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FROM THE PRINCIPAL . . .

Hello parents and caregivers. You would be excused for thinking last week's assembly theme was 'The Attack of the Killer Tomatoes' but it was of course the Chinese New Year and a very well presented assembly it was too. Mrs Radalj’s Year 3s put on a splendid display and once more showed us just what a terrific group of students we have at Mundaring. Well done guys!

‘MY SCHOOL’ ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This morning I received an e-mail from the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), the group which is responsible for Australia’s national reporting program and the My School website. ACARA intends to update the My School website on Thursday 5 March 2015.

Based on this year’s My School data, Mundaring Primary School has been identified as demonstrating above average NAPLAN gain compared to schools with similar students. This gain is deemed to be statistically significant and worthy of highlighting and acknowledgement.

To identify our school as demonstrating this above average gain compared to schools with similar students and to deem this statistically significant, ACARA employed a methodology that considered three key factors being:

- Our overall gain compared to previous years;
- Our gain compared to schools with similar students based on the Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) level; and,
- Our gain compared to other students at similar NAPLAN start points.

This is of course wonderful news for our school and I am extremely happy to see the hard work and commitment of my wonderful staff being acknowledged on the national stage.

I encourage all parents to visit the My School website at www.myschool.edu.au to see just how well our students are achieving compared to similar schools around Australia.

NAPLAN 2015

Once again we are beginning our preparations for this year’s NAPLAN program which will take place in Term 2 on the 12th, 13th and 14th May. Students in Years 3 & 5 will take part in this National Testing program in Literacy and Numeracy. Parents of these students will receive an Information For Parents brochure with this newsletter.

BOUNCED RE- LAUNCHED

I am very excited to advise parents that the BouncED On-Line learning program is back up and running at Mundaring PS. Letters have been sent home to all parents this week advising them of the re-launch and the log in details for every student at school.

This year, the program is being sponsored by the Fairpoint Corporation who developed and own the BouncED system. I trust that all families will get behind this great initiative and support both the program and their children’s education.

AFTER HOURS USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Parents are once again reminded that the school’s facilities (oval, basketball courts and play equipment) are out of bounds before and after school unless prior arrangements have been made. The reason for this is very simple - the safety of your children.

Staff at the school cannot supervise this use and, for duty of care reasons, the school cannot allow students to use the equipment even if accompanied by a parent. I ask all parents to refrain from allowing their children access to this equipment after school.

Mr Paul Larkin
PRINCIPAL
ASSEMBLY - 27 February 2015

Congratulations to our Honour Certificate recipients

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The next assembly will be held on Friday 13 March and will be coordinated by students from Room 3 (Year 2).

Family members and friends are welcome to attend.

REMINDER! CAN YOU HELP?
The students of Room 14 need old CD’s and DVD’s for an art project involving recycling and sustainability. If you have any you are no longer using, it would be greatly appreciated if you could please donate these to our classroom. Thank you, Room 14.

Rooms 1 and 2 are asking for donations of empty large Moccona coffee jars for an incursion early in Term 3. Please drop them off in either of these rooms. Thank you.

BUZ (Build Up Zone) Awards

- Makaydi Catlin
- Mitchell Lawson
- Emmhra Sharland
- Lily Greaves

TIDY CLASS AWARD

Room 14

SCHOOL BANKING

Thursday, 8.30am - 8.50am outside the library.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE NEWS

😊 Please add your name to our Parent Rosters.
Any help is greatly appreciated.

😊 Is there anyone who could do a small job for us?
We need some castors added to our kitchenette.
Please let staff know if you can help.

Early Childhood Centre Team

EASTER RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

The P&C’s annual Easter Raffle will be drawn at the Easter Assembly, Thursday 2 April.

We are now calling for donations of Easter items which may include chocolates, baskets, gift boxes, clear cello wrap, ribbon and any other Easter items that would be suitable. All donations will be greatly appreciated and can be left at the front office in the marked box.

Tickets will be sent home on Friday 20 March and will need to be returned by Tuesday 31 March along with the money from sold tickets.

Enquiries please contact Del Thompson on 0419 497 071.

Thank you for supporting your school.

ALLERGY AWARE

No whole eggs or nut products at MPS please.

LIBRARY NEWS - Book Club

There is a new way of ordering from Book Club called “LOOP”. To order log into www.scholastic.com.au/Loop or download the app.

- For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time
- Select Mundaring Primary School and your child’s class
- Add your child’s first name and last initial so the school knows who the book is for
- Enter the item number from the Book Club brochure
- You can order for multiple children at once
- All orders are linked directly to the school and the orders will be delivered to the child’s classroom if ordered by the closing date - Friday 13 March
- There is no need to return the paper order form or payment details to the school
- There is a video on how to order: log into www.scholastic.com.au/loop then click on HELP in the top menu.

This issue (Issue 2) will be the last issue that the school will be available to do it for you with cash/credit slip. However we will still be available to help you if you need assistance with your online ordering.

Thanks
Karen McCall – Book Club Coordinator
Donna Kent – Library Officer

THE UNIFORM SHOP is open 18 March - 3.00 - 3.30 pm.

Just a reminder that we have quite a selection of second hand uniforms available to suit most sizes.

Kelly Bertolini: 0439 988376

CANTEEN

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