Principal Report

NAPLAN - our Year 3 and 5 students have their last day of NAPLAN testing today. Tomorrow is a “catch up day” for students who may have missed one of the NAPLAN test days. Congratulations to the students for the way they applied themselves and tried their best during the testing. Results of NAPLAN tests will be available later in the year.

Annual Report Meeting - At tonight’s School Council meeting we will be presenting our 2015 Annual Report. This report summarises the school’s achievements and activities for last year. After the meeting the report will be posted on our school website.

Advance Notice - Tuesday 21st June is a Pupil Free Day at Mount Martha Primary School due to Student Led Conferences.

2017 Prep Enrolments - Last night was our 2017 Prep Information evening. Thank you Isabelle and Jack from Year 6 for doing such a fantastic job presenting information about the school and their personal experiences at Mount Martha Primary School. It certainly added much to the evening. 2017 Prep Enrolment Week is Monday 16th May to Friday 20th May. We are running school tours on Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th May starting at 9.30am. Tours usually take about 45 minutes and leave from the foyer. It is great way to see our school in operation. No bookings are required.

Enrolment information and forms are available from the Office. Early lodgement allows us to commence our 2017 planning and we would like enrolment forms returned by 27th May to assist with this.

Walk for Louis Tate - On Saturday 22nd May there will be a walk in memory of Louis Tate. Please check the website via the link during the week as the original venue for the walk may have changed. We are running school tours on Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th May starting at 9.30am. Tours usually take about 45 minutes and leave from the foyer. It is great way to see our school in operation. No bookings are required.

Lost Property - it is almost half way through the term and our collection of Lost Property is growing. We would love to return it to its owners. If your child has lost an item please visit our Lost Property section at the side entrance to the Administration building (near the Art room). Please also check to see that names have not washed off or become illegible on school uniforms. Named items make it easier to locate the owner!

Welcome - to our new students Myles in Year 3 and Luke in Year 6 who commenced with us this week. We wish Myles and Luke and their families a happy and rewarding time at Mount Martha Primary School.

Kind regards

Martin Page
Dear Parents/Guardians,

You are most welcome to visit our school. Your child may soon be joining our learning community.

Enrolments for Foundation Year 2017 will be taken at school during the week of 16th - 20th May.

Enrolment forms need to be lodged at the school office by Friday 27th May 4.00pm.

Confirmation letters will be mailed by Friday 14th June.

2017 PREP ENROLMENT WEEK

Mt Martha Primary School
Monday 16th to Friday 20th May

Please consider taking the opportunity to visit our school for a tour on either Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, or Thursday 19th where you will see our current Prep students in their learning environment.

Children being enrolled must reach five years of age by April 30th 2017.

When you come to enrol you will need to provide the school with:
- proof of age - a copy of a birth certificate or extract of birth
- an Immunisation History Statement indicating your child's immunisation status
- Proof of residency

All the enrolment information you require will be provided at the school office.

For the present, we hope to meet you on one of our school tours.

Yours faithfully,
Martin Page, Principal.
Gold For Green Day- Tuesday 17th May.

Volunteers would be appreciated.

Please see your child’s teacher for times.

All students to wear green and bring a gold coin donation.

Please bring your own gloves or tools if applicable.

Here is a brief overview of the main activities that will be happening in each year level.

Prep - Adding to the Prep Forest.

Planting in the Prep Forest: Children will plant indigenous plants with their Year 4 or 5 buddy.

Year One - Our Mini Gardens

Children will follow instructions to construct a mini garden in a small bowl.

Year 2 - Recycled Cardboard Constructions.

Using cardboard and reusuable screws, saws and screwdrivers students will make imaginative cardboard items.

Ideas are on the following links.

https://www.make.do/

Year 3 - Love Cosy Project.

Students will either plant out a teapot or decorate a teapot template.

They will write a message to an older person that they know telling them why they are special. This will go on the teapot template or as a note to attach to the teapot. These will be given as a gift to that older person as a recognition of the importance of older people in our lives.

Year 4 - Prep Buddy Planting in the Prep Forest.

Year 5 - Planting Snow Gums and other plants at the front of the school.

Year 6 - Renovating the Sensory Garden. (Mini Working Bee)
Hi MMPS Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful Mother’s Day with your Mums and families. The Mother’s Day Stall was a big success as the students enjoyed buying some beautiful gifts for the Mums, Grandmothers and other special Mother figures in their lives. Thank you to all the fabulous Mums and Dads that helped out on the day with the stall and also selling the raffle tickets. Special thanks go to Jo, our PTA Secretary, for putting her hand up to organise the stall and raffle, a lot of work and very much appreciated. Huge congratulations to our raffle winners. I hope the winning Mum’s and families had a lovely surprise on Sunday. Enjoy those goodies!!

1\textsuperscript{st} prize - Charlie, 2\textsuperscript{nd} prize - Tia, 3\textsuperscript{rd} prize - Tess & 4\textsuperscript{th} prize - Deb (Office Staff).

Have a lovely week.

Cheers,

Elle & The PTA Team

Follow us on:
PTA Blog - mmpsptablog.wordpress.com or via the school website.

Mt Martha P.S. Social Noticeboard

Next PTA meeting: Wednesday 25\textsuperscript{th} May 7pm in Staff Centre
Please support our amazing Sponsors for our Mother’s Day Raffle, Mother’s Day Stall and the Parent’s Movie Night!

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Thank you all so much for your generous donations!

Mount Martha Primary School grade 4 students in for a treat! And local residents and the public are welcome to a free tour too!

Cultural & Bush Tucker Tour with Lionel Lauch.
Saturday 4th June, 2-4pm

Join peninsula local, Lionel Lauch, for a free tour of Sunshine Reserve including indigenous bush Tucker & medicine talk, followed by a didgeridoo meditation session (approx 10-15 minutes). Lionel has lived on the Peninsula since he was 6 years old. He is from the Gunditjmara Krrae Wurrung and Bundjalung Tribes and has permission from Boonwurrung elder, Aunty Carolyn Briggs, to lead the walks. Lionel will share his extensive knowledge of Indigenous cultures and traditions. Please note, this is a 2 hour outdoor program- please dress appropriately and bring a cushion or blanket for the meditation session.

Meet at the reserve entrance near the end of Barrow St, on McLeod Road, Mount Martha. Melway Ref: Map 150, G4.

Thanks to the Mornington Peninsula Shire for funding this event through the “Place Making” Grant. This grant also provides for a separate day, May 19th when Lionel is also running two similar sessions in the reserve for the Grade 4 students of Mount Martha Primary school, together with environmental education games, and tree planting by some of our committee.
DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

Friday 20th May will see our students represent Mt Martha Primary School at the District Cross Country Competition. This is a huge event with over 80 students in each race from schools all over the Mornington Peninsula. The event is held at the Penbank School where students take on the challenge of running on a muddy track to the best of their ability.

The top 10 competitors in most races will continue onto the Southern Peninsula Division Championships on Wednesday 1st June. Miss Piccolo, Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Spiridis and Miss Carson will be attending on behalf of our school. Parents are encouraged to come and show support for the Mt Martha students as well as their own child.

We wish all our students the very best in their race

**Times:** (Girls race will start before Boys)

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Cameron Sweatman, PE Teacher.

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Family Life Victoria will conduct a Sexuality Education Program on Thursday, June 2, 2016

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Book in now via [Link]
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!!!!
Digital Tattoos

How do you feel about your child getting a tattoo? Many parents may be shocked to discover that their child already has one – a digital tattoo that is. Digital tattoos tell the story of you, just as body art tells a story. The choices we make online are like tattoos. Our online presence may be the first thing people notice about us, and once they are there, they are permanent.

Before you post consider this:

Online is a public place - Everything we do online is public, and it is the biggest public place our children will ever hang out. Once online they are potentially connected to up to 3.2 billion people. How does your child feel about that post being exposed in a public place? is that a photo you want exposed outside the school gates tomorrow morning? If the answer is "No!", then do they really want to share it?

Your personal brand - What does this picture say about your personal brand? We are all creating a brand, consciously or unconsciously, every time we go online. That personal brand represents us, and we need to consider if we are clear about what it is. What are your values, your passions and your pursuits? We can all build a positive reputation by showing our volunteer work, achievements in sport or the arts, and things that we want people to know

Take a minute - Taking a moment to think before you post helps to avoid silly mistakes. Many a person has fallen into the trap of behaving with impulsiveness and bravado on social networking sites. Take the time to consider the consequences. That video that you just shared with your friends for fun, has just been inked to your brand. What might a future employer, partner or university selector think about it when they go searching for you online? If you didn't know you, what would you think about this post? What impression would you have of the person who posted it?

Permission - Have you asked your friends permission to use that photo? People can enforce rules when photos and videos are being taken at a private place. For this reason, it is respectful to consider gaining consent before taking them, and also requesting permission to post that photo or video onto a social media site. Digital tattoos are inked by the information we post about ourselves as well as the information other people post about us. It is probably best not to trample on another person's identity – we all appreciate being able to define who we are, and not be told or judged by the influence of others. It is not only what we share about ourselves, but also what our connections (and their privacy settings) say about us that affect our digital tattoo.

Safer Sharing

Control - When we share something online we can very easily lose control of it. What we post can be copied, changed and shared without us even knowing. It is not as simple as just removing something we don't like or regret putting out there. Our information is archived in servers and search engines, and we cannot control how others store and share our material. Mind your privacy and ensure that you have settings set correctly and geolocation technology on only where essential. The key is to have control over who and what people can find out about you.

Don't be an open book - The more we share the more people can learn about us. We might post our birthday on one site, our address on another, and personal details or situations in a gaming or social networking account. One plus one always makes two and dots can be easily connected.
The ripple effect - is based on the understanding that we are all connected. Everything we do and think affects the people in our lives and their reactions in turn affect others. The choices we make have far-reaching consequences. Today, young person’s lives are documented daily, both by themselves as well as by their friends and family. Encourage your child to think about what influence might that post have on others?

Know your connections - We need to choose consciously who we connect to. In many cases young people may get a request from someone they don’t know, so they do their own online investigation and often feel comfortable adding the person if they notice at least one other friend has allowed them on as a follower. Even when they add people they actually know “Oh ya - I know Sarah she’s a girl in grade 9”, we need to encourage to think if this new friend will take responsibility with what she shares?

Know your sites - made a comment that you regret? As a conscientious digital citizen we need to be aware of how to remove information from sites that we use. If someone posts something about you that you are not happy about, you should ask them to take it down and they refuse, make sure you know how to report it. Visit www.esafety.gov.au to learn more.

Think before you ink - with every new profile, post or photo just imagine you are adding another tattoo. We all have one and people we know, as well as those we don’t, can see it and learn a lot from it. We are all quite familiar with the concept of a digital footprint, however footprints can be washed away in the next wave or high tide. Online is permanent, like the ink in a tattoo.

Youth are still developing their critical thinking skills. Today’s online permanent records don’t leave much room for children to make developmental mistakes that may create lasting proof and possible longstanding embarrassment. Each of us carries within us the capacity to change the world in small ways for better, let’s work on showing that through our tattoos.

(excerpt from article in Classroom Connections)

Hugh O’Brien
Assistant Principal.
WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 20 MAY 2016

Well it’s that time of year again when our schools secretly start talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- walking with them the week to school
- if you take the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- if you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes, it also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Smarter Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 20 May 2016!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au

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FRIDAY 20 MAY 2016

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MOUNT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL - Thursday, 2 June 2016.

We do apologise for any inconvenience.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Wednesday 25th to Friday 27th 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 25th**: 8.30 - 9.30am and 3 - 4pm
- **Thursday 26th**: 8.30 - 9.30am and 3 - 4pm
- **Friday 27th**: 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 Street

Book Club Coordinator.
AUTISM & ASPERGER’S INFORMATION EVENING

with Richard Eisenmajer
Clinical Psychologist and Director of The ASD Clinic

RICHARD WILL SHARE HIS KNOWLEDGE ON:
* What is Asperger’s Syndrome & Autism
* Common difficulties children with ASD face at school and at home
* Understanding of behaviour
* Behavioural strategies to help with challenging behaviour.
* Tips on making the school and home environments more “ASD Friendly” and more.......

Wednesday 1st June 2016
7pm - 9pm

IDEAL FOR:
* Parents, grandparents, carers, teachers, educational assistants and other professionals to understand and support children with ASD.

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Caring for the Balcombe Estuary Reserves

Working Bee Sunday 15th May.
Meet: Yacht club/Lifesaving Club Carpark
When: 9.00am - 12.00pm
Activities: Planting out the old toilet block area between MM Yacht Club and Lifesaving Club then working along the foreshore up to Coolangatta Rd, weeding as you go.
Thanks for your support.
Di Lewis
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SCHOOL TERMS 2016
TERM 1 29th January to 24th March 2016
TERM 2 11th April to 24th June 2016
TERM 3 11th July to 16th September 2016
TERM 4 3rd October to 20th December 2016

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