Banksia Bulletin

Mt Martha Primary School strives to empower students to be active learners who make a positive impact in a changing world.

Principal Report

**End of Term** - Term Two finishes tomorrow with a 2.30pm dismissal time. Please note the early pick up time as the weather is predicted to be quite dismal. A big congratulations to all our students, teachers, parents and School Support staff for another fantastic term of events and learning at Mt Martha Primary School!

Following the distribution of the individual written student reports many parents have now met with teachers to participate in a conference led by their child. The teachers thank the parents for their assistance in making these conferences such an outstanding success. If you have any further questions about your child’s progress please make an appointment to speak with the class teacher during Term 3. (Please note that Student Led conferences for students in 6B (Mrs Carson) and 5D (Mrs Spiridis) will be conducted on Thursday 14 July).

Thank you staff and families for your assistance in what has been a very busy term with our Year 4 camp, excursions, incursions, sporting events and classroom activities providing engaging and powerful learning opportunities.

Thank you also to our PTA and helpers for the events you have run for the school community this term. These really provide additional value to our students’ experiences at school.

A couple of our sports teams enjoyed some success this week. Our AFL Girls team and our Boys Kanga Cricket team both are District Premiers after winning at the District Championship yesterday. Well done students and teachers!

Mrs Julie Christie, our Art teacher, will be on leave for the first two weeks of Term 3. Mrs Nicole Van Den Acker will be teaching Art in her absence. Mrs Kelly Cartwright will also be enjoying a few weeks Long Service Leave for the first two weeks of Term 3 and Mrs Laila Contini will be replacing her in 2B. A big thank you to Mrs Van den Acker for teaching & caring for the children in 2D throughout Term 2 when Mrs Hodgkins was on leave – well done Nicole.

**Excursion and Incursion Packs** – By now you will have received your Term 3 excursions and incursions packs along with your parent statement. For your convenience payments can be made by cash, cheque, credit card or Bpay. Please refer to your parent statement for your family’s Bpay reference number (located on the left hand lower corner of your statement).

To avoid disappointment please note the importance of adhering to permission note and payment deadlines for each activity. These are crucial due to adult:child supervision ratios, bus seating arrangements, final admission entry numbers to specific venues etc. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding in this matter.

Once again our students have some fantastic learning opportunities planned for Term 3 leading off with the Year One Swimming program, our annual Year Four Tribal Day and our Year Two students participating in a cartooning incursion during the first few weeks of the term. There is plenty more planned for the remainder of the term too!

The school is expecting the arrival of a new double classroom portable in the very near future. This additional teaching facility has been granted to us by the Department of Education & Training to accommodate our increased student population. The portable is likely to arrive either during the holiday period or in the first weeks of Term 3.

**Emergency Contact** - in the event of an emergency concerning the school during the school vacation or out of school hours please contact the Department of Education Emergency and Security Management on 9589 6266. They will in turn contact the appropriate staff. Thank you. Our new school term starts on Monday 11th July. Have a safe, enjoyable and restful holiday!

Kind regards, Hugh O’Brien, Acting Principal.

COMING EVENTS

**JUNE**

Friday 24th
- Whole School Assembly 9.10am in the Gym
- END OF TERM 2 2.30pm DISMISSAL

**JULY**

Monday 11th
- TERM 3 COMMENCES

Monday 13th - Friday 15th
- Music Camp for selected Yr5&6 students

Thursday 14th
- Year 1 Swimming at Orbit Swim Centre

Tuesday 19th
- Year 4 Tribal Day at Eco Park Mt Martha

Thursday 21st
- Year 1 Swimming at Orbit Swim Centre
- Year 2 Cartooning Incursion
- Year 6C LOTE excursion to Dromana Secondary College
- YCDI Parent Form in the Staff Centre 7-8.30pm

Friday 22nd
- Whole School Jog-a-thon

Saturday 23rd
- PTA Trivia Night in the Staff Centre arrival 7pm for a 7.30pm start

NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
August 11th at 6.45pm in the Staff Centre
Mt Martha Community Bank  POST ELECTION BUSINESS BREAKFAST

- Do you run a small business?
- Are you interested in an update on current economic conditions?
- Would you like to know how the new federal government’s policies and budget are likely to impact on small businesses?

Please join us for the Mt Martha Community Bank ‘Post Election Business Breakfast’ which will be held at the Mt Martha Bowls Club on Wednesday August 9 from 7-9am. This is a free event and you will have the opportunity to enjoy a delicious breakfast as well as hear from guest speakers.

To register your interest please email MountMarthaMailbox@bendigoadelaide.com.au

AUTOMATED UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE NOTIFICATION VIA SMS TO PARENTS COMMENCES NEXT TERM!

The departments CASES21 system now has the capacity to generate ‘bulk’ SMS messages and emails to inform parents if their child is absent for a particular reason. Here at Mount Martha Primary we will only send messages for UNEXPLAINED absences.

Parents are requested to notify the school of their child’s absences prior to 10am using the absence line or website as listed under “Reporting Absences” below. The automated SMS notification will take place at 10am each morning.

If you have not reported the absence to the school by 10am an SMS will be sent to inform you that your child is not at school that day. (It is very important that you notify the school regarding any change to your contact details).

The automated notification will commence in Term 3.

REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is absent you are required to ring the school’s absence line prior to 10am on 5973 7700 on the day or complete and submit the online absence form which can be accessed on the school website (http://www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au). Simply go to the home page, click on the student absence notification form tab, complete the online form then click on submit.

The Department requires a reason to be recorded for all absences. The class teacher will send an Absence Letter home for completion when parents/guardians have not provided an explanation for the absence. If no response after four weeks the letter will be mailed/emailed out.

We thank you for your assistance with this matter.
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
HI MMPS FAMILIES,

Wow what a great night had by all who attended the discos. There was a great turn out with approx. 350 at the junior disco and 150 at the senior. DJ Walka did an amazing job keeping the dancers happy and moving. If you are after a DJ I’m sure we all agree he now comes highly recommended. Check out Tim Walker at DJ Walka Productions on Facebook. A big thank you to all the Staff and Parent helpers who came and helped make it a fantastic night for the kids.

Trivia flyers have been sent home last week. If you haven’t received one, grab one from the Office foyer. Get in quick to grab a table of 8 to make a team or individual tickets can be bought. Scott Mackay, a local Dad from Mischief Motivation Attitude will be our Trivia Host. Guaranteed to be a fun Parent’s night out and fundraiser for the student’s bike shed.

If you have a business and would like to donate a voucher or products for the Trivia Night Silent Auction or prizes please send a message to me ellebaker2006@gmail.com by the Tuesday 12th July. All donations greatly appreciated.

Happy holidays to you all, we hope you have a lovely relaxing break, see you next Term.

Cheers,
ELLE & THE PTA TEAM

DATES TO REMEMBER

SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Saturday 2nd July
Election Day

TRIVIA NIGHT
Saturday 23rd July
Flyers sent home last week
Book tickets at the school office

FOLLOW US ON

PTA BLOG mmpsptablog.wordpress.com or via the school website

Mt Martha P.S. Social Noticeboard

NEXT PTA MEETING
Wednesday 13th July 7pm in Staff Centre
Book the babysitter & turn on the brain for a great night with friends!!

TEAMS BOOK A TABLE OF 8 OR INDIVIDUAL TICKETS SOLD

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL $20
(MUST PAY BY 4PM 22ND JUNE OR $25 THEREAFTER)

LIMITED NUMBERS GET IN QUICK

TRIVIA HOST
SCOTT MACKAY
from Mischief
Motivation Attitude
mmaleam.com.au

TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY 23RD JULY
7pm arrival for 7.30pm START till 11pm

Mt Martha Bowls Club, 45 Watson Rd
PLUS SILENT AUCTION // GAMES // WIN FANTASTIC PRIZES!!

All proceeds of the night will go towards the school bike shed.

Entry includes a ticket for the lucky door prize!!
Drinks at bar prices - very reasonable (No BYO drinks) BYO nibbles & platters.

TEAM CONTACT: ________________________________
PHONE: ________________________________

NAMES OF ALL ATTENDING: ________________________________

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TRIVIA NIGHT

Number of tickets: ________________________________
Total paid: ________________________________
(8 per team) ________________________________
JUNE 2016
SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
With artist and educator Jill Anderson
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL Phone 5975 4395
or visit: www.mprg.mornpen.vic.gov.au
Civic Reserve, Dunns Rd, Mornington

Tuesday 28 June
SCENIC SENSATIONS
10am-12pm, Ages 5-8, Adult supervision required.
Get crafty with cardboard and productive with
plasticine to construct and decorate a diorama
celebrating the things and places you love!

1pm-3pm, Ages 9-12, Adults welcome but not
required.
Create a crazy cardboard construction celebrating your
favourite place!

Wednesday 29 June
VCE FOLIO CONSOLIDATION WORKSHOPS
10am-12pm, Studio Art
Further develop your Potential Directions in new and
interesting ways as you respond to the ideas, materials
and techniques seen in Country and Western:
Landscape Re-imagined.
BYO Visual Diary.

1pm-3pm, Art
Add depth to the resolution of your folio work as you
gather and explore fresh ideas from Indigenous and
non-Indigenous contemporary Australian artists seen in
Country and Western: Landscape Re-imagined.
BYO Visual Diary.
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Contact Emma on 0419 173 406
emmakaman@gmail.com
www.emmakamandance.com.au

Stylist: Fee Kuss  M: 0403 166 129 E: feeduss03@gmail.com.au
Live life to the fullest, smile, laugh
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Briars Junior Ranger Program "FROGLETs and FUNGI" for 6-10 year olds
Wed 29th June, Frid 1st, Tues 6th & Wed 7th July, 1-3:30pm. Booking & pre-payment essential. Ph: 5974-3686
Pull on your gumboots and go frog and fungi finding with Ranger Fi.
Have a go at dip netting in froggy habitat and search the Wildlife Sanctuary for weird and wonderful feasting fungi.
Warm up with some leapfrogging fun and head home with something you have made.

LOST MOBILE PHONE

A white Sony Experia mobile phone was lost in the Eco Park car park. If found would you please phone the school office on 5974 2800 so we can reunite it with its owner. The phone was housed in a grey and brown cover. Thank you.

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