



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - 19 December 2019

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As the 2019 school year draws to a close I would like to congratulate all our students for their fantastic achievements this year - the students should be very proud of their active participation in the school program and the achievements they have made! A huge thank you to our terrific staff for all their work in the school. Thank you to our wonderful parent community whether it be on School Council, SEC, helping the school in classrooms, excursions, camps and other activities, planning and organising graduation or just being great supporters of Mount Martha Primary School - your wonderful contribution is always greatly appreciated.

Staffing for 2020 - We have a number of staff changes for 2020. We will be welcoming the following new teacher to Mount Martha Primary School for 2020 - Joseph Turner. Marta Reardon and Ross Hamaline are returning to Mount Martha PS after time on leave. Donna Gadsby will be on leave in 2019. We will be farewelling Alice Eadie, Bec Moulton, Emma Nicholls, Daniel Vercoe and Bec Constantinou and Andrew Pryor. We thank them for their contribution to the students, staff, parents and Mount Martha Primary School community and wish them well for the future.

Grade 6 Graduation - On Tuesday our Year 6's celebrated their graduation in style followed by an excursion to Luna Park on Wednesday and their final farewell to the school at assembly today. Congratulations and well done to our Year 6's on a great effort over their years at primary school. They have been outstanding role models and leaders in our school. We wish them every success for their secondary education and beyond and know they will take fond memories of Mount Martha Primary School with them.

Last Day of School for 2019 - School finishes tomorrow Friday 20th December at 1.30pm. On this day we will not be running a lunch break. Our middle "block" after recess will run from 11.30am to 1.30pm. Parents should consider if their child requires a slightly larger snack to get them through the additional class time.

Start of School 2020 - A reminder that students in Year 1 to Year 6 commence school for 2020 on **Thursday 30th January**. 2020 Prep students will have interviews scheduled this week and the next Monday and start in classes on **Tuesday 4th February**.

Beach Program 2020 - Advance notice. The Beach Program commences for some classes on **Monday 3rd February**. A newsfeed was sent via Compass with some of the events and due dates that will occur in early in the school year. Please refer to the newsfeed for more details as to events that your children will be participating in.

Urgent - Library Books and Take Home Readers - All library books and take home reading material should be returned to the classroom as soon as possible. Thank you for your help to preserve our collection of books for the students.

Lost Property - An urgent final reminder for the year to check our Lost Property section near the Art Room. Thank you

Bikes - A final reminder to collect bikes from the bike shed. We have a number of bikes that have been parked in the bike shed for an extended time. If not collected they will be locked in the bike shed for the holidays. They are much better to be at home for the holidays allowing students to practice their Bike Ed skills.

I would like to wish everyone in our school community a safe, restful and happy holiday. I am really looking forward to another fantastic year in 2020!

Kind regards, Martin Page, Principal.

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

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events

DECEMBER



2020

JANUARY

Thursday 30th

Students in Years 1-6 commence today

30th January to Monday 4th February 2020 Prep interviews

FEBRUARY

Monday 3rd

6A & 6B Beach Program

9.15am - 2.30pm

Tuesday 4th

Preps start 9am - 2.15pm

6C & 6D Beach Program

9.15am - 2.30pm

Wednesday 5th

4A & 4B Beach Program

9.15am - 2.30pm

Thursday 6th

5A & 5C Beach Program

9.15am - 2.30pm

Friday 7th

5B & 5D Beach Program

9.15am - 2.30pm

MARCH



Monday 2nd

Preps start full time 9am - 3.30pm

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.

EVENTS 2020	COST	CLOSING DATE
Year 6 Beach Water Safety	\$32	30/1/2020
Year 5 Beach Water Safety	\$32	3/2/2020
Year 4 Beach Water Safety	\$30	2/2/2020
Year 3 Beach Water Safety	\$20	6/2/2020

TERM DATES: 2019

Term 4 7th October to 20th December
(student dismissed at 1.30pm on last day of term)



TERM DATES: 2020

Term 1 28th January to 27th March
Students in Years 1 - 6 Start 30th January 2020
(2020 Prep Interviews 30th & 31st January, Monday 3rd February)
Preps starts Tuesday 4th February 9.00am - 2.15pm
Preps start full days Monday 2nd March

Term 2 14th April to 26th June

Term 3 13th July to 18th September

Term 4 5th October to 18th December

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2020 TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

YEAR 1 - 6:	Commence 9.00am Thursday 30th January 2020
PREP INTERVIEWS:	Thursday 30th January, Friday 31st and Monday 3rd February Parents please attend with your child
PREPS START SCHOOL:	Tuesday 4th February 9.00am - 2.15pm
PREPS START FULL DAYS:	Monday 2nd March 9.00am - 3.30pm
FEBRUARY OSHCP:	OSHCP offers a service for parents requiring care for their Prep children during these 4 weeks of early finish times. To register for this service please contact Gillian Reid on 0407 438 858.
SUNSMART POLICY:	Everyone is encouraged to be SUNSMART and the wearing of hats is compulsory until May 1st. Parents should supply their child with sunscreen to be kept in their school bag.
UNIFORM SHOP:	PSW School Uniform Shop Located at 1/22 Watt Rd, Mornington Vic 3931 Trading Hours: Monday to Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm Saturday 10.00am - 1.00pm
BANKSIA BULLETIN:	The next publication of the Banksia Bulletin will be on Thursday 6th February 2020

2019 YEAR 6 GRADUATION AWARDS

The following students received awards at the 2019 Graduation Ceremony:

AWARD	STUDENTS
David Pitts Citizenship Award	Jasper Leni
Literacy	Tilly Mark
Numeracy	Matilda Ethan
Inquiry	Sacha Harrison
ICT	Molly Xavier G
AEU	Emily C Lilly W
Visual Arts	Jasper Shayla
Physical Education	Phoebe Charlie C
Performing Arts	Charley R Finn C
LOTE	Liam Ella
Kids Matter	Ruby Jake S
Dromana Secondary College	Justin
Padua College	Zoe
GRIT Award	Sophie Kash

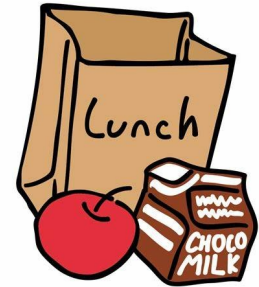
LUNCH ORDER REMINDER



Please note: There will be **NO LUNCH ORDERS** on **FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER** which is our last day of school.

The last day to place a Lunch Order will be Monday 16th December.

Thank you.



FIRST AID NEWS

As we approach the end of the school year, just a couple of reminders from the First Aid Room.

If your child is leaving Mt Martha Primary School, on their last day, please collect any medication that is stored at school.

To ensure that we can provide accurate medical care for your child/ren as we head into 2020, could you please take some time over the holidays to obtain an updated Medical Action Plan (ie Asthma / Anaphylaxis / Allergy etc). It is a requirement that Medical Action Plans are updated annually and must be signed by a Doctor. Please return these at the beginning of the school year together with any required medication.

Prior to returning to school please also check your children's hair for head lice and/or eggs. Should you find any there are two choices of treatment:

Chemical: Treat and comb with a head lice comb to remove the head lice and eggs; and repeat in 7 days.

Non-chemical: Use conditioner and comb with a head lice comb to remove the head lice and eggs and repeat every 2 days until no live lice have been found for 10 days. The conditioner and comb method has been found to be very effective when the above procedure is followed.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me in the First Aid room from 10.45am to 2.15pm on 5974 2800. Thanks for your co-operation.

Wishing you a happy and safe festive season.

Lorraine Stuart, First Aid Officer.

LIBRARY NEWS



To assist with our end of year Library Stocktake we are asking parents to check at home for any Mt Martha Primary School Library books. Our records show many, many books have yet to be returned.

We thank you for your assistance.



Maria Harvey

Library

SEC WRAP UP



What a year 2019 has been! The Social Events Committee (a team of dedicated parents formerly known as the PTA) have worked hard throughout the year to bring you some amazing events such as:

- Carnivale
- Mothers Day Stall
- Hot Chocolate Day
- Fathers Day Breakfast
- Footy Day
- Treasured Threads and Garage Sale

I wanted to personally thank the **committee** for giving up time that could be spent with families to organise and coordinate events for the school. You really are an amazing bunch of people! Special thanks to **Damian Van Raay** who had major roles in coordinating the school Carnivale and Footy Day.

A HUGE thank you to **Lorraine** and all the **Office Staff** who have supported us over the year, we hope we haven't caused too much extra work for you with our relentless requests!

Another round of applause for all the lovely **parent helpers** who volunteered their time to help - we often see the same smiling faces turn up to help and we really appreciate it (you know who you are).

The best thing about being a volunteer is not only do you get to meet like minded people, organise fun events for the kids, but you also get to raise money for our great school. In 2019 we raised over **\$25,000** which has partly gone towards refurbishment of the Prep sandpit area - with money left in the bank!

SEC WRAP UP



We have some exciting things planned for 2020! Some of these include:

- making our events more **sustainable** and **eco friendly**
- introducing an exciting partnership with **Peninsula Travel**
- introducing some **free** family based events
- introducing a '**Parent's Business Directory**' so we can shop locally and share our business information with each other.

We have also made the very difficult decision to postpone our next Carnivale until March 2021. Although this is disappointing for all, we've been struggling to fill volunteer roles across most events - putting extra strain on Committee members.

We understand everyone is super busy - but we hope you can support us in 2020 by volunteering for just one event during the year.

It has been a fun, rewarding and challenging year for me as President of the SEC. If you are thinking of joining the SEC in 2020, I would highly encourage you to do so. I have made some wonderful friends through the group and we have lots of fun (and wine) together. You could not ask for a better bunch of people - and you can help as much or as little as you like.

I hope you all have a safe and relaxing break and I look forward to seeing you in 2020!

Jo O'Reilly
SEC President



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Spring 2019 school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Mon 6th, Tue 7th, Wed 8th, Thu 9th January
- Week 2: Mon 13th, Tue 14th, Wed 15th, Thu 16th, January
- Week 3: Mon 20th, Tue 21st, Thu 23rd January
10am–4pm

Cost: \$90.00 per day, or \$250 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).

Maximum 16 children per day.

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Welcome to Our Library December Newsletter. We have a wonderful array of programs planned this summer to suit all ages.

We are once again partnering with the NGV and bringing the Kids on Tour events to all branches as well as many other activities.

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Hat, Water bottle, snack, sunscreen (All cricket equipment will be provided)

Cricket Blast Pack:

Each participant will receive a Cricket Blast Pack including a water bottle, drawstring bag and ball.

Program	Dates	Time	Cost
Rosebud	13 & 14 Jan 2020	9am-12pm	\$50
Mornington	13 & 14 Jan 2020	9am-12pm	\$50



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Excursions

Excursions are also for young people aged 10 – 17 years old. Young people must complete an online booking form to indicate which excursions they wish to attend. More information can be found on our website. Bookings are open now!

Register your details

Before young people can attend any of our activities (Drop In or Excursions) Youth Services requires young people to be registered through 'Care Monkey'. To register please see our website for more information or speak with one of our youth workers.

For more information and to register your details, please contact us:

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