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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 22 April 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

MMPS Twilight Family Picnic - SEC have planned a Family Picnic **this afternoon 3.45 to 5.15pm**. This will be a great opportunity for a catch up at the start of term. Hope to see you there soon.

Welcome Back - Welcome Back everyone for the start of Term 2. I hope everyone had a restful holiday and enjoyed the chance to catch up with family and friends. The students have quickly settled in to their learning program and routines for what will be another busy term.

This term we have some terrific events planned. Some highlights include camp for our Year 4 students, the Summer Lightning Premiership for senior students and, as usual, excursions and incursions to complement and enrich our program. Even though it is relatively early in the school year, Year 6 to Year 7 transition information will be distributed to parents in the very near future with decisions made about secondary school for 2022 and we commence our tours and information sessions for our 2022 Preps. NAPLAN is scheduled for the 11th, 12th and 13th of May for students in Years 3 and 5 with more information to parents as it becomes available. This term is also one where Semester One reports are prepared and distributed to parents and students reflect on and present their learning at our Student Led Conferences which are scheduled for **Tuesday 22nd June. This is a Pupil Free Day**. Please note the dates of our upcoming events from notes, the website, class blogs and the newsletter as it is easy to miss something in busy term. Please ensure also that permission notes and payments, if required, are made by the due date as it really assists with the organisation and smooth running of these events.

Welcome - A huge welcome back to Finley P in Year 2 and Isobel P in Year 5 and their family who have re-joined our school community for 2021.

ANZAC Day - This Sunday 25th April many members of our school community will attend ANZAC Day ceremonies. Our school will be represented by some of our staff and students at the Commemoration Service at Mornington Memorial Park commencing at 10.00am. A wreath will be laid on behalf of the Mount Martha Primary School community and is our school community's way of remembering and acknowledging the sacrifice of those who died in the Gallipoli campaign in 1915 and in wars and conflicts since. It is also an opportunity to reflect on the many different meanings of war.

Assembly - Our first assembly for Term 2 is **Friday 7th May** commencing at 9.10am. Our assemblies are always a great chance to hear what is happening in the school and a way to see the talents of our students. Unfortunately COVID-19 restrictions still require this assembly to be onsite for students and staff only. We will again organise for this event to be livestreamed to parents. More information will be coming on how to access the livestream.

Mother's Day Stall - Some advanced notice that **Wednesday 5th May** is the Mother's Day Stall. All students will have the chance to visit the stall to purchase a fantastic and very reasonably priced gift. Thank you SEC for organising the stall. Helpers are always appreciated.

Hats - A reminder that hats are required to be worn until the end of April as part of the Sun Smart policy. Again thanks for the assistance with this.

Looking forward to a fantastic Term 2.

Kind regards
Martin Page

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.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



APRIL

Thursday 22nd

SEC Afternoon Tea 3.45pm - 5.15pm
Twilight Family Picnic



Wednesday 28th

Year 5 Cranbourne Botanical Gardens
9.15am - 3.15pm

Thursday 29th

Yr 1 Heronswood
9.00am - 12.30pm

Friday 30th

Summer Lightning Premiership 9.00am - 1.30pm
Kanga 8's, Teeball, Lawn Balls, Basketball, Hot Shots, Kickball.

Year 4 Drains to the Bay Walk

9.30am - 1pm



MAY

Wednesday 5th

SEC Mother's Day Stall



Thursday 6th

Whole School Cross Country



Friday 7th

Whole School Virtual Assembly
9.10am Students & staff only

Wednesday 12th - 14th

Year 4 Arrabri Lodge Camp

Students to arrive at 7.30am for an 8.00am Departure. **Students return to MMPS on Friday at approximately 3.00pm** parents will receive an SMS.

Wednesday 12th

2022 Prep Information Night at 7.15pm

A tour will commence at 6.30pm from the office. No bookings required. Please sign in at the Kiosk upon arrival.

Wednesday 19th

GOLD FOR GREEN DAY

Dress in green & bring gold coin
Donation to help green our world



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 2021	COST	CLOSING DATE
Yr 5 Cranbourne Gardens	\$20.00	22/4/2021
Year 1 Heronswood Gardens	\$9.00	26/4/2021
SLP - Kanga 8's, Teeball, Lawn Bowls, Basketball, Hotshots, Kickball	\$7.00	27/4/2021
Year 4 Drains to the Bay Walk	NIL	27/4/2021
Year 4 Arrabri Lodge Camp	\$330.00	28/4/2021
Year 5 Balcombe Estuary Environmental Day	NIL	12/5/2021
Year 3 Moonlit Sanctuary	\$21.00	25/5/2021
Year 5 & 6 Body Education	\$11.00	26/5/2021

TERM DATES: 2021

Term 2	19th April to 25th June
Term 3	12th July to 17th September
Term 4	4th October to 17th December

Join us
at the

MMPS Twilight Family Picnic

Thursday 22nd April

3.45pm - 5.15pm

School Oval



Meet new friends, catch up with old ones!

Come and enjoy being a part of the Mount Martha Primary School community.

Enjoy a relaxing Autumn evening with MMPS Families!

Bring a picnic and after school snack, a blanket, and a footy / frisbee / outdoor games if you wish.

There will be designated year level zones on the oval, so you can meet others in your respective year level.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

This is an alcohol-free event



Mount Martha Primary School

Knowledge Respect Integrity Collaboration

2021 NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2021 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 11 May, Wednesday 12 May and Thursday 13 May 2021. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days. These students may undertake catch-up tests on the days in the test week after the scheduled test, up to and including Friday 14 May 2021.

Exemptions may be granted to students with significant intellectual disabilities and to students who have been learning English for less than one year.

If your child is eligible for support due to disability, has an exemption or you have any concerns about your child participating you should discuss this with his/her teacher prior to the tests. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the school. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school.

Later in the year you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

For more information about the tests, please visit the VCAA website <https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/prep10/naplan/parents/index.aspx> at or the NAP website at <https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/the-tests>

Karen Walker

Assistant Principal

SPORTS NEWS - WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday 6th May, we are holding our School House Cross Country event at School. Students will be running in their age group race (the age is what age they are on 31st December 2021). I would also like to encourage all students to wear their house colors and comfortable running shorts or pants. If you are unsure what house your child is in – please see the classroom teacher.

ALL COMPETITORS WILL RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE

1 Lap = 1km

9:15 – 9:30	Prep	*1km*
9:45 – 10:30	Year 5 (11yr olds)	*3km & 1km Fun Run*
RECESS		
11:30 – 12:00	Year 1	*1km*
12:10 – 12:45	Year 3 & 4 (9/10yr olds)	*2 km & 1km Fun Run*
LUNCH		
2:00 – 2:45	Year 6 (12/13yr olds)	* 3km & 1km Fun Run*
2:50 – 3:20	Year 2 (8yr olds)	*1km*

We will be holding 2 different events for 9/10, 11 and 12/13yr old races:

1 - COMPETITION: Competitors are to complete the set amount of km/laps for their age group.

2 - FUN RUN: This race is a modified race, it is a 1km event which allows students to complete the number of laps they are capable of. This is a non-competitive race and will cater for students who wish to walk the track.

The top 10 students from Yr 2 - 6 in each event will represent our school at the District level at Penbank School on Thursday 27th May.

The track route: Start far end of oval on track, running around the track, beside gym, across basketball courts, out back gate and down Melrose Drive. The runners then continue along Normanby onto Glenisla Drive. Finally they run up the hill and into the staff carpark back onto the oval to finish or start 2nd or 3rd lap.

Parents are encouraged to attend and support the children. The sports leaders and students from Mornington Secondary College will act as 'Hares' for each race so the children have something to follow if they are not sure of the route. The track will also be supervised by our teachers and Secondary College Students.

Cameron Sweatman

PE Teacher



Gold For Green Day.

19th May 2021.

Hello everyone,

Here is a little background information about this whole school activity.

We hold this day every year to raise awareness of how we can make a difference by changing our actions in relation to the environment.

This event is affiliated with **Planet Ark's Schools Tree Day**. Schools are able to hold events on any day in the year. Planting in May has enabled us to have more success in survival rates of plants. Our day's results are recorded and count towards the national tally.

Here are some of the things we plan to do:

Whole school activities.

- *Everyone to bring a Gold coin donation.* (This goes towards the purchase of plants for our grounds).
- *Everyone to wear green and bring a rubbish free lunch.*
- *Try to go without heating, lighting for the day.* (Could be tricky in May)
- *Students to write pledges to help the environment.*
- *Reading Last Tree in the City. Story Box Library*

Some of the Year Level Activities.

- Preps: Planting in the school grounds with their Year Four Buddies
- Year One: Insect Hotels
- Year Two and Three: Cardboard Cubbies
- Year Four: Assisting Preps
- Year Five: Environmental Collages and footpath environmental messages.
- Year Six: Planting along the Glen Isla fence line.

2022 PREP ENROLMENT NEWS

SCHOOL TOURS

MAY 2021

9.30am

Tuesday 18th

Wednesday 19th

Thursday 20th

Please meet at the
school office.
No bookings required.



Dear Parents/Guardians,

You are most welcome to visit our school. Your child may soon be joining our learning community. Enrolments for Prep 2022 will be taken at school during the week of 17th - 21st May.

Enrolment forms need to be lodged at the school office by Friday 28th May 4.00pm.

Confirmation letters will be mailed by Friday 25th June.

2022 PREP ENROLMENT WEEK

**Mt Martha Primary School
Monday 17th to Friday 21st May**

Please consider taking the opportunity to visit our school for a tour on Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th, or Thursday 20th where you will see our current Prep students in their learning environment.

Children being enrolled must reach five years of age by April 30th 2022.

When you come to enrol you will need to provide the school with

- *proof of age - a copy of a birth certificate or extract of birth*
- *an Immunisation History Statement indicating your child's immunisation status*
- *Proof of residency*

All the enrolment information you require will be provided at the school office. We hope to meet you on one of our school tours.

Yours faithfully,

*Martin Page
Principal*

**Tours take
approximately
45 minutes**

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2022 PREP INFORMATION EVENING

Play Based, Child Centred Learning



Hands-on Maths

Mount Martha Primary School Educating Children of Today for Tomorrow

Developing a Love of Literature



School-wide Multimedia

2022 Prep Information Evening Wednesday 12th May 2021 at 7.15pm in Staff Centre

A school tour will commence at 6.30pm from the school office.
Please note no bookings are required.

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