



Banksia Bulletin

M T M A R T H A P R I M A R Y S C H O O L

Thursday 8th March, 2018

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

Principal Report

Class Blogs - Each class at Mount Martha has established a class blog. They are another great way to keep informed about what is happening in your child's class and at the school. Links to subscribe to the blogs are available from the school website.

<http://www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au/>. The blogs also give an opportunity for parents to post comments back and students are particularly excited when a post is made about an activity or their work. The blogs can also give parents a lead in to discussions with your child about "what did you do at school?" Looking forward to seeing our list of subscribers growing!

Compass - We are increasing the use of Compass across the school and are finding it a real benefit to both communication and administration. Thank you parents for your quick "take up". We have moved on to using Compass for school events and bookings. As well as class events, we are looking to use it for SEC events. Bookings for the Barefoot Bowls Night on Friday 23rd March 7pm to 11pm are now open on Compass. Always a fun evening and a great way to connect with our school community! Please contact the Office if you are having any Compass issues as most can be quickly resolved.

Bike Safety - We actively promote options other than cars for travel to and from school. Bike or scooter riding are some of those options. On occasion, we do receive reports of some students riding too fast, erratically on the road or footpath and not wearing their helmets. We can follow up road safety messages at school and if parents could remind and reinforce safe bike and scooter use with their child that may make our riders and other members of our community's trip to and from school a little safer. Thank you for your assistance.

End of Term One - With so many activities for our students to be involved in Term One has really flown by! Advance notice that Thursday 29th March is the last day of Term One. Please note the earlier dismissal time of 2.30pm. We will be having a whole school "end of term" assembly on the Thursday commencing at 9.10am. Term 2 commences on Monday 16th April.

Swimming Sports - Following our successful school swimming sports a couple of weeks ago our Mount Martha Primary School swimming team will compete at the District Sports tomorrow 9th March. Best of Luck!

Kind regards

Martin Page

COMING EVENTS

MARCH

Friday 9th

- Year 1 Kings Swim
- District Swimming

Monday 12th

Labour Day Public Holiday
Students do not attend school on this day.

Tuesday 13th

- Year 4 Hip Hop

Wednesday 14th

- All Year 2s Immigration Museum excursion
- Division Swimming

Thursday 15th

- Year 2 Kings Swim
- Year 1 Kings Swim

Friday 16th

- Year 1 Kings Swim
- Year 5 & 6 **Class** Photos today
(Individual photos for students who attended Somers Camp)

Tuesday 20th

- Year 4 Hip Hop

Thursday 22nd

- Year 2 King Swim
- Year 1 King Swim

Friday 23rd

- Year 4 rescheduled Beach Program
- Year 1 King Swim

Monday 26th – Wed 28th

- Year 6 CYC City Camp
Departs: 7.30am
Returns: 5.00pm

**NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING
AGM
TONIGHT**

6.45pm in the Staff Centre



SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE NOTICEBOARD

Hello Families,

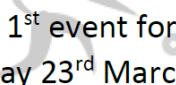
Well it is coming up to 2 years since I took over as President from our lovely Trish Pell, who did a Super job by the way, now it is time for me to pass on the role to another Parent. I have absolutely loved being involved in my children's school and getting to know the school and staff a whole lot more. Not to mention meeting so many wonderful families. Yes, that does mean one of you need to give it a go! You will not regret it and your kids will be proud of you and your involvement in school activities.

There are many sub-committees for most events so trust me you are not alone. And probably like me, have those friends and family with you that will help out too.

I am happy to stay on the committee and will also stay on the sub-committee for the Carnivale, which we have postponed this year so that we can make it a March event from now on, so the next one is March 2019.

So think about it, nab your friends to join the committee too...put your flair and touch to events, bring some new ideas, thought you could do it better or slightly differently NOW IS YOUR CHANCE!

IF YOU CAN GET KIDS OUT THE DOOR EACH MORNING - YOU CAN DO THIS....SEE YOU AT THE AGM.



Our 1st event for the year is planned so all come along to our Barefoot Bowls Night on Friday 23rd March. See the flyer for more details. Last year was a great social night and we all met some lovely new parents. ***PLEASE COME ALONG AND HAVE FUN....ESPECIALLY YOU NEW PARENTS....GREAT CHANCE TO EITHER GET A GROUP TOGETHER OR COME ALONE AND MEET SOME NEW PEEPS.*** Only \$20 per

person. The food was really good too and drinks very reasonable. See you there. Have a great week.


Cheers,

Elle & SEC Team

CALENDAR OF SEC EVENTS

Wed 21st Mar SEC AGM staff centre 7pm

Fri 23rd March Bare Foot Bowls & BBQ for
Parents – MM Bowls Club

JOIN:  Mt Martha P.S Social Noticeboard.

CONTACT: ellebaker2006@gmail.com

COMPASS & GOING PAPERLESS

As you know this year we are trying to go paperless so please always check your Compass App & Banksia Bulletin for events and how to pay for them. Once you do the 1st one you will realise how easy it is.

So give it a go by coming along to our 1st event for the year – Bare Foot Bowls.

- Open compass App
- Click on menu top left corner then go to “Open in Browser”
- Right hand side of screen will see under heading “My News” there will be ***Course Confirmation/School Payments***
- Tap on “Click to Proceed”
- Tap on a child’s name – it doesn’t matter which one.
- Tap Proceed
- Under amount you can change this depending on how many people you are paying for.
- Go to “Enter payment details”.
- Complete that page.....
- ***YOU ARE ALL DONE.....***only took me 1 minute to do it on my phone.



MOUNT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL

BAREFOOT BOWLS PARENT'S NIGHT



FRIDAY 23rd MARCH, 7pm – 11pm
COME AND HAVE SOME FUN!!!

Bowling, BBQ, Drinks, Raffles & Prizes

Mt Martha Bowls Club, 45 Watsons Road, MM
Tickets include Bowling & Dinner (BBQ meat with salad)
Drinks at bar prices

RSVP MON 19th by booking on Compass BE IN QUICK!

Mt Martha Primary School is taking a stand against bullying and violence in 2018. We have registered to take part in The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence on Friday, March 16th.

Dear parents,

At our school we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone. Sometimes, it can be difficult for parents or carers to know what to do when their child talks to them about bullying.

You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

If your child talks to you about bullying:

1. **Listen** calmly and get the full story. Your calm response is important to allow your child to tell you all about the situation. After they've told you their story, ask questions to get more details if you need to: who, what, where, when. Although you may feel some strong emotions about your child's experience, try to keep calm to avoid more distress to your child.
2. **Reassure** your child they are not to blame. Many children blame themselves and this may make them feel even worse. You could say things like, 'That sounds really hard to deal with. No one should have to put up with that.' or 'I'm so glad you told me. You should be able to feel safe at school; that's not fair at all'.
3. **Ask** your child what they want to do and what they want you to do. A critical part of your response is to avoid jumping in to solve the problem. While it is natural to want to protect your child, helping them to find their own solution is a better option. It helps them feel they have some power in the situation.
4. **Visit** www.bullyingnoway.gov.au to find some strategies. The website has tips and ideas for different bullying situations. One idea is to practise strategies at home to help your child feel more confident.
5. **Contact** the school. Your child may be reluctant for you to do this, so discuss the idea and reassure them that the school would want to know and is able to help. Make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher and, if you need to, ask to talk with the principal. Contact the school immediately if you have a concern about your child's safety.
6. **Check in regularly** with your child. Keep the conversation going. It can take time to resolve issues, so check in regularly with your child about their experiences and their feelings. Your ongoing support is important.

Look out for more information in the Banksia Bulletin leading up to the day of action. Thanks for your support in making Mt Martha Primary a great school for everyone.

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6. **Check in** regularly with your child.



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Friday 16 March, 6 – 8 pm

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between 10 –17 years of age.
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Week 2: Mon 9th Tues 10th Wed 11th Thurs 12th Fri 13th April

10am–4pm

Cost: \$75.00 per day, or \$210 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).

Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited

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COMMUNITY NOTICES



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The new season will begin at the start of Term 2 so please email your interest in well before the end of Term 1 to allow adequate time for team allocations and communications prior to registrations.

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Mt Martha Primary School strives to provide a safe environment for students, staff and visitors. Please alert the office to any hazards.

SCHOOL TERMS 2018

TERM 1 31st January to 29th March 2018

TERM 2 16th April to 29th June 2018

TERM 3 16th July to 21st September 2018

TERM 4 8th October to 21st December 2018

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