Principal Report

End of Term - Term One finishes tomorrow with a 2.30pm dismissal time. Please note the early pick up time. Congratulations to all our students for a fantastic term! They have all settled in well to the new school year with some fantastic achievements and participation in our programs and trying their very best. Special congratulations to our 2016 Preps and students who have started at the school this term. Settling in to a new school can be an additional challenge and they have done a great job. Thank you also staff and families for your assistance this term as we get our year underway.

Our new school term starts on Monday 11th April. Please remember that hats still are required until the end of April as part of the Sun Smart policy.

Planning Week - The first week of next term is Planning week. During this week our specialist timetable is reorganised with students having their specialist subjects on one day rather than throughout the week. This allows our teachers some valuable team planning time. Students should bring any equipment required for specialist subjects on their designated day. Eg runners for PE. Please refer to the timetable in this newsletter.

Year 5 Learning Space Extension - works on the extension to our Year 5 learning space have nearly finished and progressed to the point to allow occupancy last week. The students and teachers are already utilising the space effectively with many positive learning experiences. We have a few tasks to complete the project but are really pleased with the way it is shaping up.

Have a safe, enjoyable and restful holiday!

Kind regards

Martin Page
Planning Week at Mt Martha Primary School

In the week commencing Monday 11 April our staff will participate in Planning meetings in preparation for Term 2. 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.

Planning Week is first Week of Term 2

Monday 11 April – Years 1 & 4 (9 classes)
Tuesday 12 April – Year 2 & Yr 6 (8 classes)
Wednesday 13 April – Year 3 and 5 (10 classes)
Thursday 14 April – Prep (5 classes)

Specialist Planning Day is Friday 15 April

Hoping this information proves to be useful in selecting footwear on these particular days. Thanks for your co-operation.

Kids Matter Team

The Art Room………..

Next term our whole school through line is ‘Sustainability’, we are hoping to recycle lots of materials to use in the Art program.

Particularly…………
Old C.D.s
Coloured wool
Plastic bottles

Any contributions will be greatly appreciated!

Thanks

Julie Christie, Art Teacher
TravelSmart

Bike riders are vulnerable road users. Many streets in our community do not have paths for students to ride on. Please be patient, and if you intend to pass please do so slowly and safely. Although children are spoken to about safety they can sometimes make poor decisions. As drivers, adults have the experience to watch for and expect riders in our community.

Riding provides children with a great opportunity to learn road rules, experience independence and develop a healthy lifestyle. Creating a cycling culture here in Mt Martha and on the Peninsula is already underway. Providing social connection, transport, environment and health interventions, riding may well be the prescription for a healthier community.

The “Two-Way Street” Campaign provides 8 rules for riders and drivers so that they have mutual respect for each other. Please CLICK HERE to review these rules with your family.

On Ya Bike!

Martha Cove Triathlon

Interested in having a go at a Triathlon? Here is your last chance this season!

Sunday 3 April at Safety Beach there are four races to choose from, Olyfest Distance (Enduro Format), along with SprintFest, EnticerFest and KidsFest.

It has been great to see many families from Mt Martha PS involving themselves in these local challenges. For more information head to http://www.morningtontriathlon.com/martha-cove.html

Come join me and have some fun!

Despi O’Connor

LOST BIKE

Red specialised bike. Please call Jo O’Donohue on 0404 445 206.
Head Lice Whole School Approach

Head lice are still around so we have designated the holidays for a whole school approach to the problem. Please check your child’s hair for live eggs or lice. Should you find any, there are two choices of treatment:

Chemical: Treat and comb with a head lice comb to remove the head lice and eggs; and repeat in 7 days.

Non-chemical: Use conditioner and comb with a head lice comb to remove the head lice and eggs and repeat every 2 days until no live lice have been found for 10 days.

Head lice need 14 – 17 days to mature to egg laying stage, so if you leave a comb in the shower or bath and comb through the conditioner when you wash your hair each week, you will remove the lice before they are able to lay more eggs and we would soon be rid of this itchy problem.

Impetigo

We have had several cases of Impetigo (School Sores) reported within the School Community. Impetigo is a communicable disease, the condition is characterised by collections of small, crusting blisters that usually form on the face or limbs. Impetigo looks unsightly, but it isn’t dangerous and doesn’t cause any lasting damage to the skin. However, it is highly contagious and care should be taken with newborn babies due to their lack of immunity. A child with impetigo should be kept home from school until appropriate treatment has begun and the sores on exposed areas are covered with a waterproof dressing. Impetigo can be treated with prescription antibiotic ointments or creams, which need to be reapplied until the sores have completely healed. As with most contagious diseases; thorough washing of hands is the best defence.

Thanks for your co-operation. Enjoy the holidays!

Lorraine Stuart, First Aid Officer
Mt Martha Primary School PTA

Wish to invite you to

Parents’ Movie Night

At

Mornington Cinema

Thursday 21st April at 7:30pm

Ticket includes: Movie, Drinks & Nibbles on arrival
(Wheelchair access available)

Cost: $20 per person

(Return slip to school with payment by Friday 15th April)

Parents’ Movie Night

NAME: ______________________________________________________

NUMBER OF TICKETS: ____________ CONTACT No: ________________
(Cost $20 per person)

CHILD’S NAME: _______________________________ CLASS: ____________
School Holiday Programs

**Junior Ranger Program**
**Easter 2016**

Point Nepean and Mornington Peninsula National Parks’ and Coolart Wetlands and Homestead are hosting FREE Ranger led activities these holidays.

Kids between 6 to 12 years old will discover the peninsula’s protected natural and historic places through Parks Victoria’s popular Junior Ranger program:

- Get your feet wet and get up close with coastal critters on our rock-pool rambles
- Walk in the footsteps of those who came before us as you discover historical connections
- Test your super sleuthing and art skills using found objects
- Bring your binoculars and learn how to find feathered friends

All activities are free. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Bookings essential from 22 March.
www.juniorrangers.com.au

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**Specialist netball clinics and training sessions with current VNL Peninsula Waves players available.**

**BOOK ONLINE:**
peninsulawaves.com.au/waves-clinics/

When: Friday April 1st & 8th
Where: FDNA Jubilee Park
Time: 9am until 3.30pm
Cost: $60 per person

peninsulawaves.com.au
MPRG Kids!
Holiday Programs
March-April 2016

Age 5–8, 10am–12pm
$12/student, adult supervision required:
Bookings: http://www.trybooking.com/KJKQ

Tuesday 29 March
CREATIVE CREATURES Using oil pastels and coloured pencils, cut paste and create your own hand-print crab and make an arty rock pool for it to live in.

Tuesday 5 April
FISHY FANTASIES Go crazy with cardboard, colour and creativity to fabricate a fantastic fish.

Age 9–12, 10am–12pm
$12/student, adult supervision welcome but not required:
Bookings: http://www.trybooking.com/KJLC

Wednesday 30 March
CREATIVE CONSTRUCTION Inspired by works in Saltwater Country build your own cardboard creation celebrating everything cool in your life.

Wednesday 6 April
WACKY WEARABLES Be inventive with pattern and shape to design, create and decorate wearable art that says who you are and where you belong.

VCE ART & STUDIO ART 1-3pm
$12/student
Bookings: http://www.trybooking.com/KJQY

Wednesday 6 April
FOLIO DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
Working with experienced VCE teacher, artist and MPRG Educator Jill Anderson, gather fresh inspiration and ideas to enrich your first term folio. Explore creative ways to develop new perspectives on your chosen theme as you allow the material, techniques, meanings and messages of other artists to expand your thinking.

MPRG: T: 03 5975 4395, Civic Reserve Dunns Rd, Mornington www.mornpen.vic.gov.au
Easter School Holidays - 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.

Easter school holiday dates:

   Week 1: Tuesday 29th March to Friday 1st April 10am – 4pm
   Week 2: Monday 4th to Friday 8th April 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

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale
Phone 5978 7935
Open daily between 10am and 5pm

THE BRIARS MT MARTHA HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Junior Ranger Program "Secrets of the Bush" at The Briars, Mt Martha

Friday 1st and Tuesday 5th April, 2016. Two sessions each day, (1) 10am - 12:30pm and (2) 2:30 - 4:00pm.

$16:50 per child, bring snack and drink. Meet at the Visitors Centre. Booking is essential with payment at the time of booking. Phone: 5974-3686

Ranger-guided Spotlight Walks in The Briars Wildlife Sanctuary

Friday 1st, Sunday 3rd, Tuesday 5th and Friday 8th April 2016, 7:30 - 9:00pm. $11:10 per person.

BYO small torch and meet at the Visitors Centre. Booking is essential with payment at the time of booking. Phone: 5974-3686
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SCHOOL TERMS 2016
TERM 1 29th January to 24th March 2016
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TERM 3 11th July to 16th September 2016
TERM 4 3rd October to 20th December 2016

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