



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 4 March 2021

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents/Carers

COVID-19 Mask Update - Following the easing of some restrictions from midnight last Friday, at school face masks are now recommended, but not mandatory, for use by staff, students and visitors when physical distancing of 1.5 metres cannot be maintained. People aged 12 years and over must carry a face mask unless they have a lawful exemption. Masks are still required in limited indoor settings, such as public transport, commercial passenger vehicles and large retail settings. Thank you once again for your assistance.

Whole of School Photos - School photos were taken today. A reminder that online photo orders need to be submitted by next **Thursday 11th March**.

Welcome - A huge welcome to Bella S in Prep and Teo S in Year 2 and their family who are joining our school community for 2021.

Working With Children Checks - The school appreciates the assistance that volunteers provide in our programs and with more opportunities to assist during the year the Working With Children Check (WWCC) is a key part of the processes for this assistance to occur. The Working with Children Check (WWCC) involves a screening process and is designed to assist in keeping children safe. It is valid for 5 years, is transferrable between volunteer organisations and is free of charge for volunteers but cannot therefore be used for paid employment.

At school if you are a parent/ immediate relative volunteering in an activity that is under the direct supervision of the teacher and that your child participates in or normally participates in eg within a classroom you do not need a check. If, however, the activity is not under the direct supervision of the teacher whether on or offsite then a WWCC is required. We always require a WWCC for parent helpers on such activities as excursions and camps as there is the potential for assistance to be required when a teacher is not there to directly supervise. This means that volunteers that are not immediate relatives but offer to assist in the school require a check. Further information on how to apply can be accessed at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

Crossing Safety - To assist the crossing supervisors ensure a safe crossing could all users please remain behind the yellow line until the whistle is blown and you are directed to cross. Thanks for your help to keep crossing users safe.

Student Enrolment Information Form - A reminder for Parents/Guardians to please check the document that was sent home, make any necessary changes, sign it and then return it to the school office. Up to date information assists our communication with you. Thank you.

SEC "Get To Know You Night" - It was great to catch up with parents at the SEC "Get To Know You Night" last night. The SEC runs many fantastic school community events that are fun, build connections in our community and raise funds to assist our school. Keep a look out in the newsletter for their next meeting or for events you can help with.

Kind regards

Martin Page

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

UPDATED COVID INFORMATION

Updated COVID Information -

A reminder to all parents of updated COVID-19 measures:

- Face masks are now recommended, but not mandatory, for use by staff, students and visitors when physical distancing of 1.5 metres cannot be maintained.
- Parents are allowed on site however social distancing (1.5 metre distance) between adults remains a **key** control measure and **must** continue to be practiced including when dropping off or picking up students.
- Unwell students should **not** be sent to school or remain at school if symptoms (even mild symptoms) appear during the day or they become unwell. Parents will be contacted to collect unwell students who will be supervised while isolated from other students. Parents should follow the latest DHHS and medical practitioner advice as to testing and quarantining.
- The school will continue to practise strict hygiene protocols and enhanced school cleaning procedures are also in place.
- Drinking fountains are available but students may choose to bring their own named water bottle.
- If visitors/parents/carers intend to spend longer than 15 minutes on site then they are required to sign in at the Office.
- Density limits do not apply in classrooms and other spaces students use. A density limit of 1 person to 2 square metres does apply to any spaces and activities being attended by staff, parents/carers and other visitors and then applies to all persons in the space including students, staff and visitors.
- Each family should regularly check the list of public exposure sites in Victoria (where a person with COVID-19 has attended), and if anyone in the family has attended a site at the times listed, follow the instructions given.

For more information about schools and coronavirus (COVID-19) please access the Department's website, which will continue to be updated:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/departments/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events

MARCH

Friday 5th

Year 4 Hip Hop

9.30am - 1.00pm

Mt Martha Primary



Monday 8th

Labour Day Public Holiday

Students do not attend school



Tuesday 9th

Years 1 & 2 Kingswim Program

11.30am: 1B & 1D

12.00pm: 1A & 1C

12.30pm: 2A & 2B

1.00pm: 2C



Wednesday 10th

District Swim Sports

Selected Students Only

Pines Forest Pool, Frankston.

9.00am - 2pm



Prep Responsible Pet Ownership visit

9.30am - 10.10am & 10.15am - 10.55am

Thursday 11th

School Council Meeting

6.45pm in Staff Centre

Tuesday 16th

Years 1 & 2 Kingswim Program

11.30am: 1B & 1D

12.00pm: 1A & 1C

12.30pm: 2A & 2B

1.00pm: 2C



Wednesday 17th

Division Swim Sports

Selected Students Only

Pines Forest Pool, Frankston.

9.00am - 1.00pm



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 2021	COST	CLOSING DATE
District Swim Sports	\$10	8/3/2021
Year 6 CYC City Camp	\$335	15/3/2021

TERM DATES: 2021

Term 1

29th January to 1st April

Students in Years 1 - 6 Start

29th January 2021

(2021 Prep Interviews 29th January, Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd February)

Preps starts Wednesday 3rd February

9.00am - 2.15pm

Preps start full days Monday 1st March

Term 2

19th April to 25th June

Term 3

12th July to 17th September

Term 4

4th October to 17th December

THE MMPS SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

WHY JOIN THE SEC?



SKILLS

Learn new skills such as event management, social media, fundraising, rostering, budgeting and managing volunteers.



INVOLVEMENT

Become involved in your school community!
Remember, your children are here for 7+ years!



FRIENDSHIP

Meet like minded people and make new friends!



HAVE FUN

What's better than helping children choose gifts for a loved one, or organise a disco! Happy kids = happy parents!



GIVE BACK

Volunteering gives you a sense of purpose and a feeling of fulfillment.
Volunteering makes you happy!



BE A ROLE MODEL

Lead by example! Show your children their school is important to you, and so is helping others.

SPORT NEWS

On Tuesday we had a small group of students from Years 3-6 attend Crib Point pool for trials for our School Swimming Team. This was something very different to what we would normally do as the Mornington Secondary College pool isn't available for our House Swimming Sports.

They all braved the cold wind to swim the best that they could. It was also very nice to see parents come down to not only support their child but also other students throughout the morning.

Thank you to Mr Gaiser, Mr Turner, Anna, Georgia & Alisha for assisting with final placings and recording results.

Congratulations to the following students who have made it to the District Level next Wednesday 10th March at the Pines Forest Pool, Frankston. More information regarding the District Swimming will be sent via Compass.

Yr 3 – Johnny & Alexis

Yr 4 – Ben E, Luca G, Raffy L, Lilly M & Tully M

Yr 5 – Luke B, Alexandra C, Drew FF, Dylan G, Tahlia H, Henry J, Alice P, Kalani R, Max R & Darcy T

Yr 6 – Vincent C, Alessi C, Charli C, Eden E, Douglas K, Sam R, Sibella S, Isla S, April S, Fletcher T & Amelie V



Cameron Sweatman, PE Teacher.

Clean up Mt Martha

Sunday 7 March 2021

9.00am—12.00pm



Rubbish bags provided.

Please bring gloves and some tongs.

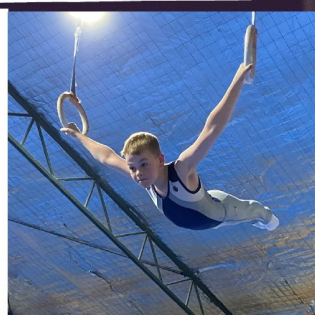
Don't forget a hat, water and sunscreen.

Register outside IGA at



Mt Martha Village

We hope you can join us



Boys only
**COME
N
TRY**

SUNDAY 21ST MARCH

9:00 - 10:30AM: 5-7 YEAR OLD BOYS
11:00AM - 12:30PM: 8+ YEAR OLD BOYS
CIVIC RESERVE CENTRE: 350 DUNNS RD MORNINGTON

Free!

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Register online via the "come n try" link on
our website www.mycgymnastics.org.au



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COMMUNITY NOTICES

mount.martha.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Registrations with Mount Martha Soccer Club are now open.

To register, go onto the Football Victoria webpage and follow their instructions.

<https://www.footballvictoria.com.au/resources/players/register>

You can find the club from the list by entering "Mount Martha" or the postcode - "3934".

Make sure you select Mount Martha Soccer Club (as opposed to Mornington SC), both options will pop up as our home pitch, Civic Oval, is in Mornington.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mount Martha Netball Club



We are inviting Year 2 and Year 3 students to join the Mount Martha Netball Club for the 2021 season.

Netball is a great way to get fit, play in a team, have fun, and make friends.

Mt Martha Netball Club aims to teach netball skills to new players and encourage participation in team sport.

Mt Martha Netball Club provides skills clinics and social outings for their members.

Saturday competition Teams – from U9 beginners – U15s

Location:

Games: Saturday at MPNA courts Mornington

Training: Thursday afternoon at MPNA courts

Registration

To register please contact registration@mtmarthanetball.com or see www.mtmarthanetball.com for additional information

For children in Prep – Year 1

Net Set Go (introductory netball program)

Will commence from Term 2 – Saturday mornings

See www.mtmarthanetball.com for additional information

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM NEWS



Moonlit Sanctuary KEEPER CLUB

Go wild these school holidays!

If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out our Keepers Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, they will get up close to many animals including dingoes and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited so book early and make your junior keeper's day!
For ages 7-14. Cost: \$90



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Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals and food prep, animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

Autumn 2021 School Holiday Dates:

Week One: Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th, Friday 9th April

Week Two: Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th, Thursday 15th, Friday 16th April

Cost: \$90.00 per day

Small groups of 16 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.

Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale , Phone 5978 7935 www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au, Open daily between 10am and 5pm.
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