



# Mt. Martha Primary School

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## BANKSIA BULLETIN - September 6, 2018.

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

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**Farewell Mrs Trimnell** - Mrs Danielle Trimnell is leaving for Maternity Leave at the end of this week. I am sure the school community will join me in thanking Mrs Trimnell for her contribution to Mount Martha Primary School and wish her well for the safe arrival of the new baby!

**Book or Movie Character Dress Up Day** - Congratulations to our students for participating in the Book or Movie Character Dress Up on Tuesday. The parade is always a lot of fun! The costumes showed fun, imagination and a wide range of characters from the classics to now! Everybody enjoyed the parade hosted by Mr Sweatman. Thank you so much parents for your support. Funds raised by the gold coin donation will be sent to support the work of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

**Father's Day Breakfast** - Our Father's Day Breakfast yesterday was a fantastic morning with great attendance, terrific company and a tasty breakfast on offer. It also was a valuable opportunity to share some quality time before school started. A huge thank you to the SEC for organising the event, all our terrific parent and staff helpers and our families for their support. This was once again a great example of our school community working together.

**Planning Week** - Next week is planning week. For this week we adjust the specialist timetable to give teaching teams time together when they can plan for the next term. Please note further information in the newsletter.

**Year 6 Market** - A reminder that next week Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September is the Year 6 Market Day. The Year 6 students have been learning about many aspects of business and economics this term with the market bringing together their ideas, planning and teamwork. Good Luck Year 6!

**Welcome** - Welcome to April in Year 3 and Ava in Year 1 and their family who joined our school community this week.

**Year 5 Camp** - Our Year 5's had a fantastic time at Sovereign Hill last week. They enjoyed the early settler and mining town activities. A great opportunity to bring their classroom learning to life! Thank you parents who attended as helpers and staff.

**Hats On** - Even though the weather may still be cool a reminder that hats are still to be worn from the 1<sup>st</sup> September to the 30<sup>th</sup> April as part of the Sun Smart policy. Thank you.

**Parent Opinion Survey** - A final call for responses to the online Parent Opinion Surveys that were distributed to a random sample of our parents. The closing date has been extended until **Sunday 9th September**. Thank you for your time to give us feedback.

**Travelling Safety to and from School** - It is always a good idea to remind children of safe strategies for travel to and from school. For example, some of our streets are quite narrow and so strategies to use if a car is coming toward you, safe places to cross on your child's journey and a refresher on road rules including "Stop" and "Give Way" signs and roundabouts may be useful. This term in class we have been focussing on Protective Behaviours and keeping yourself safe and so reminders of strategies if approached by a stranger could also be included.

**Last Day of Term** - A reminder that Friday 21st September is the last day of term 3 with a 2.30pm dismissal time. Term 4 commences on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October. We will be having an end of term assembly at 9.10am on the last Friday of term.

**Leaving Mount Martha Primary School in 2019?** - A reminder to please let the Office know if you are leaving Mount Martha Primary School next year. This assists with our planning for 2019. Thank you.

Kind regards,

Martin Page  
Principal.

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

## SCHOOL NOTICES

### Dates to Remember Coming Events

#### SEPTEMBER

##### **Monday 10th**

Prep Craft Power Incursion

OOD 9.30am - 10.30am

OOA 11.30am - 12.30pm

OOB 2.00pm - 3.00pm

##### **Tuesday 11th**

Prep Craft Power Incursion

OOE 9.30am - 10.30am

OOC 11.30am - 12.30pm

##### **Thursday 13th**

Year 1 Osborne Primary School Visit

9.15am - 12.30pm

Prep Kingswim

OD & OA: swim from 11.30 - 12noon

OC & OB: swim from 12 - 12.30pm

OE: swim from 12.30 - 1pm

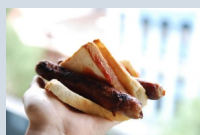
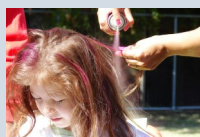
##### **School Council Meeting**

6.45pm in Staff Centre

All welcome

##### **Friday 14th**

Year 6 Market Day



##### **Tuesday 18th**

District AFL 9's Boys & Girls Teams

9.00am - 2.00pm

Ferrero Reserve, Mt Martha

Prep Assembly

### 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.**

EVENT	COST	CLOSING DATE
Prep Craft Power	\$15.00	06/09/2018
Yr1 Osborne PS	\$5.00	11/09/2018
District AFL 9's Boys & Girls	NIL	13/09/2018
Year 1 Dinosaur World	\$26.00	12/10/2018
Year 2 Reptile Encounters	\$12.00	15/10/2018
Life Education	\$9.00	17/10/2018
2019 Student Supply Orders & Year 6 Rugby Tops Orders	<i>Please refer to Course Confirmations/ payments</i>	19/10/2018
Year 3 Camp	\$240	31/10/2018

#### TERM DATES: 2018

**Term 3** 16th July to 21st September

**Term 4** 8th October to 21st December

#### TERM DATES: 2019

**Term 1** 29th January to 5th April



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## TERM 3 PLANNING WEEK AT MMPS

Next week our 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.

Please take note of which day your child/ren have their Planning Day as this may require you to consider the proper footwear for Physical Education. Not all classes do every Specialist class as a number of Casual Relief Teacher (CRT) are used to support Planning days as well.

**Mon 10 Sept Years 5 & 6 (9 classes)**

**Tuesday 11 Sept Years 1 & 2 (10 classes)**

**Wed 12 Sept Prep (5 classes)**

**Thursday 13 Sept Years 3 & 4 (9 classes)**

**Specialist on Friday 14 Sept (Yr 6 Market day)**

Hoping this information proves to be useful in selecting footwear on these particular days. Thanks for your cooperation.

**Kids Matter Team**

## YEAR 5 CAMP NEWS

Last week Year 5 ventured out to Sovereign Hill & the Museum of Australian Democracy for their camp. There they participated in a wide range of activities and learnt all about the Gold Rush and Victorian History. Thank you again to all the parent helpers for coming on camp.



**Jason Cech, Year 5.**



# Keeping you in the *Literacy Loop*



What a wonderful explosion of colour and fun in the Gym for our Book and Movie Character Dress Up Day. Mr Sweatman again did not disappoint with his excellent portrayal of The Greatest Showman! It was terrific to see so many wonderful costumes and to hear the stories that the children had to tell back in their classrooms! Looking back at the photos from the day the most obvious characteristic in all of them is a smile - a really broad and happy one! A lot of creative and expressive writing has also been produced. Thank you to all families who have spent their time preparing the children's costumes. Each year it seems to get bigger and better!







**Thank you to those who provided a gold coin in support of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. More information about what this organisation does can be obtained from the following link website:**

**<https://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/>**





# The Year 6 Market

The Year 6 Students are currently undertaking an exciting Cross Curriculum based Project, 'The Year 6 Market'.

The project covers many curriculum areas including:

- Economics and Business
- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Intercultural Capability
- Personal and Social Capability
- Design and Technology
- English
- Maths.

This years market will be held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September between 11:00am and 2:00pm. The Year 6 Students have been doing a lot of cooking, craft and game development to ensure that everyone will be able to select from a lovely range of craft stalls or be able to challenge themselves (or a friend) to a fun activity, or will be able to choose from a variety of sweet and savory offerings.

All profits from the market are split between The Royal Children's Hospital, leaving a legacy item for the school and helping the students fund their graduation celebration.

Watch out over the next couple of week as students start promoting their stalls at assembly, throughout the school and on their Class Blogs. More details of the stalls will be made available to parents and friends prior to the market date.

This year a group of motivated students are running a sausage sizzle. Look out for your order forms that will be made available on Compass in the near future.

Thank you for your support of the Year 6 Students as they complete this learning.

The Year 6 Team



## FAMILY TIP SHEET

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Common Sense on Digital Life

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### What's the Issue?

We may think of our kids' online, mobile, and technological activities as "digital life," but to them it's just life. In their world, being able to connect and communicate 24/7 from just about any location is normal – and expected! Between kindergarten and fifth grade, kids go through rapid growth in learning about many topics, including digital media technologies. From playing games on their mom or dad's cell phone, to learning how to point and click a mouse, to navigating online by themselves, kids this age are participating in a connected culture.

### Why Does It Matter?

Young children need to learn early how to make good choices so they can take advantage of the powerful technologies available to them. And to make these good choices, kids need parental guidance.

The stakes are high because our kids' technological abilities can be greater than their maturity and judgment. Having unrestricted access to information and people can result in gaining a wealth of information and experiences. But it can also mean accessing inappropriate content and making inappropriate contact with others. The difference between a great experience and an iffy one lies in the decisions kids make. Just as kids learn to eat properly, swim safely, or drive a car carefully, they need to know how to live in the digital world responsibly and respectfully. Their ultimate success depends on their abilities to use digital media to create, collaborate, and communicate well with others. Those who master these skills in using digital tools will benefit from the digital world's awesome power.

### common sense says

**Use bookmarks and safe search.** Teach your child to bookmark his or her favorite sites. This way, your child is less likely to go somewhere online you don't want. Use safe search options on Web browsers, such as Google or Bing, to make sure your child can search safely.

**Consider using filtering and blocking software.** Some parents find these tools to be useful to help protect younger children from accessing inappropriate content.

**Have older siblings help.** Have your older children help teach your younger children how to be responsible and safe online. Let the older ones know that you want them to help you protect their little brothers or sisters online.

**Share wisdom.** Kids often don't understand the implications of their actions. But we do. So we have to remember to extend our basic parenting wisdom to the digital world. We teach kids to choose their words carefully, play nicely with others, and respect their teachers. Now we have to extend those lessons to a vast, invisible world.

**Pass along your values.** As a parent, you can translate your values into the digital world and help kids understand the implications of their actions. Oftentimes the same rules that apply in the real world apply online, such as "be nice to others," "don't say mean things," and "think critically about information."

**Seek balance.** It's hard to know how much freedom to give kids. We want them to explore, enjoy, communicate, and create. We also want to be sure they are protected. If our kids are going to thrive with digital media, we must balance the negative with the positive, privacy with protection. As our children grow, they need more independence and privacy. But parents have to be sure their kids know how to be safe and responsible before letting them loose.

**Keep an open mind.** We don't see the world the way our kids do. And we don't help our kids when we judge their lives through the lens of a non-digital world. It's important for us to understand that our kids will spend much of their lives in a connected world, where everyone creates and communicates. We need to help them to enjoy it and learn from it.

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES



**REGISTER NOW**

Spring competition is a fun netball season and great way to learn to improve netball skills, have fun and make friends.

Netball continues in Term 4 with the short season of eight Saturday games (with no game Melbourne Cup Weekend)

Saturday games played always at Mornington courts.

Spring competition training :  
Mt Martha Primary School courts  
(Thursday afternoons)

Due to overwhelming interest additional teams have been registered from Year 2 - Year 5

**We would love for a few extra players.**

**Please contact**  
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**if interested**

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## MT MARTHA BASKETBALL

**Looking for a team sport for your child to get involved in..... Then here's your answer**

Mount Martha Basketball Club have available places for players to fill teams in the following age groups for the upcoming Summer 2018/2019 Season starting in Term 4.

- Prep girls for a Gr 1 team
- Gr 2 Girls for U10 team
- Gr 3 Girls for U12 bottom age team
- Gr 5 Girls for U14 bottom age team
- Gr 4 Boys for U12 team

If your child is interested in playing please contact the club **ASAP** leaving details of your child's name, date of birth and school year at:  
[mountmarthabasketball@gmail.com](mailto:mountmarthabasketball@gmail.com)

## MOUNT MARTHA FARMERS' MARKET

Hi, I am Jess, a prep Mum here at MMPS. I currently manage the Mt Eliza and Bonbeach farmers' markets and I have been dreaming about bringing a farmers market to Mt Martha for years! The 'Pick My Project' grant came along and I realised this was my chance to dream big and make it happen. Now I need you, the local community to vote.

The dream is to host a monthly farmers' market at The Briars to bring the community together to buy locally and support their local farmers, producers, small businesses, and makers. There will be an assortment of stalls selling freshly harvested vegetables and fruits, honey, bread, meat, sauces, oils, preserved goods, wine, cheeses, cut flowers and plants, and of course great coffee! The goal is for this to be a sustainable #zerowaste event too.

Please jump onto: <https://pickmyproject.vic.gov.au>

For more information: <https://sustainabletable.org.au/pick-pick-projectmt-martha-farmers-market/>

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram

(Mt Martha Farmers Market) and please help me spread the word.

Thank you!

## HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



### **Moonlit Sanctuary Keeper Club**

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#### **Spring 2018 school holiday dates:**

- Week 1: Mon 24th Tue 25th Wed 26th Thu 27th September
- Week 2: Mon 1st Tue 2nd Wed 3rd Thu 4th Fri 5th October
- 10am–4pm

Cost: \$80.00 per day, or \$220 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).  
Maximum 16 children per day.

#### **Bookings essential as spaces are limited**

Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

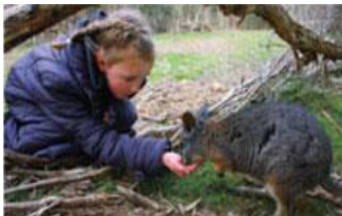
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