

Mt Martha Primary School Principal

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 23rd March 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

Year 6 Camp - Our Year 6 students are off to CYC City Camp next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. They are sure to enjoy the experience of navigating their way around the Melbourne CBD using public transport, visiting some terrific sites and enjoying activities the city has to offer. Have a great time!

Planning Week - Next week is Planning Week. During this week our Specialist Timetable is reorganised with students having their specialist subjects on one day rather than throughout the week. This allows our teachers some valuable team planning time. Students should bring any equipment required for specialist subjects on their designated day e.g., runners for PE. Please refer to the timetable in this newsletter.

Ride2School Day Reminder - Tomorrow is National Ride2School Day. There is some important additional in the newsletter. On the day to raise awareness of road safety the "White Bike Foundation" have organised a ride from Mount Martha House to the school. This will require some road closures from Mount Martha House, along Dominion Road to Glenisla Drive and up Glenisla Drive to the school gate. This will be from 8.30 to 8.45am. Participants in the ride will need to be ready to ride at 8.30am at Mount Martha House. It is suggested to arrive at Mount Martha House at 8.15am.

Vandalism - As a school community we are happy for our grounds to be available for the broader community to access outside of school hours. We know that many children have learnt to ride a bike or scooter on the running track around the oval. Recently we have had graffiti around the school and the CCTV footage shows children accessing the school roof. The solar panels on the roof have had significant damage from what we can only assume is them being jumped on. We are very concerned about how dangerous it is for any young person to be on the roof if they were to fall. If you are using the school grounds out of hours, please report this extremely dangerous behaviour or any person damaging the school property to the Department of Education Emergency and Security Management on 1800 126 126 or Mornington Police (03) 5970-4900. Unfortunately, funds that we would like to use to enhance our grounds for our school community are reallocated to repairs caused by vandalism. Thank you for your support in trying to keep the young people in our community safe and for our grounds to be a facility for all in the community to enjoy using.

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



Reminder

SEC - Our SEC AGM will be on **April 4th at 7pm** in the Staff Centre. The SEC runs fantastic school community events that are fun, build connections in our community and raise funds to assist our school. Please come to the next meeting to share your ideas and meet a fabulous group of friendly, dedicated volunteers who are keen to build connections and improve our school for everyone in our community to enjoy.

End of Term One - With so many activities for our students to be involved in Term One is really flying by! Advance notice that **Thursday 6th April** is the last day of Term One. Please note the earlier dismissal time of 2.30pm. Term Two commences on **Monday 24th April**.

Warm regards

Karen Walker

PLANNING WEEK - MARCH 27 - MARCH 31



In Week 9 (March 27 – March 31), all MMPS staff will participate in planning meetings in preparation for Term 2. During Planning Week our usual timetable for Specialists' Programs is suspended. Students still enjoy a Specialist Program that week, but these sessions all occur on one day of the week (see below) rather than being timetabled throughout the week.

Please take note of which day your child/ren have their Planning Day as this may require you to consider the proper footwear for Physical Education. Not all classes participate in every Specialist class as several Casual Relief Teachers (CRTs) are used to support Planning Days as well.

Monday March 27 – Year 3s and 4s Tuesday March 28 – Specialist Wednesday March 29 – Year 1s and 2s Thursday March 30 – Preps Friday March 31 – Year 5s and 6s

Thanks for your cooperation.

Nick Orchard

Assistant Principal

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



MARCH

Naplan Testing - Friday 24th Years 3 & 5 continues

Friday 24th Year 4 Hip Hop Dance 9.30am - 12.30pm MMPS

Year 3C Filming 8.40am start

Ride2School Day



Year 1 YAWA Swimming Program Rosebud 1A & 1C: 12.30 - 1.00pm 1B & 1D: 1.00 - 1.30pm

Monday 27th - Wednesday 29th Year 6 CYC City Camp 7.15am for 7.30am departure Arrival back to MMPS 3.30pm



Year 3 & 4 Planning Day

Tuesday 28th Year 2 YAWA Swimming Program Rosebud 2C & 2D: 12.30 - 1.00pm 2A & 2B: 1.00 - 1.30pm

Specialist Planning Day

Wednesday 29th
Year 1 & 2 Planning Day

Thursday 30th Prep Planning Day

Friday 31st Year 4 Hip Hop Dance 9.30am - 12.30pm MMPS

Year 5 & 6 Planning Day

Year 1 YAWA Swimming Program Rosebud 1A & 1C: 12.30 - 1.00pm 1B & 1D: 1.00 - 1.30pm

COMPASS EVENT PAYMENT/CONSENT CALENDAR



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.

2023 EVENTS	COST	CLOSING DATE
Division Tennis	NIL	24/4/2023
SLP Basketball, Kanga 8s, Lawn Bowls, Teeball, Hot Shots, Kickball	\$10	24/4/2023
Year 4 Arrabri Lodge Camp	\$375	26/4/2023
Mother's & Special People Day	\$15	26/4/2023
Year 2 Briars Eco Day	\$19	27/4/2023
Year 1 Heronswood	\$12	3/5/2023

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



Tuesday 9th May 2023

A WONDERFUL SELECTION OF GIFTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!

STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO PURCHASE IS TOKENS ON COMPASS NOW (TO THE VALUE OF \$1.00 EACH) TO SPEND AT THE STALL..

IF YOU WISH TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT (LIMIT OF \$2.0) OR DECREASE, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON \$1974 2800.



STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

On Thursday March 9^{th} , ten Year 6 students (Clem, Layla, Patrick, Henry T, Asher, Amelie, Zara, Poppy, Ruby and Noah A) attended the Student Leadership Summit at Main Ridge. The summit was held by CERES and discussed concepts such as:

- * Sustainable water usage
- * Renewable power sources
- * Biodiversity
- * Effective waste management

We really enjoyed the engaging host from CERES who taught us all about the above topics and allowed us some time to begin planning a 'sustainable project' for MMPS.



Nick Orchard

Assistant Principal

MOONRAKER DOLPHIN DIVE

On Tuesday March 14th, four Year 6 students (Clem, Layla, Patrick and Henry T) attended the Moonraker Dolphin Dive as part of their 'I Sea I Care' leadership program. We had beautiful weather and calm seas as we ventured into Port Phillip Bay. We were very fortunate to see pods of dolphins and all students (including the Assistant Principal) were in the water as the dolphins swam past. We also visited a seal colony and saw herds of seals as well as stingrays, sharks and schools of fish.

Overall, it was a terrific afternoon on the Moonraker, and we were all so grateful to have had the opportunity to see so much wildlife which resides in The Bay.





Nick Orchard

Assistant Principal

SPORTS NEWS

JOGGING CLUB

Jogging Club has started with many students from Prep – Year 6 doing a lap or two! Every student has either the same card or a new card ready for 2023. Prep students have been taken around the track during a PE lesson so they are hopefully familiar with the route that needs to be followed. If they aren't entirely sure of the track, the 2023 Sports Leaders will assist them by doing a lap. Certificates for milestones will be presented at year level assemblies.

Jogging Club occurs every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday mornings at 8:40am.

STATE TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Harry P competed in the 100m, 200m, 400m and Long Jump for Mornington Little Athletics Club. He ran well in the 100m and 200m not placing, but persisted and gave it his best against strong competition. Then his focus turned to the 400m. Harry had done so well throughout the whole day with the 400m being last event. Overall - he came 1st in the 400m and broke the Mornington Little Athletics club record. Outstanding effort Harry.



STATE REGATTA



Last weekend Acklin S competed in the State Optimist (class of boat) Regatta, and came away as the 12/under State Champion. He was competing in the Open Class and was only just narrowly defeated by some of the other kids who placed in the top 10 at the National event earlier this year. Such a wonderful effort by Acklin and maybe the Sydney-to-Hobart isn't too far away for him.

Cameron Sweatman
PE Teacher



Vaccination is the simplest and most effective way to protect yourself, family and friends against flu and its complications.^{1,2} **Ask a doctor, nurse or pharmacist about your flu vaccination.**



COMMUNITY FLU VACCINATIONS

WHEN: Wednesday 5th April 2023

4.15pm - 5.30pm

Book your appointment today, click **here**

WHERE: Mt Martha Primary School

37-55 Glenisla Dr,

Mount Martha VIC 3934

Staff Centre



CONTACT: Health Watch Australia

info@healthwatch.com.au

Cost is \$25.00 per person vaccinated* payable at the time of service. Eftpos will be available and card payment is preferred. "If the person is over the age of 65 and receives the over 65 vaccine the price is \$15.00, all prices are inclusive of GST All records will be recorded through to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) and don't forget the lolly pop after your vaccination.

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Department of Education

Enrolling in primary school for 2024

Starting school is an exciting time for children, parents and carers. We want to help make the enrolment process as easy as possible for you.

In Victoria, your child has the right to attend their designated neighbourhood school (your 'local school') under the Education and Training Reform Act 2006.

You can also apply for a place at a school that is not your local school. The school will consider your application in line with the Placement Policy. For more information on the Placement Policy, visit the Enrolling in school page.



New statewide timeline for Foundation (Prep)

The first year of primary school is called Foundation or Prep. We have released a new Foundation enrolment timeline for all Victorian government primary schools to follow (see page 3). The timeline aims to help you understand when and how to enrol your child into Foundation for the 2024 school year.

When should I enrol my child in their first year of primary school?

Your child must be 5 years old by 30 April in the year that they start school.

Schooling is compulsory for children who have turned 6 years old.

To enrol your child in a Victorian government primary school for the 2024 school year, submit an enrolment application to the school by 28 July 2023.

How do I enrol my child in their first year of primary school?

Take these steps to enrol your child in their first year of primary school:

- 1. Find your local school on the Find my School website (see below).
- Contact a government primary school to book a school tour or to learn more about the school and the enrolment application process.
- Download the Foundation (Prep) enrolment information pack from <u>Enrolling in Foundation (Prep)</u> (available from 24 April 2023).
- 4. Submit an enrolment application for Foundation by Friday 28 July 2023.
- You will be notified of the outcome of your application by Friday 11 August 2023. If you receive an offer of placement, you should accept the offer by Friday 25 August 2023.
- 6. Take part in enrolment information and transition sessions during Term 4 2023.
- 7. Your child will start Foundation from Tuesday 30 January 2024.

How do I find my local school?

Find your local school on the Find my School website by following the steps below:

- Enter <u>findmyschool.vic.gov.au</u> into your browser.
- 2. Enter your permanent residential address under 'Enter your address to get started'.
- 3. Select 2024 under 'Enrolment year'. Note: 2024 school zones will be available late Term 1, 2023.
- 4. Select Primary under 'School type'.

The map will then show your address, your local school, and on the left the contact details for the school. If you scroll down, it will also show you the five closest schools to your address.

You can also search by school name under 'Search for school'.

2024 ENROLMENT NEWS





Department of Education

Can my child apply to a government primary school that is not our local school?

Yes, you can apply to schools other than your local school. The school will consider your application in line with the Placement Policy and available space. You can find information on how applications are prioritised on the <u>Enrolling in school</u> page.

What happens if I receive a letter saying my enrolment application was unsuccessful?

You should apply to enrol your child in another school. Your child is guaranteed a place at their local school. Your child's local school is determined on the basis of their permanent residential address. Visit Find-my-School to locate your child's local school. The Enrolling-in-school page can also help you to confirm your child's address for enrolment.

You can also appeal the decision. The <u>Enrolling in Foundation (Prep)</u> page has information on the process to appeal an enrolment application outcome.

What happens if I miss the enrolment timeframes?

You can apply to enrol your child into Foundation for the 2024 school year at any time from Term 2, 2023

While you are asked to submit an enrolment application by Friday 28 July 2023, applications after this date will still be accepted from those families who miss enrolment timelines, move permanent residence or newly arrive to Victoria.

Enrolment applications submitted after 28 July 2023 will be processed by the school as they are received, in accordance with the department's Placement Policy.

Where can I find further information on enrolling in primary school?

You can ask your local primary school for further information on the Foundation enrolment process.

At the start of Term 2, 2023 you can also find an information pack on the Foundation enrolment process on the Enrolling in Foundation (Prep) page of the Starting School webpage.

If you require help translating the information pack, please talk to your local primary school for assistance.

Who do I contact for help?

The Transition Coordinator, Enrolment Officer or Principal of the primary school you want to apply to can help you with any questions you may have about the enrolment process.

Useful links

Please find some useful links below that may be helpful for you as your child starts primary school in 2024:

Find my School - findmyschool.vic.gov.au

Information on school zones - vic.gov.au/school-zones

Enrolling in Foundation (Prep) - vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep

Enrolling in school - vic.gov.au/how-choose-school-and-enrol

Disability and inclusive education - vic.gov.au/disability-and-inclusive-education

Regional office contacts - vic.gov.au/office-locations-department-education-and-training





Timeline for 2023-24

2023 Dates	Activity	
2020 Dates	Acuthy	
Term 2: Monday 24 April 2023 – Friday 23 June 2023		
Terms 1 and 2, 2023	Primary schools conduct tours, information sessions and other activities for families seeking Foundation (Prep) enrolment for their child for 2024.	
By the start of Term 2, 2023	School zones for the 2024 school year go live on findmyschool.vic.gov.au Parents/carers should go to findmyschool.vic.gov.au to locate their designated neighbourhood school for 2024. The Enrolment Information Pack for Parents/Carers is available to download from Enrolling in Foundation (Prep).	
From Week 1, Term 2 2023	Primary schools may distribute the Enrolment Information Packs to prospective families and their school community.	
From Week 1, Term 2, 2023	Enrolment applications open – parents/carers may submit their completed enrolment application to a government primary school from this date.	
Term 3: Monday 10 July 2023 - Friday 15 September 2023		
By Friday 28 July 2023	Enrolment applications due – parents/carers submit their completed enrolment application to a government primary school by this date.	
By Friday 11 August 2023	Primary schools notify parents/carers in writing of Foundation (Prep) enrolment outcomes, as per the 'Priority Order of Placement' under the department's Placement Policy. This may include a letter confirming enrolment, a letter of offer, or an unsuccessful application letter.	
	Parents/carers sent an unsuccessful application letter may start submitting written non-placement appeals to their preferred primary school.	
By Friday 25 August 2023	Parents/carers sent a letter of offer indicate acceptance of their child's place by this date.	
By Friday 25 August 2023	Closing date for parents/carers to submit a written non-placement appeal with their preferred primary school.	
By Friday 15 September 2023	Primary schools notify all parents/carers, in writing, of the outcome of their non- placement appeal by this date.	
Term 4: Monday 2 October 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023		
During Term 4, 2023	Primary schools host transition sessions.	
By Friday 20 October 2023	Closing date for parents/carers to submit a written non-placement appeal with the relevant Regional Director, where they have been unsuccessful with their appeal to their preferred primary school.	
By Friday 17 November 2023	Regions notify all parents/carers in writing of the outcome of Regional Director non-placement appeals by this date. This only applies to appeals received by the closing date of Friday 20 October 2023.	









ride2school.com.au

Ride2School Day – Tomorrow Friday 24 March

This year we will again celebrate Ride2School Day with The White Bike Foundation. The White Bike Foundation raises awareness of sharing the road and making sure all road users make it to their destination. The White Bike Foundation crew will join our Ride2School celebrations by leading students to school from Mount Martha House which is our main Park and Stride point. We will be accompanied to school by police and volunteers from 8:30-8:45. We ask all independent riders to stay on the road and young riders who need support with walkers on the footpath. Meeting time is 8:15, formalities at 8:25, rolling at 8:30.

Mount Martha Primary School has actively been encouraging students to walk, scoot, skate or ride for 14 years now and has earnt Gold School status for their efforts. A student leadership team has helped to drive this change with student messages about the benefits at every school assembly. The Social and Events Committee (SEC) has also supported the cause through the establishment of the bike shed.

In 2007, less than 20% of our school population actively travelled on a fair-weather day! But with some changes to two major travel routes, including speed humps, a second crossing, two Park and Stride points at Mt Martha House and Walara Drive shops, and an on-road bike lane and a Bike Education program, we have moved to well over 40% on a similar day.

Bike Education has been the biggest change agent and has increased the number of students cycling more often. Students have learnt to ride, gained more confidence or have improved their technical skills all while being at school. Year level teachers have been trained and roll out the program. This year we enter our 13th year of bike education.

National Ride2School Day is always a perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go.

Park and Stride points allow parents to park within 1km of the school and avoid the backlog of traffic. There is a second one that starts at the Walara Street shops (750m). These points were identified through our work with the council to find safe routes to school. They are marked with Park and Stride signage. So if you live too far to walk or ride all the way, try to park and stride.

See you outside!

Despi O'Connor

Year 1 Classroom Teacher

DIGITECH NEWS



Term 1, 2023

Free eSafety parent and carer webinars

Join eSafety's expert education team for a free live webinar designed for parents and carers.

Term 1 topics:

- eSafety 101: how eSafety can help you (30 minutes)
 For parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school.
- Setting your child up for success online (30 minutes)
 For parents and carers of young people in primary school.
- Getting the most out of gaming (45 minutes)
 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.

For more information and to register now: esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars



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SATURDAY STORYTIMES



ROSEBUD LIBRARY

10AM - 10.30AM SATURDAY 11TH & 25TH MARCH

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Keep on eye on our website and social media for the free April School Holiday progams



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- a ourlibrary.mornpen.vic.gov.au







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Saver Plus pairs you with a savings coach so you can learn tips, tricks and information to grow your budgeting and saving skills. You save for 10 months, then ANZ matches your savings dollar-fordollar up to \$500.

We'll talk about how it all works, plus who is eligible and how to join.

MEETING DETAILS

Thu March 23rd 2023:

10am - 10:30am (AEDT) 10:30am - 11am (AEDT)

Wed April 5th 2023:

10am - 10:30am (AEDT) 10:30am - 11am (AEDT)

Zoom Meeting Link:

https://bsl.zoom.us/j/68016074995? pwd=K2d4dWI4WjRMbGRlRng0NGhoVVVVZz09

Passcode: 027166

KEY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA TO JOIN SAVER PLUS

- ✓ Have a current health care card OR pensioner concession card
- Have a child in school OR be studying yourself
- Have regular income from work (yourself OR your partner)



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1300 610 355

EnquiriesSP@bsl.org.au

COMMUNITY NEWS



GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!



ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE

Includes interactions with dingoes, pythons, feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment.

For ages 7-14 years.

Autumn Holiday Program

Week 1: Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th, Friday 14th April

Week 2: Monday 17th, Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th, Friday 21st April

Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 9:00am start - 2:00pm finish

Special Needs Keeper Club

Tuesday 11th April

10:00am start, 1:15pm finish.

Cost \$99 per day. Price includes one caregiver for each child.

The Special Needs Keeper Club program provides an opportunity for children who love animals but are unable to attend our mainstream Keeper Club program due to specialised learning or physical needs, and who may require additional support from a parent, guardian or carer.

Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au Open daily between 10am and 4pm. Keeper Club runs from 9:00am-2:00pm.







ATTENTION

Is your daughter or son interested in playing basketball?

OR COULD THEY BE?

Basketball improves the overall behavior and performance of young children, teaches them teamwork and persistence and also brings the community together. And it is so much FUN!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PLAYERS

ALL AGES WELCOME

BUT SPECIFICALLY

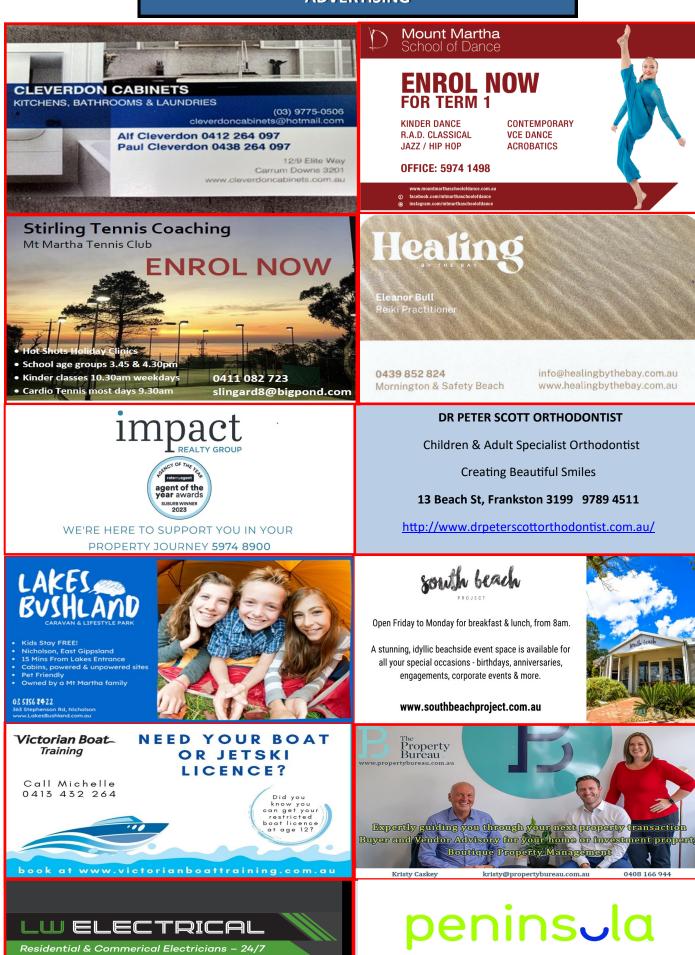
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