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As the Melton West PS Community, we are collectively striving to provide a safe and supportive learning environment for all students to achieve their full potential. We will do this through an engaging and inclusive curriculum, with high expectations of students as individual learners and thinkers, who become valued members of the wider community.

NEWSLETTER NO.18

17th November, 2016

EVENTS CALENDAR 2016		
November	16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 KANGAROOBIE CAMP
	21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1/2 Swimming
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	2017 Prep Transition – 2.10-3.00pm
	25 <sup>th</sup>	BOOK CLUB DUE!
	28 <sup>th</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Year 3/4 swimming
	29 <sup>th</sup>	2017 Prep Transition – 2.10-3.00pm
	30 <sup>th</sup>	WALK TO SCHOOL DAY
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day for Payment - Grade 6 Graduation
December	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Last Day for Payment – Grade 6 Adventure Park
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day for Payment – Grade 2 Sleepover
	6 <sup>th</sup>	2017 Prep Transition – 2.10-3.00pm
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day for Payment - Prep Excursion
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Prep Zoo Excursion
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3-6 Inquiry Exhibition 10-11am
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 2 Sleepover
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6 Adventure Park Excursion
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6 Graduation
	20 <sup>th</sup>	LAST DAY TERM 4

**Key Messages in the Newsletter:**

**3/4 Camp Kangarooobie:** Campers arrived safe and well. Due back tomorrow about 3.00pm.

**School Fete:** Thank-you to all those who assisted, and attended. It was a great community event.

**Parents and Friends:** Please consider helping out, in any way, big or small, including preparing fruit for Fresh Fruit Friday

**Prep Orientation:** we welcomed our new cohort of Prep students and their families this week.

**Marrung Aboriginal Education Plan:** I was invited to attend the launch and be part of a panel sharing the experiences of Melton West PS

**Bunnings Bring a Buddy:** A great turnout with a special guest dressed in red!

Dear Parents and Guardians

**3/4 Camp Kangarooobie:** The 3/4 children who left for their first school camp yesterday arrive safe and well. I have been in contact with Mrs Cvitkovic overnight and she informs me all is going well. The weather is perfect and they enjoyed their beach walk yesterday afternoon. They are due back around 3pm tomorrow. The parking bays out the front will be blocked off from 1.30 pm to allow for the buses to park safely.

**School Fete:** Last Friday we held our school fete which was postponed due to the weather. I was so thrilled with Friday’s weather. It was perfect, setting a perfect back drop for the twilight market. It was great to see so many families take the opportunity to enjoy the stalls and activities. Thank-you needs to go to the Parents and Friends group who did most of the organising and to

the teachers who were able to assist with stalls and supervising activities. We are always looking at ways to improve and would welcome any feedback on how we can continue to make this event grow from strength to strength.

**Parents and Friends:** We have a band of very dedicated parents who work tirelessly to provide great community connections, including fundraising. However, the group seems to be dwindling over the year and we would like to reinvigorate it, getting more parents back on board. If you have helped in the past and would like to reconnect or if you are new to the school and would like to get involved, please contact the office and make a time to speak to Tolley Cacavas, our Community Engagement Officer, who can guide you in the right

direction. We would love to see you involved in any small way, even if it is just on Friday morning helping prepare fruit for the children for “**Fresh Fruit Friday**”.

**Prep Orientation:** On Tuesday, we welcomed our 2017 Preps and their families to our first Orientation Session. It was great to welcome some of our current families who have a child starting next year, joining a sibling already at our school. Thank-you to those parents who stayed to listen to the presentation, much of which you would already be familiar with. We also welcomed many new families, whose first child is starting school. This is the parents’ first experience with school since they left as a child themselves. If you know anyone, family or friends, who have a child starting school next year and they have yet to enrol, please encourage them to contact the school office for an enrolment form.

**Marrung Aboriginal Education Plan 2016-2016:** On Tuesday I was invited to the launch of the Marrung Aboriginal Education Plan for the Brimbank/Melton Area. This is an important document aimed at lifting the educational outcomes for all children in Victoria, whilst closing the gap between outcomes for Indigenous and Non-Indigenous students. I was asked to be on a panel as part of the forum, to talk about the work we do in recognising Aboriginal Culture, especially with our WoiWurrung language program. I felt very proud talking about the programs at Melton West PS and how we respect and acknowledge the local Aboriginal culture.

**Bunnings Bring a Buddy:** Last night Ms Henaway and a few other teachers enjoyed the final “Bring-A-Buddy” night at Bunnings. By all accounts it was well attended by families and everyone had a great time, including photos with Santa. “Bring-A-Buddy” is one of the ways we encourage connection and participation of families and love seeing so many families present.

**M**oving forward **W**ith the **P**assion to **S**ucceed  
Michelle Costa  
Principal

#### STUDENT STAR AWARDS

4<sup>th</sup> November: Abeid

Esube, Cassandra Taulama Tonga, Benjamin Baskin, Makauch Makuach, Charlotte Crawford, Tarkyn Hamilton, Sarah Braszell, Kaitlin Muavava, Joel Hills, Jordan Mpadogiannis, Hayden Mepstead, Kayla Chapman, Danielle Kuhnert, Diesel Reynolds, Christian Preddy, Sophia Arenas Meneses, Mordecai Maposa, Joshua Felix, Tanesha Cotterill, Rodel Tulaga, Alice Matwishyn, William Lane, Richie Lay, Juma Gai, Molly Brown, Catherine Williams-Kelly, Griffin Seagrim, Amelia Tuionetoa, Ashton Pirootta, Ashwin Seenivasagan, Mary Nauer, Kuol Duk, Shaienne Kaio, Nimarsh Sohi, Samantha Sylvia, Jackson Caiafa, Sorenson Muavava, Meysah Rogers



11<sup>th</sup> November: Jorja Jarvis, Lester Tuitea, Frank Bason, Ayzaan Khan, Kade Millington, Harlee Lam, Mary Gai, Tyler Russell, Ramazani Kashindi, Deng Deng, Trinity Solomua, Ashton Barnett, Chingath Kuol, Isabella Smyth, Chloe Aquilina, Tiahana Kay, Phoenix Niwha, Erin Dimond, Cianna Cartwright, Jazmyne-Leigh Preddy, Cameron Henderson, Apajok Deng, Sasa David, Jacob – Dylan Haines

#### STUDENT READING AWARDS

4<sup>th</sup> November

100 Nights: Dominic Morgan 1/2D, Kayla Chapman 1/2D, Baran Shnkie 1/2J

150 Nights: Ayzaan Khan Prep C, Dominic Morgan, 1/2D, Rydham Jakhu Prep C, Vincent Mauga Prep B

200 Nights: Angela Greis 1/2J

250 Nights: Romy Hossni 1/2J



11<sup>th</sup> November:

100 Nights: Tracie Veliscek 1/2H

200 Nights: Jaxson Holman PC

#### MWPS CHOIR - KMART Wishing Tree Launch:

On Tuesday we had the privilege of performing our repertoire of songs to a crowd of about 100 onlookers to launch the Kmart Wishing Tree at Woodgrove.

The choir students delighted the audience as they happily sang and entertained the wider community for this great cause.

Ms MacDonald and Mrs Mega were extremely proud of their performance and were super impressed with their enthusiasm.

A special thanks to Deakin Leabourn –Waipouri in 5 /6 V for his fantastic percussion skills, Marg Campbell for her assistance and our parent helpers Janet Young, Christina Hi, Mashair Dewangyang and Fiona McKenzie. We couldn't of done it without you!

What a fantastic day! Congratulations Everyone!

Ms MacDonald & Mrs Mega  
Choir Organisers



MWPS Choir 2016



## Extend OSHC at MELTON WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Last week was a busy one with plenty of art and craft enjoyed by all. The Fete was a big hit with the children, we all enjoyed walking around and having lots of fun!

Recap of activities..

- Insect headbands
- Egyptian collars (Multicultural)
- Moon sand (Science)
- Pokemon bookmarks
- Bull rush (Group game)
- Golden child (Group game)
- Wacky sacks
- Cardboard roll monsters
- Unicorn craft

Upcoming activities

- Lantern craft
- Surprise ferocious fish
- Colourful art
- Heart craft
- Sand pictures
- Time out
- Jump pit
- Hopping races
- Group games

**THE EXTEND SUPERSTAR FOR THE FORTNIGHT IS.. BELLE BOOKER AND OLIVIA FALZON..** For exceptional behaviour at ASC, for going above and beyond to help staff, their fantastic attitudes and always having a smile.

### REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS

**Just a reminder to all parents to please make sure your child is bringing a hat to After School Care. We are now in term 4 which requires all children to have a hat when playing outside. We have a hat tub in the OSHC room for all children to leave a spare hat in to keep at the program, we highly recommend the children doing this so they do not miss out on outside time.**

### Thank you for 112 Blood Donations!

Extend would like to thank our school communities, staff, family and friends for helping us raise 112 Blood Donations for our Extend-a-Hand project.

Visit [darrensdare.com](http://darrensdare.com) to watch Extend Director jump off a plane!

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9th Dec  
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5 GRAHAM STREET, MELTON  
6-8PM (7 TO 12 YEARS) | COST: \$5  
NO PASS OUTS | NO BACK PACKS

CONTACT: A/SGT STEVE TURNER STEPHEN.TURNER@POLICE.VIC.GOV.AU OR VALTURNER57@BIGPOND.COM  
CHILDREN TO BE DROPPED OFF & COLLECTED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN  
FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT REASONABLE PRICES  
f Melton Blue Light Disco  
Ask your parents to like the page if you are under 13

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Post Haka Pride!!! (Fete 2016)



Fun at the Fete!



# Vacation Care Program

## Summer Program Details

### Who

This program is open to all primary school aged children.

### Program Hours

6.30am – 6.30pm

### Location

Bridge Road Children's & Community Centre  
260 Bridge Road, Melton South

### Cost

\$65 per day (prior to Child Care Benefit being applied)  
Excursions and Incursions will incur an additional cost

### Enrolments Open

8.30am Monday, 21 November 2016

### Enrolments Close

5pm Friday, 16 December 2016  
Bookings submitted after this date will only be accepted at Supervisor's discretion and incur a \$20 late enrolment fee

### Contact

E [vacationcareprogram@melton.vic.gov.au](mailto:vacationcareprogram@melton.vic.gov.au)  
Ph 9747 7200

**BOOK EARLY! Don't miss out!**

<b>Monday, 2 January</b>	Closed	<b>Public Holiday</b>
<b>Tuesday, 3 January</b>	Summertime	
<b>Wednesday, 4 January</b>	Geelong Adventure Park	<b>Excursion Charge \$30</b> Departs 9am
	By popular demand, limited places	Returns 4.30pm
<b>Thursday, 5 January</b>	When I Grow Up?	
<b>Friday, 6 January</b>	Laser Tag in a Box	<b>Incursion Charge \$20</b> Begins 10am
<b>Monday, 9 January</b>	Team Building	
<b>Tuesday, 10 January</b>	Super Science	<b>Incursion Charge \$20</b> Begins 10am
<b>Wednesday, 11 January</b>	Movies	<b>Excursion Charge \$30</b> Departs 9am Returns 1.00pm
<b>Thursday, 12 January</b>	Rainbow Day	
<b>Friday, 13 January</b>	Spooky Day	
<b>Monday, 16 January</b>	Wood Work	<b>Incursion Charge \$20</b> Begins 10am
<b>Tuesday, 17 January</b>	Active Athletes	
<b>Wednesday, 18 January</b>	Melbourne Zoo	<b>Excursion Charge \$30</b> Departs 9am Returns 3.30pm
<b>Thursday, 19 January</b>	Island Holiday	
<b>Friday, 20 January</b>	Talent Quest	
<b>Monday, 23 January</b>	Crafty Kids	<b>Incursion Charge \$20</b> Begins 10am
<b>Tuesday, 24 January</b>	Technology Day	
<b>Wednesday, 25 January</b>	Australiana Day	

\* Activities are subject to change.



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