

IMPORTANT DATES...

Monday 11th May

Running Club commences before school, every Monday, Term two for interested Year 2 to 6 students.

Tuesday 12th May

Número Club commences before school, every Tuesday, Term two for Year 4 to 6.

Dear Parents & Carers,

Back in Business

Welcome back to Term 2. While we were not expecting the term to start the way it did, we are all so glad to see most of our students back at school where they belong. Our attendance has grown steadily over the first two weeks and we are now averaging well over 80% of students back in their classrooms. Schools are very strange places without students and while we still have our distancing measures in place, we are looking to get things back to normal as much as we can. We are ready to start back up with a number of our usual activities:

- Library. Children are now able to start borrowing from the library again. When books are returned they are sanitized and quarantined for 3 days before they can be borrowed again.
- Running Club. Years 2-6. Running Club will be starting up this Monday at 8.00am. Notes have gone out to interested students already. No parents at this stage but once restrictions are lifted you are welcome to join in.
- Número Club. This year, Número Club will take place before school on Tuesdays at 8.00am starting this Tuesday. It is open to students from Years 4-6. There are limited places so get your notes back as soon as you can.
- Times Tables Challenge. We want to build on the excellent work students did last year in learning their tables. Again students will work towards their Blue, Bronze, Silver and Gold badges. Please encourage your children to be involved as knowing tables is an essential skill for students to be successful in Mathematics.
- Sustainability programs. Our Nude Food day is Tuesday and on this day we would like students not to have their lunch wrapped in plastic. We are also continuing to collect batteries.

To start the game



We feel the drop-off and pick up procedures have been going really smoothly and I would again like to thank parents for sticking to the rules which are in place and the drop-off and collection timing. We hope it won't be too long before we can scale back some of the measures that are in place.

Learning from Home

With the vast majority of our students back at school it is now imperative that teachers focus on a face to face teaching program. The Department of Education made it clear from the very start that teachers were not expected to run dual programs but the teachers at Mullaloo Beach decided that with so many at home it was important to provide the work packages themselves.

As we move forward, parents choosing to educate their children from home will need to access the resources available through the Department's Learning from Home resources, website <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home>. These resources are now quite extensive and easy to navigate. Your child's teacher will still make contact every week either by phone or email and you will be able to contact them.



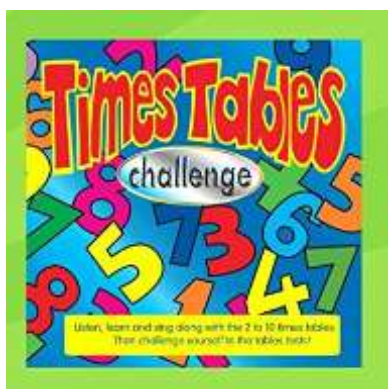
Some teachers may continue to send some materials for children to work through but this will not be a requirement. If you have any issues accessing the online resources, please let us know and we will do our best to assist.

A Great Achievement in Science

We are very proud to be able to report a wonderful achievement in Science by Evie from Year 4. Evie was one of a number of students to participate in the BHP Science and Engineering Awards and worked after school with our science teacher, Mrs Brown in the lead up to the competition. Evie's investigation examined which clothes are the best ones for people to donate to the homeless. She was able to design an investigation to test how well materials stopped heat escaping and hence would keep homeless people warm during the winter and at night. These awards were open to all public and private schools across Australia and we are very proud of her winning first place. Congratulations, Evie.



Mike Black
PRINCIPAL



MBPS Times Tables Challenge 2020

We are running our exciting Times Tables Challenge again this year. Students are invited to continue learning their times tables to earn our four MBPS Times Tables badges. Students that earn all four badges will be invited to compete for Mullaloo Beach Primary School Times Tables Champion of the year.

In order to earn each badge, students will need to know the following times tables:

BADGE	TABLES TESTED
BLUE BADGE	0x , 2x , 3x , 5x , 10x
BRONZE BADGE	2x , 3x , 4x , 5x , 10x , 11x
SILVER BADGE	2x , 3x , 4x , 5x , 6x , 7x , 8x , 9x
GOLD BADGE	2x --- 12x (Including Division)

Testing will take place during Thursday lunchtimes. The dates for each test will be displayed in classrooms and be included in the Newsletter.

We look forward to awarding many more badges again throughout the year.

MBPS Maths Committee



SOCIAL DISTANCE LUNCHES





Sustainability News



Nude Food Tuesday

Just a reminder that on Tuesdays all students are encouraged to bring in *nude food*, that is, a waste free lunch box with no wrappings or rubbish to discard in the bin. Waste Wise warriors will visit classrooms each Tuesday to tally how many students have done this. Each student who does this will receive a sustainability token. Students can deposit these in the green box in the library to go in the draw for a canteen voucher. Nude food individual and class winners will be announced each fortnight. It would be great if parents could support this initiative, and get into a habit of daily waste free lunch boxes.



Battery Recycling

Also, please bring in flat batteries to school to be recycled. It is very important not to put batteries in your bin at home so they do not go into landfill and pollute our underground water supplies. Mindarie Regional Council picks up our batteries and send them to South Korea to be recycled.



Stay Tuned...

We are in the process of allocating sustainability roles to each class. We are also working on how we can increase recycling initiatives at school.

Together our Mullaloo community can make a difference!

