



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 17 February 2022

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 and carers,

School Council elections 2022 - Nominations opened on **Monday 14th February** for four parent vacancies on our School Council. Forms are now 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.

Nominations close next **Monday 21st 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 - Once again a huge "Thank You" all for your assistance in the implementation of measures to limit the spread of COVID-19 at school and in our community. The twice weekly testing of students and reporting of any positive results to the school and online to DET is emerging as an important strategy particularly when combined with other measures such as increased ventilation, mask wearing, hygiene practices and limiting mixing of classes. Where we are notified of a positive test result a Compass post is sent at the end of the day to the parents/carers of the year level/s effected. Further actions are listed in the letter.

More information regarding coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the Department's website:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

Welcome - A huge welcome to Keira C in Year 4 and her family who are joining our school community for 2022.

First Assembly - Our first whole school assembly is scheduled for tomorrow (**Friday 18th February**) starting at **2.15pm**. Once again we have organised for this event to be livestreamed to parents. Please refer to yesterday's Compass post containing the WebEx link.

Meet The Teacher - It was great to see so many parents taking the opportunity to share information with the teachers at the Meet the Teacher evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday. Establishing new relationships with class teachers and open lines of communication is important in the learning partnership we enjoy between students, parents, teachers and other school staff.

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 REPORT continued

Uniform - Summer is with us and we can still expect some warm weather but with the start of a few cooler mornings. It is timely to revisit the Summer uniform requirements. They may be found on the school website <http://mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au/> under the "Policies" tab or in the Parent Information Booklet under the "Parents" tab. A reminder that while non uniform jumpers/hoodies may be worn to and from school they are not part of the school uniform and so should not be worn while the students are at school. Thank you for your assistance.

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 and signs eg "No Right Turn" into the Eco Park, applying to streets near the school. Parking Officers regularly patrol schools at the start of the school day, at pick up or when events are held. Please note also that the staff car parks in Melrose Drive and Glenisla Drive are not drop off and pick up points for children. This is a potentially dangerous practise as staff members are trying to enter the car park between 8am and 8.45am. Altering a drop off or pick up time by a few minutes to a slightly less busy time or parking further away and sharing some "park and stride" time with your child may be options to explore.

Whole School Photos - Some advance notice that school photos will be taken on **Thursday 10th March**. Important information is included in the newsletter. Please note, Family Photos must be ordered online by 4.30pm the day before photo day.

Kind regards

Martin Page

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



FEBRUARY

Friday 18th

Whole School Assembly via WebEx

Please refer to Compass Newsfeed for link
2.15pm

Year 1 South Beach Walk

9.15am - 12.30pm

Mt Martha South Beach

Year 4 Hip Hop

Each Friday until Friday March 25th

Mount Martha Primary School

Thursday 24th

Swimming Sports Year 4 & 5

Mornington Secondary College

Friday 25th

Year 4 Hip Hop

Each Friday until Friday March 25th

Mount Martha Primary School

Swimming Sports Year 3 & 6

Mornington Secondary College

MARCH

Tuesday 1st

Social Events Committee (SEC)

Meet & Greet 7pm

Optional AGM 7.30pm

Webex link to follow

Friday 4th

Year 4 Hip Hop

Each Friday until Friday March 25th

Mount Martha Primary School

Thursday 10th

Whole School Photos

ORDERS ONLINE ONLY

NO CASH PAYMENTS please



Note: Family photos must be ordered online by 4.30pm the day BEFORE photo day Wednesday 9th March.

Monday 14th

Labour Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Students do not attend school today



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.

| 2022 EVENTS | COST | CLOSING DATE |
|------------------------|-------|--------------|
| I Sea I Care Moonraker | \$75 | 2/3/2022 |
| Year 2 Kingswim | \$75 | 6/3/2022 |
| Year 1 Kingswim | \$70 | 7/3/2022 |
| Year 6 CYC City Camp | \$330 | 14/3/2022 |
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TERM DATES: 2022

Term 1

28th January to 8th April

Preps commence Friday 4th 9am -2.15pm

Prep commence full time Monday 28th February

Term 2

26th April to 24th June

Term 3

11th July to 16th September

Term 4

3rd October to 20th December

Join Our Team

Mum, Dad, Carer!
Can you join
the SEC????

So we can have
special fun days like
mother's day stall,
choc top day, dad's
day breakfast

The SEC have
bought awesome stuff
for our school like the
bike shed, library
shelving, new
playground, art room
outdoor classroom



**BYO Wine, Cheese or Tea to the
2022 Social Event Committee
Meet & Greet Webex**

7pm Tuesday 1st March

Followed by optional AGM 7.30pm

**Check your Compass Newsfeed
for the meeting webex link**

WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTOS - THURSDAY 10TH MARCH

ONLINE BOOKING



Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year.

Choose your own **FREE** background



The benefits of being online...

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
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Mt. Martha Primary School - 2022

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To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Select your State
- 4 Enter your special unique Access Key



Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30 pm the night before photo day.
Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.



SPORTS NEWS

SWIMMING SPORTS

Next week we are having our **Year 3 - 6 School Swimming Sports** to be held at Mornington Secondary College on the 24th & 25th of February which is a highlight for all involved either swimming or cheering.

Thursday 24th – Year 4 & Year 5
Friday 25th – Year 3 & Year 6



Due to current COVID restrictions some year levels attending will be in individual classes (bubbles) to minimise students in the indoor pool environment. This is the safest way to get all the year levels competing in the School Swimming Sports.

Students are encouraged to wear their house colours to the event and support their team to see who will be crowned House Swimming Champions for 2022.

****Parent/Spectators:** Due to Covid restrictions we can't have spectators at our Swimming Sports. I'm sure that you all understand and if something does change between now and the event – you will be notified.

Border - **Green**

Curry - **Blue**

Flintoff - **Red**

Gardner - **Yellow**

JOGGING CLUB



Jogging Club will start **Tuesday 1st March**. Every student has either the same card or a new card ready for 2022. The Prep students will be taken around the track during a PE lesson or by their classroom teacher so they can become familiar with the route that needs to be followed. If they aren't entirely sure of the track, the 2022 sports leaders will assist by completing a lap with them. The track is as follows:

Start at Basketball courts near Prep playground, run around all three basketball courts and head down the ramp towards the oval. Running around the oval on the red track, continuing up past the gym on the path, past the Prep playground and then down to get their cards marked off by the sports leaders in orange vests.

Certificates for milestones in Jogging Club will be presented at year level assemblies.

Maybe set yourself a personal goal to reach a milestone km, aim for a number of km per term or challenge a friend to do it together. Let's make a huge effort to see more students jogging the track this year!!

Cameron Sweatman

PE Teacher



School Colour Explosion

We're turning our event from bland to GRAND this year by adding an explosion of Colour. The more money we raise the more we can provide for the students through vital school projects, in particular **our play areas and sporting equipment.**

The Colour Explosion School Run4Fun will be held on:

- **Prep, Years 2 and 4: Thursday 17th March.**
- **Years 1, 3, 5 and 6: Friday 18th March**

We do ask that students on the day wear a **plain white shirt** as the students will be covered in powder from head to toe. The day's focus is on fun and fitness with the added benefit of raising funds for our school.

Those who are attending **Out of School Hours Care Program (OHSCP)** will need to bring a full change of clothes as we would like to avoid damaging the library with paint – covered clothing.

Booklets with all the information and prizes as well as how to set up an individual profile to raise money will be sent home with every student next week. If you don't receive one – please ask your classroom teacher or the front office.

Mr. Sweatman

SCHOOL RUN FOR FUN - FUNDRAISER



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 while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a 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 CSEF visit:
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year 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 this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



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