School Photos
We had our annual school photos taken today. Photos will be given to the children when they are finalised, hopefully by the end of the term.

Surplus Furniture
We have used furniture that is no longer required for use in our school and we intend to dispose of them. We would like to offer our school community the first opportunity to acquire any of these items for a donation to the school. Peter, our gardener, will be available in the mornings to show you the furniture. Items include: student and teacher desks; shelving and benches. Items are purchased ‘as is’ and there is no warranty or return on the items.

Social Media
Our school has a Facebook page (see further in the newsletter on how to like our page). The page is intended to be used as a reminder of events that are happening in our school and is to be used in conjunction with our school website. We are also in the process of developing a school app which can be used on a smartphone or mobile device. The app will be another avenue for distributing information to parents. Newsletters, term calendar, class notices and the like will be on the app. We hope to have this available to everyone by the end of the term.

Two Minute Zone – ‘Kiss N Drive’ : a friendly reminder on the rules...
There is never enough parking close to schools for the short period of time at the beginning and end of each school day. I would like to acknowledge the majority of parents who park their vehicles either on the oval side of the school or in the designated parking bays on Charonia Road, as this helps to ensure the safety of our students and relieves congestion at the front of the school.

There are two ‘Kiss N Drive’ zones on Charonia Road (adjacent to the netball courts) where parents can quickly drop and collect their children WITHIN A TWO MINUTE TIME FRAME. This is NOT a parking area - you are not allowed to park for extended periods (no longer than two minutes), double park or go into school. You may get out of your car (within a two minute time frame) but if you need to walk your child in or spend more time at school, you must park in one of the surrounding streets, in a legal parking area (and not over driveways).

Please help us to keep our streets safe, by not causing congestion in the area of our school crossing. This area is for the convenience of our whole school population - please think of others when you use this facility.
Use of Staff Car Parks
In the interest of safety, parents and students are NOT permitted to access the school through the staff car park on Charonia Road before or after school. Our staff car park is out of bounds to all pedestrian and motor traffic other than staff themselves. There are two pedestrian paths/access points either side of the staff car park on Charonia Road to facilitate SAFE entry to our school. The staff car park in Charonia Road is our Emergency Access point also. This must be free to allow ambulance, fire trucks and other emergency vehicles entry at all times. Please do not block access to the bitumen area.

Janine Moses
Principal

P & C family reps: Each class has a parent representative. The idea behind this is that P&C information can be distributed to families and the list is a source of contact for parents with other parents in their child’s class. Please find in the P&C section of the newsletter, class parent reps to contact with your details.

Mullaloo Heights Primary School - Facebook
Mullaloo Heights PS has now got a Facebook page! We are still in the early stages of development, so watch this space! Follow the link below and our page.

https://www.facebook.com/Mullalooheightsps?ref=profile

Facebook Guidelines and Protocols
The school maintains a closely monitored Facebook page that keeps us all in touch with school life. This Page is a place for people interested in the happenings at Mullaloo Heights Primary School. However, we do need to have certain guidelines and protocols. Please be aware that we reserve the right to remove any posting or other material that we find off-topic, inappropriate or objectionable. We trust that people who like our page will understand the reasons for this. Remember that many of the children who attend Mullaloo Heights PS do view the posts and pictures on the page.

1. We'd love you to 'like' and add positive comments on posts and pictures posted on our page. This encouragement and acknowledgement of wonderful things happening in our school community is valuable.

2. Please refrain from asking questions which are more appropriately addressed to the school administration. These can be asked during normal operating hours. eg..."When will reports be sent home"

3. We would love our community to feel a sense of camaraderie and to find genuine value in what we share on our page. If you feel something which does not meet these guidelines and protocols appears on the page, please make an appointment to see the Principal during operating hours.

We do not wish to see:
• Profane, defamatory, offensive or violent language
• “Trolling”, or posting deliberately disruptive statements meant to hijack comment threads or throw discussions off-track
• Personal promotion of businesses etc.
• Matters that require policy responses from the Principal
**Dogs on school grounds - Reminder**

It is a great way to add your dog’s exercise into the walk to and from school, but we must insist that parents **DO NOT** bring dogs onto school grounds. Not only are some children allergic to dog hair, but the situation that is created by having dogs of all nature, breeds and ages mixed with children who have a range (or lack thereof) of personal knowledge of how to act appropriately around animals is encouraging a situation that may have a grievous outcome. We thank you for your support with this issue of student safety.

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**Crunch&Sip**

Our school is an accredited crunch&sip school. This program encourages children to eat fruit and vegetable and drink more water. There is a set time in class, about 9.30am, to crunch-n-sip. The morning snack aims to assist physical and mental performance. **Don’t forget the water bottle!** Dehydration in kids causes headaches, irritability and disruptiveness. As part of Crunch&Sip®, students are encouraged to drink plain tap water throughout the day to prevent dehydration.

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**ROAD SAFETY**

It is a good time at the beginning of the school year to remind everyone about road safety. The speed limit on Charonia Road is 40kmph between the hours of 7.30-9.00am and 2.30-4.00pm.

**Kiss ‘n’ Drive bays at the school**

A Kiss ‘n’ Drive is located at the front of the school and clearly sign posted. Students may be picked up and dropped off at this point.

Please use these bays as they are intended – drop ‘n’ run. Two minutes tops is all it takes to safely allow the child/ren to alight and move on.

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**Lapathon**

A reminder that the Lapathon will take place on Friday, 13 March, 2015 from 11.30am –12:30pm. The theme is “Fluoro”. Children are allowed to wear bright, fluorescent colours on the day.

**PLEASE COLLECT AND RETURN ALL MONEY BY FRIDAY, 27th March, 2015.**

**Prize Winners will be announced at the next assembly Thursday 2nd April.**

You may sponsor the student for a certain number of laps (students can complete up to 40 laps) or a fixed amount for the Lapathon. The amount raised will go to school resources.

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**Twilio**

**SurveyMonkey**

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**Repository**
Room 9 Art display in the office
Congratulations to all students who received a merit award at last Thursday’s assembly. Well done!

The State Tee Ball Championships were held at Langley Park over the long weekend. Clubs from all over Western Australia competed against each other over the three days.

Cooper (Year 5) played in the WJTBC Under 11A’s, with their team winning the gold medallion and title as U11A’s State Champions for 2015. On top of that, Cooper received the MVP award in his team!

Fantastic job Cooper!
Chaplain’s Chat

Hi Everyone,

I have had a wonderful first few weeks of term. Cooking Pizza with a number of children on Thursday and creating friendship bracelets and pom-poms by the dozen! I so enjoy the children interacting peacefully, using the various activities available in my room at lunch time and recess. Meeting all the new Kindergarten children was a definite highlight. I have just started a BUZ course with Miss Embling’s year 3 class.

Bev Fruin
School Chaplain

School Banking NEWS

School Banking Rewards now available! Term 1

These new rewards have just been released for Term 1, and are available while stocks last:

- ET DVD
- Planet Handball

There is also some stock still available from last year.

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmates token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for these exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. There are 2 new items to come in Term 2 as well!

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

If your children are not currently involved in the School Banking program and you would like to know more, please come and see the School Banking Team on Wednesday mornings from 8.15 - 8.45 am in the undercover area.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program!
Attention: All Parents

MHPS Lapathon

Friday 13 March 2015

Cake Stall

Where? Undercover area  When? During recess and then beside the oval during the Lapathon

Please make or buy something yummy to sell at the cake stall.

****Remember to list all the ingredients of what you bake/bring. Some kids have food allergies and then know what to avoid.****

Please deliver your goods on the day to the undercover area between 08:15 and 09:00

All funds go towards the P&C Fundraising
COFFEE VAN!  kj Yellow Submarine will be located behind the canteen from 8:40am until 9:20am every Thursday morning and will be donating 10% of takings to the school.

kj Yellow Submarine is licensed to operate at Mawson Park 6am - 6pm 7days a week to attend birthday parties and celebrations.
BIKE DR.

Free Bike Check

To celebrate Bike Week 2015, the City of Joondalup is holding free bike checks by the Bike Doctor.

Sunday 15 March 2015
8.00am – 12.00noon
Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo

The Bike Doctor is a mobile bicycle mechanic who will perform a 5-10 minute check on your bike which includes:

• A condition assessment
• Minor servicing
• Bike advice.

Come down with your bike for a free bike check and also be in the running to win some great prizes.

Registrations are not required.

For more information call 9400 4232 or visit joondalup.wa.gov.au
Need help managing stress or anxiety?

If your child or teen has difficulties with anxiety or just seems to have too many worries, we would like to introduce you to BRAVE Self-Help – an interactive, online program for the prevention and treatment of childhood and adolescent anxiety. It was developed by a group of researchers from the University of Queensland and now, with the support of beyondblue, this program is now freely available to all young people aged 8 – 17 years old who are living in Australia. BRAVE Self-Help provides strategies for children and teenagers to better cope with their worries. There are 4 programs available, one for children aged 8 – 12 years, one for teenagers aged 12 – 17 years and one for parents of these ages respectively. The program can be accessed as often as you like, from the comfort of your own home. For more information, or to register for the program, please visit www.brave4you.psy.uq.edu.au.