Welcome to Ellie who commenced in Year 5 this week. We would like to wish Ellie and her family a happy and rewarding time at Mt Martha Primary School.

We need your feedback and value your opinions!

Please support our commitment to improve student mental health and wellbeing at Mt Martha Primary School by completing the KidsMatter Parent Survey.

The KidsMatter Parent Survey will be available to complete online from Monday 12th May for a period of one month. Paper-based surveys will also be available from the office as required. We will continue to provide reminders and links in the Banksia Bulletin over the next few weeks. You can access the survey at: www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary-parentsurvey

To select our school you will need to type in: Mount Martha Primary School, MOUNT MARTHA, VIC. A direct link will also be available on the Mount Martha Primary School website home page.

Thank you for your support.
Karen Marsh and the KidsMatter Team.

NAPLAN Assessment

“The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. On Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 May, students will complete the 2014 NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. It also provides valuable information that allows schools and governments to better target support to help all students achieve their potential and acquire the basic skills to help them build successful and happy lives. Students are expected to participate in the tests. Students with a disability may qualify for reasonable adjustments that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom.

For information about participation in NAPLAN, you can go to: http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support.html

NAPLAN tests fundamental skills rather than specific content. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child’s results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.nap.edu.au. If you have any questions about the NAPLAN please contact your child’s classroom teacher or myself.

Karen Walker, Assistant Principal.

VOLUNTEER WEEK

National Volunteer Week will be celebrated from 12 - 18 May 2014. This is a great time to recognise the valuable contribution made by our school’s dedicated volunteers, who give up their time and use their expertise to provide students with the very best learning and development opportunities.

To acknowledge our many volunteers we would like to invite you to a special morning tea on Monday 12th May at 11.00am in our Staff Centre.

COMING EVENTS

MAY

Friday 9th
• Whole School Cross Country

Cross Country Times
9.00am - Prep - 1km
9.30am - Year 1 - 1km
10.00am - Year 6 - 3km
11.30am - Years 3 & 4 - 2km
2.00pm - Year 2 - 1km
2.30pm - Year 5 - 3km

Tues 13th, Wed 14th & Thu 15th
• Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN

Wednesday 14th
• Yr 1A, 1B & 1C Excursion to Heronswood Gardens
• 2015 Prep Information Evening

Thursday 15th
• Yr 1C & 1D Excursion to Heronswood Gardens
• Year 2 Excursion to Gould League & Replas Recycling

Friday 16th
• Curriculum Day students do not attend

- OSHC Curriculum Day Program - Bookings close tomorrow, Ph: 0407 438 858 (see flyer attached)

Tuesday 20th
• Year 4 Excursion to Mt Martha Sewage Plant
• Year 5 Excursion to Cranbourne Botanic Gardens

Friday 23rd
• Year 6 Excursion to Scienceworks
• Prep Grandparent Morning Tea

Mon 26th - Fri 30th
• Book Fair week

Tuesday 27th
• Year 4 South East Water Inc

JUNE

Mon 2nd - Fri 6th
• Whole school World Maths Incursion

Tuesday 3rd
• Year 4 ‘Drains to the Bay’ walk

Friday 20th
• Gold for Green Day

Monday 23rd

SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORTING MEETING
TONIGHT 6.45pm in Staff Centre
All welcome
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SCHOOL TERMS 2014
TERM 1 30th January to 4th April
TERM 2 22nd April to 27th June
TERM 3 14th July to 19th September
TERM 4 6th October to 19th December

BOOK FAIR
Wednesday 28th to Friday 30th May. Mt Martha Primary School is hosting a Book Fair. This special event celebrates books and reading and gives children, parents, teachers and community members the opportunity to purchase quality books. The fair will be set up in the Staff Centre and will be visited by each class at their allocated time on Monday and Tuesday during school hours. From Wednesday we encourage you to drop in and take a look at what’s on offer during the following times:

Wednesday 28th 8.30 - 9.30am and 3 - 4pm
Thursday 29th 8.30 - 9.30am and 3 - 4pm
Friday 30th 8.30 - 9.30am only (there is no afternoon session)

A percentage of the proceeds from the sales of these books directly contributes to raising funds for the school to purchase many more valuable resources for our children’s literacy pleasure. This is a great opportunity to have a leisurely browse at some of the great books available.

Georgina, Bookclub Coordinator.

2015 Prep Information Evening
Wednesday 14th May
7.15pm in Staff Centre
A school tour will commence at 6.30pm from the Staff Centre, please note no bookings are required.

A friendly reminder to families and friends that Melrose Dve is reserved for STAFF PARKING. Please use Eco Park or Glenisla Dve.

Mt Martha Primary School strives to provide a safe environment for students, staff and visitors. Please alert the office to any hazards.
MT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM  

CURRICULUM DAY  
FRIDAY 16th MAY 2014  

COME IN AND JOIN US FOR OUR DAY!  

RENEW, REUSE AND RECYCLE!!!  

COST: $40.00 PER CHILD (LESS CCB%/CCR)  
CONTACT: GILLIAN ON 0407 438 858 FOR BOOKINGS AND AN ENROLMENT FORM  
HOURS: 7.00AM TO 6.00PM  

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