MAKYBE RISE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Makybe Rise News

Principal's Message

Hello Makybe Rise Families

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2016. Our newsletter is our school's number one communication tool with our families alongside classroom Connect pages.

What a wonderful start we have had to the new school year! It has been a delight to welcome back familiar faces and make new friends. How wonderful the children all look in their Makybe school uniforms!

At Makybe Rise, we proudly wear our school uniform as a symbol of the high standards of our school. Our staff consistently return uniform items found in the playground to their owners but can only do this if the uniform items are clearly labelled with a student's full name. With nearly 1000 children at school, initials or first names are not enough to correctly identify rightful owners. Parents, white laundry markers do a great job of labelling hats and jumpers.

This week we are proud to launch our new school initiative *Parents Make Makybe.* Children will bring their passports home this week.

This week your child will also begin to have the opportunity to contribute to our school points system. Each day children can contribute up to three points to their classroom tally. Every child can contribute a point for being in attendance, a point for being on time and a point for being in correct school uniform. Tribes shirts are welcomed on Wednesdays for all students and Fridays for children in PP-6.

Attendance will be a big focus again for us this year. In 2015, the attendance rates at Makybe Rise PS rose to match the average for the state and also the average for this region. Please continue to consider carefully the impact on your child's learning when you are booking family holidays. It is not an acceptable practice for children to be removed from school for holidays during the school term.

Thank you to all the children and parents who have followed our school rules regarding times to play on the playgrounds. All school playground equipment is out of bounds before and after school - this includes toddlers. When children arrive at school at 8.30am, they need to go straight to class to prepare for the day. After school only, our Makybe community is invited to supervise their children playing on the playground in the early childhood area. This is the only area for which we have this agreement.

I have been very pleased to see children wearing helmets as they ride their bikes, scooters and skateboards into the school. It is a school requirement that students wear helmets and walk their bikes/scooters inside the school grounds.

Parking continues to be an issue for us here at Makybe and parents are asked to show patience and mutual respect so that all our children are kept safe. Please be aware that Rangers regularly patrol the school and issue fines for parking infringements. Please respect the rights of our neighbours and do not park in private driveways or on the corners of streets as this blocks safe line of sight for traffic.

Steph McDonald
Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES

- **10 February - P&C AGM Meeting 6.30pm Staff Room**
- **22 February - 18 March: Swimming Lessons**
- **25 February - Whole school parent workshop: Cyber Safety**
- **7 March - Labour Day Public Holiday**
- **11 March - Parents Make a Difference workshop for Kindy parents**
- **16 March - Parents Make a Difference workshop for Pre-primary parents**
- **21 March - Harmony Day P&C Dress Up Day**
- **22 March - Swimming Trials**
- **25 March - Good Friday Public Holiday**
- **28-29 March - Easter Public Holidays**
- **1 April - P&C Disco**
- **4 April - Makybe Magic Kids Morning Tea**

Bikes, Scooters & Skateboards

Thank you to all our wonderful children who have remembered to walk their bikes, scooters and skateboards inside the school grounds.

This is one of the many ways we show each other mutual respect and ensure that we keep everybody safe.

It is also equally as important to make sure that every child riding a bike, scooter or skateboard to school wears a helmet that is done up nice and tight under the chin.

Sun Smart Hats

At Makybe Rise, it is a requirement that all children wear a broad brimmed hat to school every day.

Caps do not meet sun safe standards and are not accepted as meeting school uniform policy.

Makybe brimmed hats are available from the uniform shop.

We are a 'no hat, no play' school.

Uniform Shop

Our Uniform Shop, run by Uniform Concepts, is located in the Undercover Area.

Monday 1.00pm - 3.45pm
Thursday 8.00am - 10.45am

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Uniform Concepts

Uniform Standards

At Makybe Rise, we apply our high standards to everything that we do. Parents, please be reminded that we do not have tracksuits, jeans, jeggings, black or colourful items of clothing as part of our uniform at Makybe Rise.

Parents Make Makybe Passports

At Makybe Rise, we believe that it is the adults in the community - parents, grandparents, school staff - who, together, create this wonderful school experience for our children.
Growing confident and capable children is a complex and time consuming task that requires us to all pitch in and make our contribution to our school.
The Parents Make Makybe Initiative is a joint initiative between the School Board and the P&C and is designed to:

1. Celebrate and reward families for their support of the school and their own child's learning;
2. Assist families to identify areas in the school where their support would be valued and would make a real difference.

This week, children will bring home their PMM Passport. At the end of term, every child who has a stamp in each of the three columns will be invited to a fun reward event.
The passports have been tailored to suit younger or older students and also to accommodate working parents.
We would deeply appreciate your support with the activities listed for this term. We have tried hard to make them achievable and to select activities which directly benefit your children.
Please see the website for full policy details.

Allergy Aware School

Throughout the school year it is important to remember that we are an **allergy aware school**. Anaphylaxis is a severe, often rapidly progressive allergic reaction that is potentially life threatening.

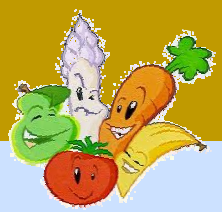
At Makybe Rise, we have several students who are allergic to either food, medications or insect bites. All of our staff have been trained in how to deal with anaphylaxis but protecting the safety of our children is the responsibility of all of us.

No assumptions can be made about foods. Food allergens such as peanuts, shellfish, soy or milk are often not obvious in packaged foods, even after careful inspection.

If your child suffers from an allergy, please ensure you have completed and returned to the school all of the necessary health forms.

If your child does not have allergies, please take care with the contents of your child's lunchbox. Chances are they will have someone in their class with this condition.

Dave Lewis
Deputy Principal



Crunch & Sip

Crunch and Sip is a daily break for students to eat fresh fruit or salad, vegetables and drink water in the classroom.

At Makybe Rise we believe that a dedicated time during the day to break for fresh fruit and a drink of water not only increases our children's awareness of the importance of eating healthily, but also enables them to maintain their energy and focus until the end of the day.

All classrooms at Makybe Rise observe a Crunch and Sip time sometime throughout the day.

We are aiming for 100% participation in our Crunch and Sip program. Our staff would appreciate it if parents would send some fruit or vegetables and a water bottle to school each day.

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PARENT CYBER SAFETY PRESENTATION

THURSDAY, 25TH FEB 2016 - 6.30PM TO 8.00PM

Bookings for the event are essential (child minding is available); please visit: www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

We are proud to announce that Paul Litherland of Surf Online Safe will be attending Makybe Rise Primary School on the 25th of February 2016 to speak to our Year 5 & 6 students on the subject of Cyber Safety. Paul comes highly recommended and has been presenting to many other schools in Perth over the past 3 years. He is one of Perth's leading presenters on this subject and as a former Western Australian Police Officer can offer some great knowledge and experience to our students to help them better understand the risks of the online world. Paul will be presenting to our students on subjects such as Online Footprint and Digital Citizenship, Image Sharing, Social Networking, Cyber Bullying as well as mobile phone and tablet use. His student presentations are very informative and we have no doubt our students will benefit greatly from this education.

The school has also booked Paul for an evening Parent Presentation on that same day, commencing at 6.30pm and concluding at approximately 8.00pm. We would invite the parents of all our students to attend this event. Paul's Parent Presentations are very informative and offer some great tips and tricks on how to keep our kids safe online, as well as how to stay one step ahead of them in the Online World. Paul outlines the information he presented earlier in the day to our students and offers feedback in regard to how those presentations were received.

Paul offers easy to follow information on a wide range of subjects relevant to us all.
Subjects include;

Social Networking : What our kids are using. Trends & Pitfalls.
Online Predators : Risks & Trends, protection methods.
Cyber Bullying : Detection, prevention & coping.
The Law : How it relates to us all.
Device Use : Phones, Tablets & PC's, Tips & Tricks.
Image Sharing : Statistics, Risks, Tips & Hints.

For more information on this event, please email: makybeRise.ps@education.wa.edu.au
To book, please visit: www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

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PAUL LITHERLAND - SURF ONLINE SAFE

From 2009 to 2014, I was working within the Technology Crime Investigation Unit of the Western Australia Police, a division of Computer Crime. We dealt with issues ranging from people being ripped off on Ebay and Gumtree, to Romance Scams and Hacking, right up to kids being groomed by Online Predators. It was a massive world of which even I did not realise was so out of control.

The last 2 years of my career, I became increasingly frustrated with the lack of legislation and authority I had as a Police Officer to act on the concerns of the parents and educators who were contacting my office on a daily basis. The majority of these calls were ended with the simple phrase, "Sorry, but it is not against the law." It was upsetting to respond in this way, but in reality, I really had no choice. The internet has been around since 1994, yet legislation has failed (or refused) to catch up. As such, many schools, parents and kids themselves are being left to deal with such matters on their own. In my opinion, I thought this was simply unacceptable.

I had soon given up on trying to press our government for change and instead decided that education was the better approach. I felt that if I could get my message out to as many schools as possible, the risk our kids were being exposed to every day would hopefully reduce. In 2014, I therefore made the decision to retire from the WA Police to pursue my dream of educating kids and Surf Online Safe was born. Since then I have gone from visiting only 3 schools in my local area, to presenting to 140 schools across Perth. I look forward to becoming part of the Makybe Rise Primary School community and to presenting to your students, parents and teachers.

Paul Litherland - Owner, Surf Online Safe.