**Maida Vale Primary School**

**NEWSLETTER**

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

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**Newsletter #14**

11th September, 2015

**Dates for your Term Planner**

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**From the Principal’s Desk**

**Dear Maida Vale families,**

**Recent Read-a-thon Fundraiser**

Thanks to the efforts of the P&C, students were given the opportunity to raise money while undertaking the highly valued skill of reading through the 'Read-a-thon' fundraiser. Thanks to all those family and friends who supported the participating students as the P&C received $2000.00. Big mention to Pre-Primary student, Sol Logan, who through his network of family and friends raised $1000 alone. Best of all we had another wave of students with their heads in books and practicing this important life skill.

**Open Night**

Following the success of the 2014 Open Night we will be conducting another one this coming Thursday, 17th September. Doors to classrooms open at 4:30 and finishes at 6:00pm. Come in with your child/ren and let them show you where they spend 6 hours a day and the work that they accomplish in that time. This is a student led evening, not an opportunity for teacher/parent interviews, so come along and let your child 'show off' what they do. The rooms will not be artificially set up they truly will reflect your child's learning environment.

**LED Information Sign**

Just a reminder to keep an eye on the new sign for regular and relevant updates. It is now programmed to display information for the following week around 3:30pm each Friday so if you need quick information and can't check the website, Facebook page or call the school checkout the sign.
Pre-Primary and Kindy
There have been a number of repeated queries about our Kindy and Pre-Primary children and their involvement in various school events. To alleviate concern for parents, and the need to constantly be seeking answers the following information has been provided. The early years are vital for learning and for building community within a school. With this in mind it is important to know that our youngest children are invited to participate in every event that the school holds, be it athletics carnival, Book Week or Open Night. The teachers make the final determination on whether they actually attend e.g. fortnightly assemblies, but these decisions are based on their ability to sit for lengthy periods or simply the level of involvement. They are an important part of our school and as such parents should expect them to be invited/involved in whole school events.

Fee Tree
Since late last term the 'Fee Tree' in the undercover area has been slowly sprouting more and more leaves and now that it is Spring it would be nice to see a few more pop up. Each leaf represents a fee paying student, and most students know which leaf is theirs. When you do pay your $60 fee, please ask for your child's leaf and they will in turn come to me and together we 'plant' the leaf on the tree. We have just reached 75% of students having paid their annual fee, which goes directly back into providing for the children.

Darren Greaves
Principal
Maida Vale Primary School
An Independent Public School
http://maidavaleps.wa.edu.au/

A motivated learning community that takes pride in its resilience and achievement of personal excellence.
A very big thank you to all who have been involved in the Faction carnival today, your help is always greatly appreciated.

**Congratulations to the following students who are our Athletics Champions for 2015.**

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**Congratulations to the Faction Winners**

- Mead Emus (Red) 1024
- Stirk Snakes (Green) 948
- O’Connor Dingoes (Blue) 888

**A very big thank you to Mr Stein who has co-ordinated this fantastic day and to all our staff members who assisted in making this a great and successful sports carnival.**
Rooms 3&4 Swan Valley Cuddly Animal Farm excursion

Last Friday 4th September the Year 2’s from Rooms 3 & 4 went on a fantastic excursion to the Swan Valley Cuddly Animal Farm. A great day was had by all. The students were able to touch, cuddle, hand and bottle feed, groom and pet the farmyard community such as chickens, hens, ducklings, ducks, geese, parrots, bunnies, guinea-pigs, lambs, sheep, piglets, kid goats, goats, alpacas. Tofy the llama, ponies, emus, miniature donkeys, miniature horses, kangaroos, deer, foxes, horses, a massive bull, Rocky the Cocky and heaps more.

The children loved bouncing on the bouncy castle, riding the merry-go-round and having tractor/train rides around the farm in between visiting the animals.

Many thanks to our wonderful parent helpers and supervisors who made our excursion such a success. An extra thanks to Mr Steer who cooked up some yummy sausages for our sausage sizzle.

We would also like to thank our fabulous P&C for donating money towards our excursion to enable us to travel safely to the farm on a coach bus with seatbelts.

It was a tremendous day and we can all highly recommend a visit to the Swan Valley Cuddly Animal Farm! It was also a delight to hear the staff from the farm commend our Maida Vale Primary School students on their behaviour and to welcome them back at any time.

Karen Wells

Thank you Swan Valley Cuddly Animal Farm
ART WORK

We have a display of artwork in Admin …… Please come and have a look

“Turbaned Lady”
- Kayla T
- Kyal
- Joss
- Ella
- Charlotte
- Jack
- Phoebe
- Liam

“Dancing Lady”
- Jake
- May-Lee
- Elizabeth
- Sophie
- Paige
- Dontrey
- Willow

P&C

Uniform Shop will be open next week on the following days

Tuesday 15th September 2.30-3.15pm
Wednesday 16th September 8.30-9.15am
Tuesday 22nd September 2.30-3.15pm

UNIFORM OPENING HOURS – TERM 4 2015

Please note the uniform shop for Term 4 2015 will ONLY open one day a week.
Tuesday afternoons between 2.30-3.15pm

Just a reminder that Voluntary Contributions can be paid by eftpos or cash through admin

Please report any suspicious activities in school premises — School Watch 9264 4771