Dear Parents and Community Members,

Sing Fest
Congratulations to all the students from Rooms 1 and 2 who represented Mount Pleasant Primary School at the Sing Fest last week. Their performance was outstanding. Thank you also to Mrs Bint for facilitating the performance.

The School Board
As part of our school’s shift to an Independent Public School, the previous School Council has been disbanded and a new School Board has been formed. We would like to thank the outgoing School Council for their efforts and introduce the new Mount Pleasant Primary School Board. The Board is comprised of 11 members including five staff: Gerri Brown, Kathy Williams, Glenda Harnett, Tanya Hunter and our Principal, Joe Fasolo; as well as six parents, Craig Williams, Lisa Holland-McNair, Jodie Rowell, Blair Parsons, Elliot Nicholls and myself.

In the next few weeks, we will place a brief profile of each Board Member on the school’s website so you can put a name to a face and read a little more about each of us. We will also be providing regular updates in the newsletter and on the website to keep the school community informed of what the Board is doing.

Clear directives exist which set out how the Board must operate. These are outlined below for your information. The Board will:
• take part in establishing and reviewing the school’s objectives, priorities and policies, evaluate the school’s performance and formulate a code of conduct for the school;
• be involved in selecting the school principal or any other member of staff;
• approve the contributions and charges;
• determine the dress code;
• provide advice to the Principal relating to religious, spiritual or moral value education;
• promote the school in the community.

The Board will not be involved in:
• control or day to day running of the school;
• setting educational instruction or discussing individual teachers, staff or parents;
• managing a school fund or borrowing or obtaining funds for the school;
• performance managing the Principal or any other staff member.

The first task of the Board is to set a Business Plan for the school and we look forward to sharing the plan with you in Term 3.

The Board is distinct from the P&C, but the two will work closely together. The P&C will continue to support the school through fundraising as well as holding regular social events and representing parents’ views. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of the School Board, please don’t hesitate to contact Joe Fasolo or myself.

Kind regards,
Dr Stacey Waters
MPPS Board Chair.

Busy Bee
Many thanks to all the volunteers who were involved in the recent busy bee. Your wonderful efforts have made a huge difference to several areas of the school. Well done!
There are several photos on page 2.

Connect
There has been a huge response from parents to become involved with Connect. Responses need to be added manually, and this may take a few weeks. We will keep you informed as to when full access to Connect will be available.
**SCHOOL HOURS**
Commence: 8:45am
Conclude: 2:55pm
Morning recess: 10:50am-11:10am
Lunch Recess: 12:40pm-1:20pm

**CANTEEN DAYS**
Monday and Friday
9316 4003

**BANKING DAYS**
Wednesday Mornings before school commences

**CAMP AUSTRALIA**
Before and After School Care
Before School: 7:00am—8:35am
After School: 2:55pm—6:00pm
0452 247 189

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**BUSY BEE**

The Grounds Committee would like to thank all the wonderful people who turned out to help with the busy bee.

We all weeded, dug, mulched and planted for a couple of hours and the results are fantastic. The driveway leading from Queens Rd has a new garden bed with plants donated by Bunnings Melville. We thank Bunnings for their support.

Grass growing into the oval garden bed was removed. This was not the easiest of jobs. The small garden near the junior playground was weeded, pruned and mulched.

Thanks again to all the people involved in sprucing up the grounds. For those of you who couldn’t make this one, another busy bee will be organised shortly.

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**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Our school photo day is coming! An envelope has been included in this newsletter for your order. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture’s website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash or cheque and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day. *If you place your order online please DO NOT return your envelope to school.*

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture.

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please be aware there may be a limited number of sibling orders that can be placed due to time constraints on photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

**Please note sibling orders close @ midday Tuesday 16th of June.**

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

*All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.*
MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FORGIVENESS
Forgiveness means that if someone hurts you, you are prepared to give the person another chance. Everyone makes mistakes. Sometimes we do things that we wish we had not done; that is when we need to learn to forgive ourselves. We need to know that we can change our behaviour if that situation occurs again.

Forgiveness means that you don’t retaliate or seek revenge even when you feel that you have just cause to do so.

CHAPLAIN NEWS

Cake Stall
Thursday 4th June
A variety of delicious goodies will be available for sale at lunchtime

Chaplain’s Update
On Thursday 14th May a group of awesome year 4 students hosted a Sweet and Savoury Stall, to raise funds for our School’s 5 Cents Challenge. A wonderful $147.15 was raised! Many thanks to the students and their families for making it possible. Your generosity will help transform the lives of children trapped in poverty, by helping them gain access to an education. Thank you also to everyone who has been bringing in their 5 cent coins and other loose change through the year, it just goes to show that “from little things, big things grow” because so far this year we have raised over $380!

Also, as a school community we have the opportunity to support the Salvation Army’s Winter Appeal. If you have any recyclable or new blankets, rugs, doona's or other appropriate linen you would like to donate it will be greatly appreciated. We will organise for the linen to be delivered to the Salvation Army, to help the homeless and others in need around our city. Donations can be left at the front office. Many thanks for the donations that have already been coming in.

Wendy Anderson

YEAR 4 PEAC TESTING

The PEAC Program provides part time extension for gifted and talented students in years 5 and 6. A range of courses are offered that provide the most able students with opportunities for extension and enrichment work that is intellectually challenging.

All students in year 4 will have the opportunity to be assessed for suitability for the PEAC Program. Students who are performing well at school are possible candidates for the program. Sometimes the potential of a student is not easily recognised. Testing gives all students the opportunity to demonstrate their potential. Testing of our year 4 students will take place on Thursday of June 4 for Room 4 students and Friday of June 5 for the year 4 students in Rooms 2 and 8. The tests will be conducted from 9.00am on both days.

If a parent does not wish that their child be included in the testing, they should notify the school in writing before test day for their child.

Any questions can be directed to me at Brian.Schupp@education.wa.edu.au
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P&C
Entertainment Books are available now through the school, order your new Entertainment Book or Digital Memberships today. This is a great fundraiser with $13 from each book sold going to the school. So far we have sold 45 books a total of $585 for the school. You can order online or there are spare order forms available at the office. Prompt delivery will made to your child’s classroom. Any queries please contact Marg Prestage margpr.stage@hotmail.com or mobile 0439182218.

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