



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 23rd February 2023

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

School Communication - In large organisations there are different avenues of communication. Within our school each communication tool we use has a specific purpose to communicate with our school families. There is no one that can perform all the functions schools require. The weekly Banksia Bulletin dates to remember, reminders about upcoming whole school events, Compass consent reminders, Sporting News, Principal Report, information about SEC Events like the After-School BBQ. Year Prep - Year Four use of Seesaw to share individual student learning. This is used by these year levels when the office has received permission forms back from families and then class teachers will provide your individual family login information and instructions on access to this platform.

Information at times will be in the newsletter and then also sent as a Compass post to remind busy families of school activities. You should receive an email and phone notification each Thursday that the school newsletter is now available. We also produce a few hard copies of the newsletter which are available from the Office foyer.

Please contact the Office if you have any Compass related questions.

Classroom teachers will also let you know of events via Compass, notes, classroom blogs or notices at the classroom. Please sign up to the classroom blogs as they give a great insight into the students' work. We encourage the sharing of information which is relevant to your child's program or requirements directly with the classroom teacher. Of course, questions or information can also be directed to the Office or Nick or myself.

Mount Martha Primary School Modes of Communication	
COMPASS	Compass is our communication platform for whole school/year level/class communication, consent, schedule of event, student wellbeing and attendance, reminders, parent payments, student information/reporting/management, link to Banksia Bulletin, bookings for school events and during remote learning links to Webex sessions and student learning tasks.
BLOGS	Classroom and Specialist BLOGS are opportunities for teachers/students to share learning experiences with our school community. Members of our school community may comment or pose a question for the class to respond to.
Email/Phone Calls	Discuss student learning, wellbeing, ask questions, provide feedback, raise concerns, share thoughts and suggestions.
Banksia Bulletin	Overview of school activities, upcoming events, principal report, highlighting student achievement, information from Department of Education, teaching and learning activities, reminders of recent Compass Posts, SEC events, working bees, local community activities and advertising.
School and Year Level Assemblies	The Year Six Leadership Teams run these. It is an opportunity for students to perform, share learning and acknowledge student achievement.
Year Level Newsletter	Year Levels may send home a newsletter with information about activities for their students. It may not contain all the information that the weekly Banksia Bulletin has.

Continued

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'S REPORT continued

Mount Martha Primary School Modes of Communication

Seesaw	Prep to Year Four are using Seesaw to share individual student's learning. It provides parents/carers with samples of their child's work and can provide a prompt to discuss with children what they have been learning and their learning goals. Year Four also use this to set homework tasks and for students upload their work. In Remote Learning, tasks were uploaded into Seesaw, students returned their work to teachers in Seesaw for teacher feedback.
Google Classroom	Google classroom is used at school with students from Years 3 - 6. Teachers in Years 5 & 6 will send a Compass post to parents and carers highlighting learning task to view and discuss with your child.
Before/After School	Staff are available to speak with parents/carers at school drop off or pick up time.
Parent Teacher Interviews	Staff are available for parents to make an appointment to discuss any concerns, student learning or to answer any questions you may have.
Student Led Conferences	After the Semester One reports have been provided to parents/carers we have Student Led Conferences. Students will share their learning and learning goals for Semester Two.
Student Support Group Meetings	Meetings to support students learning and wellbeing. At times discussion with parents/carers of Individual Educational Plan and Behaviour Support Plan.
School Council/Social Events Committee	Both groups are representatives of our school community. Establishing the broad direction and vision of the school within the school's community. Informing itself and consider any views of the school community for the purpose of making decisions regarding the school and the students at the school. Stimulate interest in the school in the wider community.

After School Welcome Picnic Today - Our SEC (Social Events Committee - PTA) with the support of our Year Six SEC leaders are holding a picnic. The students have been organising games for this fun afternoon. They will also have a sausage sizzle and Zooper Doopers for sale. Please bring snacks and enjoy getting to know others in our community. Further details are in this week's Banksia Bulletin and yesterday's Compass post.

School Council Election 2023 - At the close of nominations for the School Council election there were six nominations for the three positions as parent representatives on School Council. The School Council employee positions are filled without the requirement of a ballot. A copy of the Nomination Notification and timeline for the process of election to School Council was attached to a Compass post sent to all parents Tuesday 21st February 2023. Further details on casting of votes will be provided with the ballot papers on Monday 27th February 2023. These will be sent home with students.

- Each parent of a student/s enrolled at the school is entitled to vote in the School Council ballot. Excluded school employee parents who are not eligible to vote.
- On Monday 27th February students will bring home ballot papers together with two envelopes for each voter.
- I am required to inform the school community that no campaign literature in support of candidates or groups of candidates may be distributed or posted in the school. No school resources, whether human or material, may be used to support candidates or groups of candidates.
- Parent candidates have an opportunity to provide a brief statement to be distributed with each ballot paper. This allows each electorate to gain some background about the people standing for election.
- I will notify voters of any withdrawal of candidates.
- A securely sealed ballot box for the casting of votes will be available at the school between the hours of 8.00am and 4.00pm on every school day up to and including the day of the closure of the ballot on Monday 6th March at 4pm will be available at the school office.
- Postal voting is available and must reach the school by 4.00pm on Monday 6th March 2023.

Bike Safety - Riding a bike to and from school is a healthy travel option. Early in the year it is good to remind our bike riders of road rules, safe riding strategies including wearing helmets and use of shared pathways. In addition to road safety messages the students receive from the school, if parents could remind and reinforce safe bike use with their child that would be appreciated. Thank you.

First Assembly - Our first whole school assembly is scheduled for Wednesday 1st March at 2.15pm. It will be a very exciting occasion for our Year Six Assembly Leaders running their first assembly. We will also be thrilled to have our Prep students join us for their first ever school assembly. Hope to see you there!

Reminders

Whole of School Photos - School photos will be on Thursday 16th March. Further information is contained in this addition of the Banksia Bulletin on how to order photos. If parents would like a 'family photo', which means having siblings combined, they need to pre-order by **4.30pm on Wednesday 15th March**.

Warm Regards, Karen Walker.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



FEBRUARY

Thursday 23rd

SEC After School Welcome Picnic

Preps from 2.30pm

Years 1-6 from 3.30pm onwards



Friday 24th

Year 1 South Beach Walk

9.15am - 12.30pm

Year 4 Hip Hop Dance

Mount Martha Primary School

9.30am - 1.00pm

Monday 27th February

Preps start full time

9.00am - 3.30pm



Tuesday 28th

Year 2 YAWA Swimming Program

2C & 2D: 12.30 - 1.00pm 2A & 2B: 1.00 - 1.30pm

(Times indicate session in water)

MARCH

Wednesday 1st

Year 3 & 4 Film Festival

9.30am - 12.00pm

9.30-10 3A 10-10.30 3B 10.30-11 3C

11.30-12 4C 12-12.30 4B 12.30-1 4A

Mid Term Whole School Assembly

2.15pm in Gym



Friday 3rd

Year 4 Hip Hop Incursion

MMPS

9.30am - 1.00pm

Year 1 YAWA Swimming Program

1A & 1C: 12.30 - 1.00pm 1B & 1D: 1.00 - 1.30pm

(Times indicate session in water)

Clean Up Australia Day



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.

2023 EVENTS	COST	CLOSING DATE
Year 2 YAWA Swimming	\$49.80	23/2/2023
Year 1 YAWA Swimming	\$41.80	28/2/2023
Year 2 VR Aboriginal Australia	\$16.00	12/3/2023
Year 6 CYC City Camp	\$340.00	13/3/2023

TERM DATES: 2023

Term 1

27th January to Thursday 6th April

Year 1 - 6 students commence

Tuesday 31st January

Prep Interviews

31st January, 1st February & 2nd February

Preps commence Friday 3rd February

9.00am - 2.15pm

Preps start full time Monday 27th February

Term 2 24th April to 23rd June

Term 3 10th July to 15th September

Term 4 2nd October to 20th December

TERM DATES: 2024

Term 1

29th January to 28th March

Year 1 - 6 students commence

Wednesday 31st January

Term 2 15th April to 28th June

Term 3 15th July to 20th September

Term 4 7th October to 20th December

WELCOME PICNIC THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY



AFTER SCHOOL WELCOME PICNIC

THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

(Preps from 2:30 other years 3:30pm).

To welcome in 2023 you are
invited to an after school picnic.

So bring a
snack.....



And a game.....



or buy a sausage (\$3.00)
or Zooped Dooper
(\$1.00).



this is a SEC (Social Events Committee (PTA))
event. The wonderful SEC Year 6 Leaders are
looking forward to ensuring it is a fun
afternoon for all!! Please come and join in:-)

SPORTS NEWS - SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS



What an amazing and very hot two days at Mornington Secondary College. We had over 400 students compete in the school swimming sports. From 50m Freestyle events to 25m Butterfly events, everyone had a wonderful morning at the pool. Chants were heard from pool side and with that in mind; our students took to the water. Everyone showed great courage in their chosen events.

We had a record broken which is always an exciting moment for the school and for the individuals. Scarlett F broke a record in the 25m freestyle.

Huge thanks to all the parent helpers who were: finish judges, recorders and supporters. All the teachers did a wonderful job to make sure the events ran smoothly and assisting on the day. The 2023 Sport Leaders have to be congratulated on their support and attitude throughout the two days of competition.

Our results of the House Swimming Sports will be announce soon.... Who will it be?

Cameron Sweatman

PE Teacher



Term 1, 2023

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For parents and carers of young people in primary and early secondary school.
- **Navigating online friendships (30 minutes)**
For parents and carers of young people in secondary school.

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WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO DAY - THURSDAY 16TH MARCH 2023

MOUNT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL - PHOTO DAY THURSDAY 16TH MARCH 2023

ONLINE BOOKING



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

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INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

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.



COMPASS NEWS - HOW TO ADD AN ATTENDANCE NOTE

Absences

If your child is absent parents are required to notify the school. Our preferred method for notifying the school if your child/ren is absent is via the Compass parent portal. Parents can also send a note when their child returns. The Department of Education requires a reason to be recorded for all absences.

Parents are requested to notify the school of their child's absences prior to 10.15am. If you have not reported the absence to the school by 10.15am an SMS and/or email will be sent to inform you that your child is not at school today. Once a week an Unexplained Attendance Letter is emailed to parents if there are any outstanding Unexplained Absences recorded against their child. Please see below instructions on how to add an attendance note. Thank you for your assistance.

Warm regards

Gina McMartin

How To: Add an Attendance Note for an upcoming Absence

If your child is going to be away, you can add in an Attendance note to advise the school. To do so, click 'Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)'.

Welcome to the Magic P-12 College Portal


Use the links listed for each of your children to explore the portal. Please keep your mobile phone number and email address up to date (Tools > Update My Details). The school will use this to contact you regarding attendance, events, news and more.

Stephen CORNFOT

- Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)
- Send email to Stephen's teachers
- Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)**
- View Academic Reports

Euan ABERCROMBIE

- Profile (Attendance, Schedule)
- Send email to Euan's teachers
- Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)**
- Book Parent Student Teacher Conference



My News

Order your MSP school photos

You can now order your MSP school photo packs through your Compass portal. [Click here to place your order today!](#)

Course Confirmation/School Payments

Course confirmation and/or school payments available for completion. [Click here to proceed](#)

Payments


There may be payments awaiting your action. [Click here for more information](#)

Newsletter

Please find attached our March Newsletter
Mar 2nd by Liz Larson

School Jumper Orders

This year, we are taking uniform orders through CompassTix. [Click here to order your school jumpers!](#)
Feb 3rd by Eliza Elderflower



A Note screen will open. Select the applicable reason from the drop down list; add in any additional information if applicable in the Details/Comment box. Select the start and finish date/time of the absence and click 'Save'.

Note Details

Person: Euan ABERCROMBIE

Reason: Enter a reason...

Details/Comment:

Potentially Affected Sessions

Activity	Start	Finish
SPO10B (Sport)	24/06/2020 09:51 AM	24/06/2020 10:48 AM
BBO10B (Biology)	24/06/2020 11:12 AM	24/06/2020 12:09 PM

Important Notice

In clicking 'Save', you understand, certify and accept that you are a listed parent/guardian for this child; and the information above is correct; and this online approval does NOT constitute a medical certificate; and students enrolled in VCE are required to submit a medical certificate to the school in addition to this approval; and any fraudulent action or intentional misuse of this feature may result in administrative, criminal and/or civil action against you (by your registered school, affiliated entities and/or the product issuer).

Start: 24/06/2020 08:00 AM Select a period...

Finish: 24/06/2020 05:00 PM Select a period...

Save Cancel

COMPASS NEWS - HOW TO ADD AN ATTENDANCE NOTE FOR AN UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE

How To: Add an Attendance Note for an Unexplained Absence

If your child has been marked Not Present without an explanation, you will be required to add an Attendance Note.

You will see an alert on your homescreen.

Click the alert and it will take you to your child's 'Unexplained' attendance tab where you will see any sessions listed for which they were marked as Not Present or Late.

Select the session (or sessions) that you are adding a note for and then click 'Explain with Attendance Note'. This will cause the Attendance Note screen to pop open.

Select the applicable reason for the absence and add in the relevant details/comment. Click 'Save'. This will assign the attendance note to the sessions you selected and they will update to no longer show as unexplained absences.

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**Mount Martha
Soccer Club is
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