

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER	Friday 24th	Assembly @9:00am.
	Friday 24th	Last Day for Payment Whole School Special Lunch
	Friday 24th	MWPS COLOUR FUN RUN/WALKATHON
	Tuesday 28th	Whole School Special Lunch
	Wednesday 29th	WALK TO SCHOOL—Meet Navan Park 8:30am
	Wednesday 29th	2018 Prep Transition Session 2: 2-3pm
DECEMBER	Friday 1st	Assembly @9:00am. Performance by Choir
	Wednesday 6th	2018 Prep Transition Session 3: 2-3pm
	Wednesday 6th	PMI student performance for parents 12:30-1:00pm
	Friday 8th	Assembly @9:00am. Performance by Drumbeat
	Friday 8th	SCHOOL FETE
	Friday 8th	BOOK LISTS DUE BACK AT SCHOOL
	Monday 11th	School Council Meeting
	Tuesday 12th	2018 Prep Transition Session 4: 2-3pm
	Tuesday 12th	STATEWIDE STEP UP DAY (transition for next year's class)
	Wednesday 13th	Last Day for Payment for Grade 2 Sleepover
	Friday 15th	Assembly @9:00am. Performance by 12P
	Friday 15th	Grade 2 Sleepover
	Monday 18th	GRADE 6 GRADUATION
	Monday 18th	Last Day for Payment Grade 6 Adventure Park
	Monday 18th	Last Day for Payment Grade 5 Trampoline Park Excursion
	Wednesday 20th	Grade 6 Adventure Park Excursion
	Wednesday 20th	Grade 5 Trampoline Park Excursion
	Friday 22nd	Assembly @9:00am. Grade 6 Graduation Song
	Friday 22nd	LAST DAY TERM 4 : School Finishes at 1:30pm

Coffee Afternoon

Thursday 30th November
@2:15pm in the Staffroom.

All Welcome!



Key Messages from the Principal in this Newsletter:

- Prep 2018 Transition
- School Ventures Australia
- State School Spectacular
- LOTE results
- Year 6/7 Transition
- Excursion/Sports Payments
- Colour Fun Run

A Word from Our Captains



These past 2 weeks have been very busy with the 3/4's going to Werribee Zoo, Preps to the Melbourne Aquarium, Cultural Club performance at assembly, 5/6M went to the Melton Police Station for their 'Literacy Buddies' Program and today our Grade 5/6 Girls Rugby team is competing at the State Finals. Good Luck Girls!



Anyang & Tarkyn

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Prep 2018 Transition: Yesterday we welcomed our 2018 Prep children for the first time as part of our School Transition Program. The children spent time in the Prep classrooms, while their parents had the opportunity to hear from our Student Leaders and staff about our school. There are two more sessions on a Wednesday, with the final one on Tuesday 12th December as part of Step-Up Day. If you know anyone who has a preschool child and has yet to enrol, please encourage them to do this so they can be part of this valuable program.

Year 6/7 Transition: The Year 6s are currently preparing for their move to secondary school. Some children have had visits to their new school already, as part of additional support they require. The children are looking at the unique way secondary timetables work, as well as how to be organised to change classes regularly through-out the day, which is very different to a primary school. We will continue to support our Year 6s and celebrate their years of primary school through an end-of-year fun day at Adventure Park and of course, the Graduation on the 18th December.

Playgroup: Recently we have hooked up with the Melton City Council to join a Playgroup they have been operating next door at the Try West Kindergarten on Wednesdays from 10 am – 12 pm. The plan for this is to relocate the existing playgroup to Melton West PS in 2018. It is free entry, morning tea is provided, and children can participate in art/craft activities. Whilst at the playgroup you can play with your child while meeting other families. The evidence based Small Talk program, which happens concurrently, will provide you with many parenting tips.

Social Ventures Australia: Mrs Cvitkovic, Mrs O'Connor and I have just returned from another Thought Gathering Leadership Program, where we worked with consultants from Deloitte on establishing High Performing Teams. We were able to network with leaders from other schools in NSW and SA, which provided many valuable insights into their education system. On Wednesday Mrs Cvitkovic, Mr Spudvilas-Powell and I visited a school in Noble Park to see how they used technology in their classrooms. What we saw linked nicely with our plans for 2018 and beyond and affirmed we are on the right path.

Excursion/Sport Payments: Just a reminder that we have a STRICT cut off time of returning notes and money of 48 hours prior to the event so that if numbers are lower than expected buses and sessions can be cancelled without a fee being charged. **NO LATE PAYMENTS CAN BE ACCEPTED** after the cut-off date, which is clearly stated on the notes. This will ensure

that the excursion or event operates cost effectively. To help families plan for any payments I have instructed teachers

organising events to have notes sent home at least 3 weeks before the cut-off date. This will give families the opportunity to budget for the expenditure. If your child does not bring notes home in a timely manner please consider using our other means of communication such as our Facebook Page or the Skoolbag App (available on any smartphone) to ensure you can be kept informed through these communication avenues.

State School Spectacular: A budding group of performers from our school participated in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular in September. This performance will be televised on Channel 7 on Saturday 16 December 2017 at 7pm. It features highlights from the live performance as well as behind-the-scenes footage and interviews. Tune in from 7pm to 9pm to catch all the action and relive the Spectacular memories or perhaps see your friends on TV.

Colour Fun Run: Tomorrow, during the last hour, 200 children will participate in our first ever Colour Fun Run. This is a fundraising event, which cost a minimum of \$10 to participate. As children run or walk around the school, coloured powder will be thrown at them from various locations, culminating in a very colourful T-Shirt. Participants are encouraged to wear a white T-Shirt so the colours really stand out. Children not participating will stay in the classroom with a teacher from their team. All money raised will go towards the new playgrounds that will need to be replaced as part of the Masterplan.

LOTE Results: Thank-you to the many parents who responded to our LOTE survey recently. The most popular language was Auslan, which is the Australian version of sign language. At our last School Council meeting, it was decided that it will be taught in Years Prep – Year 2 in 2018 and follow the year 2 students up to Year 3 the following year. I am in the process of sourcing a teacher and look forward to learning this along with the children. The overall results are as follows:

Auslan – 28	French – 10	Japanese – 7
Chinese – 7	Italian – 7	Indonesian – 3
Greek – 3	Spanish – 3	Other (non-specified) – 2
Other (Croatian) – 1	Other (Tongan) – 1	
Other (Persian) – 1		

Moving forward With the Passion to Succeed

Michelle Costa
Principal



Congratulations to the following students who were awarded

STAR STUDENT



Friday 10th November

PC	Ngor Ramlah
PM	Sione Brookely—ose Matilda Imogen
PP	Jaelah Shaylee
12A	Joel Kayla Quatanna
12P	Ruby Andrew
12Z	Isabella, Mankeert Frank
34B	Thon
34H	Hayley
34K	Luatangi Hailey
34L	Arou Leilani
34M	Shaylee Vanessa
34J	Zander Ahmed
34S	Summer LJ
56V	Raimi

Friday 17th November

PC	Emilia Emmett
12A	Thomas Tyler
12D	Lauren John
12G	Georgie Shae
12P	Dante Tiahana
12T	Matilda Aaryan
12Z	Tracey Xavier-Jordan
34A	Shanaya
34B	Kathryn
34H	Lorelai Jhett
34J	Lateasha
34K	Keira Sienna
34L	Shaienne Lucas
34M	Dario Abeid Lucyanna
34S	Bior Cooper
56B	Charlee
56F	Shayleigh Olivia
56S	Jacob
56T	Adam Madison
56V	Aditya Brody Chaise Azarel

Congratulations to the following students for completing Nights of Reading:

100 Nights: Shaye 12A, Skyler 12A, Haris 12G, Mariah 12G

150 Nights:

200 Nights: Hailey 34K, Diesel 12A, Robinson 12A, Vedaant 12Z, Vaibhavi 12Z, Leticia 12A, Liam 34S, Paige 34S

250 Nights: Georgie 12G, Diesel 12A, Leticia 12A, Robinson 12A



Issue 8

Payment due by: Tuesday 5th December

No late payments will be accepted.

Planning for 2018

Please complete and return to school if your child **WILL NOT** be returning to MWPS in 2018.

At this stage, I am anticipating that my child **WILL NOT** be attending Melton West Primary School in 2018. We are transferring to (write name of school): _____

Child/ren's Names:

Grade (2017):



2018 Book Lists

All 2018 book lists are due back at the office by Friday 8th December. If you have a health Care card, please present it at the office at the time of returning your book lists. Health Care Card holders are eligible for the CSEF payment of \$125.00 per child that helps fund all camps, excursions and sporting activities through school.

Please see the office staff if you have any questions.



TRY Melton West Preschool Celebration

This year marks 30 years of **Michelle O'Brien's** time at TRY Melton West Preschool. On the **12th December** we will be honouring her devotion to early childhood with an event at the kinder, TRY Melton West Preschool will be open from **2:30pm-5:00pm** to all families past and present on this special day. Speeches along with a small presentation at **4:00pm**. We hope families whose children have attended the kinder with Michelle can call in some time on this day to join us in the celebrations.

TRY Melton West
Preschool staff.



This year 5/6M was given the privilege of taking part in the 'Literacy Buddies' Program. As part of the program we were allocated a police officer as a pen pal. Over the year we wrote and received many letters to and from our pen pal. The program not only helped our literacy skills but also gave us a chance to connect with our local police community.

Yesterday we had a tour of the Melton Police Station and learnt about the many jobs and roles of a police officer.

Unfortunately, due to timetabling, we were not all able to meet our pen pal but we all had a great time.

Anyang & Tayla



Extend OSHC

MELTON WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Last week at we had our team building and

random craft week! Children were very excited for the colouring competition which went very well. Everyone got involved with this and it was fantastic to see the encouragement from all children.

We had lots of fun making and designing paper aeroplanes, which were then used in races.

HAT TERM

Being term 4 it is now hat term. All children at before and after school care are expected to bring a hat for outside play. We have a tub at the program that children are able to bring and leave spare hats in, we encourage children to do so.

SUPERHERO WEEK

Monday 27th: Superhero headbands/ Pony express

Tuesday 28th: Ninja turtle craft/Dodgeball

Wednesday 29th: Newspaper self portrait

superhero art/Pony express

Thursday 30th: Superhero icy pole stick craft and

Superhero obstacle course

Friday 1st: Paper bag superheros/ Fruit salad

SUPERSTAR AWARD: Our Extend Superstar is....

RAIDEN PREM for his fantastic

attitude and behaviour at after school care.

Share Kindness Project

We have some exciting news, during the month of November all Extend services across Australia will participate in the Share Kindness Project.

The Share Kindness Project encourages children, their families and the school community to perform acts of kindness. It is based on individual, family-based and also community-based acts of kindness (proven with a photos).

'Kindness Credits' are raised according to the below scale:

INDIVIDUAL acts = 1 kindness credit

FAMILY-based acts = 5 kindness credits

COMMUNITY-based acts = 10 kindness credits

The Extend program that raises the most Kindness Credits (measured against service attendances) will win \$1000 towards their chosen charity!

If you are carrying out any of the above, please take photos and send them to the service email so your service can receive kindness credits.

For more information visit Extend's website: extend.com.au



PLAYERS WANTED

MELTON PHOENIX FC

IS LOOKING FOR
JUNIOR PLAYERS AGED 4-16
FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS
FOR THE 2018 SEASON
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME...



CONTACT: MELTONPHOENIXFCJUNIORS@GMAIL.COM
OR CALL MICHELLE ON 0406 420 890
TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Paul Sadler Swimland

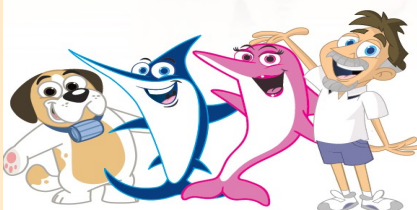
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Learner program

Our learn to swim program provides Swimland kids with great opportunities to develop life-saving survival skills and learn all four competitive strokes, in a fun, supportive and exciting environment.



FREE ASSESSMENT
from 3 years of age

9746 6008 | 1a Raleighs Road | Melton
paulsadlerswimland.com



PROUDLY RUN BY LOCAL
POLICE AND VOLUNTEERS



6 - 8PM // PRIMARY AGE // \$5 ENTRY

COME AND CELEBRATE OUR 1ST BIRTHDAY!

THE GAP ON GRAHAM

5 GRAHAM ST, MELTON

CHILDREN TO BE DROPPED OFF & COLLECTED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN

NO BACK PACKS | NO PASS OUTS

CONTACT STEPHEN.TURNER@POLICE.VIC.GOV.AU OR THEGAPONGRAHAM@GMAIL.COM



MELTON BLUE LIGHT

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