Principal Report

Reports - students will be taking home their written reports for the first semester on Monday 20th June. The following day, Tuesday 21st June we are conducting our Student Led Conferences. Together the reports and conferences aim to bring the educational partnership, student, teacher and parent, together to reflect and share achievements and assist in the planning for the next steps in learning. Please refer to the article below for more important information.

SRC Fundraiser - Tomorrow the SRC will be holding a fundraiser in support of Anaphylaxis Awareness. The theme is to dress as something beginning with “A” and bring a gold coin donation to assist allergy awareness and research.

Mornington Peninsula Child and Youth Directory - The Mornington Peninsula Child and Youth Directory is now online at mpchildandyouthdirectory.com.au. It provides information about a range of resources that are available and is compiled in a partnership between Mornington Peninsula Shire, Family Life and School Focused Youth Services. Please have a look to see what is available and note the resource as it may be useful at some point for you, your family or someone else in need of support.

Winter Lightning Premiership - our school was represented by teams from students in Years 5 and 6 participating in the Winter Lightning Premiership today. As always they were excellent ambassadors for the school displaying fantastic sportsmanship, team work and enjoying their games.

End of term - a reminder that Term 2 finishes on Friday 24th June at 2.30pm. Please note the early dismissal time. Term 3 commences on Monday 11th July. I will be taking the last two weeks of term as Long Service Leave. Thank you everyone for another terrific term! I would like to wish everyone a safe and restful school holiday and look forward to another great Term 3. Hugh O’Brien will be Acting Principal in my absence.

Kind regards,
Martin Page.

Student Led Conferences on Tuesday June 21 (Pupil Free Day)

Student Led conferences will be conducted for all students on Tuesday 21 June. Bookings can be made online from Tuesday 14 June at 8am onwards. Bookings will close at 2pm on Monday 20 June. After that deadline you will need to contact the teacher directly to arrange a time for the conference. The office Administration staff will not be able to assist you with this matter as they will be unaware of the availability of individual teachers.

Please visit the MMPS website http://www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au/ and click on the Student Led Conferences link found on the home page. Click on the PTO logo. Use the password you have been given to access the system. Passwords will be sent home with the eldest child from each family on Friday 10 June. If you do not receive a password you should ring Hugh O’Brien on 5974 2800 for assistance. Once you have accessed the PTO site you will be able to view the available timeslots for the teacher/s you need to make an appointment with.

PTO gives parents a full picture of time slots available for all of their children’s teachers. Security of information is maintained by password protected access for parents or guardians approved by the school. Parents can only see details for their own children.

Mount Martha Primary School will provide school laptops in the Administration/Reception area during the booking period for parents unable to access the web from any of the above listed locations. Our OSHC program also offers a full day of care for students if required (see flyer in this edition of BB). If you have any queries about this matter please free to contact Hugh O’Brien on 5974 2800.

The Administration team.
**Allergy Awareness**

This Friday, 10th June, Mt Martha Primary School will be raising funds to support Allergy Awareness.

We are asking children to come to school dressed as something starting with the letter “A”. How about coming as an alien, Anna from Frozen, Ariel, Astronaut, Alpaca or Mr Antoniou! Food allergy now affects one in 10 infants and about two in 100 adults in Australia. This Friday please come in dressed as something starting with the letter “A” and bring a gold coin to support this worthy cause.

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‘I sea I care’ Peer Teaching Workshop

On Thursday 31st May Billy, Hugh, Jemma and Mietta our school ‘I sea, I care’ ambassadors hosted a Peer Teaching workshop. They worked with ambassadors from other schools to learn how to present information sessions for younger students. Together the ambassadors presented practise session to the Year 1 students. They are now preparing to present the activities to other classes.

Billy was part of activity 1 where he and some other ambassadors talked about some sea creatures in our bay. Billy presented the Port Jackson shark. Their egg looks like kelp so predators don’t give them a second look.

Next to present were Hugh and Mietta. They did activity 2, called Beachcombing. Mietta talked about the hold fast that is the root that anchors the kelp to the sand, so in rough water the kelp won’t go anywhere. Hugh spoke about a hole in a pipi shell; it was drilled by a sea snail with a sharp tongue. The snail then dribbles into the hole to make the pipi in the shell all mushy. It then slurps it up.

Finally Jemma did a performance activity in which there were two boxes full of rubbish. She asked two students to come and pull out the first thing they found. They pulled out rubbish after rubbish. There were two tiny fish at the back of the box. The whole point of the activity was to show how hard it is for a dolphin to find food when there is so much rubbish in the water.

All in all the younger students loved the activities and we can’t wait to perform to more classes.

Billy, Mietta, Jemma and Hugh
Student Reporting

On Monday 20th June students will bring home their School Report for Semester One 2016.

Student Reports for June 2016 will incorporate, student achievement measured against the AusVELS. AusVELS incorporates the Australian Curriculum Foundation (Prep) to Year 10 for English, Mathematics, History and Science within the curriculum framework first developed for the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS). AusVELS uses an eleven level structure to reflect the design of the Australian Curriculum whilst retaining Victorian priorities and approaches to teaching and learning. AusVELS describes what is essential for all students to achieve from Foundation (Prep) to Year 10. AusVELS provides a single curriculum for levels Foundation–10. (F is the abbreviation for ‘Foundation’ which is now the common term agreed to by all States and Territories to refer to the first level of school for curriculum design purposes).

The 2016 Student Report contains the following:

A chart with an A to E rating, showing your child’s current progress against the expected state-wide standard. For example, a ‘C’ rating indicates that your child is at the expected standard and that his or her learning is on track.

A ‘C’ rating is a very successful result.

* A – well above the expected standard at this time of year
* B – above the expected standard at this time of the year
* C – at the expected standard at this time of the year
* D – below the expected standard at this time of the year
* E – well below the expected standard at this time of the year

Details about attendance.

A parent page for you to comment on your child’s progress. Parents are asked to complete and return the parent comment page to the school office this week.

The areas of the curriculum covered by our Specialist Program in Art, Music, Languages other than English (Japanese), Information Communication Technology and Physical Education will have a description of the course content and the Specialist teacher’s assessment of the student’s effort and behaviour during Specialist lessons. In December 2016 student reports will also include a statement of what the student has achieved and a rating against the AusVELS standards at the year levels this is measured. If you have any questions about your child’s achievement in a Specialist Program please make an appointment with the specialist teacher. On Tuesday 21st June Student Led Conferences will be conducted for students with their classroom teacher.

Please remember the progress of each child’s development is different and it is important to celebrate achievements based on the learning of each individual.

Karen Walker, Assistant Principal.

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Term 2 Planning Week at MMPS

In the week commencing Tuesday 14 June our staff will participate in Planning meetings in preparation for Term 3. During Planning Week our usual timetable for Specialists Programs is suspended. Students still enjoy a Specialist program that week but these sessions all occur on one day of the week (see below) rather than being timetabled throughout the week.

Please take note of which day your child/ren have their Planning Day as this may require you to consider the proper footwear for Physical Education. Not all classes do every Specialist class as a number of Casual Relief Teacher (CRT) are used to support Planning days as well.

Monday 13 June – Public Holiday
Tuesday 14 June – Years 1 & 4 (9 classes)
Wednesday 15 June - Prep (5 classes)
Thursday 16 June – Years 2 & 6 (8 classes)
Friday 17 June - Year 3 and 5 (10 classes)

Hoping this information proves to be useful in selecting footwear on these particular days. Thanks for your cooperation.
SPORTS NEWS

DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to those select students who competed in the Southern Peninsula Division Cross Country at the Hasting Foreshore last Wednesday. With the nerves kicking in before each race all our students did extremely well.

Jemma T, competing in the 11yr old girls race, made it through to the next level of the competition, the Regional Cross Country Championships. Well done, Jemma!

Thank you to the parents for driving the students to the event and supporting them.

REGIONAL BASKETBALL TRY-OUTS

Earlier in the year Brodi C in Year 5 was selected to try out for the basketball state team trials. This process started at the Division level where he was selected to represent the Southern Peninsula team in the Regional play offs.

Brodi’s team played at the regional play off yesterday against some very tough opposition from this region. Lucky for Brodi, he has now been selected to go to the State Basketball Camp in the School Holidays. The Basketball camp has the top 60 players from all of Victoria. From the camp a select group will be chosen to form the Primary School State Basketball Team.

We hope that he does his best and can showcase what great skills and sportsmanship he has on the court. Good luck in the holidays Brodi!

AMART COMMUNITY KICKBACKS PROGRAM

Our school has been selected to participate in the Amart Community Kickbacks Program. Under this program, the school can earn 5% of your purchases at Amart Sports as in-store credit to spend on our school sports programs.

All you need to do is join Team Amart, select our school from the list of participating groups and swipe your loyalty card every time you make a purchase at Amart Sports. You'll receive access to great member prices and other benefits and the school will receive a 5% credit from everything you spend. Thanks for your support.

Missing Uniforms

All our sporting activities require uniforms and equipment. Can everyone who has represented our school in summer/winter sports and cross country - please check if you have any uniform items and return them to school ASAP. The uniform tub is in my office upstairs. Thank you.

Winter / Cold Days

As we are now having a few colder days, students need to wear appropriate clothing and footwear for PE lessons. The School Gym is not heated and can be cold during the day. Wearing a jumper/jacket is advisable as they can always be removed as students warm up. Appropriate footwear is an essential part of the PE program. Wet footpaths and rain on concrete surfaces makes the need for footwear with good grip important.

Cameron Sweatman, PE teacher.
I just want to say ‘thank you’ to all the parents and teachers who helped out with the Book Fair this week in the Staff Centre. It was a great time. The school has gained a collection of posters and 286 more books to add to our collection of great books in the Library. Zac 6C

Gold for Green Day

Yesterday was gold for green day. I was very excited to plant plants with my buddy. Jess, our buddy, and I heard the sound of people digging and talking. We also heard the sound of birds.

We found a centipede and a worm in the soil. We felt the thick soil beneath our gloves. I saw a pink and yellow leaf on my plant.

Mia 4D
BIG THANK YOU
To all those who helped on Hot Chocolate Day.

What an amazing turn out of helpers we had early Wednesday morning to help churn out over 700 hot chocolates in 2 hours!!!!!! WOW!!!!

I can’t thank everyone enough for giving up their time and making the day such a huge success. I appreciate it immensely.

Also many thanks goes out to the Year 6 students who helped deliver the hot chocolates to all the year levels and put a smile on their faces. You are all champions and fantastic role models. Well done!!

Trish Pell
MT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM

Student Led Conferences - PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 21st June 2016

COME IN AND JOIN US FOR OUR ‘M’ DAY!

NB: You can collect your child/ren from the Library and attend the Student Led Conference and then return your child/ren to us!

COST: $40.00 PER CHILD (LESS CCB%/CCR)

CONTACT: GILLIAN ON 0407 438858 FOR BOOKINGS AND AN ENROLMENT FORM

HOURS: 7.00AM TO 6.00PM

CHILDREN ARE TO BRING THEIR OWN MORNING TEA AND LUNCH

BREAKFAST AND AFTERNOON TEA ARE SUPPLIED

BOOKINGS CLOSE ON TUESDAY 14th JUNE!!!!
The MMPS Kids Matter Team is happy to present a “Parenting Capabilities of Highly Effective Parents” workshop for all parents at our school.

You Can Do It! Education (YCDI)

Date & Time: July 21 (7 – 8.30pm)           PLACE: Staff Centre

This talk for parents will present the different actions parents can take at home to support the achievement and social and emotional well-being of their children. Parents will have an opportunity to discover what parents say and do that contribute to very high levels of well-being in children including: having conversations with children about emotions and how to manage stress, how to make friends and the importance of involving children in decision making at home.

Some actions to avoid will also be reviewed and discussed.

Hope to see you there – there is no charge to attend this informative session!

Organised by The Kids Matter Team at MMPS
School Holiday Program

Moonlit Sanctuary Junior Ranger Program

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.
Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities, fun and games for ages 7-14 years.

Winter school holiday dates:

Week 1: Monday 26th June to Friday 1st July 10am – 4pm
Week 2: Monday 4th to Friday 8th July 10am – 4pm

Cost: $65.00 per day, or $175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).
Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited

Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

Moonlit Sanctuary

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