



Mt. Martha Primary School

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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 5th October 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

Welcome Back - Welcome everyone for the start of Term 4. It has been great to catch up with students, parents, and staff to hear how they enjoyed the holidays. The students have already returned to their school routines and are enjoying their learning and time with their friends and teachers. Over the holidays we took the opportunity to completed maintenance jobs including grinding of concrete and replacement in some areas.

Welcome New Students - A huge welcome to a new students Taylor and Lola in Year 1, Lucy in Year 2 and their families who joined our school community this week.

Student Groupings - Planning for 2024 - 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 the principal by **Friday 27th 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 Mt Martha PS in 2024. Thank you for assisting our planning in this way.

Policies Updates - The following policies were updated endorsed at the September School Council Meeting. These are all available on the school website. [MMPS Website Policy Page.](#)

- Student Engagement and Wellbeing
- Bullying Prevention
- Visitor Policy
- Volunteer Policy
- Anaphylaxis Policy
- Asthma Policy

School Crossings - Our school crossing supervisors do a terrific job assisting members of the school community to cross our busy streets. Waiting behind the yellow line until the whistle sounds, walking across the crossing and ensuring that smaller children are closely supervised are a few ways to ensure a safe crossing. Remember also that adults are significant role models so parents using the crossings when flags are displayed are another helpful strategy to promote safe crossings. Thank you for your assistance.

Year 6 Graduation Photo - Save the date our 2023 Year 6 students will have their Graduation Photo taken at school on Tuesday 10th October.

2024 Year 6 Rugby Tops - A reminder that your child's Year 6 Rugby Top Order are due by **Wednesday October 25th**.
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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

Term Four - Is always busy as students complete their school year and we finalise our planning to ensure a smooth start to 2024. This term we have some fantastic events planned. Highlights include the Year 6 Swimming Program, Bike Education Program for Years 4 and 6, whole school Life Education Program, Colour Explosion and Year 3 Camp to Somers. Our Year 6's will be graduating, and we will be increasingly focussing on our transition program for all our students to build familiarity with next year's learning environment. Transition activities for our 2024 Preps and families are planned to make the start to school next year a little easier. Our students participating in the instrumental music program will have the chance to showcase their talents and progress in performances at concerts this term. Our SEC have planned a Choc Top Day and a Christmas Disco. Please note the dates of our upcoming events as it is easy to miss something in what will be a busy term.

Recap of Previous Newsletter Articles

Hats On - Even though the weather may still be cool a reminder that hats are to be worn from the September 1st to the April 30th as part of the Sun Smart policy. A copy of the policy is available on the school website [MMPS Website Policy Page](#). Please make sure hats have a legible name to allow them to be returned if they are lost. Only Broad brimmed or legionnaire hats are part of our Sun Smart Policy - no baseball style caps please. Those students without a hat will be sent to the undercover area near the old canteen roller shutters during recess and lunch. Thank you.

Important Dates in Term Four Advanced Notice - We have scheduled our Professional Practice Day for Term Four on **Monday November 20th** 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 on bookings will be available over the coming weeks.

Lost Property - If your child has lost an item, there is good chance it will be in Lost Property which is located near the rear doors to the Administration wing. Please check that all items are named and that the name is still legible. Thank you for your assistance as we are keen to reunite lost property back with its owners.

Warm regards

Karen Walker

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



OCTOBER



Thursday 5th

SRC Dress - Up and Fundraiser Gold coin donations
Student come dressed as teachers and teachers come dressed as students.

All proceeds go to Mornington Community Support Centre.

After school sausage Sizzle \$3 and Zooper Dooper \$1 (from 3.30pm onwards)



Monday 9th

Japanese Day

9.00am - 3.30pm

Dress in Red or White



Tuesday 10th

Year 6 Graduation Photo

2.15 - 2.45pm



Wednesday 11th

2024 Prep Parent Information Evening
7pm in Staff Centre. All welcome!



Thursday 12th

Year 4 Bike Education

9.00am - 1.00pm

Year 2 Cranbourne Botanic Gardens

Cranbourne

9.00am - 3.15pm

School Council Meeting

6.45pm in Staff Centre

All welcome



Friday 13th

State Table Tennis

9.30am - 3.30pm

MSAC, 30 Aughtie Dve, Albert Park.



Saturday 14th

Working Bee 9am - 12pm

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.

| 2023 EVENTS | COST | CLOSING DATE |
|---|---------------|--------------|
| Year 2 Cranbourne Gardens | \$30 | 9/10/2023 |
| State Table Tennis | Nil | 9/10/2023 |
| Year 3 Somers Camp | \$175 | 13/10/2023 |
| Year 2 Mt Martha Fire Brigade | Nil | 17/10/2023 |
| 2024 Year 6 Rugby Top | \$75 | 25/10/2023 |
| 2024 Curriculum Contributions and Agreements | Refer Compass | 30/11/2023 |
| 2024 Student Supply Orders direct to Paperchase | Refer Compass | 3/12/2023 |

TERM DATES: 2023

Term 4 2nd October to 20th December

STUDENT FREE DAYS: 2023

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

SPORT NEWS - DIVISION ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the Southern Peninsula Division Athletics on Wednesday. It wasn't the best weather to be on the track and field but they all showed great resilience and determination with some pleasing results.

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| Sienna – 1500m | Joel - Hurdles |
| Koa-Jean – 800 | Harry – 100m & 200m |
| Paige – Shot Put & Discus | Bella – High Jump & Long Jump |
| Ruby – Discus | Billie – High Jump |
| Tully – Long Jump | Evie – Hurdles |
| Georgia – Shot Put & Triple Jump | Tully – Hurdles |
| Harvey – 200m & High Jump | Poppy – 800m |
| Sonnie – Shot Put | Conor – Triple Jump |
| Maisie – High Jump | Boys Relay: Luca/Conor/Noah/Harvey |
| Jessica – Long Jump | Boys Relay : Xavier/Malu/Blake/Harry |
| Malu – Hurdles & Shot Put | Jake – High Jump |

LOCAL SPORTING FINALS

Over the first week of the school holidays we had so many of our local sporting teams play in Grand Finals in both Basketball and AFL. I went along to Somerville to watch three of our teams play in their AFL Grand Final and what a display of sportsmanship and talent we have here at Mount Martha Primary School.

The Under 11 Navy took on Red Hill with a strong breeze. With only a two point lead going into the last (with the breeze) they came out and kicked two goals to nothing to win the match. Outstanding effort by all the boys and to Malu who also took out the Best on Ground! During this season too, Malu finished 1st in the league B&F and Harry P finished 2nd. Well done boys!

The Under 12 Navy came up against a determined Sorrento in their Grand Final with the score not showing the effort and skills they all put in. Unfortunately they were runners up but it was so good to see them hold their heads up and now look forward to season 2024

The Under 13 Girls was going to be a great match against Dromana who were also determined to take out the Premiership but with most of our Year Six girls and some past students turning it on for the big occasion they were Premiers in 2023. It was a great day for all our students and proud parents.

REBEL COMMUNITY KICKBACKS PROGRAM

Our school has been selected to participate in the Rebel Community Kickbacks Program. Under this program, the school can earn 5% of your purchases at Rebel Sport as in-store credit to spend on our school sports programs.

All you need to do is join [Team Rebel](#), select our school from the list of participating groups and swipe your loyalty card every time you make a purchase at Rebel Sports.

Cameron Sweatman

PE Teacher



We're turning our event from bland to GRAND this year by adding an explosion of Colour. The more money we raise the more we can provide for the students through vital school projects, in particular **upgrading our basketball rings** both in the gym (adjustable heights) and outside courts as well as replacing our **goal posts** on oval.

The Colour Explosion School Run4Fun will be held on **Friday 17th November**. The day's focus is on fun and fitness with the added benefit of raising funds for our school.

Every student will receive a booklet next week which will have all the information for registering for our event as well as other small incentives.

Cameron Sweatman, **PE Teacher**.



JAPANESE DAY NEWS

Japanese Day 2023

Monday 9th October

Sushi packs \$6 each
via Compass (Cafeteria)

Please note: orders have now closed



Arts & Crafts



Sports carnival

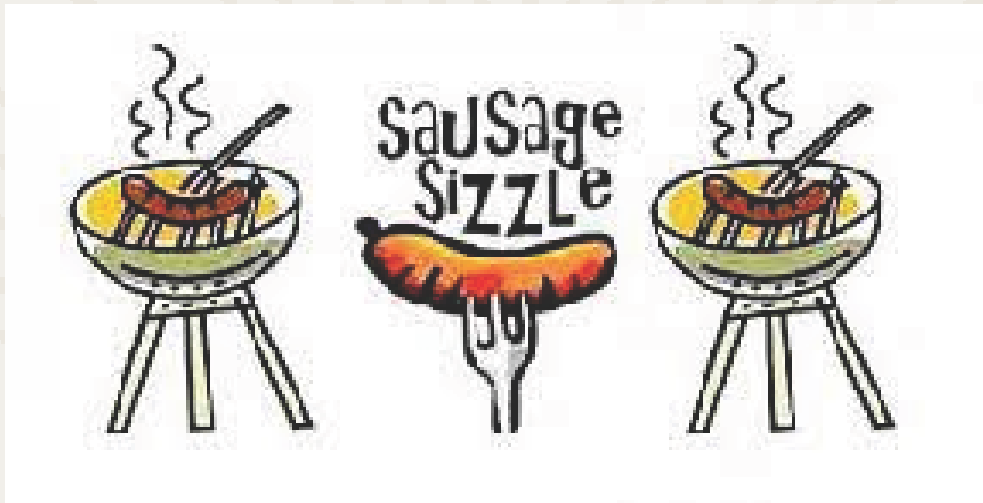
Dress up!

Bill Nickeas

LOTE Teacher

JOINS US FOR A
REFERENDUM DAY
Sausage Sizzle

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023



Simply click on the link below if you'd like to join the team for an hour or two.

<https://signup.zone/oï7jEEzNbtCnHfYXh>



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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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Semester Two

WORKING BEE at MMPS!



- we are asking for your help at our:

Semester Two Working Bee!

Date: Saturday 14 October

Time: 9am - 12pm.

If you can bring along useful tools like a wheelbarrow, spade, pitchfork (for mulch), shovel, gloves etc that would be very helpful.

Purpose: Getting grounds ready for Spring.

Some jobs required for the day:

- *Mulching gardens*
- *Pruning and weeding*
- *Rejuvenation of Sensory Garden*

All children must be accompanied by an adult and morning tea will be provided.

Please email Nick Orchard (nicholas.orchard@education.vic.gov.au) if you are able to help on the day.

Kind regards,

Nick Orchard (Assistant Principal)



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FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER

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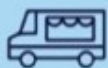
The AusBike program has been developed with the support of the Australian Government through the Australian Sports Commission.





In association with Westernport Angling Club Competition Hub at Hastings Boat Ramp.

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Bar



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Projex J Merch



Activities

TOURNAMENT DETAILS:

Boundaries of Westernport Bay & Port Phillip Bay. Every entrant receives comp gift bag including drink holder, toy, fishing gear.

FRI 6TH OCT Competition Hub: Registration from 5.30PM & runs through weekend including new entrants

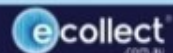
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SUN 8TH OCT 12PM weigh in closes, presentation at 1PM



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