**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM**
Over many years this highly successful program has provided hundreds of students with the opportunity to learn to play instruments of their choice. The school is pleased to be able to offer this program again in 2013. An enrolment form is included in this newsletter for families interested in this program.

**VICTORIAN SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES**
The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development offer face-to-face classes in many languages. Interested families should contact the school office for information or visit www.vsl.vic.edu.au

**STOP WORK - AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION UNION (AEU)**
School communities are well aware of the stop work action called by the Australian Education Union. Stop work is one aspect of the bans imposed during the enterprise bargaining negotiations. Rolling stop works are being held around the State with the date being November 28th for schools in our area. In line with industrial action requirements the staff taking stop work action on Wednesday 28th November will notify me by noon on Monday 26th. A notice informing families of the arrangements for our school will be sent home with the students that afternoon.

**Out of School Hours Care Program – fee structure for 2013**
At the School Council meeting in October councillors agreed to a small increase in fees for families using the Out of School Hours Care Program (OSHCP). These changes to fees will be effective from January 2013.

Below is the new fee structure;

- Mornings $16 per child (was $14)
- Afternoons $19 per child (was $17)
- Whole day (Curriculum Days) $40 per child (was $35)

There is no change ($30) for the annual family booking fee. Councillors believe that with no increase in fees for over 2 years it is reasonable that these small increases are made to meet the increased cost of running the Program.

Hugh O’Brien, Assistant Principal.

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**Instrumental Concerts**
- Tuesday December 4 Instrumental Music Concert (Woodwind & Brass) 6.30pm in school Gym.
- Wednesday 5th December Piano Concert 6.45pm at New Peninsula Church.
- Thursday 6th December Guitar & Contemporary Music Concert 6.00pm in the school Gym.

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**COMING EVENTS**

**NOVEMBER**
- Thurs 15th Nov to Thurs 13th Dec
  - Year 2 Swimming at Kings Swim Centre
- Friday 23rd
  - Year 5 Bike Ed 9-11am
- Wednesday 28th
  - AEU Stopwork Action
- Thursday 29th
  - Year 4 Bike Ed 9-11am

**DECEMBER**
- Wednesday 5th
  - PTA Morning Tea
- Thursday 13th
  - Year 4 Fish n Chip Lunch at Mt Martha Beach
- Monday 17th
  - Year 6 Graduation Evening
- Tuesday 18th
  - Year 6 Graduation Excursion to Vic Market & MSAC
- Wednesday 19th
  - Prep visit to Arthurs Seat Maze
  - Year 2 Walk to Balcombe Estuary
  - Year 5 Beach Picnic at Mt Martha Beach
- Thursday 20th
  - Final whole school Assembly for 2012. 9.10am in Gym

**Friday 21st**
Last day of school.
Students dismissed from classroom at 1.30pm
SPORTS NEWS

JOGGING CLUB
These are the final days of jogging club until we finish for 2012. If you need to push yourself to reach a milestone, make sure you get down to the basketball courts every Tuesday – Friday at 8.40am – 8.55am (till music starts) to complete some laps. Certificates will be presented to those children who achieve a milestone at their year level assemblies.

At our final assembly, students who have been consistently jogging throughout the year and reach 100km will be presented with a medal. There will also be trophies for the 3 students who have completed the most laps this year.

The Flintoff King Honour board will be presented at this assembly to the class who has run the most laps throughout the year……who will take the honour this year? Will Miss McKillop’s class hold onto it for another year?? Only time will tell!!!

BEEP TEST
Congratulations to the students in Years 2 - 6 for completing the Beep Test during PE lessons last week. This fitness test examines aerobic endurance. Many students do become nervous before it starts and are very proud when they complete the test. The majority of students improved their test score from Semester one. Well done everyone!!

MISSING UNIFORMS
All our sporting activities require uniforms and equipment. Can everyone who has represented our school in winter/summer sports, cross country, athletics and swimming - please check if you have uniform at home and bring it back to school as soon as possible so we have enough sports tops for our teams in 2013.

Cameron Sweatman, Physical Education Teacher.

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Invitation to Discussion on our School’s Student Engagement & Wellbeing Policy

We are inviting interested parents to a forum where we will discuss our Student Engagement Policy which can be viewed on our school website. Please visit http://www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au/ and click on the tab “About us”. You will see a menu item titled “Policies” and in there you will find the current Student Engagement Policy. If you would prefer to have a hard copy of the draft please collect one at the office.

This policy includes our Whole School Behaviour Plan and Student Code of Behaviour. We invite you to a discussion on either of two sessions on Tuesday December 4 at 2.30pm and 5.30pm.

If you would like to participate please complete the slip below indicating which session you would like to attend.

Discussion on our School’s Student Engagement Policy on Tuesday 4th December

Name/s of parent/s wishing to attend:

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Students’ names: ................................................................................................

Please tick the session you are coming to on December 4th.

2.30pm □ 5.30pm □

Mary O’Brien, Wellbeing.
**Family Maths Problems**

Here are some ways you can enjoy Maths with your family.

**Cows in the paddock**

You will need
- paper and a pencil

What to do
1. Pretend you are visiting a farm with lots of animals.
2. Draw a paddock.
3. Draw 8 cows inside and 3 outside.
4. How many cows altogether?
5. Write a story or some sums about the picture you have drawn.

Some more activities

What kind of animals might go in another small paddock next to the cows? Draw 5 of them, in a pattern like the ‘5’ on a dice or playing cards.

**Counting macaroni**

You will need
- a cup
- macaroni (large size, such as spirals)
- paper, pencil or pen

What to do
1. How many pieces do you think there will be in one cupful of macaroni? Check your answer.
2. Put the pieces into groups of 5. How many groups of 5 are there? How many are left over. Write a number story to explain this.
3. Put the pieces into groups of 10. How many groups of 10 are there? How many are left over? Write a number story to explain this.
4. Try the activity again using
   - groups of 3
   - groups of 7
   - groups of 4
5. Remember to write a number story for each one.

**Coin toss**

You will need
- coins, paper and pencil.

What to do
1. Estimate how many times a coin will turn up heads and tails in 64 throws.
2. Two people (or more) each toss a coin 64 times and record numbers of heads and tails. Compare recordings: are the totals the same? Why?
3. Estimate the number of heads and tails in 87 tosses (for example 26 heads to 59 tails). Check them out.
4. Now total the number of tosses, the number of heads thrown and the number of tails thrown. What are some of the things you have discovered?

Donna Gadsby, Maths Curriculum Leader.
Hello MMPS Families

**Parent’s Morning Tea** - We will be celebrating the end of year by gathering together to catch up, eat Christmas treats and enjoy a cuppa on **Wednesday the 5th of December** in the Staff Centre after school drop off. Look forward to seeing you there!

PTA are organising a ‘Welcome to the 2013 school year” family picnic evening. Pencil in the 22nd of February 2013. We hope that all families will be able to come together for a fun family afternoon/evening to help celebrate the beginning of another wonderful year. There will be entertainment – more details to follow!

We had a wonderful time last Thursday at the afternoon tea for our 2013 Preps. It was wonderful to meet the new families and also watch the children enjoy their new school. The Year 6 Prep Leaders did a wonderful job supervising activities. Thank you to the PTA - Amanda G, Joadie, Tara, Amy, Cameron Sweatman, Alice Harvey and Sophie and Michelle for helping with the afternoon tea. The Prep teaching staff did an amazing job organising this activity and making the families feel welcome.

At our last meeting PTA discussed ideas for 2013 - some events that are in the planning for 2013 are - The Family Picnic Evening, The Twilight Market, Mother’s Day Stall, Prep 1 and 2 movie night, Oaks Day, Father’s Day Breakfast, Footy Day, The Recycle Clothing Night, A Bush Dance and more.........

The first big fundraising event for 2013 is the Twilight Market - if this is something that you would be keen to be a part of please email me on djmayer@bigpond.com - remember this is a big event for the MMPS community and this year we raised over $11,000.

Please note that these events are subject to the PTA forming again next year and also the restrictions associated with the union bans.

By the way 34 more sleeps !

A huge thank you to Bell’s Meats and Halo of Mornington for their generous donations for the Oaks Day Event.

Jaala Mayer, PTA President.

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**Parents’ and Teachers’ Association Noticeboard**

**Shop for your 2013 School Uniform during November and enjoy a 5% discount!**

Laybys are available with a 20% deposit. All laybys must be collected by Friday 14 December 2012.

Please note our store will be closed from:
Friday December 21 and will reopen Thursday January 3, 2013.

**PSW SHOP ONLINE**

www.psw.com.au - uniforms delivered to your door.

*Sorry this offer is not available online.

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**PSW FRANKSTON**

21 Playne Street,
Frankston VIC 3199

**Monday to Friday:**

8.30am - 5pm

**Saturday:**

9am - 5pm
Just a reminder the Lion’s Club Raffle tickets are due back at the school sold or not by tomorrow Friday 30th November.

The tickets are $2.00 each and the school receives 80c out of every $1.00 they receive.

As an added incentive to sell all your raffle tickets, Rebel Sport is offering you the chance to win one or two $25 Rebel Sport Gift Vouchers. To be in the draw you need to sell all your tickets and return the attached book seller’s voucher to school with your ticket butts.

The draw will take place on December 23.

Year Three Chemical Science

This term Year Three students have been experiencing many aspects of chemical science.

A CSIRO visit began this journey for the students, where states of matter, molecules and chemical change were all discussed and explored.

Since then classes have been carrying out experiments such as making popcorn, jelly and sherbet. Most students have enjoyed the pleasant fact that the outcomes have been edible!

Each student has been set a technology challenge in designing and constructing a sherbet container. We had some very active engineers working diligently to create unique containers that didn’t leak!

Classes have rotated through other activities such as liquid sandwiches, making aliens, milky plastic and film canister rockets.

The children should be congratulated for the curiosity, persistence and cooperative skills they have displayed during this unit.

Many thanks go to my fellow Year Three colleagues who have worked hard to coordinate and carry out the very hands-on aspects of this unit.

Jenny Spiridis, Year Three Team Leader.
HOLIDAY CLUB
Expression of Interest

Mount Martha Primary School

Would a Holiday Club at your School benefit you and your family?

Dear Mount Martha Primary School Parent/Guardian,

Would you like the convenience of a Holiday Club at Mount Martha Primary School?

Camp Australia in conjunction with Mount Martha Primary School is currently conducting a survey to determine the level of interest in offering a Holiday Club service during the school holiday period.

We would like to encourage all parents to complete this brief survey to help us determine your needs. The survey will take approximately 3 minutes of your time.

Please visit https://www.research.net/s/mountmarthaprimaryschoolholidayclub

To find out more information about our FUN, QUALITY, ENGAGING and SAFE holiday club programs, please visit our website at www.campaustralia.com.au

Thank you for your participation in this survey.

Regards,
Camp Australia Team
1731 Malvern Road
Glen Iris VIC 3146
p. 1300 105 343
www.campaustralia.com.au

UNIFORM SHOP at MMPS

Please be advised on Book Collection Day Thursday 24th January the Uniform Shop will be open from 8.30am until 4pm. Please collect any pre ordered items from the Uniform Shop on this day or alternatively if you ordered from PSW Frankston you will have to collect from there. Thursday 13th December 2012 is the last day for this year that the Uniform Shop will be open at MMPS. The Uniform Sop will re-open for 2013 on Thursday 31st January from 3pm to 4pm.
The following Instrumental Lessons may be available during 2013. Please return this page to the School Office if you are interested in having your child:

(1) commence learning an instrument or
(2) continue learning the same instrument at school.

If you would like to register interest for more than one child, please complete a separate form for each child. Additional forms are available at the School Office.

☐ First time hire of this instrument  ☐ Continuation of hire for current instrument

**Limited places are available for lessons. Not all instruments are available to all year levels.**

Please note that if your child is not immediately placed in the Instrumental Program then his/her name will be put on a waiting list. You will be contacted by the Instrumental Teacher when a suitable vacancy arises.

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Please note: A copy of this form will be provided to the instrumental teacher.

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**Please circle your preferred option below (Year level availability listed below each option).**

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**2013 Lesson Pricing:**

- 30 minutes lesson - $27
- 20 minutes lesson - $19 (piano only)
- 30 minute Shared Lesson (Flute only) - $19

Instruments available for hire from the school are Clarinet, Flute and Saxophone for $168 per year.

☐ I would like to hire an instrument in 2013  ☐ I will supply my child with their own instrument

All instruments are to be returned to the School Office by Friday 6th December 2013. A late return fee will be imposed for those instruments not returned by this date. There is no hire available over the December/January school break. This time is necessary for instrument maintenance and for the school to be able to meet hire needs for 2014.

**REFUND POLICY**

Refunds are calculated on a pro rata term basis (not on a weekly basis). Parents wishing to cancel their Instrument Hire Agreement due to unforeseen circumstances are to contact the School Office. If a refund is approved it will be calculated as follows; for example: If you return an instrument in Week 1 of Term 2 you will receive a refund for Terms 3 & 4. If you return an instrument in Week 10 of Term 3 you will receive a refund for Term 4. A pro rata refund will be issued for the remainder of the school year.

Parent’s Name................................. Parent’s Signature................................. Date ....../....../......
Mt Martha Primary School
Glenisla Dve
Mount Martha, 3934
Phone: 5974 2800  Absence Line  5973 7700
Fax: 5974 3634
E-mail: mount.martha.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Website: www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au
Office Hours 8.30am-4.15pm Monday—Friday
A friendly reminder to families and friends that Melrose Dve. is reserved for STAFF PARKING.
Mt Martha Primary School strives to provide a safe environment for students, staff and visitors. Please alert the office to any hazards.

OSHCP: 0407 438 858
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Mornington School Holiday Programs at David Collings Leisure Centre, Dunns Rd & Bentons Square Community Ctr, Bentons Rd, Mornington. Enrolment forms available from Mornington Peninsula Shire Offices or Libraries or downloaded from www.mornpen.vic.gov.au. Completed forms need to be returned by 12th December. Contact Joan 5950 1641.

Mt Martha Fire Brigade Open Day & Christmas Gift Market Sunday 25th November 10am—4pm. 26 Latrobe Dve Mt Martha.

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Extensive Holiday Clinic program running over the Summer Holidays
Call 5974 3271 or 0411 082 723

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Email us to book an appointment at asbuilders@exemail.com.au or call 0409 373 522

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Mt Martha House
Calm, Rebalance & Revitalise!
Thu 9.15am - 10.45am ($15)
Sat 9.00am - 10.30am ($15)
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Trial 1st class free!
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