

Mt Martha Primary Principal

Mr Martin Page

### **Assistant Principals**

Mr Hugh O'Brien Mrs Karen Walker

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# **BANKSIA BULLETIN** - 4 February 2021

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

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Carers

Once again welcome back to Mount Martha Primary School for 2021. I hope everyone had a very enjoyable and restful holiday! 2021 promises to be fantastic school year and I am pleased with our very smooth start. It was wonderful to see how happy and enthusiastic the students were as they returned to school! The students have quickly settled in to their new classes. Organisation is a real focus for the first few days as students become familiar with the class and school routines. On the first two pupil free days, staff updated training in management of anaphylaxis, allergies and asthma and also made the most of valuable curriculum planning and preparation time for the year ahead.

For 2021 we have new staff join Mount Martha Primary School. Welcome to Miss Alyssah Armstrong, Ms Alice Matthews and Ms Ashleigh Voutier. A staff list is in the newsletter for information.

Our 2021 Preps started in their Prep classes on Wednesday! The first day of school is always a very exciting day and they settled in very well. We wish them a wonderful time at Mt Martha Primary School!

A huge welcome to our new students and families who are joining our school community for 2021.

Year 1: Kate G, Ruben J, Michael K, Eden J, Elliot E

**Year 2:** Tommy C, Lucas G, Lenny H, Jackson L, Camille M, Ayla N, Charlotte R, Ethan V

Year 3: Addison M, Saga S, Mila B, Lola P

Year 4: Roxy K, Lucy N, Alice G, Taylor V, Eva C

Year 5: Juliet B, Taylan U, Charlotte C, Tom P

Meet The Teacher - Establishing a relationship and lines of communication with your child's teacher is an important part of their education. To assist this we are having two "Meet The Teacher" sessions. The first is on Tuesday 23rd February for Years Four, Five and Six and Wednesday 24th February for Years Prep, One, Two and Three. Bookings will be via Compass. More information about the booking process is included in the newsletter.

School Council elections 2021 - Nominations open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February for 3 parent vacancies on our School Council. Forms will be available from the school office. If you are an enthusiastic parent interested in getting more involved and having a say in what our school is doing, or know someone who is, we would love to hear from you. We are looking for people who are committed to improving the educational outcomes for all our students.

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued

Effective councils have a broad range of experience, skills and expertise. Face-to-face and online training is also available to help councillors develop the skills and knowledge for the job. Parents find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

Nominations close on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 4pm.** An election will be conducted should the number of nominations exceed the number of vacancies. You can contact me at the school if you have any queries.

**COVID Information** - A reminder that although some restrictions have been eased for schools we still are required to have some measures and strategies in place. The latest pertains to the wearing of face masks which changed today.

- Face masks must be carried and worn when indoors by individuals 12 years old or older (except our students on site).
- Physical distancing of 1.5metres must be maintained when onsite and when dropping off or picking up students.
- Unwell students should <u>not</u> be sent to school or remain at school if symptoms (even mild symptoms) appear during the
  day or they become unwell. Parents will be contacted to collect unwell students who will be supervised while isolated
  from other students. Parents should follow the latest DHHS and medical practitioner advice as to testing and
  quarantining.
- The school will continue to practise strict hygiene protocols and enhanced school cleaning procedures are also in place.
- Drinking fountains are available but students may choose to bring their own named water bottle.
- Parents are now allowed back on site however social distancing (1.5 metre distance) between adults remains a key
  control measure and must continue to be practiced. This includes when onsite and if dropping off or picking up
  students.
- If visitors/parents/carers intend to spend longer than 15 minutes on site then they are required to sign in at the Office.
- Density limits do not apply in classrooms and other spaces students use. A density limit of 1 person to 2 square metres
  does apply to any spaces and activities being attended by staff, parents/carers and other visitors and then applies to all
  persons in the space including students, staff and visitors.

Thank you again for your assistance in implementation of these strategies.

More information regarding coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the Department's website: <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx">https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx</a>

I am really I	ooking forward	to another to	errific year in	2021!
Kind regard	s			

Martin Page

# **SCHOOL NOTICES**

# Dates to Remember Coming Events

# **FEBRUARY**

# FORGET!

### Friday 5th

4A & 4B Beach Water Safety Program 9.00am - 3.00pm
Mt Martha Life Saving Club

# **Monday 8th**

4C & 4D Beach Water Safety Program 9.00am - 3.00pm Mt Martha Life Saving Club

Year 3 Mornington History Tour 9.00am - 12.45pm Mornington

# **Tuesday 9th**

3A & 3B Beach Water Safety Program 9.00am - 3.00pm Mt Martha Life Saving Club

## **Safer Internet Day**

### Wednesday 10th

3C & 3D Beach Water Safety Program 9.00am - 3.00pm Mt Martha Life Saving Club



### Thursday 11th

Year 5 Carnival & BBQ 9.00am - 3.00pm Mt Martha Life Saving Club

# Friday 12th

Year 6 Carnival & BBQ 9.00am - 3.00pm Mt Martha Life Saving Club



### Monday 15th

Meet the teacher bookings open today in Compass at 8.00am and close Monday 22nd February 2pm.

## Tuesday 16th

Years 3 & 4 Film Festival commences today Mt Martha Primary School

## Wednesday 17th

Year 2 Ciao Italy Incursion today 9.30am - 10.30am

# COMPASS EVENT PAYMENT/CONSENT CALENDAR One Don't Consent

Parents are reminded to log into the Compass Parent Portal to <u>consent and/or pay</u> 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 2021	COST	CLOSING DATE
Year 3A & 3B Beach Water Safety	\$28	4/2/2021
Year 3C & 3D Beach Water Safety	\$28	4/2/2021
Year 3 & 4 Film	\$35	10/2/2021
Year 2 Ciao Italy	\$9	11/2/2021
Year 4 Hip Hop Dance	\$29	16/2/2021
Year 1 South Beach Walk	Nil	16/2/2021

### **TERM DATES: 2021**

Term 1 29th January to 1st April

**Students in Years 1 - 6 Start** 

29th January 2021

(2021 Prep Interviews 29th

January, Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd

February)

**Preps starts Wednesday 3rd February** 

9.00am - 2.15pm

Preps start full days Monday 1st March

Term 2 19th April to 25th June

Term 3 12th July to 17th September

**Term 4** 4th October to 17th December

# **2021 Mount Martha Primary School Staff**

Principal	Mr Martin Page			
Assistant Principals Mr Hugh O'Brien Mrs Karen Walker				
Prep	Ms Jessica Dixon Mrs Danielle Adcock Mrs Julie Moncrieff Ms Rachel Sutherland Miss Alexandra Keates			
Year 1	Mr Shane O'Donohue Mrs Janine McAuley Ms Alice Matthews Mrs Jess Tobin Mrs Sarah Bell			
Year 2	Ms Lea Henderson Miss Alyssah Armstrong Mrs Karen Hodgkins Mrs Lucinda Cooper			
Year 3	Mrs Kim Klan Mr Jason Cech Mrs Lyndal Gunn Mr Ross Hamaline			
Year 4	Mr Darrel Hartwig Mrs Rebecca Richards Mrs Marta Reardon Mrs Joelle Rubinstein Mr Joseph Turner			
Year 5	Mrs Jane Doye Mr Jerry Gaiser Mr Justin Whelan Mrs Jenny Spiridis			
Year 6	Mr Michael Beirne Ms Ashleigh Voutier Mrs Sally Giles Mr Jason Antoniou			
Specialists	Mrs Julie Christie Mrs Megan Kohlman Mrs Sarah Forward Mrs Leanne Rault Mr Cameron Sweatman Mr Bill Nickeas Mrs Kris Colson			
Office	Mrs Lindie Hartwig Ms Anna Goss Mrs Gina McMartin Ms Debra Tate			
First Aid	Mrs Lorraine Stuart			
Support	Mrs Maria Harvey Mrs Kerry Spiers Mrs Georgina Street Mrs Megan Lazzar			
Out of Schoo	ol Hours Care - Mrs Gillian Reid Mrs Jane Moore			
Maintenance	e - Mr David Hobson ICT Technicians - Sam Karagiannis Cameron Walker			

### FIRST AID NEWS

Welcome back.

receive their results:

Just a reminder that one of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community is to stay at home when we are unwell, even when we have the mildest of symptoms. Therefore if a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home. If a child becomes unwell during the day, they must be collected from school as soon as possible. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

For further advice: call the 24-hour coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline 1800 675 398

Kind regards,

**Lorraine Stuart** 

First Aid Officer



# **2021 Prep Students**

A huge welcome to our 2021 Prep students who started so well on Wednesday. Welcome also parents and families. The first day of school is always one to remember! They are quickly adapting to the school and classroom routines. Well Done!

Welcome to our 2021 Preps:

0A	ОВ	ос	0D	0E
Zac A	Christian B	Florence B	Jake B	Chloe B
Fern A	Jack B	Sage C	Ben B	Ted B
Archie B	Benny C	Harvey C	Declan B	Molly C
Charlotte B	Ruby D	Lottie C	Olive B	Maddison C
Lila C	Zoe F	Oscar F	Billie B	Ella D
Hannah C	Liam H	Vaughn H	Jesse G	Clementine D
Esme D	Luika H	Campbell J	Miles H	Bridget E
Hunter F	Stella H	Lachlan K	Millie H	Georgie G
Lincoln F	Frankie J	Evie K	Maggie K	Sonny G
Noah F	Indi L	Ava K	Mason M	Ollie G
Chloe G	Ayla M	Maria K	Claire M	Lachie K
Caden G	Ruby M	Ryan L	Sam P	Billie L
Brody J	Mali N	Indy M	Isabela P	Flynn P
Layla J	Lara P	Мае М	Eryka S	Lana P
Charlie J	George R	Nellie M	Ariella S	Gethin P
Zahli M	Jack R	James P	Theodora S	Oliver P
Emerson N	Emerson S	Luca P	Fletch T	Fletcher Q
Рорру Ѕ	Charlie S	Jonti S	Oliver T	Sebastian R
Blake S	Lincoln S	Fletcher S	Sage W	Hugh T
Olivia S	Eliza W	Holly S	Tom W	Aston V
Jasper S	Julian W	Louise T		Hudson W
Oriana W		Monti T		Noah Z
		Finn W		

## **DIGITECH NEWS**

Mount Martha Primary School will **start the chat** about online safety to celebrate Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 9 February 2021.

Safer Internet Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about the role we can all play in creating a better internet.

So join the global campaign, supported by millions of people in 170 countries across the world.

- Visit <u>esafety.gov.au/SID</u> to find out how to start the chat at work, at home and in your community.
- Sign up for the Safer Internet Day webinar for parents and carers, <u>eSafety's guide to</u> cyberbullying and online drama.

Help us make every day a Safer Internet Day!









esafety.gov.au

# LUNCH ORDERS 2021 - Message from Bakery Made

Welcome to school lunches 2021!

Hope you all got through 2020 with our sanity and the kids are enjoying being back at school with their friends. This year we have added a few new items on the lunch menu so have a peruse.

As a reminder we also offer Gluten Free and Vegan options with many of the menu items and can also offer other alternatives if required. Please contact Jon to discuss what we have on offer.

Throughout the year we will run some theme days and specials so keep an eye out via the school notifications.

We suggest printing off the menu and notes to stick up on your fridge/notice board as an easy reference point for you throughout the year.

As always any questions etc please feel free to contact me anytime on 0400 082 035. Jon & Jo.

# **HOW TO ORDER A LUNCH ORDER**

Lunch orders are available on Mondays and Fridays during the school term (check availability on the last day of a school term).

All ordering is done on line - no cash is required to be sent to school. Bakery Made, are an offsite provider of school lunches. They are based in Mornington.

All parents have to do is go to <a href="www.bakerymade.com.au">www.bakerymade.com.au</a>. Parents must remember to make sure they go to the school lunch category. Please <a href="click">click</a> here to view prices and menu or visit the school website and click on the services tab/lunch orders at <a href="www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au">www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au</a>. Thank you.

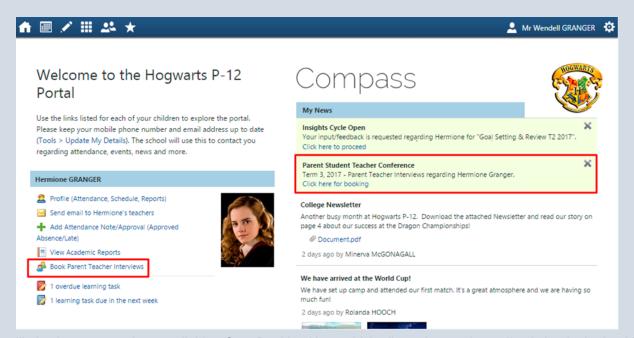
# MEET THE TEACHER - USING COMPASS TO MAKE BOOKINGS/S

This year our Meet the Teacher sessions will be held in Week 4 of the school year on Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 February. Prep to Year 3 sessions will be on the Wednesday and the Year 4 to Year 6 sessions on the Tuesday. "Meet the Teacher" is a great opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher and to provide information that will assist the teacher to meet the social, emotional and learning needs of your child.

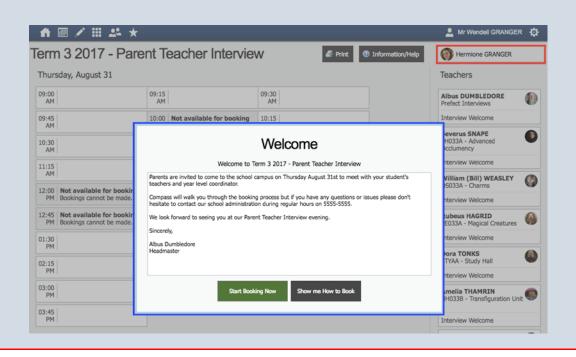
Bookings will open on Monday 15 February at 8am and will close on Monday 22 February at 2pm.

How to make a booking.

Parents can make bookings by clicking the 'Book Parent Teacher Interviews' button available next to their student's photo on their Compass homepage, or by clicking the Dashboard Alert at the top of their Newsfeed.



They will also have two options available - Start Booking Now, which allows them to immediately begin the booking process, or Show Me How To Book, which includes a walkthrough explaining how to book using Compass. This section is highlighted in blue in the image below. If parents have multiple students at the school they can toggle between the staff members their students are associated with using the dropdown menu available at the top right of the screen, which is highlighted in red in the image below.





# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

# CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

#### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

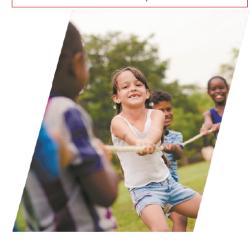
New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2020, you do not need to complete an application form in 2021 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2021 or you did not apply in 2020.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2021.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.







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To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or starting next year, or attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner), have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment\*





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<sup>\*</sup> many Centrelink payments are eligible, please contact your local Coordinator for more information.

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Registrations with Mount Martha Soccer Club are now open.

To register, go onto the Football Victoria webpage and follow their instructions.  $\underline{\text{https://www.footballvictoria.com.au/reso.../players/register}}$ 

You can find the club from the list by entering "Mount Martha" or the postcode - "3934".

Make sure you select Mount Martha Soccer Club (as opposed to Mornington SC), both options will pop up as our home pitch, Civic Oval, is in Mornington.





GO Soccer Mums is an introductory football program designed specifically for women, where participants can have fun, meet new people, and learn basic football skills in a social, judgement-free environment.

It's not just for mums - but for all women, from all walks of life! It doesn't matter if you have never kicked a football before - absolutely no experience in necessary - anybody can take part!



# **Mount Martha Soccer Club**

# **Monday 9-week Program**

Location: Civic Reserve, Dunns Rd, Mornington VIC

Time: 07:00 - 08:00 PM

Dates: 1 February - 29 March 2021

Cost: \$45 Full Program





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# Health and Wellbeing

# Kickstart to Wellness 2 week Program



Are you feeling like you want to be healthier and happier in 2021?

Eva Elleman from Reach for Wellness, certified holistic health and lifestyle coach has worked supporting healthy lifestyle behaviour for several years. Her aim is to support the Mornington Peninsula community by encouraging health and wellbeing and empowering positive lifestyle change. The program is designed to give you the tools to get started on your wellness journey.

The first week of the program focuses on the mind and body tools to get you started on your wellness journey. The second week helps you discover your purpose through understanding your values, your why and how you can make it your reality. I look forward to meeting you and working together creating the change you are looking for.

Saturday 20 & 27 Feb. 2pm-3pm

\$40 for 2 sessions

Book online www.mountmarthahouse.com.au

### Kundalini Yoga

A healing and rejuvenating yoga - through Movement, Meditation and Mantra shake off tension and connect back to your true essence. No prior yoga experience necessary! All levels & abilities welcome.

Yoga mats, cushions and blankets are all provided.

Saturdays 8.00am-9.30am

Marina 0416164912. \$20 ongoing casual

### Barre Pilates – Saturday Class!!

Pilates classes are a little more dynamic than your traditional mat class. Classes aim to improve flexibility and posture along with a stronger core and pelvic floor. Pilates works on strengthening the entire body. We use resistance-bands and balls for supportive core work trying to create long lean muscles. All levels and ages welcome.

Saturdays 9.30am-10.30am \$20 per person studiobarrepiles444@gmail.com / 0411508363

# Tai Chi Beginners Class – Rising Moon Tai Chi

Pilates classes are a little more dynamic than your Tai Chi is a gentle form of exercise that cultivates physical and mental well-being. Practising tai chi develops a sense of calm and stillness through slow and continuous movements. Learn this beautiful form of exercise in a caring and supportive environment, with classes specifically developed for beginner students. Wednesdays 2.00pm-3.00pm

\$160 per term (attend up to 3 classes per week)/ \$175 for 10 classes / \$20 casual info@risingmoontaichi.net / 0418 566 216



# Online Relaxation and Meditation for Over 50s

Mount Martha Holistic Yoga teacher Gill Gordon, who has taught regularly since 1987, is offering a free Relaxation and Meditation session weekly on Zoom for the over 50s. To get the best benefit, avoid coffee until after the session, have a light blanket to cover yourself. These techniques can be done either on the floor, on your bed, or in a chair. No previous experience required.

Every Wednesday 10am-11am via zoom

Bookings: mountmarthahouse@mornpen.vic.gov.au



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# After School Activities - Primary School Children

## Art and Craft – 5 to 12 years

If you love art and craft and exploring new techniques and materials then come along to this fun and creative class. Come straight after school for a snack before getting stuck into creating

Tuesday 9 Feb to 30 Mar - 4.00pm to 5.30pm \$140 for 8 sessions (including materials) Online Booking www.mountmarthahouse.com.au



# Dance – 3 years up

Dance classes offered for children from 3 years of age. We offer Creative Dance, RAD Classical Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, Hip Hop styles and Acrobatics. We also offer VCE Dance All units. vicki@mountmarthaschoolofdance.com.au/ 5974 1498



# **Creative Writing Workshop**

Aspiring young authors will learn how to expand their narrative strategies and creative writing techniques as they discover the secrets of storytelling through a series of fun, engaging, and interactive workshops. Participants will learn how to craft their own dramatic storylines starring memorable characters in believable settings. A must for any budding writer.

Wednesday 10 Feb to 31 Mar - 4pm-6pm \$160 for 8 sessions Online Booking www.mountmarthahouse.com.au



### Drama

The teacher will provide an environment that stimulates creativity, curiosity and a growth mindset. The ability to concentrate, critically think and speak out is nurtured. Essential life skills like collaboration, self-regulation, and citizenship are further developed.

Thursdays 5pm - 7pm./ 0408 460 558



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