



Mt. Martha Primary School

Mt Martha Primary School
Principal
Mrs Karen Walker

Assistant Principal
Mr Nick Orchard

**Mt Martha Primary
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5974 2800

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Lodge via Compass parent portal

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8.30am - 4.15pm
Monday - Friday

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Coordinator - Gillian Reid



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BANKSIA BULLETIN - Thursday 7th April 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

Dear Parents/Carers

End of Term - Term One finishes tomorrow with a **2.30pm** dismissal time. Please note the early pick-up time.

Term One - Congratulations to all our students for a fantastic term! Thank you, staff, and families, for your assistance and support in what has been a very busy term. With the easing of COVID restrictions, the resumption of camps, excursions, incursions, sporting events and our classroom activities has provided many engaging and powerful learning opportunities for our students. It has been exciting to have had the first full term of school in two years. We appreciate the support of all families in our school community in keeping our school as COVID safe as possible. We empathise with all students, families and staff who have had to isolate due to testing COVID positive or being a household or household like contact. The Victorian Government has announced it is extending the rapid antigen test (RAT) screening program for the first four weeks of Term 2. The screening recommendations will remain the same next term for students and staff. In mainstream schools – recommended to test at home twice a week. The rapid tests for the first two weeks of term two will be sent home today. I would like to wish everyone in our school community a safe, restful, and happy holiday. I am really looking forward to a terrific Term Two. Term Two commences on **Tuesday 26th April**.

ANZAC Day - Four of our Year Six students and I will be attending the ANZAC service at Mornington April 25th 10am Memorial Park, Barkly Street Mornington to lay a wreath on behalf of our school community.

Bikes - A reminder to collect bikes from the bike shed. If not collected they will be locked in the bike shed for the holidays. They are much better to be at home for the holidays allowing students to practice their riding skills.

Emergency Contact - In the event of an emergency concerning the school during the school vacation or out of school hours please contact the Department of Education Emergency and Security Management on **1800 126 126** or Mornington Police if it is a police matter. They will in turn contact the appropriate staff. Thank you for keeping a look out if you are onsite during the holidays.

Hats - A reminder also that hats are required to be worn until the end of April. That is the end of the first week of Term 2, as part of the Sun Smart policy. Thank you for your assistance.

Lost Property - This term we have seen an enormous amount of unnamed uniform find its way to the lost property area. A friendly reminder to please ensure all uniform is clearly labelled with your child's full name and class. This will assist us greatly in returning clothing and other items to students.

Continued overleaf

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

Learning Boost Programs - During 2022 we are running a variety of different programs to support student learning. Some of our additional support programs are available through the Victorian Government's \$250 million investment in the Tutor Learning Initiative, which supports schools to address disruptions to students' learning because of COVID-19. The Tutor Learning Initiative enables schools across Victoria to engage qualified teachers as tutors to work with small groups of students and support their learning. The initiative is consistent with Australian and international evidence, which shows that small group tutoring is one of the most effective educational interventions available to support students to progress in their learning. We are calling the programs Learning Boost, as students selected to participate may currently be well above, above, at, below or well below expected level of achievement against the Victorian Curriculum Standards F-10. Selection of children who may benefit from the small group tutoring is based on achievement data and other measures of learning, which indicate that expected learning progress may have been impacted by remote and flexible learning due to COVID-19 in 2021. These programs are in place for students in Years 3-6. Students are selected to participate in a five-week block of ten sessions. The small group sessions occur twice a week for 45 minutes. The rotations will be in Mathematics focusing on Number and Algebra, reading and writing. Additionally, we have the following Learning Boost Programs that run all year. With different beginning and end dates for rotations, Learning Boost Literacy Junior School, Numeracy Junior School Learning Boost Additional Literacy Needs 3 - 6 and Phonological Awareness.

Warm Regards

Karen Walker

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR LOST PROPERTY AND SWAP BOX



We are seeking our community's assistance with the maintenance of our Lost Property and Swap Box areas.

Ideally we would like a team of two parents for each of the areas to help return lost property to students weekly and to keep the Swap Box area neat and tidy.

If this is the job for you, please contact the School Office on 5974 2800.

Office Team

SCHOOL NOTICES

Dates to Remember Coming Events



APRIL

Friday 8th

Final Assembly 9.15am live streaming link to follow

Final day of Term 1 early dismissal
2.30pm



Tuesday 26th

Term 2 Commences 9.00am



MAY

Monday 2nd

Year 1 Heronswood Gardens

9.15am - 1.30pm

Dromana

Wednesday 4th

Mother's Day Stall



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



2023 Prep Information Evening
7.15pm in Staff Centre

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

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 4 Arrabri Lodge Camp	\$350	27/4/2022
Year 1 Heronswood Gardens	\$7	27/4/2022
Year 4 Drains Walk	Nil	3/5/2022
Year 2 Briars	\$14	8/5/2022
Year 3 Moonlit Sanctuary	\$25	22/5/2022

TERM DATES: 2022

Term 1 28th January to 8th April

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

On Thursday 5th May, we are holding our Whole School Cross Country at Mount Martha Primary School. Students will be running in their age group race (their age is what age they are on 31st December 2022). 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 2nd or 3rd lap. Parents are encouraged to attend and support children.

Kind regards

Cameron Sweatman

PE Coordinator

SEC - MOTHER'S DAY STALL VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

MMPS MOTHER'S DAY STALL 2022

This year we have hand picked some locally made products that will ensure every mum/carers is made to feel extra special on Mother's Day!

The MMPS stall will be on *Wed 4th May* and we need our amazing community to volunteer on the day - it's an extremely exciting day for the students!

Please register to help via:

<https://signup.zone/JvKW6LHWzZjruKGSK>

SEC - MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Here's a sneak peek at some of the beautiful items we have for this year!



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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Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 7.15pm
in Staff Centre

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School Holiday Program



**Join us for the April 2022 School Holiday Program.
We're celebrating Victorian Youth Week! !**

Our School Holiday Program is for young people aged 10 – 17 years old. This holidays we have a range in-centre activities and excursions for young people to enjoy!

Places are limited and bookings are essential. Young people must complete an online booking form to indicate which excursions they wish to attend.

To register your interest:

📍 bit.ly/361ld7k

* Activities and excursions may be cancelled due to weather or staffing (health and safety) requirements. Vaccinations may be required as per State Government guidelines.

Drop In activities will be available at our Youth Centres. Young people will have access to free Wifi, pool tables, arts and crafts, sporting games, and a cool place to chill out.

Shed 11 Youth Centre

11 Marine Parade, Hastings

📧 mpys@mornpen.vic.gov.au

The Corner Youth Centre

91 Wilsons Road, Mornington

📧 mpys@mornpen.vic.gov.au

Y Lounge Youth Centre

1 Nepean Plaza, Rosebud

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Somerville Recreation Centre

14 Edward St, Somerville



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COVID-19 Community Vaccination Clinic

COVID-19

Eastbourne Primary School
33 Allambi Avenue Capel Sound

School GYM

April 9 -13 10.30am – 4.00pm

Eastbourne Primary School will host a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination clinic where students aged five years and older, family members, school staff and the broader community can get vaccinated in a safe, welcoming environment.

This pop-up vaccination clinic will be operated by Peninsula Health.

We will be offering the Pfizer & Moderna vaccines for these onsite mobile vaccination sessions for eligible individuals:

16 years and older (adult dose): primary dose 1 or 2, primary dose 3 for immunocompromised individuals, *booster dose or Winter Dose*

12-15 year olds (adult dose): primary dose 1 or 2, primary dose 3 for immunocompromised individuals. Booster doses *have not yet been approved for this age group*

Five to 11 year olds (paediatric dose): dose 1 or 2

All welcome.

Please present your photo ID and Medicare card on arrival.

For enquiries please email covidmobilevaccinations@phcn.vic.gov.au

How to participate

Bookings are not required, just walk-in. Interpreter services available.

Parents and guardians are required to attend with their child. Please bring a Medicare card and photo ID for parents/guardians and the child if possible.

Getting kids vaccinated against COVID-19 does more than protect them from serious illness – it helps protect their parents and carers, friends, school and community.

If you have previously tested positive to COVID-19, you are still able and encouraged to get a COVID-19 vaccine if eligible as soon as you feel better (able to return to normal activities) and after you have completed seven days of isolation.

A COVID-19 infection will provide some natural immunity, however it will decrease over time. Vaccination is important to get maximum protection against further COVID-19 infection.



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Peninsula Health



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join, participants must:

- ✓ Have a current health care card OR pensioner concession card
- ✓ Be studying yourself OR have a child in school
- ✓ Have regular income from work, yourself OR your partner

For full eligibility requirements, speak to a Saver Plus Coordinator.

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



For more information, please contact Saver Plus:

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🌐 saverplus.org.au

☎ 1300 610 355

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Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.



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April 2022 School Holiday Program Dates:

Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th
Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st, Friday 22nd

Cost: \$99.00 per day

Small groups of 16 children

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.

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9:15am sign in. 9:30am start. 2:30pm finish.

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HOLIDAY PROGRAM

APRIL 2022

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Kinder gym 4-5 yrs

School aged ninja

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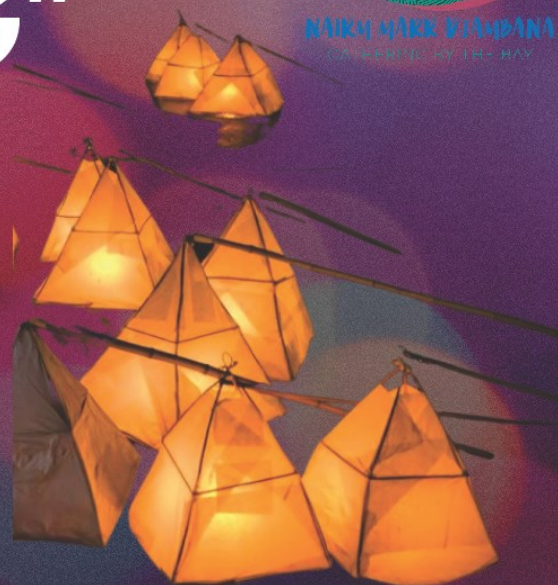
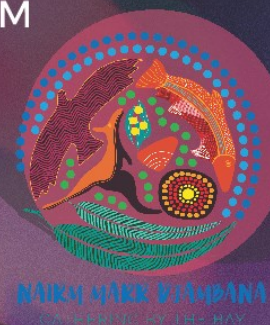
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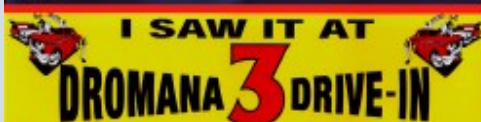
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WED 6:15AM
FRI 6:15AM
SAT 8:00AM

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