



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - 25 July 2019

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Parenting Workshop "Managing Anxiety and Worries"- next week on **Thursday 1st August** we will be hosting a workshop for parents on this important area. The workshop runs 6.30pm to 8.30pm and is facilitated by Michelle Brown from Parentzone. To assist in our organisation on the night please register by contacting the school office. More information is included in this newsletter.

Parent Opinion Survey - The office have distributed access information for the annual Parent Opinion Survey to a random sample of our families. This is a Department of Education produced survey that all government schools undertake each year and provides another important source of feedback in such areas as our teaching, curriculum, organisation and management. All surveys are anonymous. If your family receives a survey thank you for your feedback. The survey closes on Sunday 11th August. More information is included in the newsletter.

Mount Martha PS Science Evening - Please refer to the information in the newsletter regarding the Science Evening on **Wednesday 14th August from 5pm to 7pm**. It is sure to be a sensational night with a wide range of fun Science activities in the classrooms from Prep to Year 6! See you there!

Pupil Free Day Term 3 - A reminder that our next Pupil Free Day will be on **Friday 30th August**. The focus on this day will be on analysing student data in preparation for our Triennial review in Term 4 and our You Can Do It program.

2020 Prep Enrolments - A reminder that 2020 Prep Enrolment forms and information are available from the Office and are now due. Forms should be accompanied with a birth certificate, immunisation history statement and proof of address. The first transition sessions, "Story Time" will be commencing soon for those children with returned enrolment forms.

Lost Property - Our collection of Lost Property has increased since we returned to school. With the cooler months now with us students will be requiring their jumpers more frequently and our collection of lost jumpers has increased. If your child has misplaced a jumper or another item there is a good chance it will be in lost property located near the Art room. Please remember to check the name on your child's items to see it is still legible as named items can quickly find their way back to their owners. Thank you.

Kind regards

Martin Page
Principal

Our Mission is to ensure high quality and engaging learning program that builds on the capability of every student.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events

JULY



Friday 26th

Division Soccer - Boys and Girls
9.15am - 12.00pm
Dallas Brooks Park, Tyabb Rd, Mornington

Wednesday 31st

Social Events Committee Meeting 7pm start in the Staff Centre

AUGUST

Thursday 1st

Prep Community Walk
9.15am - 12.00noon

FREE PARENTING WORKSHOP

6.30 - 8.30pm in Staff Centre
Please book directly with our school office



Monday 5th & 6th

Art Camp selected students Briars Mt Martha
8.30am - 5.00pm

Tuesday 6th

Whole School Assembly
9.10am in school gym

Wednesday 7th & 21st, 4th & 18th September

Year 6 Dromana Secondary College Visits
8.45am - 12.00pm

Wednesday 7th - Friday 9th

Overnight Music Camp 9.00am - 5.00pm
The Briars, Mount Martha
Final Concert on Friday evening at Osborne Primary School

Thursday 8th

School Council Meeting
6.45pm in Staff Centre

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 | COST | CLOSING DATE |
|-------------------------------------|------|--------------|
| Prep Community Walk | Nil | 29/7/2019 |
| Year 6 Dromana Secondary College | Nil | 4/8/2019 |
| Year 2 Richard Galbraith Cartooning | \$10 | 7/8/2019 |
| Prep Kingswim | \$80 | 12/8/2019 |
| Year 5 Billy Tea Bush Band | \$10 | 13/8/2019 |
| Year 4 Melbourne Museum | \$26 | 15/8/2019 |

PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday August 30, 2019

TERM DATES: 2019

Term 3 15th July to 20th September
Term 4 7th October to 20th December

STUDENT BANKING EVERY TUESDAY



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MANAGING ANXIETY AND WORRIES

Do your kids worry about:

school, sport, friends, family, illness, death,
pets, exams, pleasing people, the dark,
getting in trouble, doing homework, trying
new things, going to parties, making friends,
monsters under the bed, the weather ...

Come along to a free parenting workshop to
understand why children behave the way
they do, how to appropriately respond and
discuss practical strategies to help them.

WHEN: Thursday 1st August

TIME: 6.30 - 8.30 pm
Mt Martha Primary School

WHERE: Glenisla Drive
Mt Martha

COST: FREE

BOOKING: Please book directly with school
Facilitated by Michelle Brown
Parent Resource Co-ordinator, Parentzone
michelle.brown@anglicarevic.org.au



anglicarevic.org.au

BETTER
TOMORROWS

WORKING BEE at MMPS!



Dear Parents - we are asking for your help at our
Term 3 Working Bee!



Date: Saturday August 17

Time: 9am - 12pm.

If you can bring along useful tools like a broom, wheelbarrow, spade, pitchfork (for mulch) etc that would be very helpful.

Make sure you wear footwear that is appropriate for outdoor tasks.

We do have some equipment ie gloves, protective glasses but it would be helpful if you bring some too!

Thanks.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Morning tea will be provided.

Celebrating NAIDOC Week

7-14 July 2019



NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. <https://www.naidoc.org.au/about/naidoc-week>

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The Indigenous voice of this country is over 65,000 plus years old. They are the first words spoken on this continent. Languages that passed down lore, culture and knowledge for over millennia. They are precious to our nation. It's that Indigenous voice that include know-how, practices, skills and innovations - found in a wide variety of contexts, such as agricultural, scientific, technical, ecological and medicinal fields, as well as biodiversity-related knowledge. They are words connecting us to country, an understanding of country and of a people who are the oldest continuing culture on the planet.

<https://www.naidoc.org.au/get-involved/2019-theme>

Returning to school for Term 3, Year One took the opportunity to explore NAIDOC Week and what we know about our Indigenous communities.

Our discussions revolved around our current understandings of our indigenous community, what we knew about the history of Australia and the importance of voice and storytelling within communities.

We discussed the three flags of Australia; the Aboriginal flag, the Torres Strait Island flag and the Australian flag. We talked about the meanings behind the colours and shapes used on each flag and what these represent. Within teams, we enjoyed re-creating these flags using paper collage to develop a display celebrating the diverse communities of which we are a part.



2019 PARENT OPINION SURVEY

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 22nd July to Sunday 11th August**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10 - 15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September.

For further information please contact the school office on 5974 2800.

Thank you.

FIRST AID NEWS

REMINDER: Updated Plans and Current Medications required

To ensure that we can provide accurate medical care for your child/ren could you please supply updated Medical Action Plans (ie Asthma / Anaphylaxis / Allergy) as well as the Student Health Support Plans when requested. It is a requirement that Medical Action Plans and Student Health Support Plans are current and updated annually. Asthma, Anaphylaxis and Allergy plans must be signed by a Doctor. Please return these to the First Aid Room as required. Parents are requested to supply any required medication in its original packaging ensuring that it has a current use by date.

We may request at times replacement of expired medications and ask for your prompt attention to this matter.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me in the First Aid room from 10.45am to 2.15pm on 5974 2800. Thanks for your co-operation.

Lorraine Stuart
First Aid Officer

AUSTRALIAN TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Written by Charlie H in year 5

Over the school holidays, I attended my second Australian Junior Table Tennis Championships in Wollongong, NSW. During the first 4 days I competed in the U11 teams' event with our team ranked second, behind NSW. We ended up finishing in 4th place.

We then moved on to doubles competition on the 5th day. I was competing in U11 and U13 mixed and boys doubles. I made the quarter finals of U11 mixed and U13 boys doubles. In the U11 boys doubles my partner was Oscar S from Queensland and we were seeded second. We only lost 2 sets throughout the knockout competition and won the gold medal in the U11 Boys Doubles Final. This is my very first National title. You can imagine how I felt winning the final after a long week of competition! AWESOME!!!

The last 2 days was singles competition which I was ranked 6th leading into the first round. After easily winning my round robin competition I moved into the quarter finals against the number 1 seed. I tried my best and played well but he was too strong on the day.

It was a very successful competition for me winning my first Nationals title and also finishing 5th in the U11 order of merit which is ranking everyone's performances during the week.

I moved up from my Australian under 11 ranking of 6th.



VICTORIAN CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Ocean who represented the school in the State championships. He was super excited finishing the race and placing 25th in Victoria. What an awesome job and something Ocean can be super proud of.

Cameron Sweatman, **PE Teacher.**

SPORT NEWS

Last Thursday the boy and girls netball teams had a special training session with Mwai Kumenda (Melbourne Vixens) and Jess Whitfort (Vic Fury Coach) from the High Performance Pathway Program. What a wealth of knowledge they both are! The students thoroughly enjoyed it and learnt a lot. We wish them all the best of luck at the Peninsula Division games.





A Night in the Lab

**Mount Martha Primary School
Wednesday 14th August
5 – 7pm**

National Science Week aims to promote science and highlight the importance of science in our everyday lives.

Classrooms across the school will open up on Wednesday 14th August showcasing activities that inspire thinking and wondering in science, engineering, technology and innovation.

Students will grab a passport and make their way around the school experiencing different activities across the different year levels, opening their eyes to the importance of science in our everyday lives.

Get your passport stamped at each year level and drop it into any of the collection points in the school on your way out to win a prize. Make sure your name is on it!

Prizes will be drawn on Friday 16th August.



Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Karen Walker Assistant Principal

SEC NEWS

TREASURED THREADS AND GARAGE SALE TRAIL SAT OCTOBER 19th



Leveraging from the success of our Treasured Threads event last year, we are excited to be participating in the nationwide Garage Sale Trail - and we need your help!

Please start saving any good quality clothes, toys, bikes, tools or household items and we will be posting some collection points very soon!



SCIENCE IN THE PARK

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