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#### **BANKSIA BULLETIN** - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

World Teacher Day - The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) established World Teachers' Day in 1994 to recognise the role of teachers in society. This year, UNESCO will focus on the support teachers need to fully contribute to the recovery process from COVID-19 under the theme 'Teachers at the heart of education recovery'. World Teachers' Day is held internationally on Tuesday 5 October. As it usually falls during the school holidays in many parts of Australia. We're celebrating World Teachers' Day in Victoria on 28 October! It is a great opportunity to celebrate the teachers who are making, or have made, an impact on your life or the life of your child. The day recognises the passion teachers have, and how teaching has extended beyond the classroom to maintain connections through flexible learning. You can get involved by sending a message of thanks to a teacher who is making, or has made, an impact using #thanksvicteachers on social media. Don't forget to tag the Department of Education and Training so they can see all your messages.

Below is a link to a thankyou template on the Department of Education website if you would like to make a thankyou note with your children for a special teacher.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/events/wtd/World%20Teachers%20Day%202022/22-108%20WTD2022\_thank%20you%20card.pdf

There is a Japanese proverb, 'Better than a thousand days of diligent study is one day with a great teacher', which encapsulates the profound influence a passionate teacher can have on a young life.



**Eco Park** - While Robyn is away our replacement crossing supervisor saw a snake in the bushes not far from the crossing where students play and climb the trees regularly. Class teachers will discuss with students' safety around snakes.

- If you see a snake keep calm and try to move yourself, others, and your pets away from the snake
- Never touch, attempt to capture, or hurt snakes
- Staying on paths in reserves and making a bit of noise when walking.

Across the Mornington Peninsula, particularly in Spring and Summer the most frequently encountered species include the Tiger Snake, Lowland Copperhead, and Eastern Brown Snake.

**Assembly** - Next Wednesday November 4<sup>th</sup> we will be having a whole school assembly at 9.15am in the Gym. A great chance to hear what is happening in the school and a way to see the talents of our students.

**SEC** - In this week's Bulletin is information about two of the fantastic events that our SEC has planned for students this term. To celebrate the first day of summer (1<sup>st</sup> December) they will be running a choc top day. On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December they are planning a fun filled school disco. Thank you to our SEC for organising these events.

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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

**Dates to Remember** – On page three of the Bulletin is a list of upcoming dates. As we move towards the end of the school year there are lots of events coming up.

#### **Recap of Previous Newsletter Articles**

**Student Free Day** - We have scheduled our Professional Practice Day for Term Four on **Friday November 18**<sup>th</sup> for all staff. Students will therefore not be required to attend school on this day. Our OHSCP will be available on this day. More information is available in the Banksia Bulletin. Bookings close on **Friday 11**<sup>th</sup> **November at 6pm.** 

**Student Groupings - Planning for 2023** - It is approaching the time of the year when the teachers begin to consider class groupings for the next year. Certain information is helpful in this process and parents, who believe that exceptional educational circumstances exist for their child/ren that should be considered in placement for next year, need to forward the information in writing to myself by **tomorrow Friday 28th October**. Whilst parents are assured that this information will be considered, no guarantee for individuals is possible as the decisions made are the best for all students collectively.

To assist with class groupings, staffing and furniture needs please contact the office if your child is not returning to Mount Martha Primary School in 2023. Thank you for assisting our planning in this way.

**Working Bee -** Our Term Four working bee is planned for **Saturday 5th November**. Further details are in this addition of the Banksia Bulletin. It is a great opportunity to get some jobs done around the school and meet other members of our school community.

Warm Regards			
Karen Walker			

#### SCHOOL NOTICES

#### **Dates to Remember Coming Events**



#### **OCTOBER**

Friday 28th Year 6 Bike Education 9.00am - 1.00pm at MMPS



Thursday 27th

**Nude Food Day** 

Please bring fresh, healthy, rubbish free lunches



#### **NOVEMBER**

Tuesday 1st

**Melbourne Cup Public Holiday** Student do not attend school today



Wednesday 2nd

**Whole School Assembly** 

9.15am - 10.15am



Saturday 5th

**Working Bee** 

9.00am - 12noon



Monday 7th - Friday 11th **Year 6 PARC Swim Program** 

9.40am - 12.45pm **PARC Frankston** 

Wednesday 9th

**Year 5 Science Discovery Dome Incursion** 

9.00am - 3.00pm

Year 2 Minibeast Incursion

9.00am - 12.30pm



**Thursday 10th** 

**School Council Meeting** 

6.45pm - 8.00pm



2023 Preps Family Afternoon Tea

4.00pm - 5.30pm Amphitheatre & Oval



REMINDER

NO SCHOOL

**ADVANCE NOTICE** 

Friday 18th

**Teachers Professional Practise Day** STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL TODAY

OSHCP available - bookings are essential

#### **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.

2022 EVENTS	COST	CLOSING DATE
Yr 6 PARC Swim Program	NA	2/11/2022
Yr2 Minibeasts	\$10	6/11/2022
Yr 5 Science Discovery Dome	\$9	6/11/2022
Yr 6 Gumbuya World	\$40	30/11/2022
Yr 5 End of Year Celebration	\$3	30/11/2022
Yr 2 Enchanted Maze	\$26	30/11/2022
Prep Enchanted Maze	\$29	30/11/2022

**TERM DATES: 2022** 

Term 4 3rd October to 20th December

(1.30pm dismissal)



**TERM DATES: 2023** 

Term 1 27th January to 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 2nd October to 20th December Term 4



Thursday Ist December

\$3.50 EACH
ORDERS ON COMPASS
FROM 10 NOVEMBER
(ORDERS CLOSE 24 NOVEMBER)

DAIRY/GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS
AVAILABLE



# SCHOOL DISCO!



## FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER

Prep - 3's: 5:00 pm - 6:15 pm 4 - 6's: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

> \$5:00 entry Small gift on arrival





### DON'T MISS OUT!

Ticket sales open on Compass Thursday 10 November (Close Thursday 24 November)

#### **SPORT NEWS**

#### **Southern Peninsula Division Summer Sports**

#### Girls and Boys/Mixed Hot Shots

On Thursday both boys and girls Hotshots teams competed at the Southern Division competition held at The Peninsula School. With the Crib Point district team failing to attend, it meant that the winners out of Kunyung and Mt Martha boys and girls would move on to the Southern Metropolitan competition. There were some extremely close games, with many decided by only a point or two and terrific sportsmanship shown by all students from both schools. At the end of the day Mt Martha boys and Kunyung girls made it through to the next round of competition which will be held in Pakenham. Thank you to the parents who drove students and also supported them on the day.

#### **Girls Volleyball**

The Girls Volleyball Team represented Mt Martha Primary School at the Division finals showing fantastic sportsmanship and great respect for the other teams and the umpires. Unfortunately the girls lost the first game to the eventual winners of the competition and managed to win their playoff for third spot. The Girls Volleyball Team should be proud of their efforts and with the way they conducted themselves both on and off the court. Well done!

#### **Girls Basketball**

On Tuesday, the Year 5/6 Girls Basketball Team travelled to Frankston to compete in the Division Basketball Tournament. The team had a strong win against Tyabb Primary School in the first game to make the Grand Final before falling to a tough Derinya Primary School team in the decider. The girls did an outstanding job of playing with great effort, determination and teamwork. The girls focussed on having fun while playing and demonstrated great sportsmanship by never giving up. Thank you to April Whiston for assisting on the day and well done to all of the girls!

#### Boys/Mixed Kanga 8's

The Boys Kanga 8s team competed at the Division level on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Battling cold and blustery conditions, they showed great determination. We got off to a slow start, but once we found our rhythm we made a strong 89 runs. Unfortunately for us, the other team began with some big hitting. The match was very close and came down to the last couple of deliveries, Mt Martha bowled fantastically, however it was not our day. Well done boys, you were so enthusiastic and so encouraging towards each other all game! It was wonderful to see, and certainly made me proud as your coach.

A big thank-you to John Mackay, who umpired our match and did a great job! Thank you to all the parents who got the boys to the match and faced the treacherous weather to cheer them on!

#### **Boys/Mixed Softball**

Well done to the boys' softball team on a great effort last Friday at Mornington Baseball Club.

Playing with a full team (thank you to all the parents for getting the boys to the venue), we went up against the boys from Crib Point District. After three exciting innings which included some excellent batting and perceptive fielding from both teams, Mt Martha Primary School ended up losing by just one run.

In the consolation game against Redhill Primary School, the boys kept up the excellent play but were once again beaten by just one run which placed us fourth in the competition. All the boys encouraged each other and displayed great sportsmanship, even in defeat. Well done!

Thank you to Jane Over and Kat O'Brien for your support throughout the morning.

Cameron Sweatman

**PE Teacher** 

#### **SPORT NEWS**

#### **Regional Athletics**

Last Wednesday was an amazing day at the Southern Metro Regional Championships out at Casey Fields. The sun was shining and the atmosphere was electric as our students competed in many track and field events throughout the day. It was very scary to come up against some strong competitors, state athletes and also follow friends from all over the region but Mt Martha Primary School was very proud of the way everyone performed and showed great pride in trying their best!!

Unfortunately we didn't have any student progress through to the State Championships but I'm sure those that were close will strive in 2023 to go one better.

Congratulations to Harry P who did manage to get on the podium in the 9/10 boys Long Jump placing 3<sup>rd</sup>. This reflects his passion and drive within this event.

Discus: Georgia H 13<sup>th</sup> Triple Jump: Frankie G 8<sup>th</sup>

**100m:** Harry P **5**<sup>th</sup> High Jump: Tahlia H **15**<sup>th</sup> & Harvey W **6**<sup>th</sup>

Long Jump: Tully M 11<sup>th</sup> & Harry P 3<sup>rd</sup> Shot Put: Paige H 14<sup>th</sup> & Kalani R 11<sup>th</sup>

11yr old Girls Relay Team: Ziva, Billie, Tully & Stephanie 6<sup>th</sup>

11yr old Boys Relay Team: Harvey, Harry, and Noah & Connor 6<sup>th</sup>



#### **Table Tennis School Sport Victoria**

It was a great win for Mount Martha Primary School on Friday 21 October, when Georgia and Billie took out the girls' competition in the inaugural Table Tennis Victoria Primary Schools Cup at Melbourne Sports Centre. Primary schools came from far and wide across the state, demonstrating their table tennis skills and teamwork.

This was the first ever primary school's event and there was plenty of nerves and excitement. However the girls remained calm under pressure and went on to win the title of State Girls Champions for 2022.

But most importantly, the tournament was a lot of fun, with some new friendships formed and students saying they will be back next year - bigger and better in 2023.

Congratulations to Georgia and Billie!



### TERM 4 WORKING BEE

### at MMPS!





Term 4 Working Bee!

Date: Saturday 5th November

Time: 9am - 12pm.

If you can bring along useful tools like a wheelbarrow, spade, secateurs, shovel, gloves etc that would be very helpful.

Purpose: Getting grounds ready for the upcoming summer season.

Some jobs required for the day:

- Building temporary fencing.
- Re-establishing garden edging in Sensory Garden
- Preparing garden beds for Prep planting.
- Moving heavy garden furniture(round garden pots)
- · Pruning and mulching

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Morning tea is provided.

Please complete this attached slip and return to the office so we can plan and organise the tasks on the day.

Yes, I am able to help out on Satur	day November at the school Working Bee.
My name is	and my child/ren's names are
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Please return to the office as soon as possible.

#### **OSHCP NEWS**









OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM









PUPIL FREE DAY - FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2022

COME IN AND JOIN US FOR OUR - EVERYTHING THAT FLIES DAY!









HOURS: 7.00AM TO 6.00PM COST: \$50.00 PER CHILD(LESS CCS%)

**CONTACT:** GILLIAN ON 0407 438858 FOR BOOKINGS

CHILDREN ARE TO BRING THEIR OWN MORNING TEA AND LUNCH





BREAKFAST AND AFTERNOON TEA ARE SUPPLIED

FREE DRESS @

**BOOKINGS CLOSE ON FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER @ 6PM!!!!** 

#### **2023 TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES**

YEAR 1 - 6: Commence 9.00am Tuesday 31st January 2023

PREP INTERVIEWS: Tuesday 31st January, Wednesday 1st February and Thursday 2nd February

Parents please attend with your child

PREPS START SCHOOL: Friday 3rd February 9.00am - 2.15pm

PREPS START FULL DAYS: Monday 27th February 9.00am - 3.30pm

FEBRUARY OSHCP: OSHCP offers a service for parents requiring care for their

Prep children during these 4 weeks of early finish times. To

register for this service please contact Gillian Reid

on 0407 438 858.

**SUNSMART POLICY:** Everyone is encouraged to be SUNSMART and the wearing of hats

is compulsory until May 1st. Parents should supply their child with

sunscreen to be kept in their school bag.

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Located at 1/22 Watt Rd, Mornington Vic 3931 1800 337 396

Trading Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm & Saturday 10.00am - 1.00pm

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**BANKSIA BULLETIN:** The next publication of the Banksia Bulletin will be on Thursday 2nd

February 2023

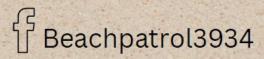


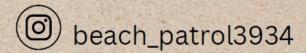


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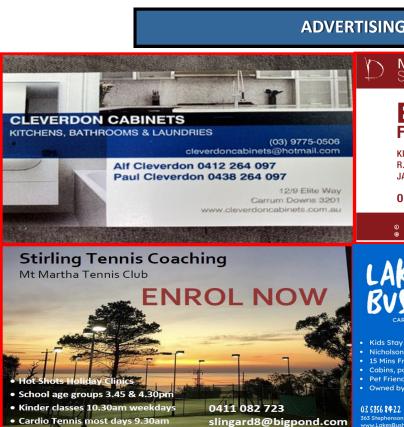
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