



# Banksia Bulletin

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

Thursday 22nd 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

**School Council Update** - Following our AGM last week I am pleased to announce that Trudy Mason is our new School Council President, Elle Baker is Vice President and Luke Woods is Treasurer. We welcomed our new and returning School Councillors and established our sub committees for the year ahead. Bronwen Hocking, Sam Abbas and Justin Whelan are retiring as members from School Council. I would like to thank Bronwen, Sam and Justin for their time, involvement, ideas, consideration and overall contribution as school councillors. An additional thank you to Sam who served as School Council President.

**Year 6 Camp** - Our Year 6 students are off to urban camp next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. They are sure to enjoy the experience of navigating their way around the Melbourne CBD using public transport, visiting some terrific sites and enjoying activities the city has to offer. Have a great time!

**Parking** - In the interests of traffic flow and, most importantly, the safety of members of our school community, parents are reminded to follow the parking restrictions applying to streets near the school. Please note in particular the restrictions for the "Kiss and Go" parking in Glenisla Drive as this can have a real impact on congestion. Parking Officers regularly patrol schools at the start of the school day and at pick up. Please note also that the staff car parks in Melrose Drive and Glenisla Drive are not drop off and pick up points for children. Thank you for your assistance.

**Banksia Bulletin** - As indicated last week we will be moving to an electronic version of our weekly newsletter. The newsletter will be available using Compass with the change planned for the start of Term 2. We will run off some hard copies of the newsletter which will be available for collection from the Office.

**Absence Line** - A reminder that from the start of Term 2 the Absence Line will no longer be in operation. Parents should access Compass to notify the school if their child is absent. Thank you.

**End of Term One** - A reminder that Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Lost Property** - With the end of term nearly with us we are finding our lost property collection has grown. With the cooler months approaching students will be requiring their jumpers more frequently. Lost Property has many that we would love to reunite with their owners. If your child has misplaced a jumper there is a good chance it will be in lost property located near the Art room. Please remember to check the name on your child's items as named items can quickly find their way back to their owners. Thank you.

Kind regards, Martin Page.

## COMING EVENTS

### MARCH

#### Friday 23rd

- Year 4 rescheduled Beach Program
- Year 1 King Swim

#### FREE DRESS DAY

Gold coin donation  
proceeds go to RCH



#### AFTER SCHOOL SAUSAGE SIZZLE 3.30pm



\$2 Sausage in  
bread & \$1 icy  
poles

Meet in Area C

#### Monday 26th –Wed 28th

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

#### Wednesday 28th

- Regional Swimming  
Competition

#### Thursday 29th

- FINAL DAY TERM 1  
EARLY DISMISSAL  
2.30PM

### APRIL

#### Monday 16th

- TERM 2 COMMENCES
- Year 3 Rainforestation  
Incursion

#### Wednesday 18th

- Year 5 Cranbourne  
Botanic Gardens  
Excursion 9.00am -  
3.15pm

#### Friday 20th

- Year 5 & 6 Summer  
Lightning Premiership

## NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 10th May

6.45pm in the Staff Centre



**SRC Sausage Sizzle and Crazy Colour Free Dress**

The Royal Children's Hospital do an amazing job looking after patients and their families. Tomorrow Friday, 23rd March the SRC are organising a fundraiser for 'The Royal Children's Hospital Appeal'. They are hoping you can join them in an 'After School Sausage Sizzle'. The "Sizzle" will commence at 3:30pm and the students and teachers will enjoy cooking up a storm out the front of Mount Martha Primary School. A sausage in bread will be \$2 and Icy Poles will be \$1. Make sure you follow your nose and join in to help raise funds for The Royal Children's Hospital.



Tomorrow will also be a FREE DRESS DAY where we can all bring a gold coin donation and wear 'Crazy Colours' to raise more funds for this worthwhile cause.

Thanks for your support. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

SRC



**WANTED:**

**Small Succulent or Geranium Cuttings.**

Please bring in to school as soon as possible.

The Banksia Botanists will be propagating these before the end of term.

These will be used for activities on **Gold for Green Day**.

Could they be delivered to Mrs. Spiridis' classroom. Room 5 Melrose.

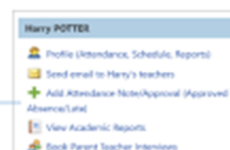


## COMPASS HANDY HINT!

### Attendance: Entering a note for absence/lateness

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From the Compass home screen (or from your student's profile), click the 'Add Attendance Note/Approval' item.



2

- From the pop-up window,
- Select the reason
  - Enter a brief description of the absence
  - Select the start and finish time
  - Click the 'Save' button.

#### Note:

Where possible, notes should be entered prior to the absence occurring.

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## Common Sense on Cyberbullying

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### What's The Issue?

Cyberbullying is defined as repeatedly sending or posting cruel messages, images, or videos about someone else using the Internet, cell phones, or other digital technologies. Kids may call each other names, spread rumors, post threats, or purposefully make others feel uncomfortable or scared. Cyberbullying is especially disturbing because it is constant, inescapable, and very public. It can happen anytime — at school or at home — and can involve large groups of kids.

### Why It Matters

Younger kids are starting to use online communication and at the same time they are exploring ways to test other people's reactions. For instance, kids who send a mean message might not fully understand how another person might react to that message. Cyberbullying behavior also usually happens when adults aren't around. So parents and teachers often see only the anxiety or depression that results from their kids being hurt or bullied. Parents can help by becoming aware of the issue, learning to identify the warning signs of bullying, and helping kids to understand how to be respectful to others online.

### Common Sense Says

- **Make a list together of how talking online is different than talking face-to-face.** Help kids consider why it might be easier to say things online you wouldn't say in person, and how this may be good sometimes and problematic at other times.
- **Practice writing a text or an online message to a friend.** Model for your child how to be kind and polite when using cell phones or the Internet. Discuss how to read the "tone" of a message before you send it, and how to avoid mean language or behaviors.
- **Make sure they talk to someone (even if it's not you).** A child should tell a parent, teacher, or trusted adult if he or she is being bullied online. Tell your child that this isn't tattling; it's standing up for him- or herself.
- **Advise them on how to handle cyberbullying.** Even though they might be tempted to, your child should never retaliate against a cyberbully. They can stop the cycle by not responding to the bully. Also remind them to save the evidence rather than delete it.
- **Point out that it's important to stick up for others,** online as well as in the real world. Discuss ways they can support friends who are bullied and report bad behavior they see online.



MOUNT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL

# BAREFOOT BOWLS PARENT'S NIGHT



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

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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

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

## CALENDAR OF SEC EVENTS

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Mar SEC AGM staff centre 7pm

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> March Bare Foot Bowls & BBQ for  
Parents – MM Bowls Club

JOIN:  Mt Martha P.S Social Noticeboard.

CONTACT: [ellebaker2006@gmail.com](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> one you will realise how easy it is.

So give it a go by coming along to our 1<sup>st</sup> 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.





# April 2018 School Holiday Program

We've got loads of fun things to do these school holidays! See reverse side of this flyer for the program schedule.

**Drop In** and other centre-based activities are for young people aged 10 – 17, and are available between 10 am – 1 pm and 1.30 pm – 5 pm throughout the holidays. Bookings aren't required, but young people must register their details online before attending any activity.

**Street Team** sessions are also for young people aged 10 – 17 years old. Our youth workers set up a range of fun, free, supervised activities all over the Mornington Peninsula, so even if you don't live near one of our Youth Centres, you can still join in the fun!

For more information and to register your details please visit:

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 mpys.com.au

#### Shed 11 Youth Centre

 5950 1666  
 11 Marine Parade, Hastings

#### The Corner Youth Centre

 5975 3114  
 91 Wilsons Road, Mornington

#### Y Lounge Youth Centre

 5986 3585  
 1 Nepean Plaza, Rosebud



## Family Day at Balcombe Estuary

### **FREE** Family Fun



**Sunday 25 March 2018 10.00am — 2.00pm**  
**The Rotunda, Mirang Ave Mt Martha**

**Art & Craft activities**

**Face painting**

**Moonlit Sanctuary**

**Water watch**

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... but have you wondered which animals in the Wildlife Sanctuary have hidden their own precious eggs?

Join Ranger Fi to discover who has hidden eggs in the Wildlife Sanctuary, from the teeny tiniest to the most gigantic!

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am – 12pm or 1 – 3.30pm  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 1 – 3.30pm  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am – 12pm or 1 – 3.30pm



## AFTER-DARK WILDLIFE WALKS

Enjoy the ultimate bush experience. Take a night bushwalk with Ranger Fi in The Briars Wildlife Sanctuary to search for kangaroos, wallabies, sugar-gliders and more!

Walks will be cancelled on days of Total Fire Ban and once wind strength reaches 35kph. These will be rescheduled or a refund provided.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April; Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April; Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April;  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
All tours 7 – 8.30pm

## EASTER BANDICOOT HUNT

Elusive chocolate bandicoots are hiding at the Briars this Autumn – come and find them! Join Ranger Fi for a delicious chocolate bandicoot hunt, make your very own bandicoot ears and have our face-painter give you a cute bandicoot face.

Sunday 8 April 2018; 10am – 12pm

\$5 per child (parental supervision is required)  
Includes chocolate bandicoot, face painting and craft activity



## BUSH FAIRIES AND ELVES

Come along on a magical mission and discover what The Briars fairies get up to in autumn. Do you think we'll find some hiding in the Wildlife Sanctuary?

You'll enjoy making your very own fairy to take home to bring some magic.

Please dress in your fairy best and boots (or closed toe shoes) – we're bush fairies after all.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 10 – 11am  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 9 – 10am or 11am – 12pm



## For more information

☎ 5974 3686  
✉ the.briars@mornpen.vic.gov.au  
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### Easter 2018 school holiday dates:

Week 1: Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Fri 6<sup>th</sup> April

Week 2: Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Fri 13<sup>th</sup> 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

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

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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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## CONTACTS



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### SCHOOL TERMS 2018

**TERM 1** 31st January to 29th March 2018

**TERM 2** 16th April to 29th June 2018

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