



# Mt. Martha Primary School

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## BANKSIA BULLETIN - August 30, 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

**2019 Student Supplies** - Parents please look for individually addressed yellow 2019 Student Supply "Instructions & optionals letter" going home next Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September with students. Please do not delay in contacting the office staff if you require any assistance with the ordering process on Compass (due Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October). Payment Plans available, see Compass for details.

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September the following will be published to Compass:

- **2018 Term 4 Events** (see individual Event for due date). If your child will be absent for an Event please notify the school office.
- **2019 Student Supply orders** (due Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October)
- **2019 Year 6 Jumper orders** (due Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October)

**Parent Opinion Survey** - Thank you to those parents who have already completed the online Parent Opinion Surveys that were distributed to a random sample of our parents. The closing date has been extended until **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**. Thank you for your time to give us feedback.

**Hats On** - As part of the Sun Smart policy hats are to be worn from the 1<sup>st</sup> September to the 30<sup>th</sup> April. Next **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** is the first school day where we will be expecting to see students back wearing their hats! Students without hats are directed to play in the shaded area under the canteen roof.

**Trivia Night** - Thank you to our fantastic SEC for their organisation of the very successful night Trivia Night last Saturday night. The event was very well supported and was a lot of fun! Thanks also to businesses that supported the event with donations for prizes and the silent auction. A list is included in the newsletter. Please try to repay their generosity with support where you can. Finally, a huge thank you to Scott MacKay who did a fantastic job as MC and quizmaster.

**Father's Day Breakfast - next Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September** - Please see the information in the newsletter. Helpers are always required. Please contact SEC members or fill out the form to assist.

**Book or Movie Character Dress Up Day** - A reminder that next **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September** is the Book or Movie Character Dress Up Day where students can dress as their favourite book or movie character. A gold coin donation on the day will support the work of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We will be having a special assembly at 9.10am where we will be parading the costumes.

**Year 5 Camp** - Our Year 5's went on camp to Sovereign Hill yesterday and will be back on Friday. They will be participating in the early settler and mining town activities which will bring their inquiry unit to life. We expect a return at about 4pm on Friday. Have a great time Year 5!

**Lost Property** - We are a little over half way through the term and our collection of Lost Property is starting to build. 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 Admin Building. Timely also to 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.

**Planning for 2019** - Our planning for 2019 really starts to gain momentum in the next few weeks as we begin to look at our class structures for next year. Please let the Office know if you are leaving Mount Martha Primary School next year so we can work with our best estimates of enrolment at each year level. 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

#### AUGUST

##### **Wednesday 29 - Friday 31**

Year 5 Camp to Sovereign Hill  
Students to arrive at school by 7.30am & return at 4.00pm on Friday



##### **Friday 31st**

##### **Storytime Session 5**

##### **2019 Prep Parents & Students**

9.30am - 10.30am in Staff Centre  
Bookings are essential



#### SEPTEMBER

##### **Tuesday 4th**

Book or Movie Character Parade/  
Dress Up Day in Gym

Gold coin donation to support Indigenous  
Literacy Foundation



##### **Wednesday 5th**

##### **Father's Day Breakfast**

7.30am-9.00am

bookings essentials



Year 6 excursion to Dromana Secondary  
College

##### **Thursday 6th**

District Athletics for selected students  
9.00am - 3.15pm Ballam Park, Frankston.

##### **Prep Kingswim**

OD & OA: swim from 11.30 - 12noon

OC & OB: swim from 12.00 - 12.30pm

OE: swim from 12.30 - 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.

EVENT	COST	CLOSING DATE
District Athletics (selected students)	\$13	03/09/2018
Prep Craft Power	\$15.00	06/09/2018
Yr1 Osborne PS	\$5.00	11/09/2018
Year 3 Somers Camp	\$240	31/10/2018

#### TERM DATES: 2018

Term 1	29th January to 29th March
Term 2	16th April to 29th June
Term 3	16th July to 21st September
Term 4	8th October to 21st December

#### TERM DATES: 2019

Term 1	29th January to 5th April
Term 2	23rd April to 28th June
Term 3	15th July to 20th September
Term 4	7th October to 20th December

#### STUDENT BANKING EVERY TUESDAY:



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## SUNSMART NEWS - HATS ON SEPT 1



The Sunsmart period begins on September 1. All children at MMPS are required to wear a school uniform Sunsmart hat whilst at school from Sept 1 to the end of April. It might be a good time to locate that hat in preparation for our Sunsmart period!

During the sun protection times, use a combination of the five SunSmart steps:

- ♦ SLIP on sun protective clothing that covers as much of your body as possible.
- ♦ SLOP on SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen liberally at least 20 minutes before sun exposure. Reapply every two hours when outdoors. We encourage parents to pack some sunscreen in their child/ren's school bag so it can reapplied during the day.
- ♦ SLAP on a broad brimmed hat (school uniform) that shades your face, neck and ears.
- ♦ SEEK shade.
- ♦ SLIDE on sunglasses that meet the Australian Standard AS/NZS 1067:2003.

Thank you for you co-operation.

**From the Kids Matter team**

## FATHER' DAY BREAKFAST

To our  
Super Hero  
Dads!

# FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

WED 5TH SEPT @ MMPS

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## FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST - WED 5TH SEPTEMBER

### VOLUNTEER FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ELDEST CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME AVAILABLE: Please tick ✓

6.00am - 7.00am

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7.00am - 8.00am

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8.00am - 9.00am

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9.00am - 10.00am

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# NOTICEBOARD

## SCHOOL EVENTS COMMITTEE

*Come and be part of the fun*



A fun night was had by all on Saturday night as our school gym came to life in a buzz of 1980's nostalgia!

Those who came were treated to an enjoyable and colourful evening filled with entertainment, games, balloon popping and fantastic 80's themed trivia hosted by quiz master extraordinaire, Scott Mackay. Scott kept the atmosphere fun and lively whilst testing our knowledge on a number of categories. Who would have thought Monaco to be the most populated country on earth?

Costumes included bad hair (mulletts made a comeback), plenty of Fluro, leg warmers and double denim – an impressive effort was made and really added to the fun atmosphere as the 80's tunes blared in the background!

Thanks to our generous local businesses who contributed a range of fantastic prizes for our silent auction which ranged from wine & spa packs to food and dining vouchers, gear, coffees and eggs, gym memberships, pool packs, even a mirror – to name a few. The bidding intensified as the evening progressed with some fantastic prizes being won. A special thanks to our wonderful community of local businesses who donated towards our fundraising event:

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**See you next  
year!**

## Father's Day Breakfast – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September



A reminder that orders for the breakfast packs close **TODAY** (Thursday 30 August). We will start serving breakfast at 7:30am with last orders at 8:45am.

As you can imagine it will be a pretty busy morning in the kitchen so if anyone can assist that would be fantastic.

Free tea and coffee will be available from the Staff Centre Kitchen or you can purchase a Barista made coffee from Café Del Sol who will be onsite for us. We look forward to seeing everyone enjoying their special morning.

## School Events Committee Meetings

The attendance at the meetings both at night and during the day has been fantastic – and we are able to work through the planning for the upcoming events. Alongside our normal events we also have a dedicated team working towards the school carnival (happening in March 2019). If you would like to be involved please let us know.

**Next Meeting: PM Crew: Weds 12<sup>th</sup> September, 7pm Staff Room**  
**AM Crew: Fri 14<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am Via Battisti**

Michelle & the SEC Crew.

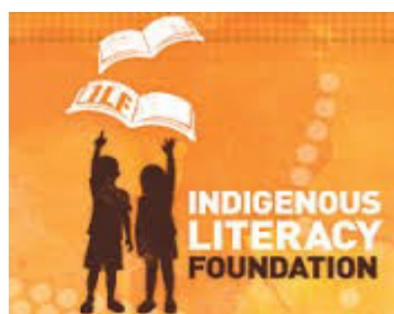


**Book & Movie  
Character  
Dress-Up Day  
Tuesday  
4th September**



**Gold Coin Donation**

**Supporting the Indigenous  
Literacy Foundation**





## 'i sea, i care' Ambassadors Report

On August 21<sup>st</sup> we went to the Tanti Wetlands to learn about the drains, water quality and how important they are to looking after marine life and the oceans. We also studied creatures called invertebrates living in the wetlands. An invertebrate means these creatures do not have spines.



Did you know that it cost nearly six million dollars to create the small Tanti Wetlands? Much bigger wetlands cost millions of dollars more! While we were there we saw Melbourne Water empty a litter trap. The litter included leaves, plastic and general rubbish. The litter traps are designed to stop the rubbish and leaves going through the waterways system and ending up in the bay. In the pile of litter we noticed that majority of the items could be

recycled! The large amount of leaves can also cause a problem. If you have too much leaf litter going into our waterways, when it breaks down it will create too many nutrients which causes blue green algae which is poisonous to marine life.



Later on that day we traveled to Mornington beach to study where the rubbish in the drains ends up. We completed a litter audit where we recorded the amount of rubbish on the surface of the sand. This information will be added to a national database. We also cleaned up a small part of the beach and we were shocked at how much rubbish we collected in that short time.

We were also were lucky enough to work with volunteers from the Dolphin Research Institute and learnt how to use their special binoculars to search for dolphins, sadly we did not find any.



On this excursion we found out about REDcycle. This organisation provides bins at supermarkets where you can put soft plastics (any plastic you can scrunch into a ball). REDcycle then take these plastics and make them into things like benches and outdoor settings. Many supermarkets like Coles and Woolworths have REDcycle bins. Isn't it amazing to think that the bread packet you threw out yesterday could become a bench or something just as useful today?

**Jackson, Thaila, Lola and Lucas**



### Parent Information about Online Safety for Children

## Games, apps and social networking



Games, apps and social networking sites are popular among children and adults alike.

Learn about the latest apps, how to protect your information and where to get more safety guidance.

All information provided is factual and it is up to each individual to decide whether an app, game or social networking site is appropriate for themselves and their family.

Any app or game that allows users to interact with others, including people they may not know, presents a potential risk of unwanted contact.

[Click here](#) for information from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner about popular games your children might be talking about or asking you to download. There are descriptions about the recommended age that children should be to play the different apps or games and information parents should be aware of, such as who your child can interact with in the game before making a decision about if it is appropriate for the family.



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[Common Sense media](#) is another helpful website for parents to use when looking for information about keeping children safe online and reviewing apps, websites and movies. It can help you to work out what content is appropriate for children of different ages from kindergarten right through to teenagers.

"To help kids maximize the Internet's benefits -- while minimizing the risks -- we offer the latest research, tips, and tools on what really keeps kids safe. Which **privacy settings should you use?** What are the **ins and outs of parental controls?** Get tips on everything from the basics, such as **smart usernames**, to the big stuff, such as **appropriate sharing**."

You may want to consider having an Internet Agreement for your family at home. For examples of these and more information about parental controls, visit the [Digital Technologies Blog Parent Page](#).

Sarah Forward  
**Digital Technologies Specialist Teacher**

## SPORT NEWS

On the 26<sup>th</sup> August Georgie competed in her first Equestrian Interschool competition at Boneo Park. This was the Interschool Dressage Series 3.

Georgie competed on her Pony called "She's Enchanting" AKA "Penny" in the Primary Preparatory Class and she placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> taking out Reserve Champion (coming first means she will score 20 points for the school overall).

Congratulations and well done to Georgie and "Penny"!



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**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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## 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/>

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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.

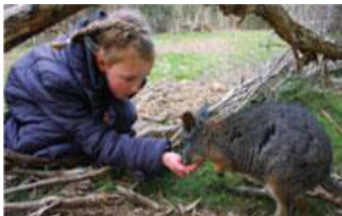
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