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## BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**Welcome** - to Poppy L (Year 3) and her family who joined our school community this week

**End of Term 3 & Term 4** - We would like to wish all our families a safe, relaxing, and happy school holiday break. We are looking forward to a busy Term Four with lots of interesting and engaging teaching and learning activities, as our students work towards achieving their learning goals.

During Term Three the whole school focus as a Professional Learning Community (PLC) was to embed the use of enabling and extending prompts when teaching challenging tasks and concepts in Maths. Last night the teachers met to review the pre and post survey data from students, reflect on teaching and learning throughout this cycle, what high impact teaching strategies were most effective and what was the most effective practices to use in future teaching and learning activities.

Next term the focus will be on Personal & Social Capability to improve students' social awareness and management through collaboration'. Each year level team will make this a more specific goal and in a cycle of continuous improvement focus on high impact teaching strategies, student goal setting, assessment, and differentiated practises to target the needs of students.

**Junior School Concerts** - Congratulations to all our students in Years' Prep, One and Two for their very entertaining performances at the Junior School Concert on Tuesday evening. We were very proud of all our students performing in front of a very large audiences. Thank you Leanne Rault (our Performing Arts Teacher), and staff for your work as well as our families for your support to ensure the success of the concert.



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



The Mount Martha Primary School community acknowledges & pays respect to the Boon Wurrung/Bunurong people of the Kulin nation, the traditional custodians of these lands & waters.



#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued

**Last Day of Term & Assembly** - Tomorrow is the last day of Term Three with a 2.30pm dismissal time. Term Four commences on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. We will be having an end of term assembly at 9.15am tomorrow in the gym. Please come along and hear from our students about their learning, activities, and the acknowledgement of student achievement. All welcome.

**Communication Survey Update** - As a result of the feedback from staff, parents, and students, we have been working on improving our modes of communication. In term 4 our school website is being updated to make it more user friendly. We will also be adding the Compass calendar of events, web-based newsletter, and year level events pages. This term you will receive a compass post with information about the year level events and overview rather than multiple compass posts. We hope this will reduce the number of posts families receive.

**Important Dates in Term Four Advanced Notice** - We have scheduled our Professional Practice Day (PPD) for Term Four on **Monday November 20**<sup>th</sup> for all staff. Students will therefore not be required to attend school on this day. Our OHSCP will be available on this day. More information on bookings will be available early next term.

Year 6 Market - Congratulations also to our Year 6 students for their fantastic work planning and running the Year 6 Market last Friday. The market bought a real-life experience to their unit on business and economics as well as important skills in working with teams and with the community. Once again thank you parents, family members and staff for your assistance and

support.



**Footy Day** - How lucky we were to have glorious sunshine for our Footy Day today! Thank you to Cameron Sweatman for organising a fun filled parade and goal kicking competition. Such a colourful spectacle with everyone dressed in the colours of their AFL team, sporting uniform or colours of a team followed in another sporting code. Thank you to Damien Van Ray and the wonderful SEC for organising the Footy hotdogs that were a delicious addition to our students' lunches after the activities. We all really appreciate the effort and commitment of this group in running events and activities that bring our school community together, providing special memories for our students and raise valuable funds to improve the school facilities. Thank you!

**Lost Property** - With the end of term tomorrow 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 Administration wing. Please 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.

#### **Reminders**

**Leaving Mount Martha Primary School** - A reminder to please let the Office know if you are leaving Mount Martha Primary School at the end of this year. This assists with our planning for 2024. Thank you.

**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 1800 126 126. They will in turn contact the appropriate staff. Thank you.

**Hats On** - This week the weather has been beautiful. A reminder that hats are to be worn from the September 1<sup>st</sup> to the April 30<sup>th</sup> as part of the Sun Smart policy. A copy of the policy is available on the school website MMPS Website Policy Page. Please make sure hats have a legible name to allow them to be returned if they are lost. Only Broad brimmed or legionnaire hats are part of our Sun Smart policy - no baseball style caps please. Those students without a hat will be sent to the undercover area nearly the old canteen roller shutters during recess and lunch. Thank you.

Warm regards, Karen Walker.

#### **SCHOOL NOTICES**

# **Dates to Remember Coming Events**



#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### Thursday 14th

**School Council Meeting** 6.45pm in Staff Centre



#### Friday 15th

**End of Term Assembly** 9.15am in Gym All welcome



Early dismissal today 2.30pm.

#### **OCTOBER**

#### Monday 2nd

**Term 4 commences today** 

#### **Tuesday 3rd**

**SEC Meeting** 7.00pm in Staff Centre All welcome

#### Wednesday 4th

**Division Athletics** 9.00am - 3.30pm Mornington Athletic Complex, Civic Recreation Centre, **Dunns Rd, Mornington 3931** 

#### **Monday 9th**

Japanese Day 9.00am - 3.30pm

Sushi orders now available on Compass Tix

#### **Tuesday 10th**

**Year 6 Graduation Photo** 2.15 - 2.45pm



#### Wednesday 11th

2024 Prep Parent Information Evening. 7pm in Staff Centre

#### Saturday 14th

Working Bee 9am - 12pm All welcome



#### **COMPASS EVENT PAYMENT/CONSENT CALENDAR**



Parents are reminded to log into the Compass Parent Portal to consent and/or pay by the due date.

Please let the office know if your child will be away and/or will not be attending the event.

#### Thank you.

2023 EVENTS	COST	CLOSING DATE
Japanese Sushi Orders	\$6	3/10/2023
State Table Tennis	Nil	9/10/2023
Year 3 Somers Camp	\$175	13/10/2023
2024 Year 6 Rugby Top	\$75	25/10/2023
2024 Curriculum Contributions and Agreements	Refer Compass	30/11/2023

#### **TERM DATES: 2023**

Term 3 10th July (Student Free Day) 11th July to 15th September Term 4 2nd October to 20th December



#### **STUDENT FREE DAYS: 2023**

Term 3 Monday 10th July **Term 4 Monday 20th November** 

#### **TERM DATES: 2024**

Term 1 29th January to 28th March

Year 1 - 6 students commence Wednesday 31st January 9.00am - 3.30pm

#### **Prep Interviews**

Wednesday 31st January, Thursday 1st February or Friday 2nd February

**Preps Start Part Time - Monday 5th February** 

9.30am - 2.15pm

Preps Start Full Time - Tuesday 12th March

9.00am - 3.30pm

Term 2 15th April to 28th June

Term 3 15th July to 20th September

Term 4 7th October to 20th December

#### I SEA I CARE NEWS

#### I Sea I Care Year 6 Leadership









On Friday July 21st, the 'I Sea I Care' Year 6 Leaders (Patrick, Clem, Henry and Layla - above) ventured to Rickets Point in Beaumaris.

We left school at 8:45am and travelled up the highway in Mr. Orchard's car listening to some 'interesting music'. Once we arrived, we were greeted by Jackie at the Beaumaris Lifesaving Club. There were also a lot of other teachers and students from a variety of schools there.

Activities included learning about citizen science, our dolphin species and how to identify them, what lives in the sea grass, exploration of the rock pools and sand surveys.

On Tuesday August 1st we visited Banyan Reserve and Frankston Beach for the Catchments Day. We investigated the connection between land and sea, stormwater, litter, and the ways in which we can solve the issues.

The morning session was at Banyan Reserve in Carrum Downs. Here we observed a litter trap emptying process, freshwater invertebrates, and water testing. The afternoon session was a walk along Kananook Creek to the floating litter trap. Before we headed off, we conducted a litter survey and collection on Frankston beach as part of the Australian Marine Debris Initiative.

Finally, on Wednesday August 2nd the I Sea I Care Leaders facilitated five lessons on marine science for our lovely Prep classes. Our lessons focused on activities we learnt in Term 2 at our Peer Teaching Day at Mount Eliza P.S.

We taught the Preps about marine animals found in Port Phillip Bay such as:

- Australian Fur Seal
- Decorator Crab
- Eleven Armed Seastar
- Smooth Ray

Our lesson concluded with an activity about reducing our litter on our beaches.

Kind regards,

Nick Orchard

(Assistant Principal)

#### **JAPANESE DAY NEWS**



Please note: orders must <u>close at 4pm on Tuesday 3rd October</u> due to catering purposes.

**Bill Nickeas** 

**LOTE Teacher** 



# 2024 PREP INFORMATION EVENING Wednesday 11th October 2023 7.00 - 8:30 pm in Staff Centre







This is a session designed to provide all the information you need to know about our Transition Program, ways to prepare for the 2024 school year and important school procedures and administrative details.

Includes a PSW fashion parade as well as a light supper.

Look forward to seeing you there!

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# Semester Two

# WORKING BEE at MMPS!



- we are asking for your help at our:

Semester Two Working Bee!

Date: Saturday 14 October

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.

Purpose: Getting grounds ready for Spring.

Some jobs required for the day:

- Mulching gardens
- Pruning and weeding
- · Rejuvenation of Sensory Garden

All children must be accompanied by an adult and morning tea will be provided.

Please email Nick Orchard (<u>nicholas.orchard@education.vic.gov.au</u>) if you are able to help on the day.

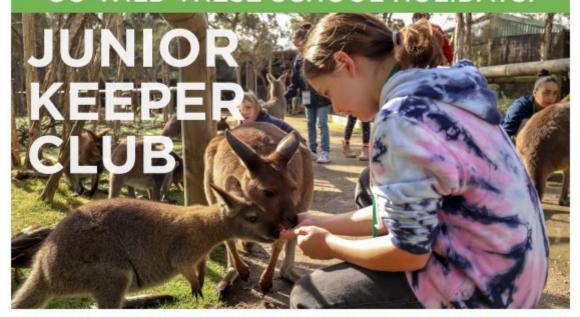
Kind regards,

Nick Orchard (Assistant Principal)

#### **VACATION NEWS**



# GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!



#### ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE

Includes interactions with kangaroos, pythons, feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment.

For ages 7-14 years.

### Spring Holiday Program

Week 1: Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st, Friday 22nd September Week 2: Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th, Friday 29th September Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 9:00am start - 2:00pm finish







# Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park 550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au Open daily between 10am and 4pm. Keeper Club runs from 9:00am-2:00pm.







In association with Westernport Angling Club Competition Hub at Hastings Boat Ramp.

# SPOT FISHING PACK GIVE AWAYS ALL WEEKEND! SMALL FRY, JUNIOR AND SENIOR LUCKY DRAW PRIZES





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#### **TOURNAMENT DETAILS:**

Boundaries of Westernport Bay & Port Phillip Bay. Every entrant receives comp gift bag including drink holder, toy, fishing gear.

FRI 6<sup>TH</sup> OCT Competition Hub: Registration from 5.30PM & runs through weekend including new entrants

SAT 7TH OCT 6AM Start fishing!

SUN 8™ OCT 12PM weigh in closes, presentation at 1PM



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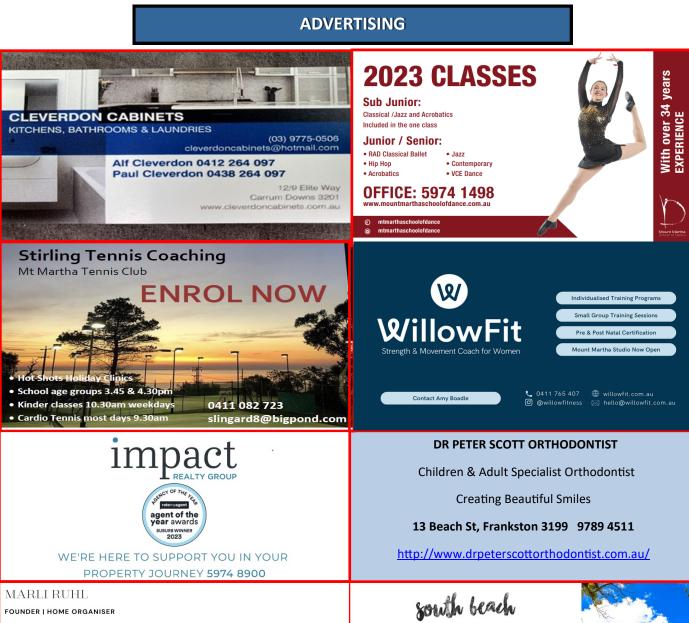


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