



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 25 June 2020

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

End of Term -Term Two finishes tomorrow with a dismissal time of **2.20pm for students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** and **2.30pm for Prep, Year 1 and Year 2**. Please note the early pick up time.

Congratulations to all our students for their flexibility in moving to remote learning and then Returning to onsite learning. Thank you families and staff for all your assistance and support this term as we have all had to respond to significant challenges to many aspects of life- education being just one!

Thank you again parents also for your assistance to limit transference of COVID-19 at school. In particular keeping unwell students at home and promptly collecting students who have become unwell at school, respecting social distancing and limiting the presence of adults on site to essential business only has been greatly appreciated. Recent localised outbreaks in other suburbs and subsequent containment measures including school closures remind us of how important these strategies are.

Following the advice from Victoria's Chief Health Officer, DET continues to provide schools with strategies for implementation including running activities and programs. This advice is important as we continue our planning for Term 3 and 4. Next term we hope that we will be able to resume incursions, excursions and camps with DET advice informing how these may happen.

A reminder that more information about coronavirus (COVID-19) as it pertains to schools can be found on the Department's website, which will continue to be updated:
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

A reminder that unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to have our usual end of term whole school assembly. Term 3 commences on **Monday 13th July**.

Mount Martha Village - The school has received a request from some of the traders in Mount Martha Village that students not go to the village directly after being dismissed for the end of term tomorrow. Social distancing concerns have been raised with the effect on other shoppers who may find it difficult to socially distance on the footpaths, the entrances to shops and inside the shops themselves. Thanks for your assistance.

Reports - DET advice has been received as to the requirements of Semester One reports. DET have recognized that students have experienced a different curriculum and mode of delivery this term with fewer opportunities for teachers to assess and observe how students have undertaken their learning. Report comments will reflect student work and engagement in Term 1 and while on remote learning. As accurate assessments have not been possible there will not be progression points or an "A" to "E" assessment. Students have only recently returned to class. To allow teachers the opportunity to comment on how students have transitioned back to school, reports will be distributed on **Thursday 23rd July**. There will be opportunities for parents to discuss reports but current restrictions mean that we cannot run our in person "Student Led Conferences" or parent teacher evening.

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued

Emergency Contact - In the event of an emergency concerning the school during the school vacation or out of school hours please contact the Department of Education Emergency and Security Management on 1800 126 126. They will in turn contact the appropriate staff. Thank you.

Works over the Holidays - Holidays always provide us with an opportunity to catch up on our maintenance. This holiday we have again planned works to improve and maintain the school. Visitors to the school over the holidays can expect to see a variety of workers on site.

2021 Prep Enrolments - A reminder that 2021 Prep Enrolment forms and information are available from the Office and are due **tomorrow**. Forms should be accompanied with a birth certificate, immunisation certificate and proof of address.

Have a safe, enjoyable and restful holiday!

Kind regards

Martin Page

TRIPLE P — ONLINE

The Victorian Government has provided access to expert parenting advice in these challenging times.

Families can now access this free expert parenting advice through the online [Triple P – Positive Parenting Program](#).

The program is relevant to families with children between 2 and 16 years and provides strategies to deal with specific challenges, such as building children's resilience and dealing with conflict.

There are courses specifically for parents of toddlers to tweens, and for parents of pre-teens to teens.

It gives parents strategies to:

- raise happy, confident kids
- manage misbehaviour so everyone in the family enjoys life more
- set rules and routines that everyone respects and follows
- encourage positive behaviour
- take care of themselves as a parent
- feel confident they're doing the right thing.

[Sign up to the Triple P program via their website.](#)

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember

Coming Events



JUNE



Friday 26th

END OF TERM 2 EARLY DISMISSAL

YEARS 3 - 6 2.20PM

PREP - YEARS 2 2.30PM

2021 Prep Enrolment Forms due today

JULY



Monday 13th

TERM 3 COMMENCES 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.

EVENTS 2020	COST	CLOSING DATE

TERM DATES: 2020

Term 2 14th April to 26th June

Term 3 13th July to 18th September

Term 4 5th October to 18th December

BANKING EVERY TUESDAY

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We are very excited to announce the launch of the Mt Martha Primary School Community Business Directory to help grow family and business connections.

Listing your business is completely voluntary and free! We encourage families to use the directory when looking for goods and services. The directory is easy to search on business categories and includes contact details and any special offers for MMPS families.

To access the business directory, simply sign up or log onto our Facebook page **Mt Martha P.S. Social Noticeboard** and download the submission form. Or, if you are not on Facebook, email Kirsty Effiong at kirstyeffiong@bigpond.com

BE YOU NEWS



Dear Parents and Carers,

A key focus of the Be You initiative and the Child Safe Standards framework, is to support students in developing the knowledge and strategies to keep themselves safe in a range of situations. In Term Three of each year, our school has made a commitment to teaching the Primary Protective Behaviours Program across all year levels, to ensure that all students understand how to recognise and respond to unsafe situations.

The aim of the Primary Protective Behaviours program is:

- ◆ To help protect children and young people because we cannot be with them every minute of the day.
- ◆ To give children and adults permission to talk about problems or difficult situations they face.
- ◆ To empower children with the right to feel safe and act to keep themselves safe.
- ◆ To help students to understand that threats to their safety do not necessarily come from strangers.
- ◆ To provide a safe way of talking about acceptable and unacceptable verbal and physical contact.

The program strategies can provide the basis for helping children to be safe at school and address problems such as bullying. It can also help everyone learn to stay safe from the risks that surround us in everyday life. The program focus is on everyone Feeling safe, Being Safe and Talking about it.

The program is based on two themes:

- ◆ We all have the right to feel safe all of the time.
- ◆ Nothing is so awful that we can't talk about it with someone.

In conjunction with the two themes are the three major concepts of the program:

SAFETY - an individual feeling and a basic right for every person

EARLY WARNING SIGNS – specific physical indicators that alert us to possible risks to our safety

NETWORKING – identifying people to talk to and developing communication skills.

Students will learn to be **PERSISTENT** and to keep asking for help until they feel safe again.

In the *You Can Do It* program we will also be focusing on 'Wellbeing, Resilience and Happiness' next term.

Please contact the Principal, Karen Hodgkins or your class teacher if you would like more information about the Protective Behaviours program.

Kind regards,

Karen Hodgkins and The Be You Team

2021 PREP ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN



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MOUNT MARTHA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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ENROLMENTS**

For more information please contact Gina McMartin,
Enrolment Officer, at mount.martha.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

or

phone the school office on 5974 2800

SWAP BOX - UNIFORM DONATIONS

Uniform Swap Area – Gym Foyer

Thank you to those families who have donated their children's uniforms that no longer fit. These items are available for families to take / swap as needed. Families are encouraged to return items when no longer needed.

Some tips to remember when donating items:

- All clothing must be in very good condition i.e - no holes, working zips and stain free
- Only PSW or Beleza brands
- Remove any personal details for clothing



LOST PROPERTY

Due To COVID-19 restrictions parents and caregivers will not be able to access Lost Property. We have recently sorted the lost property area and any school clothing with the students name clearly labelled has been returned to their classroom.

Lost property will be sorted at the end of every week and any items not labelled will be transferred to the swap area in the Gym Foyer.

To reduce the amount of clothing that ends up in lost property on a daily basis, could you please ensure that all items are labelled with your child's full name so that they can be returned to their classroom.

Thank you





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Winter 2020 school holiday dates:

Week 1: Monday, June 29th – Friday, July 3rd from 10am-3pm

Week 2: Monday, July 6th – Friday, July 10th from 10am-3pm

Cost: \$90.00 per day, or \$250 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).

Small groups of 10 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited

Dress for the weather, wear closed-toe shoes and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

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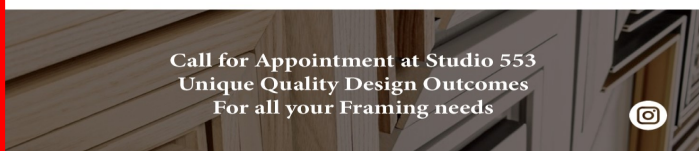
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