

# Newsletter



**Mount  
Lawley**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
*Strive for Wisdom*

*Together | Learn • Respect • Inspire • Create • Celebrate*

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## Dates for the Diary

Thursday 1 August Year 1 Excursion – Kings Park	Friday 2 August Interschool Cross Country	Thursday 8 August Board Meeting
Friday 9 August Assembly - Hosted by Year 2, Room 9	Thursday 15 August P&C Meeting	Friday 16 August Asembly – Hosted by Year 5, Room 5

Dear Families,

The first stage of our Public School Review has been submitted! It has been an honour to work with our dedicated and professional staff team and community members, in compiling our School Review. Our review submission focuses on the amazing achievements across the school over the last 3 years!

Our Public School Review demonstrates how effective we are as a school at creating and sustaining the conditions for student success through:

- engaging relationships and partnerships
- a positive learning environment
- effective leadership
- quality teaching
- use of resources
- improved student achievement and progress

It is with pride that we present the Public School Review submission to the Department of Education's Review Team and look forward to their verification visit to our amazing school next Tuesday 6 August.

After working with you all for the last 14 weeks, I can honestly say we really do have exceptional staff at Mount Lawley Primary School! Our staff come to work every day to celebrate each child's efforts, achievements, and successes! They work together as a team to provide the best educational opportunities for our students, and they have the children at the core of each decision.

With many thanks,

Robyn Crump

Principal

## NAPLAN

Individual NAPLAN reports were distributed to our Year 3 and 5 students last week. Our students should be incredibly proud of their efforts and I hope our families celebrated these results with their child. With the available data the admin team have undertaken some preliminary analysis of how we performed on a state level. The national comparison will be available late-August after which I expect the results to be published on the MySchool website.

## Planning for 2025

Yes, it is that time of year where we start planning for the 2025 school year. It is very helpful to organise class structures and as we input our projected enrolments for the Department of Education, that we have confirmed enrolment numbers. I, therefore, request that if you have confirmed an enrolment for 2025 at a different school or you know that your child will not be returning to MLPS, please advise us via email to [mountlawley.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:mountlawley.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

Thank you for your support of our classroom planning for 2025.

## Fortnightly Focus

As we move through this semester, we will be sharing a Fortnightly Focus with the community and our staff will be explicitly teaching these expectations during the fortnight to provide clear and consistent language that we will use across the school as a whole.

This fortnight our focus expectation is:

### *We listen attentively and follow instructions.*

Active listening is a vital communication skill. It's about being fully present in a conversation, soaking up every word, and responding in a way that shows you are really tuned in. Active listening skills need to be explicitly taught to our students.

Following instructions require the child to attend to detail in spoken language, to sequence the information in the appropriate steps and to seek clarification if they have trouble remembering or recalling the information.

Ways students can demonstrate active listening when at home and at school include:

- Look at the speaker.
- Notice and react to the speaker's body language.
- Respond orally.
- Avoid interrupting the speaker.
- Ask questions.
- Repeat what has been said.
- Smile or nod.
- Share similar experiences.
- Indicate understanding in other ways.

## Banksia Yearbook Pre-Order

The Banksia is the MLPS Yearbook. Every class from Kindy to Year 6 is represented in the Banksia, along with the other school events such as Athletics events, Italian week, Book week, Harmony Day and many more, which have occurred over the course of the school year.

The Banksia is **only available by pre-order**. You may have pre ordered a 2024 Banksia via the Campion Booklist at the end of last year, if you are unsure, you can call the school office on 9238 0800 to check. If you did not order via the booklist, the 2024 Banksia is now available to pre-order on QKR.

Pre-orders for the Banksia will **close at the end of Term 3**.

## 2024 MLPS Presentation Night – Save the date!

Each year MLPS holds a Presentation Night which family, and the wider school community are invited to attend. Every child from Year 1 - 6 will be involved in their year groups musical item, and teachers will present the Citizenship and Academic Achievement awards for their class.

This year, Presentation Night will be held on **Tuesday 10 December at 6:30pm**, so please Save the date in your calendars. More information about the scheduling of the event will be available via Connect closer to the date.

## The Green Corner

We are proud to announce that we have been nominated for Waste Sorted Awards (school category). This award recognises our contributions to sustainability and waste reduction. We will find out if we were successful on 4 September.

MLPS Student Sustainability Captains.

## Book Week 2024 – Reading is Magic



On Friday 23 August (Week 6) we will be holding our annual Book Week Parade. We invite all students to come dressed as their favourite book character and parade in a special assembly with their class. The Book Week Parade will begin at 8.50am in the undercover area and the school community are welcome to watch our celebration of reading. The theme for this year's book week is "Reading is Magic".



### Walking School Bus Program

The Walking School Bus programme will run this Friday 2 August from the Clotilde Street and Woodsome Street point.

**Don't miss the bus and sign up via Qkr now!** Please email [traffic@mlpspc.org](mailto:traffic@mlpspc.org) to confirm you have signed up.

Please contact us if you would like to co-ordinate the Clifton Crescent bus (this involves contacting registered parents a few days before the fortnightly Friday walking bus and then meeting and walking to school on the Friday morning – eezzy lemon squeezy!)



### Seeking Book Donations – Indigenous Literacy Foundation Library Fundraiser

The library is hosting a book swap fundraiser on Monday 19 August to raise money for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF). There will be a large selection of new and good quality secondhand books available to swap for a gold coin. Each class will come to the library with their teacher to participate in the fundraiser. The money raised will go towards purchasing new books for kids in remote communities that do not have access to amazing libraries like ours.

To make this fundraiser a success we are looking for donations of good quality (please ensure they are not damaged or written in) secondhand books that are age appropriate for Pre-Primary to Year 6 students. If you have any books to donate, please drop them off in the boxes labelled Indigenous Literacy Foundation Book Swap donations, in the front office or outside the library before Monday August 12.

Thank you for your support with this fundraiser.

From your library captains Aeon, Ryan, Coco, Miranda and Mrs Brodie.

### MLPS Students in the community



On Saturday 20 July three Mount Lawley Primary School Students showed their passion for reading and exceptional community spirit by spending several hours helping our local independent bookstore, Beaufort Street Books move stores.

A community conveyor belt was formed to move more than 14,000 books 50 metres down Beaufort Street to a bigger and brighter store. Over 100 community members attended to help including our school captain Jeremy (Year 6), Alannah (Year 6) and Riley (Year 3). It was wonderful to see them taking time out on the weekend to show their support and living our school values.

Beaufort Street books are a great support to Mount Lawley Primary School as well as many other local schools. They often assist with sourcing fabulous books for our library, getting bestselling authors to the school, have a reward program in the shop (so mention MLPS when purchasing) and run fabulous book clubs for kids and adults. Their children's section is now bigger and better so go and say hi on the corner of Beaufort Street and Vincent Street.



## Honour Certificates

Congratulations to the following Students who received an Honour Certificates at our last assembly.

Zain M	Beau E	Kade W	Paige B
Luca B	Dave G	Oskar O	Pierce B
Charlotte W	Johan C	Jude P	Ruby N
Claire P	Benji L	Evie H	



## LEGO Club

Congratulations to the Group 3 builders, your creations are fabulous!

This Friday is the start of Group 4 of LEGO club. If you are in Group 4 (names are below) please bring your lunch to eat on the library verandah on the first lunch bell and wait for instructions from Mrs H, Mrs Brodie and Mr Fogliani.

Group 4 LEGO club will run each Friday at lunchtime in Week 3, 4 and 5.

Name	Room	Year
Ria H	6	3
Gabrielle Z	6	3
Sadie H	6	3
Margot K	7	3
Myla F	7	3
Nicholas B	7	3
Nina H	7	3
Oskar O	7	3
Lewis B	11	1
Tori T	7	3
Louis M	8	2
Luca A	8	2
Luca K	8	2
Minnie T	8	2
Robbie S	8	2
Sabeala M	8	2
Mali	10	2

Name	Room	Year
Nikita B	9	2
Oliver T	9	2
Scarlett G	9	2
Marley T	10	2
Matisse L	10	2
Nixon E	10	2
Paxton L	10	2
Oliver M	11	1
Orion E	11	1
Riley M	11	1
Tommy H	11	1
Nina B	12	1
Uzair R	12	1
Wyatt B	12	1
Zac D	12	1
Ari D	10	2
Raff L	10	2

## Help us, help you avoid losing belongings at school!

School uniforms and drink bottles are not cheap. To ensure lost items can be returned to their rightful owners, please follow these simple steps and with some **L.U.C.K!** lost items will always find their way home:

**LABEL** – make sure everything is labelled clearly using indelible ink with the student’s full name, class and ideally a mobile phone number.

**UPDATE** – Don’t forget to update labels when your child changes class.

**CHECK** – Check labels regularly to make sure the information remains readable.

**KEEP CHECKING LOST PROPERTY** – Sometimes you don’t realise something is lost until it’s too late. Parents, please take a look at our lost property outside the Deputy Office and staff toilets. You’ll be surprised what you might find.

## Community News



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### ANYONE FOR TENNIS!

Dear Parent,

Working within the Covid 19 guidelines of [Tennis Australia](#) and with a view to promoting tennis locally, Playtennis is offering an 8 week before school “Hot Shots Tennis Course” at Mt Lawley Primary School in term 3/2024.

This is a fun way to introduce tennis at an early age through ball skills and hand eye coordination tennis games and activities. This program uses soft balls, smaller tennis net’s and smaller tennis racquets and has been adapted for use in smaller areas. It’s a fun tennis and skills based program for children aged 4yrs – 12yrs.

Playtennis successfully runs this program at a number of primary schools locally with many children very eager for their weekly tennis lesson! All Racquets and equipment are provided however it is preferred if you can bring your own racquet.

**Cost:** \$140 per child for an 8 week course

**PP-Yr 6: Tuesday 7.45 – 8.30**

**Duration:** 45 mins

**To enroll:** go directly to this link <http://www.playtennis.com.au/primary-school-tennis/> and follow the prompts to Mt Lawley Primary

**OR** fill out the form below and return it by email directly to [rhys@playtennis.com.au](mailto:rhys@playtennis.com.au) or call Rhys on 0401873440 and bring payment along to the first lesson or pay by direct banking from the emailed invoice.

**First session will commence week 2 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July and runs for 8 weeks consecutively.**



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CHILDS NAME & AGE:

PARENTS NAME:

PARENTS MOBILE:

PARENTS EMAIL:

Payment at the first lesson by cash or cheque made out to [playtennis](#) is acceptable.