From the Principal's Desk

Dear Maida Vale families,

2015 Book Week

Thank you on behalf of your children for the magnificent effort you once again made in dressing your children up for this year's parade. Huge thank you to the teachers who also got into the spirit of the day and dressed up. This year we ran Book Week over a fortnight which was a great idea as it spaced the three major events out and the children gained the most value from the experience. The library looked fantastic with student displays highlighting the theme of 'Books light Up My World', the sales from the Book Fair raised considerable funds for the purchase of additional books and the children who attended the author talk enjoyed what she had to say.

![Image of book parade]

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**NAPLAN 2015**

Students in Years 3 and 5 will have brought home their NAPLAN results from this year’s testing in May. Parents are asked to discuss the results with their child/ren and encourage them regardless of their results. If you would like to discuss the results with your child's teacher please contact the school to arrange a time either by phone or through the website.

**New LED Sign**

The new sign is now up and running and will provide another opportunity for the school community to obtain updated information. Thank you to the P&C and the wider community for their efforts in raising the money to purchase this item. Our sign will be regularly updated every Friday afternoon at 3.30pm with news for the following week.

**Thanks Bunnings**

Last week Bunnings helped the school celebrate 'Plant a Tree Day' by donating 11 shrubs for the school gardens. A small number of Year 6 students were invited to participate in the planting on behalf of the entire school.

**Long Service Leave**

Due to changes in the Department of Education regarding Long Service Leave we have seen 6 staff members needing to take their long service leave in the first six weeks of this term. This change to policy will possibly see more staff members needing to take leave before the end of the year. It is happening across the state and not just here at Maida Vale Primary School.

**2016**

Planning is well under way for the 2016 school year. An important part of this is to obtain accurate numbers for class creation, allowing new enrolments as well as accurate budgeting. If you know you are not returning to Maida Vale next year please inform the school before the end of term.

**Parent resources to help young children learn**

Parent resources to help young children learn (including factsheets, booklets and videos) are now online. Parents of primary school children are encouraged to visit the website and see what it has to offer.

**Darren Greaves**

Principal  
Maida Vale Primary School  
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Running a Parent Information Session

Monday 14th September
3.30 registration
3.45—5.45

Are you planning on running a Parent Information Session covering the topics of ‘play and oral language’ as part of the transition to school process?

Do you need up to date information regarding speech and language?
Do you need a collection of resources and handouts to share with parents?

This professional learning opportunity is appropriate for Teachers who work within the primary school setting and are planning on running a parent information session to support transition in 2016, before the end of the year.

Workshop Outcomes
By the completion of the session participants will have:

• Explored ways to encourage parents/carers to support their child’s transition to school especially in speech and language
• Received a presentation package to present at parent/carer workshops
• Explored a range of games, practical activities, resources and strategies for parents to support their child’s communication development

Additional Information:
Participants will receive a resource disk of strategies and information presented that can then be used to plan and run their own transition to school workshops. This opportunity is limited to 30 participants!

Please register by 11th September 2015
At http://www.det.wa.edu.au/professionallearning/detcms/portal/
For more information contact:
Lauren.Hook@education.wa.edu.au
Curriculum News

Water Wise

On Wednesday the 12th of August 2015, our class and the whole school did a Waste Wise Audit at recess and lunch. After lunch we weighed all of the boxes. Before we did, we had to weigh Ella because she was going to hold all of the boxes.

Then Ella hopped on with the box and then we put it aside for Mrs Woods and the GATE class to count them. Quentin, Cooper and Kasey were good helpers too.

Then we had to clean the boxes and then that was the end of the Waste Wise Audit. It was so much fun!

Amelia Sarteur

On Wednesday we did a ‘waste wise audit’ and what it is, is helping our environment. Our planet if we don’t take care of it will stink, be horrible, disgusting and gross. That’s why we are going to reduce our rubbish and not dump it. Maida Vale Primary School is doing this, Room 13 is and the students too.

I started with the milk cartons and juice boxes and I don’t believe how many juice boxes there were... about nearly 20! Wow, and this is great fun doing this. Maybe the world has to do this because this helps our environment. Why? Because our planet will be clean, fresh, smell nice and won’t stink. So please do this for our home.

Braydon Nicholson

Yesterday, Room 13 arranged a Waste Wise Audit in the uncovered area. The whole school took part in the audit by putting their rubbish in boxes with labels like food scraps, fruit and veg scraps and lots more.

I think it was a great idea to do this. We did it at recess and lunch. We sat at the boxes to eat our lunch and recess so if someone put the wrong thing in the wrong box we could guide them to the right box.

At the end some students weighed the boxes so we could tally up the results and give them to Mr Greaves. We did this to hopefully decrease the amount of rubbish at our school. We will do this again next year.

Sharlini Hollier
The Waste Wise Audit turned out to be a successful event with all students following the instructions to place their waste in the appropriate boxes. After collecting all of the data, the pie graph below identifies the types of waste and amount we collected. Our aim now is to encourage students to reduce their waste so that when we participate in the audit next year, there will be a reduction in waste collected. We are also hoping to achieve the status of a ‘Waste Wise School’... we’ll keep you informed.

A big thank you to Mrs Woods and the students from the GATE program, Ms Waters and of course the fantastic student in Room 13.

Fiona Rullo
Physical Education and Sport Update

Faction Athletics Carnival

A reminder that that the **Faction Athletics Carnival** is fast approaching on **Friday 11th September**.

A note regarding the event will be sent home with all students next week. Also later next week, students who have been successful in qualifying for the **Throws and Jumps Finals Day** on **Monday 7th September** will receive a letter notifying them that they have qualified. The top six qualifiers (boys separate to girls) in each year group, regardless of faction, will compete in the finals.

Your child may have already mentioned to you that they have qualified for the throws final. This information was posted to the **notice board** in the **Undercover Area**. More information relating to the Athletics Carnival will be posted to this board in the next fortnight and I encourage our students to regularly check for updates.

Summer Sport Registrations

Further on the topic of athletics, the registration day for little athletics is coming up on the 5th of September. Our local club is High Wycombe and a come and try registration day is being held at High Wycombe Primary School on the 5th September from 1 – 3pm. The website is [www.hwlac.net](http://www.hwlac.net).

Please continue to support our local clubs and volunteers who do an amazing job in the community.

Recognition of our sporting success

In the past few weeks, our victorious Year 5 and 6 netball and football teams were belatedly awarded their trophies and certificates after their success in the Fever and Eagles Cups in Term 2. We were lucky enough to have Mitch Brown from the West Coast Eagles come to Maida Vale to present the Eagles Cup. Our students had the opportunity to ask Mitch lots of questions, sing the West Coast club song and win some signed posters. He was a very popular visitor! Congratulations to all our victorious netballers and footballers. The trophies are on display in the front office.

Craig Stein
Physical Education Teacher
Congratulations to the following students who were presented with Honour Certificates at the school assembly on Friday 28th August, 2015

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**ART WORK**

We have a display artwork “Collage-tiger in rainforest”

- Elizabeth rm14
- Rebekah Rm14
- Kayla Rm14
- Don'trey Rm14
- Kassie Rm14
- Emily Rm15
- Jay Rm15
- May-Lee Rm15
- Ella Rm15
- Kayne Rm15
- Gemma Rm6
- Chloe Rm6
- Alan Rm6
- Bodhi Rm6

**BOOK FAIR**

Thank you to all the parents and students who supported our book fair and made it such a success. We sold $4500 worth of products. This enables us to claim $1500 in books for our library and classrooms.

Thank you once again, your support is greatly appreciated.
P&C

P&C Meeting Tuesday 1st September 6.30-8pm – all welcome

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Tuesday 1st September 2.30-3.15pm
Wednesday 2nd September 8.30-9.15am

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