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Our P&C Kitchen Garden Cookbook has just been released! It is the perfect Christmas gift and keepsake for someone special in your life for the very reasonable price of \$20.

Jam packed full of delicious recipes made by our students and including lots of fabulous images to get you inspired, the book is a collaboration between our Kitchen Garden Specialists, our amazing Art Department, the P&C Team and of course or awesome students.

How do you get your hands on a copy you ask?

BOOK SALE DETAILS

Tuesday 5th Dec and Thursday 7th Dec 8:30—9:00am

Friday 8th Dec 11:00–11:30 (after Year 6 Graduation Ceremony)

WHERE: at the gates near the bike racks

EFT and cash sales available

NOTE: Copies will also be available from Monday 4th Dec at the front office—STRICTLY CASH SALES ONLY





BROAD BEANS ON CRUSTY TOAST

- Mash the beans, either by hand or stick blend for a few seconds.
- Rub one side of toast with a cut garlic clove



Swimming Lessons

This week was our last week of swimming lessons at the beach. The students have enjoyed their time learning about water safety and improving their swimming techniques.

Planning for 2024

Thank you to parents who have notified the school that their children will be enrolling at another school in 2024. All the best for your child's learning journey. This information is valuable going forward with future planning.

Triple- P - Fearless

The Triple-P Fearless sessions is confirmed for Friday 1st December and information is included in this newsletter. We held this session for parents earlier this year and it was one of our best attended sessions for parents.

Kindy Transitions

The second session will be held on 29 November for students enrolled in our Kindy program for 2024.

End Of Year Presentations

We are looking forward to celebrating our students year in 2023 at the presentation times in week 9.

Go-Kart Day

This Friday 1 December is the Go-Kart building day for our year six students. We appreciate all the work that has gone into the collecting and supplying of materials from our families.

Lorraine Macaulay, Principal

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Room T4	Laila Dunkling			Senior—Room T6

FEAR-LESS TRIPLE P Session

Fear-Less Triple P helps you set a good example of coping with anxiety, coach children to become more emotionally resilient, and develop your own toolbox of strategies. We have organised a presenter to run this course at Margaret River Primary School on Friday 1st December from 9.15 – 10.30am in Room 2. Please RSVP the school on 9757 8500 if you would like to register for the session. The presenter will share ideas with ways to best support your child as they learn to manage anxiety more effectively.



Fear-Less Triple P is part of the comprehensive parenting system, the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program.



WHATS ON IN TERM 4....

29 Nov Little Kinders2024 play date 8 Dec Xmas Carols in the Park

30 Nov YR 3 Bioblitz 11 Dec Combined assembly

1 Dec **Pre-Primary Millers Excursion** 13 Dec Bands at The River

1 Dec YR 6 Go Kart Day 14 Dec Student last day

2 Dec YR 6 Graduation Party



OF YEAR CONCERTS AND CEREMONIES



Tuesday 5th December

Pre-Primary—9:15am

YEAR 1—10:15am

YEAR 2/3—11:45am

YEAR 4/5—2:15pm

Wednesday 6th December

KINDY K1 & K3—9:15am

Thursday 7th December

KINDY K2-9:15am

Friday 8th December

YEAR 6 GRADUATION 9.15am



SCHOOL BANDS

Wednesday 13th December

The River Hotel

5PM-7PM

\$5 entry fee per family (To be used for music room resources)

Cleaners Wanted

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Margaret River Primary School Location: 91 Forrest Road Margaret River

We are looking for dedicated and organised cleaners to join our friendly team on a relief or permanent basis.

For more information:

Contact Karen James, Manager Corporate Services by telephone

(08) 9757 8504 or

email: karen.james@education.wa.edu.au

Required documents—A current Working with Children's Check and an Education Department Screening Clearance.











Year 6 Camp









What an adventure was had by our year 6's!!!

Touring the Caves

Exploring Augusta's landmarks

Kayaking,
beachcombing and
coastal
trekking our
amazing
coastline

Climbing the high ropes through the treetops at Forest Adventures

Catapult and
Archery

Escaping the heat with water adventuring at Xscape ***

Plus so much more....





















Year 6 Graduation Party

This year's Year 6 Graduation Party will be held in the Small Theatre at the Heart. We've got a DISCO with a live DJ, Photo Booth, Fairy Floss, Drinks, Pizza, Ice Cream and loads of Fun!

When: Saturday, December the 2nd from 2:00 pm to 5:00pm.

Where: The Small Theatre at the Heart, Margaret River.

Who: This is a parent run event: donations and offers of assistance can be directed to Mr. Dowling at MRPS, Room 5 or Cate Chater at catechater@yahoo.co.uk

How much: \$15.00 in the Cash Envelope provided & delivered to the MRPS front office

or Bank Transfer as follows:

Please note your child's name on the bank transfer, and email catechater@yahoo.co.uk with a screen shot and student name.

BSB: 063000 Acc: 28031890 Acc Name: H & C Worsley

Parents, please ensure students return their signed permission forms to the front office.

NO signed permission form - No admittance.

Parents are expected to collect their child from the venue at 5:00pm as the event wraps up.

NO cash arrivals on the day.











The excitement is building for our Year 6 students as they near the end of their primary years. Pictured here helping with Graduation Party invite preparation.

MRPS ROCK BANDS LAST GIG

The Rock bands will be performing at The River on Wednesday 13th December 2023 from

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5.00 pm – 7.00 pm at The River. There is a small donation/entry fee of \$5.00 per family please.

The money raised will go towards resources for the music room, thank you. The format for the night is the same as Settlers Tavern. Students, with parent supervision, are to arrive at The River by 4.30 please.

We are looking for a donor to kindly donate an electric guitar amp pack for our fundraising raffle. If anyone in the position to do this, please contact Hel Bel at helen.collis@education.wa.edu.au or contact the school.

Can we please have two band parents/carers to transport the gear to and from the Tavern. Please contact Hel Bel if you can assist. Thank you.

Helen Collis, Music Specialist

WAATU KAATIJIN EMA - 'Passing the Torch'

Last week, students in the Educational Marine Area project shared their inspiring coastal conservation presentations with the community, parents, volunteers, sponsors, and the Year 4's.

The project was developed in partnership with Nature Conservation and involved Undalup Association, volunteers, scientists and marine rangers all working together to provide learning opportunities for our students. The project demonstrated that students at Margaret River Primary School care for our environment and, when supported by their teachers and community, are empowered to achieve great

things. They became active scientists and active citizens, learning about our unique environment and sharing how to care for it. We were privileged to have Zac Webb from Undalup association, who gifted the program's name 'Waatu Kaatijin - Ocean Knowledge,' to perform the Welcome to Country. The students 'Passed the Torch' to the current Year 4's in preparation for













their participation in Year 5. We would again like to thank all those involved for a fantastic program and year of learning.

What a swimming success!!

Our first lot of swimming lessons have nearly finished, and what a fantastic opportunity for our school children to experience our beautiful coastline while learning how to swim.

We have been blessed with mostly great weather over the last two weeks, creating perfect swimming conditions.

Thanks to everyone involved for contributing to ensure a smooth running event.





School Supplies Booklist

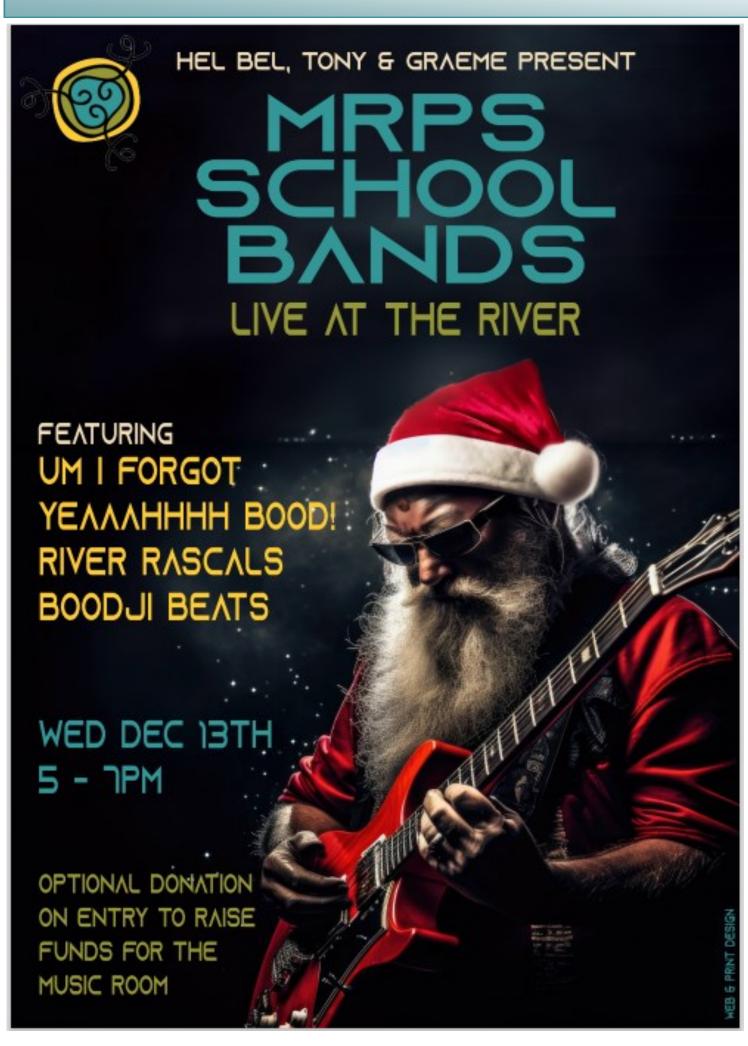
A hard copy of these lists has now been sent home with your child. Lists have also been sent home via a news item on Compass and you can also find them on our MRPS website here—2024 Booklists.

Margaret River Office Products will be coordinating our 2024 school supplies for next year and included along with the list are the options for ordering. Your booklist can be ordered via the following:

Online: www.mropd.com.au or clicking on the link https://booklist.officebrands.com.au/margaretriver

Email: booklist@mropd.com.au

In Person: Drop into our store Shop 1A/2 Acer Place, Margaret River WA 6285. Near Bunnings and BCF.





Perth, Western Australia Package

The Autism Camp WA program runs over 4 days and 5 nights. It is a river-side location. The program taps into existing regional group recreation/camp facilities with safety, privacy, autonomy and low sensory input as priorities. In Perth, Western Australia we partner with Point Walter Recreation Centre whose facilities which includes:

- 12 rooms (some single room, some adjoining twin depending on size of family) with ensuite, and access to a range of onsite outdoor and adventure activities and facilities.
- an Autism Camp Australia (ACA) proprioceptive sensory space; and
- an ACA workshop space.

All activities, apart from Equine Assisted learning, take place at the Autism Camp WA location in Point Walter and/or within walking distance of site.

Accommodation, Catering and Transport

- Five nights in accommodation sleeping up to six people in bunk beds including bed linen, doona's, pillows and one towel per person.
- A get-to-know first arvo/eve followed by four full days of activities.
- A fully catered camp
- Airport transfers if required from Perth Airport only. Transfer schedules are subject to arrival times of other families. Although we do recommend you hire a car during your stay to make the most of our beautiful region on your days off.

Our Team

- Camp Leader (on call 24/7 for the duration of your stay)
- Sibling Leader (8.30am-4pm every day)
- Lead Carers x 2 (8.30am-4pm every day)
- Carers (9am-4pm every day)
- All our Carers are qualified disability support workers, childhood education professionals, allied health professionals or youth workers with National Police Checks, WWCC/Blue Cards and First Aid training. All Carers have specific experience in supporting Autistic young people and are well versed in how to minimise and navigate triggers, and supporting young people to navigate anxiety related behavioural and emotional dysregulation.

Autistic Young Persons' Program

The Camp Leader and Carer-led program combines group therapy sessions with adventure and art/craft filled activities such as equine-assisted learning, art therapy, raft building and river bank adventures, high ropes and crate climb, sponge games and orienteering and local Indigenous Noongar Weaving and stories. Participants will be provided with a tailored social story before their camp, to prepare them for what is ahead. Each day begins with a half-hour visual planning session, and each afternoon ends with parent-led proprioceptive/sensory downtime in our dedicated proprioceptive space (this is available for use throughout your stay).

Siblings' Program

The program is led by our Sibling Leader and activity providers with activities such as raft building and river bank adventures, ACA Challenge (Ultimate Sports) & Pool Games, sponge games and orienteering and local Indigenous Noongar Weaving and stories, and a full day <u>Sibworks</u> program session - led by a childhood education specialist. The program allows siblings to come together, have fun, share experiences and learn ways of dealing positively with the challenges they face as the sibling of an Autistic young person.

Parents/Carers Program

All of the listed parents/carers activities and workshops are optional:

> Two half days of educational workshops to support your family.

> Two half days of self-care, including yoga, meditation, stretch and relaxing workshops, and **one free massage** from our talented masseuses (Second parents/carers are welcome to book in for an additional massage by private arrangement)

> Four half days to do as you please e.g. explore Point Walter and the surrounding region, shop-til-you-drop, lie on the beach. After all, this is about you having a holiday too!

For more info visit Autism Camp Australia













Week 1: Dec 18th - 22nd 2023 Week 2: Dec 27th - 29th 2023 Week 3: Jan 2nd - 5th 2024 Week 4: Jan 8th - 12th 2024 Week 5: Jan 15th - 19th 2024 Week 6: Jan 22nd - 25th 2024

Sports & Activities may include: Fundamental movement skill games, team challenges, capture the flag, dodgeball, gladiators, basketball, cricket, head catch, jailbreak, kingball, and more.

PLEASE NOTE: There are limited places available, book ahead to secure your spot.



SECURE A SPOT























