Princpal Report

Pupil Free Day - Some advance notice that our next Pupil Free Day will be on Friday 14th October. Our focus for the day will be implementation of the Primary Connections Science Program. No students are required to attend on this day. Out of Hours School Care will again offer a program on this day.

NAPLAN - NAPLAN results for students in Years 3 and 5 have been sent to the school and will be distributed to parents. The tests provide additional information to compliment assessments in Literacy and Numeracy undertaken by teachers during the year and at a whole school level used to reflect on the impact of our programs and practices.

2017 Prep Transition - Story Time Sessions - A reminder that as part of the 2017 Prep transition program the school is offering Story Time sessions starting tomorrow 19th August 9.30am to 10.30am, Tuesday 23rd August 2.00 to 3.00pm, Friday 26th August 9.30 to 10.30am, Tuesday 30th August 2.00 to 3.00pm and Friday 2nd September 9.30 to 10.30am. Bookings would have been made via the PTO system using the log in sent previously. These sessions provide another great way to build familiarity with the school.

Book or Movie Character Dress Up Day - Wednesday 24th August is a Book or Movie Character Dress Up Day where students can dress as their favourite book or movie character. A gold coin donation on the day will support the work of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We will be having a special assembly at 9.10am where we will be parading the costumes.

School Nursing Program - The school nurse from the Department of Education will be attending the school during Term 4 to conduct the Prep grade health assessments. The purpose of the visit is to provide all Victorian children with the opportunity to have a health assessment to link children, families and the school to relevant community services; and provide information and advice that promotes health and well being. School Nurse Referral Forms will be sent home in the near future and need to be completed and returned by the Friday 26th August.

Senior Girls’ Sport - Congratulations to our Senior Girls’ T-Ball team who competed at the Regional finals in Mornington last Tuesday! The girls placed fourth overall. They were excellent ambassadors for the school! Thank you Mrs Giles for coaching the girls and parents for your ongoing support.

Carnivale - Our Carnivale is rapidly approaching and our PTA is moving further into planning what is sure to be a fantastic event for the school. Please refer to the PTA notice in the newsletter, the Facebook page, blog or contact our PTA President Elle Baker via email. Helpers are required.

Lost Property - we are half way through the term and our collection of Lost Property is starting to build. If your child has lost an item there is good chance it will be in Lost Property which is located near the rear doors to the Admin wing. Timely also to check that all items are named and that the name is still legible. Thank you for your assistance as we are keen to reunite lost property back with its owners.

Hats On - A reminder that hats are to be worn from the 1st September to the 30th April as part of the Sun Smart policy. Advance warning to “rediscover” your child’s hat or find a replacement. Thank you.

Kind regards

Martin Page
Principal
WHAT A GREAT COMMUNITY!

The Prep Teaching Team and students wish to thank our local community, including families and Mt Martha Village businesses, for your support in learning about community. Our visit to Mt Martha Village was a lot of fun! It allowed the children to do some hands-on learning about money, see services in our community and confidently interacting with shopkeepers. This was made possible by the generosity of:

Via Battisti where we bought a hot chocolate

IGA supermarket where everybody bought a piece of fruit

Mt Martha Post Office where we each bought a stamp to put on a letter we had written

Bendigo Bank where we met Piggy and learned about saving money.

The Prep Colouring Competition entries are due at the bank at the end of this month when the competition closes. The prize for best entry is $10 for the piggy bank account.

There have also been parents who have come and talked to us about their jobs and parents who assisted on the excursion.

Thank you to each and every one of you for your generosity and support. That's what makes Mt Martha such a great community.

Mary O'Brien, Prep Teacher.
WORKING BEE at MMPS!

Prep, Yr 1 & Yr 2 parents – we are asking for your help at our Term 3 Working Bee!

Date: Saturday 20 August 2016

Time: 9am – 12pm.

If you can bring along useful tools like a wheelbarrow, spade, pitchfork (for mulch), shovel, gloves etc that would be very helpful.

There will be a list of tasks to complete around the school.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Morning tea provided.

Please complete this attached slip and return to the office so we can plan and organise the tasks on the day.

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Yes, I am able to help out on Saturday August 20 at the school Working Bee.

My name is __________________________ and my child/ren’s names are __________________________

Please return to the office as soon as possible.
What’s Happening in Curriculum?

Victoria is currently rolling out their “Victorian Curriculum” and MMPS are working towards updating our curriculum to reflect the slight changes in content and focus. The Victorian Curriculum F–10 sets out what every student should learn during their first eleven years of schooling. The curriculum is the common set of knowledge and skills required by students for life-long learning, social development and active and informed citizenship.

The Victorian Curriculum F–10 incorporates the Australian Curriculum and reflects Victorian priorities and standards.

It is pleasing to note that the curriculum has a focus on the “whole child” and includes some key features that will support students in developing their skills across many areas, maintaining a healthy lifestyle and using positive thinking to develop good mental health strategies.

Spelling Review

A “Power Group” of teachers at MMPS are gathering information about best practice in spelling, in order to review our Spelling program this semester. There is a great deal of research about spelling, with many contradictory ideas outlining the programs available, the different approaches and theories. We want to make our program reflect the needs of our students, the expectations of the community and align it with the pedagogy at our school. Stay tuned for more information later in the year!

Great Book Swap

Bring a favourite book to swap from Monday 22nd August (Week 7) and take home a new one over the following weeks.

Don't forget to bring a gold coin donation to support literacy in our Indigenous Communities.

Parents can leave their books in the special box at the office.

Come to school dressed as your favourite book or movie character! on Wednesday 24th August

Gold Coin Donations please!

Want to know more about Literacy and Numeracy Week or The Indigenous Literacy Foundation? Check out the following links for loads of information and ways that parents can get involved.


HI MMPS COMMUNITY,

Father’s Day Breakfast forms have been sent home last week so if you did not receive one then please pick one up from the front office. This year we have a generous donation by MM Chisholm & Gamon for the breakfast so a big thank you to Matt Mitchell for your sponsorship for this event. A great chance for Dads and other family members to come and share brekkie with the kids. We do need helpers on the morning so please fill out the form below if you can help out.

Cheers, ELLE & THE PTA TEAM

DATES TO REMEMBER

**FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST**
Wednesday 31st August
Orders due by Wed 24 August

**FOOTY DAY LUNCH**
Wednesday 14th September

Please make sure all order forms and notifications are received by the due dates to avoid disappointment, thank you.

REMEMBER - SCOUT RAFFLE
all tickets whether sold or not need to be returned by this Friday 19 August

WE NEED YOU!!! Come and join the Carnivale Group!! We need a group of keen people who would love to help organise and see our first full day Carnivale be a huge success. This year we are extending our invitation to the wider Peninsula community to attend, so let’s show them what a great event we can put on! There are many activities planned for the day so please let me know if you are interested in organising one of them and being part of this great event by emailing me your contact details. It is for Saturday 26th November but this will come around quickly and without your help this will not be able to go ahead. So please contact me ASAP to be part of a great team and I promise it will be fun and rewarding. My email: ellebaker2006@gmail.com

I look forward to hearing from you.

There will be a Market Stall area and we would like to receive expressions of interest. If you have quality, marketable wares then we are keen to hear from you. Get in quick to get a spot as stall numbers are limited. Please NB: you must have and provide proof of Public Liability Insurance. Email as above or notify the school office by Friday 9th September.

Carnivale events and activities:
Food Vans, Book Stall, Market Stalls, Events Stage, Children’s Activities, Roaming Entertainers, Cake Stall, Raffle, Rides, general set up etc and much more...

Mt Martha P.S. Social Noticeboard

mmpsptablog.wordpress.com
or via the school website

HELPERS NEEDED

**FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST**

YES I would like to help at the Father’s Day Breakfast

NAME ________________________________

PHONE NUMBER ________________________________

TIME (please tick)

☐ 6 – 7 am  ☐ 7 – 8 am

☐ 8 – 9 am  ☐ 9 – 10 am
The Food Intolerance Network’s Sue Dengate presents....

Fed Up with Children’s Behaviour

fedUp.com.au

Our food has changed drastically over the last 30 years, and so have food-related problems.

Additives are now used in healthy foods such as bread, yoghurt, juice and muesli bars as well as in junk food. Many additives have been shown to affect health, behaviour and learning in children and adults.

This talk focuses on children and includes:
• Arguments, oppositional defiance and tantrums
• Bedwetting, sneaky poos and sticky poos
• Asthma, itchy skin rashes and migraines
• Difficulty falling asleep and frequent night waking
• Depression, unexplained tiredness and difficulty concentrating
• Hidden and new food additives
• What’s wrong with fruit? Natural food chemicals

The talk is hosted by local dietitian Joey De Backer. She has personal experience in managing and healing food intolerance in her family. Joey can do talks for schools, parents and health professionals; provide resources and do individual consultations.

**When:** Monday, 29 August 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

**Where:** Theatre, Mornington Secondary College, 1051 Nepean Hwy, Mornington


**Contact:** Joey 0433 483 007 joeydebacker@gmail.com
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TIME: 1 PM
PLACE: Mount Martha South Beach

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Office Hours 8.30am - 4.15pm Monday - Friday

MT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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.

Our school purpose is to ensure a high quality and engaging learning program that builds on the capability of every student.