Dear Parents and Carers

This week there are 2 key messages that I want to convey:

Please vote for the MRMS Wetlands Project in the SGIO People’s Choice Awards. (See page 9 of this week’s Mail). Whilst we have already been awarded a grant for restorative planting and weeding, we have been selected out of many applicants to double our funding if we get 1000 online votes and to triple our money if we get the most votes! This is totally do-able if we just get online and VOTE VOTE VOTE!!! Go to: communitygrantsprogram.com.au/margmont and click VOTE. Please share this link with everyone you know and let’s get those vote numbers climbing.

Our School Re-Registration was on Thursday last week and it was a fantastic success! The consultants said our documentation was well presented and to a high standard. They said we “met all the requirements” in all 12 Standards and have been told there will be NO RECOMMENDATIONS!

School Uniform – Please be reminded that students MUST be in full school uniform (including jackets) for all excursions or external visits. This is both about pride in the presentation of our School and about safety in being able to recognise our students when off school grounds.

School Reports – Reports have gone out. Thank you to parents who have made interview times. I would like to acknowledge the huge amount of work that goes into preparing reports by all teachers and to Deb Angell in the office for her time and effort painstakingly checking the layout of and printing reports.

We thank our music relief teacher Jacob Horsey for bringing us his songs and generally being fabulous. We also farewell Janine Pedrick and Karen Rebuck from MP1 and wish them all the very best.

Have a wonderful term break and we’ll see you all back on TUESDAY 22nd July.

Kind regards, Lisa Fenton
Junior Primary, Casa dei Fiori, Casa del Cielo and Casa del Sole
Jan, Corinna, Sue, Sonja, Sue P, Denise, Raylene, Trish and Gayna

Our edible gardens have produced an abundance of vegetables this past term. The children have enjoyed watching them grow, tending to the weeds, eating and selling the produce. Next term we will be using the produce to cook with and welcome any interest from parents to assist in this regard. We have also had visitors to our garden, Dot the merino lamb and Brett Field, Raylene's super human husband. Many thanks to Don's mum, Sarah for bringing Dot along for us all to enjoy and to Brett for his informative talk on how to remove a broken water feature.

We farewell Belle Osmotherly, our Margaret River High School workplace student who has assisted us in the classrooms over the past weeks. Belle has plans to work during her Gap Year and then return to study and become a teacher. We wish her well in her future endeavours.

Enjoy your holiday break!
Wishes for Health and Happiness from the Junior Primary staff.

Middle Primary, Casa del Mare and Casa della Stella
Hello everyone,
Wow, Term 2 has flown by with lots of busy work happening in MP1 and MP2.
We have continued our visits from the Cape to Cape Catchments Group with an exciting excursion to our wetland last week. The children explored the wetland, carefully taking samples of the macro invertebrates found in the water and then using a classification chart to identify what they had found. We were all surprised to learn that the wetland was home to so many amazing little creatures!
Last week the children hosted a special morning tea to farewell Janine. We have loved having Janine in MP1 and we will miss her!

Tomorrow (Friday) MP children have the choice of watching a movie (bring a cushion) or playing board games (bring one from home). We hope that you have a fantastic holiday, and we will see you in two weeks!

Kate & Jasmine, Lee-Anne, Tilly & Karen

0-3, Casa del Fiume
The 0-3 groups have been full once again for Term 2 have a couple of spots left for both Tuesdays and Thursdays Term 3. Parents and babes enjoyed a visit to the Junior Primary classrooms on their last week.
Introducing the new KidsMatter Corner! KidsMatter is an umbrella program that our School is a part of. It covers many aspects one of which is around the mental health and resilience of our students and the effects of these on all academic and social progress. Every now and then the KidsMatter Corner will supply a resource for parents to use at home with your children, which aligns with the work we do with them here at school around social and emotional learning. Please have a look at the attachment, which is this time about learning positive friendship skills, including what to do and say when you child says they don’t have any friends. There is no health without mental health!

**Parent Commitment Hours**

Parents if you helped with the recent Busy Bee those hours can be rolled over to term 3 if need be. There will be no Busy Bee for Term 3. Our next one will be at the start of Term 4 so please check with your classroom teacher and class mentor for Term 3 commitment jobs. Some classes need help with laminating and resource making. Also the P&F needs quite a bit of help for Cow Pat and Deja Moo that will all count.

### Virtue of the Month: Enthusiasm

We are practising enthusiasm when we:
- Let ourselves look forward to something
- Give 100% to what we are doing
- Think positively – look on the bright side of things
  - Smile, laugh and enjoy what we do
- Think of imaginative ways to get things done.
  - Enjoy the wonders of life.

**Maintenance Scholarship**

The school wishes to thank Brett Field for stepping up for the role of “Maintenance”. We have kept Brett busy and appreciate his efforts and quality workmanship.

**P&F Committee**

We have had a busy and productive term 2.

The Staff Room has been renamed The Tea Room and the P&F have funded and supplied furniture that is for the staff, parents and visitors to the school to all enjoy and utilize. Thanks Charity for sourcing and delivering.

Deja Moo – 12th July – we have a stall and need helpers please – see the signs outside classrooms and the roster on office door.

P&F have agreed to allocate $2000 to the Music program for headphones and much needed storage for equipment.

Planning ahead we are looking at the end of year Christmas bash and putting out our feelers for ideas? We would like to hear from you!

Thank you, P&F Committee

**After School Sport**

Term 3 we have a representative from Lara Lee Dance to run 5 Hip Hop dance sessions. Beginning week 2 to be held as usual on Tuesdays 3-4pm. Please register your interest, MP & UP students only. Also will be AFL footy skills and table tennis. Info soon.

Now get on board with selling Cow Pat Lotto tickets, vote for our wetlands in the people’s choice award and enjoy the school holidays. 24/7 with your own offspring… are you ready?

Any questions email

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**School Council**

"Your children are so lucky to attend this school"... comments made by the Department of Education Services during their re-registration visit. Upon reflection, perhaps the term ‘school’ does not refer to the building or site but rather the community that makes the school. Big thank you from the Council to Lisa and all staff for the continued professionalism that was so evident to the Department.

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Montessori Margaret River Primary School is now on Facebook:
www.facebook.com/margaretrivermontessori

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Seeking Refuge - Exhibition by Richard Wainwright

This year represents a grim milestone as the number of people forced to flee their homes has exceeded 50 million for the first time since the Second World War. But what does it mean to be a refugee? What forced them to leave, what have they experienced and how are they surviving now? This collection of images represents just a few of the many refugees who have fled Syria, Afghanistan, Darfur, Somalia and South Sudan. Through images and text, their individual stories are told. The aim of this exhibition is to allow the viewer an insight into the lives of others, to explore the challenges they face and equally to admire their resilience and dignity. The hope is that it engages and encourages you to want to create positive change.

Venue: Kidogo Arthouse, Bathers Beach, off Mews Rd, Fremantle Gallery times: Tue – Sat 11 – 4. Sun by appointment on 0401333309 Ends: Sun 13th July

Arts Margaret River presents

A Perth Theatre Company and Weeping Spoon production: The Adventures of Alvin Sputnik: Deep Sea Explorer @ Margaret River Cultural and Events Centre

Wednesday 16th July, 7.30pm

The Adventures of Alvin Sputnik: Deep Sea Explorer is a tiny tale set in the deepest dark blue sea, of a solitary explorer with a heart as big as a whale. Tickets are: Adults $30, Arts Hub Member $25, Children $15, Family (2 adults, 2 children) $72, Arts Hub Family $64

Book online at www.artsmargaretriver.com or phone 9758 7316 (Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm)

July School Holidays @ Your Shire Libraries

Books-to-go at the book cubby: Make your own storybook

Create your own story book in the travelling book cubby this school holidays. Margaret River Library is hosting the State Library book cubby which contains books written by children and communities from around Australia and the world. You can become a part of this exhibition by making your own book of which you can keep the original and we make a colour copy which will travel with other books in the cubby across Western Australia. Due to the size of the cubby, we can only hold sessions at Margaret River Library. Please call 9758 5620 to be a part of this initiative project, as places are limited.

Margaret River Library session 1: Tuesday 9 July, 10.15-11.15am

Margaret River Library session 2: Wednesday 9 July, 1.00-2.00pm

Phone 9758 5620 to book your place, sessions are best suited children over 5 years old

Library Lego Club! Are you up for the challenge?

The Library Lego Club is on again and this time you can come along to our first session at Augusta Library too! Take on our challenges to win a prize and you may even get a photo taken of your awesome creation to cheer your friends. Places are limited to those 5-12s sessions and they book out fast, so phone the library to secure your spot. Lego club is best suited for children over 5 years old.

Margaret River Library: Wednesday 16 July, 1.00-2.00pm

Phone 9758 5620 for bookings

Augusta Library: Friday 19 July, 10.30-11.30

Phone 9758 5620 to reserve your place

Regular Baby Rhyme Time and Storytime sessions are in recess over the school holidays.

Baby Rhyme Time resumes weekly sessions Monday 21 July at 3.30pm at Margaret River Library. No bookings required, just turn up.

Storytime resumes weekly sessions Tuesday 22 July at 9.35 for 10.30am start at Margaret River Library and there are no bookings required.

Yaddalup Tales is held Thursday August 14, at 10.30am at Augusta Library book your children’s places. Please note the non AA capacity due to school holiday activities.

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