



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 5th May 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

Mother's Day Stall - A huge thank you to our SEC members and helpers for organising and running the Mother's Day Stall yesterday. We had so many excited students taking time to choose that special gift from the wide range on offer! Thanks again for the amazing job you have done. The excitement on the faces of the students as they choose a treasured gift for a very special person in their lives is priceless. Wishing all a lovely Mother's Day with your families.

Welcome - We would all like to welcome four new students and their families to the Mount Martha Primary School community. On Monday Noah (Year 5), Layla (Year 4), Tahlia (Year 2), and Hudson (Prep) commenced at our wonderful school. Their classmates and teachers are assisting them to become familiar with a new school and feel welcomed.

2021 Annual Report - Our 2021 School Annual Report has been ratified by School Council. A copy is posted on the Mount Martha Primary School website <https://www.mtmarthaps.vic.edu.au> under the "Information" tab. The report provides information on the school for the 2021 school year.

Year 4 Camp - Our Year 4's will be attending Arrabri Lodge Camp at Warburton for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday next week. They are sure to enjoy the wide range of activities on offer including challenging outdoor activities as well as all the other experiences of being on camp. With no Year Three camp (sleep over) running last year, this will be the Year 4's first school camp. Always very exciting! Thank you to staff and helpers for attending.

School Cross Country - Unfortunately due to poor weather expected today, the school cross country has been postponed to **Monday 16th May**.

NAPLAN - NAPLAN testing for students in Years 3 and 5. If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher or me.

DAY	Year 3	Year 5	Catch Up Testing
Tuesday 10 th May	Writing 40 minutes (paper) 9.30am - 10.30 window	Writing 42 minutes (online) 11.30 - 12.30 window	
Wednesday 11 th May	Reading 45 minutes Online 9.30 - 10.30 window	Reading 50 minutes Online 11.30 - 12.30 window	Writing
Thursday 12 th May	Conventions of Language 45 minutes Online 9.30 - 10.30 window	Conventions of Language 45 minutes Online 11.30 -12.30 window	
Friday 13 th May	Numeracy 45 minutes Online 9.30 - 10.30 window	Numeracy 50 minutes Online 11.30 - 12.30 window	
Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th May	Catch up testing Numeracy, Reading and Language Conventions		

Prep 2023 Enrolment - A reminder that next **Wednesday 11th May** will be the 2023 Prep Information Evening. A school tour will commence at 6.30pm with the Information Evening to start at 7.15pm. 2023 Prep Enrolment Week is **Monday 16th May to Friday 20th May** with school tours on **Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th May** starting at 9.30am. Tours usually take about 45 minutes. Please meet at the School Office. No bookings are required. Enrolment information will be available from the Office.

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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 Bee and SEC BBQ - Saturday **21st May** 9am to noon is our Term 2 Working Bee at the school. Jobs are mainly gardening and tidying, and our school always looks so much better on the Monday after a working bee. There are a few jobs to do to prepare for Gold for Green day on Thursday 26th May. This is also the federal election day and SEC will be running a fundraising BBQ. Hope to see you there to vote, buy a sausage and assist with the Working Bee!

Pupil Free Days - For your diaries. This term Semester One reports are prepared by teachers and distributed to parents. On **Tuesday 21st June** we hold our Student Led Conferences. At these conferences students reflect on and present their learning to their parents and their teacher. Times are booked like our "Meet the Teacher Evening". **This is a Pupil Free Day** with students only required to attend at the time they are doing their presentation. More details to come on booking a time.

This term we also have a second **Pupil Free Day** on **Friday 27th May**. The Department of Education recently reached an in-principle agreement with unions, as bargaining representatives of employees in the Victorian Teaching Service, on a proposed replacement enterprise agreement that will apply to teaching service employees (eligible employees). Teachers will be entitled to three professional practice days in 2022, starting in Term 2, 2022. For Term 2, 2022 only, the Department recommends schools hold their first professional practice day on the same day for all staff. This will support effective and efficient use of the day and alleviate any workforce pressures. Students will therefore not be required to attend school on this day.

Gillian and her team will run Out of Hours School Care Program on both these days.

Warm Regards

Karen Walker

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



MAY

Friday 6th
Year 4 Drains to the Bay Walk
9.30am - 1.00pm
Mt Martha

Wednesday 11th
Year 2 Briars
9.30am - 12.15pm
Mt Martha

Wednesday 11th - Friday 13th
Year 4 Arrabri Lodge Camp, Warburton
7.30am departure approximate return time of 3.00pm

2023 Prep Information Evening
7.15pm in Staff Centre



A school tour will commence at 6.30pm from the school office. No bookings required.

Thursday 12th
School Council Meeting
6.45pm in Staff Centre all welcome



Monday 16th
Whole School Cross Country
Prep 9.10am - 9.30am
Year 5 9.45am - 10.30am
Year 2 10.30am - 11.00am
Year 1 11.30am - 12.00noon
Year 3 & 4 12.10pm - 12.45pm
Year 6 2.00pm - 2.45pm



2022 Prep Tours 9.30am no bookings required

Wednesday 18th
2022 Prep Tours 9.30am no bookings required

Thursday 19th
2022 Prep Tours 9.30am no bookings required

Saturday 21st
Working Bee
9.00am - 12noon All Welcome



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
Year 2 Briars	\$14	8/5/2022
Year 3 Moonlit Sanctuary	\$25	22/5/2022
Year 5 Billy Tea Bush Band	\$12	6/6/2022

TERM DATES: 2022

Term 2 26th April to 24th June
Term 3 11th July to 16th September
Term 4 3rd October to 20th December

TERM DATES: 2023

Term 1 27th January to 6th April
Term 2 24th April to 23rd June
Term 3 10th July to 15th September
Term 4 2nd October to 20th December

SPORTS NEWS

WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Unfortunately due to the weather we have cancelled our Cross Country this week. It is a shame as the buzz that was heard around all year levels was exciting! The good news is we have made a new date (**Monday 16th May**) that hopefully works with the weather gods and the students can all enjoy the event.

I would also like to encourage all students to wear their house colours as well as comfortable running shorts or pants. If you are unsure what house your child is in – please see the classroom teacher.

ALL COMPETITORS WILL RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE

1 Lap = 1km

**** Times are a rough guide ****

9:10 – 9:30	Prep	* 1km*
9:45 – 10:30	Year 5 (11yr olds)	*3km & 1km Fun Run*
10:30 – 11:00	Year 2 (8yr olds)	*1 km*
RECESS		
11:30 – 12:00	Year 1	*1km*
12:10 – 12:45	Year 3 & 4 (9/10yr olds)	*2km & 1km Fun Run*
LUNCH		
2:00 – 2:45	Year 6 (12 & 13yr olds)	*3km & 1km Fun Run*

We will be holding two different events for 9/10, 11 and 12/13yr old races:

COMPETITION: Competitors are to complete the set amount of km/laps for their age group. The top 10 from this event will represent our school at the District Competition.

FUN RUN: This race is a modified race, 1km which allows students to reduce the laps to complete what they are capable of. This is a non-competitive race and will cater for students who find it difficult and wish to walk the track.

The top 10 from Yr 2 - 6 students who run the competition will represent our school at District level at Penbank School on Tuesday 24th May.

The track route: Start far end of oval on track, running around the track, beside gym, across basketball courts, out back gate and down Melrose drive Continue along Normanby onto Glenisla Drive. Up the hill and into the staff carpark, back onto the oval to finish or start second or third lap. Parents are encouraged to attend and support children.

Kind regards,

Cameron Sweatman

PE Coordinator

2023 PREP ENROLMENTS

SCHOOL TOURS

MAY 2022

9.30am

Tuesday 17th

Wednesday 18th

Thursday 19th

**Please meet at the
school office.**

No bookings required.



Dear Parents/Guardians,

You are most welcome to visit our school. Your child may soon be joining our learning community. Enrolments for Prep 2023 will be taken at school during the week of 16th - 20th May.

Enrolment forms need to be lodged at the school office by Friday 27th May 4.00pm.

Confirmation letters will be mailed by Friday 24th June.

2023 PREP ENROLMENT WEEK

**Mt Martha Primary School
Monday 16th to Friday 20th May**

Please consider taking the opportunity to visit our school for a tour on Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, or Thursday 19th where you will see our current Prep students in their learning environment.

Children being enrolled must reach five years of age by April 30th 2023.

When you come to enrol you will need to provide the school with

- *proof of age - a copy of a birth certificate or extract of birth*
- *an Immunisation History Statement indicating your child's immunisation status*
- *Proof of residency*

All the enrolment information you require will be provided at the school office. We hope to meet you on one of our school tours.

Yours faithfully,

Karen Walker

Principal

**Tours take
approximately
45 minutes**

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2023 Prep Information Evening
Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 7.15pm
in Staff Centre

A school tour will commence at 6.30pm from the school office.
Please note no bookings are required.

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SCHOOL VALUES NEWS



KNOWLEDGE **INTEGRITY** **COLLABORATION** **RESPECT**

At MMPS our school vision states; Mt Martha Primary School strives to empower students to be active learners who make a positive impact in a changing world. To achieve this, as many are aware, Mount Martha Primary School expects 4 core values from each child. Knowledge, Integrity, Collaboration and Respect underpin the work done to empower students to make positive change. Teachers and students have been renewing our focus on teaching and displaying these core values in everything that we do.

For the next 4 weeks I will focus on one of these values to let you know the expectations from school, as well as what each value looks like at school, how we have defined them in student friendly language and what you can do to help keep the conversation going at home.

Each value comes with a set of expectations that we have of every child. These expectations are written in the same wording for each year level from Prep - Year Six however the exact nature of the expectation changes as students progress through the school.

As part of the renewed focus on our school values teachers have been on the lookout for students that have been demonstrating our values in the yard. Students that are caught demonstrating one or more of our values are acknowledged with a little card to reinforce the importance of showing our school values at all times. If your student brings one of these cards home please take the time to ask exactly what they were seen to be doing to earn their card.

Next week I will dive into integrity and what exactly it means to us at MMPS but for now I will include each of the school values and their definitions below. These definitions were discussed, devised, and deliberated by staff over many hours to make sure that they were both comprehensive and easy to understand. While they may seem a bit wordy and perhaps too complicated for younger students to understand, the teaching and learning that go on in support of the definition bring understanding to each year level.

Respect is appreciating everyone's differences by understanding how words and actions affect the world, ourselves and others.

Integrity is doing the right thing in the right way at all times, even if it is hard or no one is looking.

Collaboration is working, growing, learning and playing together, towards a common goal.

Knowledge is information and experiences that allow us to understand the world, ourselves and others. Learning is lifelong.

Ask your student what they already know about these values and how they might go about showing these values at school.

Jerry Gaiser
Social And Emotional Learning Specialist

Gold For Green Day.

Thursday 26th May 2022

Wear Green. Bring a Gold Coin.

Help us green our world just like 'Florette.'

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Activities will include:

- Reading Anna Walker's Florette
- Pledges to the environment by all our students.
- Preps: Planting in the Prep Forest with their Year Four Buddies
- Year One: Tin Can Bee Hotels
- Year Two: Cardboard Cubbies
- Year Three: Layered glass jar gardens.
- Year Four: Assisting Preps.
- Year Five: Pavement Environmental Messages.
- Year Six: Refurbishing the Sensory Garden

Check with your child's teacher for activity times. Please come and join us to help green the world.



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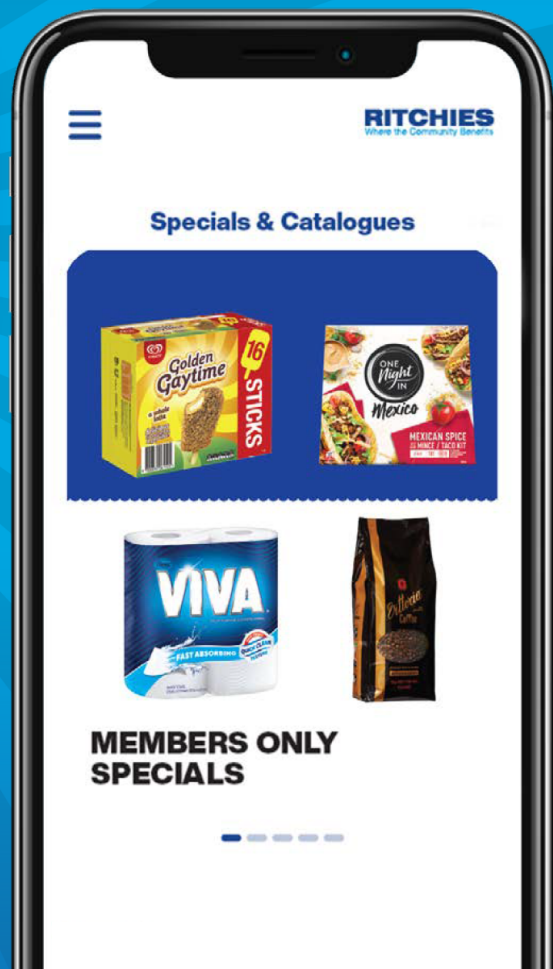
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2022 Term 2 Deadly Youth Program



Wk 1, 28th April
Wk 2, 5th May
Wk 3, 12th May
Wk 4, 19th May
Wk 5, 26th May
Wk 6, 2nd June
Wk 7, 9th June
Wk 8 16th June
Wk 9 23rd June

Thursday 4.00-5.30pm

Planting
Shields/Coolamon
Shields/Coolamon
Dance
Mini Traditional Huts Design
Art Project
Art Project
Local Excursion
Dance

Weekends

29th May Reconciliation Walk & BBQ 11 – 2pm *4

25th June NAIDOC Dinner 6 – 9pm * 1 & 2

Contact Peter Aldenhoven, our Executive Officer/Men's Business if you need transport or for more information about the program on 0403 528 034

*1. Aboriginal Men & kin *2. Aboriginal Men & kin *3. Aboriginal & non-Indigenous members *4. Open to the public



2022 Term 2 Aboriginal Bush Play Group Program

Wk 1, 27th April
Wk 2, 4th May
Wk 3, 11th May
Wk 4, 18th May
Wk 5, 25th May
Wk 6, 1st June
Wk 7, 8th June
Wk 8, 15th June
Wk 9, 22nd June

Wednesday 10.00-12.00pm

Clay Handprints
Coolamon project
Coolamon project
Headbands
Name/Unity Badges
Paper Possums
Painting Gum leaves
Planting new Plants
Stick People

Weekends

29th May Reconciliation Walk & BBQ 11 – 2pm *4

25th June NAIDOC Dinner 6 – 9pm * 1 & 2

Contact Angela Estcourt, our Cultural Lead Women's Business for more information about the program on 0403 528 034 Willum Warrain can also loan parent's car seats and organise taxi vouchers for families without transport.

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COMMUNITY NOTICE



COMPETITORS:
UNDER 12 Y/O:
\$10 ENTRY
OVER 12 Y/O:
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**Limited entry spaces so make sure to book your spot soon!*

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