



Dates for the Diary		
Thursday 13 June School Board Meeting	Thursday 13 June Uniform Shop Open	Thursday 13 June Puppet Show Incurion PP-6
Friday 14 June Italian Week Assembly and Dress Up Day	Thursday 20 June Yirra Yaakin Inschool Performance	Friday 21 June Faction Cross Country Carnival (Yrs 3-6)
Friday 21 June Year 2, Room 10 Assembly	Monday 24 June Semeter 1 Reports published on Connect	Wednesday 26 June Pyjama Day Fundraiser
Thursday 27 June Uniform Shop Open	Friday 28 June Last Day of Term 2	

Dear families,

It is wonderful to be back after my leave and to reconnect with our incredible staff, students, and families. As always, the school is abuzz with activity as we dive into the end of semester's commitments. This week we have Parent/ Teacher meetings happening for our classes in Years 1 to 6, and we are celebrating Italian Week with our Carrousel Puppet Show on Thursday and our Italian assembly on Friday morning! I can't wait to see everyone in their Italian themed costumes, or red, green and white on Friday!

I would like to say a sincere thank-you to Mrs Sandra Martin and Miss Ali Roberts for taking on the role of Acting Principal in my absence over the past 3 weeks. Their dedication, professionalism and care for our students was exemplary and I greatly appreciated their support and leadership during my absence.

Welcome to Makuru!

It's time to wrap up, stay warm and grab an umbrella! We're now entering the season of Makuru, the coldest and wettest time of the year coinciding with the months of June and July.

The Whadjuk people identify six seasons during the year which guided not only their movement across the land but gave an understanding for plant and animal fertility cycles and land and animal preservation.

Rain led to waterways and catchments filling up, allowing people to change their food from sea, estuarine and lake sources to those on lands. In particular the 'yongar' (kangaroo). These grazing animals not only provided meat but 'bookas' (animal skin cloaks that were used to keep warm).

Makuru is also the season where you'll see animals start pairing up. Look up in the sky and you might catch a pair of 'wardongs' (crows) flying—note how suspiciously quiet they become as they cease their cawing for a mate.

Flowers of blue and purple hues such as the Blueberry Lily and Purple Flags will start to emerge and blossom. And don't forget to keep an eye out for 'mali' (black swans) on our lakes and rivers as they prepare to nest and breed.



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City of Stirling

As we transition into this cooler weather, it is essential to ensure that our students are dressed appropriately. The rain has been making its presence known, particularly during drop-offs, pick-ups, and recess. I kindly remind all families to ensure that their children wear their warm school uniforms and bring along a raincoat when walking to school. Keeping our students dry and comfortable is key to their well-being during the rainy Makuru season.

Robyn Crump

Coughs and Colds

The days are getting shorter, and the mornings are getting colder! As we head into these colder months, can I please remind parents to ensure to keep children home if they have symptoms of colds and flus. We want to try to keep our staff and students as healthy as possible. Parents will be contacted and asked to collect children if they are unwell, especially if they have flu-like symptoms, including high temperatures, coughs and runny noses.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent Teacher Meetings are currently being held by our classroom and specialist teachers. These meetings are an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teacher and are a great chance to share your child's skills, talents and achievements so far this year, as well as discussing areas for improvement and individual support which is being provided.

As many of these meetings occur outside of our teacher's work hours, please be respectful of arriving on time for your scheduled meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please cancel your booking online, email the teacher or phone the school to inform us. Thank you.

Reports

Our teachers are diligently working on preparing our student Semester 1 reports, ensuring that we provide insightful feedback on our students' progress. Our Semester 1 reports will be sent to parents via Connect on Monday 24 June 2024. Please find below some useful tips about how to talk to your child about their report:

1. **Schedule One-on-One Time:** Set aside dedicated time to review your child's school report together. This demonstrates that you value their education and progress.
2. **Emphasise Effort:** Praise your child's efforts and improvements, regardless of grades. Encourage a growth mindset by highlighting the importance of hard work and perseverance. Above all, reassure your child that you are proud of them.
3. **A 'c' grade means your child is working at the expected level:** It is really important to acknowledge that a 'c' or 'satisfactory' grade means your child is working exactly where they need to be according to their year level.
4. **Avoid Sibling Comparisons:** Refrain from comparing your child's performance to that of their siblings or other close friends/ classmates. Each child is unique, with their own strengths and challenges.
5. **Celebrate Differences:** Help your child understand that everyone learns differently and excels in different areas. Encourage them to embrace their individual strengths and interests.
6. **Set Realistic Expectations:** Encourage your child to strive for personal improvement and progress rather than perfection. Set achievable goals together and celebrate their progress along the way.
7. **Provide Support:** Offer guidance and support to help your child overcome any challenges they may face. Let them know that you're there to help them succeed, no matter what and schedule a time to meet with the teacher to discuss this support.

Yirra Yakin

We are grateful to have the amazing Yirra Yaakin theatre company presenting their show Boodjar Kaatijin to our Year 1 – 6 students on Thursday 20 June.

This presentation links into the Western Australian Curriculum and provides our students with a unique learning opportunity.

Yirra Yaakin have presented shows at Mount Lawley in previous years and they are always thoroughly enjoyed and well received.

There is no payment required by families for this incursion.

Italian Week is here!

Our Italian Week In-School activity is on this Thursday 13 June, presented by the Carrousel Theatre Group. The Jungle Book bilingual puppet show will be presented to students from Pre-primary to Year 6 in the undercover area. We are extremely fortunate to have this group all the way from Melbourne presenting their show to our school.

Students have been enjoying some fun activities and special treats during their Italian lessons this week, as well as practising their singing and dancing skills in the lead up to the Italian Assembly this Friday. Parents are welcome to attend the assembly being held this Friday 14 June at 8:50am in the undercover area.

Finally, a reminder that Friday 14 June is also Italian dress up day. Students are encouraged to wear green, white and/or red clothing or come to school in Italian themed dress up.

Happy Italian Week Everyone

Relief Traffic Warden – Welcome Ray!

Traffic Wardens play an important role in ensuring children get to school safely. We are excited to have a relief Traffic Warden working at the Children's Crossing on Clifton Crescent, near Second Avenue for the next few weeks. Ray is only working with us for a short time as his regular crossing is undergoing roadworks.

We welcome Ray to our community and know he is excited to be meeting the students and parents at Mount Lawley Primary School. Please say hi to Ray in the mornings as he helps us safely get to school each day!

Library Bags

With the wet weather settled in, it is very important for students to be transporting their library and reading books to and from school in a bag. Please help keep our amazing library collection safe by ensuring all students use a library bag and reading folder to protect their books.

LEGO Club

This week will be the last week for our group 2 builders. Their amazing creations will be on display in the library until the end of Week 10. Please feel free to stop by and have a look at our talented builders' creations. Week 11 will see the start of group 3 and they will then continue into Term 3 for week 1 and 2.

Book Fair Donated Books

Did you donate a book to the library from the book fair this year? We would like to thank you again for your generosity and helping make our library even more fabulous for our students. If you donated a book, they will be sent home this week as an extra library borrowing, giving you the opportunity to enjoy the book first.

The Green Corner



On Wednesday 15 May the Year 4 students did a waste audit. The Year 4 students took part in the waste audit by sorting through all the bins in the school to find out what we do well, and what we need to work on in the future.

During the waste audit, we found that our school is great at containers for change, paper recycling and composting. We are noticing the use of too many snack wrappers and plastic bags. It would be great if we could start to put more nude food in our lunchboxes and cut up food that could be hard to eat, so it doesn't get put in the bin.

Our school is looking toward a greener future, and it would help the school if we brought as much nude food to school as possible, and any uneaten food was taken home.

Thank you from the MLPS Student Sustainability Captains

Pyjama Day Fundraiser

On Wednesday 26 June, the Year 6 Student Leaders have organised a Pyjama Day Fundraiser, with proceeds going to the Fred Hollows Foundation.

One of the Fred Hollows Foundations main driving principles is to end avoidable blindness and improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. Their program in Australia works to do everything they can to make this happen.

So come to school in your PJ's for a day and bring a gold coin donation to help raise funds for this hard working foundation.

Please make sure students are still wearing appropriate footwear. If your child has Sport on this day, they are welcome to bring a change of clothes if they will be more comfortable.



Trading Cards and Personal Belongings

Just like flared jeans and John Farnham, the return of the Footy cards was inevitable.

Like many children from years before, we are currently in the grip of Footy card mania. While it is great to see the students enjoying the craze, the cards do inevitably bring problems to the school yard and heartbreak when things go missing.

We ask that students do not have these cards out during the school day and remind families that special toys and belongings are best looked after at home. The responsibility for any toys and sports equipment brought to school lies with the student and is not the responsibility of the school.

Honour Certificates

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

Ziggy W	Ava T	Astrid M	Eloise S
Hugo S	Riley M	Nina B	Nixon E
Hannah K	Parker F	Cleo W	Eloise F



Community News

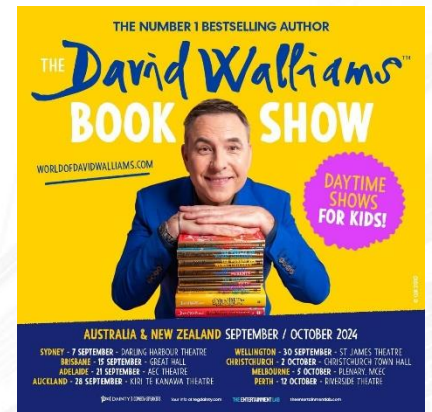
David Walliams is coming to Perth!

📣 JUST ANNOUNCED: The highly anticipated David Walliams Book Show is coming Down Under and will be in Perth Saturday 12th October! 📖

Get ready for an unforgettable live show filled with hilarious stories, interactive fun, and exclusive insights from the beloved children's author and comedian. Perfect for kids and families!

🎟 Tickets on sale this Friday, June 14 at 9am local time. Pre-sale starts tomorrow Thursday, June 13 at 12pm.

🔗 Sign up for the pre-sale via <https://arep.co/m/david-walliams-book>
Be quick as these tickets will sell fast!



Craig Silvey Award for Young Writers



The City of Subiaco proudly presents the 2024 Craig Silvey Award for Young Writers. This award recognises and celebrates the talent and potential of WA's young writers from year one to year twelve.

The City of Subiaco has been running an annual award for young writers for the past 30 years with 2024 marking the second year of the award's new patron, Craig Silvey.

Aspiring young writers are encouraged to start planning – or plotting – their entry with innovation, creativity and originality front of mind.

For more details go to [Craig Silvey Award for Young Writers | City of Subiaco](#)



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Abstract School for the Arts

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Date	Time	Workshop	Age	Location	Price	Details
6 July	9-10am	Dog Art	6-12years Old	Inglewood Arts Hub, 895 Beaufort Street Inglewood	\$30per person	All Materials Included
6 July	11-12pm	Beach Art			\$30per person	
6 July	1-2pm	Abstract Art			\$30per person	
13 July	9-10am	Cardboard Art			\$30per person	
13 July	11- 12pm	Silly Still-Life Art			\$30per person	
13 July	1-2pm	Animal Art			\$30per person	
8 & 14 July	1-3pm	Private Sessions: private tuition and/or small groups	All Ages		Private tuition-\$75per person x1 Hour Smalls Groups Min 4 ppl \$30per person x1 Hour	

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AGES 10-16 welcome



After School Program and Murdoch Outreach School Holiday Sessions

10-12 July 2024



Come and join us for an engaging STEM program this school holiday!

Get involved with our three school holiday sessions in the areas of Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics.

Students will meet at **450.3.001 (Building 450)** on the morning.

Price per student
\$70 per single day
\$130 for 2 days
\$185 for all 3 days

Wednesday 10 July 2024

Physics

Thursday 11 July 2024

Chemistry

Friday 12 July 2024

Mathematics

10:00am - 3:15pm

AM - After School Program Session

PM - Outreach Hands-on Workshop

Places are limited!

Registrations open until 23rd June

To register your interest, please contact AfterSchoolProgram@murdoch.edu.au

CRICOS Code: 00125J | TEQSA Provider ID: PRV12163 (Australian University)

Morning tea provided!

EDU-SING

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Join us for a vibrant morning of vocal exploration. We promise laughter, learning and the sheer joy of making music together.

When & Where 9 AM - 12 PM
Tuesday, 9th July
Anglican Church Hall
9 Ridge St, South Perth

Who Boys & Girls
4 to 9 years old

Bring Water Bottle
(Morning tea is provided)

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