



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 31st August 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

We've had another busy week here at Mount Martha Primary School as our students have engaged with lots of different learning and extracurricular activities. Our Year 3s took their multicultural inquiry unit offsite where they immersed themselves in the vibrant, cosmopolitan atmosphere of the Dandenong Market. They were introduced to a world of new tastes and flavours that many had not seen before and learnt about the history of the market and its cultural significance. Our Year 5s and 6s continued with the Body Education Program and some classes filmed their movie with Bruce as they prepare for the Year 5 & 6 Film Festival in Term 4. It's been wonderful to see such creative costuming, make up and props and we'd like to thank families at home for supporting classroom teachers to get ready for their movie experience.

Welcome - A very big and warm welcome back to Fern in Year 2 and Hermione in Year 1 and their family who have returned to Mount Martha after several years living in Queensland. We wish both Fern and Hermione a smooth transition and we thank our school community for making them feel welcome.

Prep Nurse Visits - We have had Angela, Registered Nurse, visit us this week as part of the Primary School Nursing Program. This program offers free health assessments for children in their first year of primary school and provides an opportunity for parents/guardians/carers, teachers and nurses to work together for the health, wellbeing and educational progress of children. Due to lots of Prep absences this week, Angela will return to us on Monday 4th September to catch up those who missed their session.

Father's Day Breakfast - We are all looking forward to celebrating Fathers' Day with our traditional Father's Day Breakfast tomorrow. Orders are now closed. We appreciate all the hard work that our SEC have done to get ready for the day and look forward to seeing you all there. Breakfast will be available from 6.45am in the Gym.

2024 Prep Transition - "Story Time Sessions"- Thank you to those families who have booked in their Story Time session for our 2024 Preps. For many of our Preps it is their first introduction to primary school and is an important part of beginning to familiarise themselves with school. Bookings are made by using Compass (Conferences) and are now open. Details on how to book have been sent to families, however please phone the office if you need assistance with your booking.

PSW Price Increase - We have been informed that PSW will be increasing their prices by 3% from 1st November. Beat the price rise by getting your orders for new uniforms in before that date.

Visitor and Volunteer Sign In - A reminder to all visitors and volunteers coming into our school, to please sign in and out at the front office. You can use the self service Compass Kiosk located at Reception or speak to one of the office staff if you need assistance.

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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

Working With Children Checks - A reminder that all parent volunteers for excursions are required to have a current and valid Working with Children Check. To view our Working With Children Check Policy please [click here](#). Please ensure that we have a copy of your most recent on file. Please speak to the office staff if you are unsure.

School Policies - A reminder that all of our school policies are accessible via our school website

<https://www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au/page/62/Policies>

Reminders:

2023 Parent Opinion Survey - We are nearing the closing date for our Parent Opinion Survey and invite all those families who have not yet completed the survey, to do so as soon as possible. All families should have received a link and login details for the survey. This is an opportunity for all school families to complete the survey rather than a 30% random sample of parents/caregivers/guardians. Areas of strengths and those that require further improvement will be reported to the school community when all data is received from Department of Education.

Year Six Market - We are very excited about the market that is coming up on Friday 8th September. For our Year Six students it is an activity that they really look forward to organising. The students (after sessions with the teachers) get together in groups and present their idea for a stall or activity to a panel (shark tank style). With support from the teachers, they ensure they have a mix of activities, food stalls and craft stalls. The school provides each group with seed funding for their stall. This cross-curriculum inquiry unit covers many areas of the Victorian Curriculum: Mathematics, English, Design and Technology, Economics and Business and the capabilities of Critical and Creative Thinking and Personal and Social. The students always do an amazing job running the market for all the students across the school to enjoy. We very much appreciate the support of the Year Six students' parents who behind the scenes are supporting the market. All students will have the opportunity to visit the market to purchase craft or food items and participate in lots of fun activities like "dunk the teacher." All families should now have received a notification through a Compass post on how to purchase the vouchers for the day. Further information is contained in the newsletter.

Early Dismissal - A reminder that school will finish at **2.30pm on the last day of Term 3, Friday 15th September**.

Jane Doye

Year 5 Teacher/English Learning Specialist

PLANNING WEEK

Dear MMPS Community

Next Week, all MMPS staff will participate in planning meetings in preparation for Term 4. 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.

Not all classes participate in every Specialist class as several Casual Relief Teachers (CRTs) are used to support Planning Days as well.

- **Monday September 4th – Year 6s / Specialists (some)**
- **Tuesday September 5th – Year 2s / Year 3s**
- **Wednesday September 6th – Year 4s / Year 5s**
- **Thursday September 7th – Preps / Year 1s**
- **Friday September 8th – Specialists (some)**

Please take note of which day your child/ren have their Planning Day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Nick Orchard

Assistant Principal

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



SEPTEMBER

Friday 1st

District Athletics
9.00am - 2.00pm
Civic Reserve Recreation Centre
350 Dunns Rd, Mornington
Movie Filming Day 05B

Monday 4th - Friday 8th

Planning Week



Monday 4th

Year 6 & Specialist Planning Day
Body Education - 05C & 05D

Tuesday 5th

Year 2 & 3 Planning Day
Movie Filming Day
Prep Craft Power Incursion
SEC Meeting 7pm in Staff Centre
Movie Filming Day 05A

Wednesday 6th

Prep Craft Power Incursion
Year 4 & 5 Planning Day
Year 6 to 7 Transition Session Dromana Secondary

Thursday 7th

Movie Filming Day - 05D
Prep & Year 1 Planning Day

Friday 8th

Year 6 Market Day
Specialist Planning Day

Monday 11th

Movie Filming Day - 06B



Tuesday 12th

Movie Filming Day - 06C
Year 1 & 2 Concert Rehearsal in Gym 9.30 - 11.00am
Prep Concert Rehearsal in Gym 12 - 1pm

Prep School Concert

5.45 - 6.30pm in Gym

Year 1 & 2 School Concert Prep

6.45 - 7.30pm in Gym

Wednesday 13th

Year 5 Environmental Excursion
9.00am - 12.00pm
Balcombe Estuary

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 5 Environmental Excursion	Nil	8/9/2023

TERM DATES: 2023

Term 3 10th July (Student Free Day)
11th July to 15th September
Term 4 2nd October to 20th December

STUDENT FREE DAYS: 2023

Term 3 Monday 10th July
Term 4 Monday 20th November



TERM DATES: 2024

Term 1 29th January to 28th March
Year 1 - 6 students commence
Wednesday 31st January
9.00am - 3.30pm

Prep Interviews

Wednesday 31st January, Thursday 1st February
or Friday 2nd February

Preps Start Part Time - Monday 5th February
9.30am - 2.15pm

Preps Start Full Time - Tuesday 12th March

9.00am - 3.30pm

Term 2 15th April to 28th June
Term 3 15th July to 20th September
Term 4 7th October to 20th December

HOT DOG DAY

THIS YEAR'S FOOTY DAY IS
HOT DOG DAY!



THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

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29th August, 2023

YEAR 6 MARKET DAY – Important Information

Dear parents and friends,

The Year 6 students are holding their Market Day on Friday 8th September. This market is run as a fun activity for the students within the school community, to fundraise for the 'Royal Childrens Hospital, to help fund the Year 6 Graduation Celebration, as well as providing a pledge to our school.

Students have worked exceptionally hard to create a fun and exciting atmosphere for all the Mount Martha Primary School students. They have developed business plans, created names and logos, considered pricing and worked hard to gather sponsorship and donations from local businesses and organisations. A lot of cooking, craft and game development has also occurred to ensure all of our students enjoy the day.

To ensure the success of the day, the Year 6 students require the support of the Mount Martha School community.

On the day all students are invited to dress up in casual clothes for a gold coin donation.

A wide range of stalls have been organised by the Year 6 students for the day. Prices range from 1 token (50 cents) through to 4 tokens (\$2). The Market will run between 10:30am - 1pm and every student will have the opportunity to visit during this time.

A reminder that the Year 6 Market 2023 will be a cash free event. To allow your child access to the amazing things on offer, you are able to purchase a \$15 Market Pack on Compass. The Market Pack gives students lunch (sausage, bread and a drink) and 20 Tokens (\$10 worth). The allocated amount of tokens per Market Pack should be enough for them to enjoy throughout the day. Please talk to your child about using some tokens to purchase a treat, some to purchase a small item of craft and then to use the remaining tokens on their favourite activities!

To allow you to talk to your child about this fun event, and to help them with budgeting, we attach brief information regarding each stall. **If there is a stall that you do not want your child to visit please speak to your child, and your child's classroom teacher so we can monitor this request.**

Market Day promises to be a fun filled event for everyone! Looking forward to your support,

Regards

Michael Beirne, Sheridan Cant, Jason Antoniou, Sally Giles
and the Year 6 Students.

Year 6 Market Stall Information

Group Name	Product	Slogans	Tokens
Brain Freeze	Icecream and Homemade Gelato	I scream you scream coz we love ice cream	2-3
Choc Heaven	Chocolate Throw	Toss for a piece of heaven	2-3
Market Crew	Balloons and Face paint	Were here to help you	Free
Honey Joy Boys	Honey Joys	From the bees, to us, to you	2
National Nachos	Nacho's	No other nation can beat pur nachos	3
Three B's Smoothie	Fruit Smoothies	Bee happy dont worry	3
Happy Craftz	Pet Rocks, Pom Poms and more	We bring happy to your life	1
Sugar shack	Lollie bags	The candy man can	3
Sausage Sizzle	Sausage and juice	The sausage sizzle will make your mouth drizzle	Pre Paid
Hit the Alien	Target Games	The More you Hit the More You Get	2-3
Catch em' Ducks	Duck fishing and spinning wheel	Duck in to catch em' ducks	1-2
Pirate Pancakes	R'rrr Pancakes	Yourrr missing out if yourrr not having ourr pancakes	3
Bedazzled Besties	hairspray and feathers	Bad hair day? No way!	2
Beachy Bracelets	Bracelets and wrist bands	We make it you wear it	2
Cookie Maddness	M'mmm Cookies	our cookies will make you mad	2-3
Spiders	Soft drinks with Icecream	Come swinging to our spider store	2-3
Dunk The Teacher	Nothing to see here	Ready set dunk	2-3
Pop N' Party	Pop corn	The best popcorn in all of mt martha	2-3
AFL	Footy	Its fast it fun its AFL	1-3
Coin Drop	Dropping a coin to win a prize	Drop of truth	1-2
Strength Test	Strongman	See your true strength	1-4
Green Machine	Basketball fun	No air balls aloud	2
Fun Shack	Various games	The store you cant miss	1-3
Stress Less	Stress Balls	It couldnt get clamer	1-2

App checklist for parents



Checklist

The aim of this checklist is to help you navigate the app world and give you the tools to ensure you and your family enjoy safe and positive online experiences.

Do your research

- [The eSafety Guide](#) is a good starting point.
- Other sources include [Common Sense Media](#) and [ConnectSafely](#), which review the most popular apps.
- Search for recent reviews from Google Play and Apple Store.
- Discuss the benefits and risks with family or friends who use the app.

eSafety tip: Check whether the app can be used for [content sharing](#), [photo and video sharing](#), [messaging and online chat](#), [voice chat](#), [video calling](#), [live streaming](#), [gaming](#), [in-app purchasing](#), [online relationships](#), [location sharing](#) and [encryption](#).

Check the age rating and requirements

- Apps usually state a minimum age for users in their terms of use but they don't all have verification requirements.
- [The eSafety Guide](#) includes the stated age for many popular apps.
- [Common Sense Media](#) makes an independent assessment of provides age recommendations.
- Check the advice on the eSafety Parent page [Are they old enough?](#)

eSafety tip: When deciding if an app is suitable for your child, think about their level of maturity and judgement as well as the age recommendation.

Consider privacy – read the terms and conditions and ask yourself these questions:

- What information does the app request?
- Does the app provide privacy protections?
- Can you restrict who sees your profile?
- Who can find you in a search?
- What information can people see about you?

eSafety tip: See the eSafety page [Connecting safely – Apps](#) for more advice. [The eSafety Guide](#) contains links to information about how to adjust privacy settings in popular apps.





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2024 PREP INFORMATION EVENING

Wednesday 11th October 2023

7.00 - 8:30 pm

in Staff Centre



This is a session designed to provide all the information you need to know about our Transition Program, ways to prepare for the 2024 school year and important school procedures and administrative details.

Includes a PSW fashion parade as well as a light supper.

Look forward to seeing you there!

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