importance of good presentation skills in science

If you have any further questions or would like to enter please see Mrs. Kaler in Room 4.

Library News

Issue 5 Scholastic Orders are due Friday August 3rd. Cash payments can be dropped into the Library; Credit Card payments can be processed online via Loop (See the catalogue for details).

Kindy to Pre-Primary Transition

A reminder to our current Kindy parents that letters will be going home soon to invite your child to a Pre-primary transition morning. Please note for our out of boundary Kindy students this doesn't mean your child has been accepted for next year. Transition day will happen *before* the numbers for Pre-primary have been determined and so families will not know if their child has been accepted for 2019 or not. If you are an out of boundary enrolment, you may want to look to your local school for next year. As we have said since last year when Kindy enrolments were accepted, Mount Lawley PS is a local intake school, where we automatically take our in-boundary students first, the next priority is students with siblings already in the school and then we look at proximity – how close you are to the school. These criteria follow the mandated enrolment policy as set out by the Department. We understand it's a difficult time of year if you are an out of boundary enrolment however, the policy is very clear and parents need to be prepared to access your local school if your enrolment is not accepted for our Pre-primary. Please contact our front office if you have any further questions.

Shopfront – Student Leaders

Last term Mount Lawley Primary School participated in the collection of goods for Shopfront, which is situated in Maylands. The student leaders asked families to kindly donate food and toiletry products, to our school, which we donated to Shopfront last week. This has been a huge success and we thank all the families for your kindness to the project. The volunteers at Shopfront were amazed at the donation as it will help lots of people in need.

Thank you, Mount Lawley.

Sofia Tassone, Charlotte Cherry, Michael Gambitta and Will Singleton.



L'Angolo d'Italia (The Italian Corner)

Buongiorno a tutti and welcome back to the Italian Corner. It's a new term and the students have started new focus topics, all with cultural understandings entwined within them.

The Pre-Primary classes have been discussing things that are uniquely Australian. They then went on a mini virtual tour of Italy to discover some things that uniquely Italian. They have created some beautiful stained-glass window art of different Italian features which I am sure parents will love once they are ready to take home. Next, students will start learning vocabulary for parts of the face.

The Year 1s are having a look at the human body and how to say different body parts in Italian. They are learning the song *Testa, Spalla, Ginocchio, Piedi* (*Heads, shoulders, knees and toes*) to help them along.

The Year 2 and 3 classes are going to be looking at months, seasons and the weather. They had a look at Google Earth to help visualise where Australia and Italy are located and have discussed the fact that Italy and Australia have the same seasons but at opposite times of the year, and why this is so.

The Year 4s and 5s are looking at daily lives and routines. Many students were shocked to find that a large number of schools in Italy finish for the day at 1pm, but to compensate children go to school on Saturdays as well!

YEAR 5 and 6 PARENT NOTICE: The Dante Alighieri Society of Western Australia are holding an Italian Speech competition on Sunday 21st October in Inglewood. If you are interested in your child taking part, please click [here](#) to see the flyer and email me to let me know. I will be available to assist the students who are participating but it will be parents' responsibility to take them to and from the competition. Applications close on August 10th so please let me know prior to this if you would like your child to participate.

A presto!

Signora Ashkenazy

Chess Club

MOUNT LAWLEY WINS STATE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS AGAIN

Congratulations to the School Chess Team for another fantastic win in the Chess Association of WA Primary School Championships held at Leeming Primary School on Saturday July 21. Represented by Ethan Richards Yr5, Minh Nguyen Yr6, Iker Hernandez Yr4, Jamie Richards Yr3 and Athi Arivuchchelvan Yr6, the school team played against teams from Nedlands Primary, Floreat Primary and Regent College.

After 6 hours of strenuous play Mount Lawley and Nedlands were locked on equal points. The competition went to a “tie breaker” where each player is allowed only 15 minutes of playing time. With the match in the balance, a tense crowd of spectators and officials surrounded the Board 2 game where Minh Nguyen struggled for victory in the deciding game. Just as his opponent gained a huge advantage by promoting a Pawn to a Queen his time ran out and Minh won the game on time, with just 1 second left on his own clock!

It was the culmination of a fantastic day of chess and the whole team is to be congratulated on their quality preparation, high levels of intense concentration and excellent sportsmanship on the day. Thanks also all the parents who supported the players and to Mr Jay Lakner, our Chess Coach for inspiring the players and developing their thinking skills to the highest levels.

Mt Lawley has earned the right to represent WA in the National Championships later in the year.

Michael Richards
Chess Coordinator



The Finals Commence



The CAWA Primary School State Champions with their trophies

Faction Cross Country

Wow! The first of the Athletics carnivals is upon us. This Friday the Year 3-6 students will compete in the Faction Cross Country Carnival. Although the weather may be a little wet, it will most likely go ahead – only being cancelled in the case of hail, lightning, damaging winds or a deluge. Please download the school’s app for any updates.

All students are encouraged to bring a change of uniform, for after their race, as well as a rain coat. Please remember to pack a lunch, as students will be away from the school grounds and won’t be able to access lunch orders.

Well done to all those students who attend the extra training sessions, as well as putting in extra time outside of school – it will definitely make a difference. Top four placegetters in each event will be selected for the Interschool Cross Country and team training for this will begin next week.

Click [here](#) for the program.

Netball News

BankWest Easy Grants

Exciting news from Bankwest, the MLPS netball club application for a \$1,000 Easy Grant has been put up for voting. Bankwest Easy Grants are awarded based upon receiving the most votes to their website. Voting opens on 6 August and we would love to receive as many votes as possible. Stay tuned as we will be proving further details on how you can support our club.

West Coast Fever

On Saturday 23 June 2018 the MLPS Netball Club organised an outing to see the West Coast Fever v’s Adelaide Thunderbirds at Perth Arena.

50 parents and players attended the game, and our players were thrilled watch the game played at such a professional level. The Fever momentum has been building all season topped by a home win against the Thunderbirds. Fever is now top of the ladder and we wish them all the best for their next game in Sydney. Fingers crossed for a home final. Go Fever, Go Grit! Below is a photo of some of our Year 3 & 5 players who attended the Fever game with assistant coach Sophie Bradley.



MLPS Netball Club Results

Round 7					
Year 3 Net Set Go	MLPS	5	to	Newborough	9
Year 4 Blue Net Set Go	MLPS	14	to	Subiaco	6
Year 4 Orange Net Set Go	MLPS	4	to	Mosman Park	8
Year 5 Junior Division 2	MLPS	16	to	Holy Rosary	2
Year 6 Junior Division 6	MLPS	15	to	Holy rosary	15

Round 8					
Year 3 Net Set Go	MLPS	8	to	St Marys	7
Year 4 Blue Net Set Go	MLPS	10	to	St Marys	7
Year 4 Orange Net Set Go	MLPS	12	to	Wembley	10
Year 5 Junior Division 2	MLPS	5	to	St Marys	23
Year 6 Junior Division 6	MLPS	8	to	Storm	14

Round 9					
Year 3 Net Set Go	MLPS	6	to	Wembley	7
Year 4 Blue Net Set Go	MLPS	6	to	Yuluma	25
Year 4 Orange Net Set Go	MLPS	7	to	St Marys	12
Year 5 Junior Division 2	MLPS	9	to	PLC	7
Year 6 Junior Division 6	MLPS	13	to	OLGC	18

P&C Social & Fundraising News

P&C ELECTION SAUSAGE SIZZLE

We had a fantastic day on Saturday and raised \$1432.28 for the school! Thank you to everyone who bought a hotdog or a treat, and came and said hello to us.

A huge thank you to all who donated delicious baked goods, and all our helpers who volunteered their time to help cook and sell sausages and cakes. Please pick up any cake containers from the canteen. Such a wonderful team and many people commented on what a wonderful P+C we have here at MLPS.

A very big thank you must also go to our fantastic local businesses who supported us with goods and raffle prize donations – 2nd Ave IGA, Second Deli Cafe, Red Cray, The Dispensary and Kuld Creamery.

Hamish Brain was the clever winner of the Guess the Jellybeans competition he guessed 351 and the correct number was 354 – well done Hamish! The look on your face was priceless!

And our lucky raffle winners are:

Blue A003 Grant – The Dispensary MOR Gift Pack

Red E013 Azi – Second Deli voucher

Green A034 Ruth Chang – Red Cray voucher

Orange A004 Anna Dang – Kuld voucher

Red A023 Roberto – Kuld voucher

Orange A010 Edil O'Reilly – Kuld voucher

Green A024 Kal – Red Cray voucher

Enjoy Your Great Prizes!

TOASTY TUESDAYS

Toasty Tuesdays are on again for Term 3. To keep the Toasty Tuesdays running each week, we require volunteers. If you are able to help from 11am-1pm on a Tuesday, please hit the link and add your name - the kids will love you for it! [Here](#)

P&C SOCIAL EVENT

Tickets are now on sale for our next P&C social event – CASINO NIGHT! Tickets are \$60 and includes unlimited access to gambling tables, delicious grazing food table and live band to dance the night away at the main hall of the Mount Lawley Bowling Club! Drinks will be available for purchase from the bar. Dress to Impress and get in quick as tickets will sell out fast! See the full Flyer [here](#), or tickets are available now at: www.trybooking.com/WTNU

P&C School Lunches



The P&C are pleased to confirm that the **School Lunch Online** service will continue in 2018 for the benefit of all families, students and staff at the school. You can now register at <http://www.schoollunchonline.com.au>, choose from a great list of lunch options and pay online – all without the last-minute morning hassle.

Please ensure your child's year and class has been updated for 2018.
You will need to go to MY ACCOUNT, USER DETAILS and click on EDIT to make the change.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Please note that our school does not endorse nor recommend any product or service that appears in the Community Notices section. This is a service provided for our local community.

Toddler Jam @ St Patricks Church Hall

Toddler Jam is a morning of music, singing, dancing, and fun for 0-5 years old! For more information click [here](#), or contact us at facebook.com/toddlerjammtlawley

Midvale Parenting Hub - upcoming programs

The following programs will be delivered during Term 3 in the City of Bayswater, and Town of Bassendean.

[Tuning in to Kids](#) @ Bayswater Waves

Protective Behaviours @ [Weld Square Primary](#), [Maylands Library](#) & [Brockman House](#)

[Dads Tuning in to Kids](#) @ Bayswater Family Centre

[123-Magic Emotion](#) Coaching @ Derrik Ernst Neighbourhood Centre

Redhage Basketball School Program

For more information, please click [here](#) or register at www.redhagebasketball.com

Hotshots Tennis Program

Playtennis offers an 8 week before school Tennis course at Mt Lawley Primary School for children from Kindy to Year 6 commencing in Week 2. For further information and to enrol, click [here](#).

The Football Centre Soccer Coaching – Term 3

The Football Centre caters to footballers of all ages and abilities and we pride ourselves on providing a safe and inclusive environment for all players to learn, develop and have fun. The program takes place Mondays on the school oval from 3:15pm to 4:30pm, commencing 23 July. For further information, click [here](#).