

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOV	Friday 9th	Assembly 9:00am Performance by Choir
	Friday 9th	Grade 6 Graduation deposit due
	Friday 9th	Payment due Year 3/4 Basketball No Late Payments Accepted
	Monday 12th	School Council 7pm
	Tuesday 13th	Year 3/4 Basketball
	Friday 16th	Assembly 9:00am Performance by 12U
	Wednesday 21st	2019 Prep Transition 2:10-3pm (1)
	Thursday 22nd	COLOUR FUN RUN
	Friday 23rd	Assembly 9:00am Performance by 56B
	Wednesday 28th	2019 Prep Transition 2:10-3pm (2)
	Wednesday 28th	Final Payment due Prep Excursion NO LATE PAYMENTS ACCEPTED
	Friday 30th	Assembly 9:00am Performance by Drumbeat
	Friday 30th	Final Payment due for Grade 6 Graduation
	Friday 30th	Prep Excursion– Collingwood Children's Farm
	Friday 30th	FAMILY FUN NIGHT
DEC	Wednesday 5th	2019 Prep Transition 2:10-3pm (3)
	Friday 7th	Assembly 9:00am Performance by Prep G
	Monday 10th	School Council 7pm
	Tuesday 11th	2018 Grade 6 transition to Year 7
	Tuesday 11th	Prep—Grade 5 Step Up Day 9:15am– 10:45am
	Tuesday 11th	2019 Prep Transition 9:15-10:45am (4)
	Friday 14th	Assembly 9:00am
	Monday 17th	GRADE 6 GRADUATION—TABCorp PARK
	Friday 21st	Assembly 9:00am Grade 6 graduation Song
	Friday 21st	END OF TERM 4. SCHOOL FINISHES 1:30PM



Key Messages from the

Principal in this

Newsletter:

- Koorie Education Awards
- Building Works
- Voting
- 2019 Prep Transition
- Year 6 Transition
- Step-Up Day

Hi Melton West,

Sunday 11th November marks the 100 year anniversary of the end of World War 1. Tomorrow, Friday 9th November, we will hold a special "Remembrance Day" ceremony to commemorate this momentous occasion.

In Australia, we wear the red poppy in memory of our soldiers who laid down their lives in Flanders Fields during World War I. The red poppy is the emblem of remembrance. You wear the poppy on the right side of your chest. The red stands for the blood that fell, the black represents the feelings of sadness, and the green represents hope that things grow after war. The green leaf should be pointed towards 11 o'clock to represent the eleventh hour of the eleventh month.

We pay our respects, and remember those who fought for our country and those who are still on active service.

Lest we forget.

Alana and Sui – School Captains



Dear Parents and Guardians,



It is with great delight that I share with you Ms Sarah Barnes gave birth to a beautiful baby daughter on 25<sup>th</sup> October at 11.39 am. Her name is Mackenzie Elizabeth Hair. She weighed 3.7kg and was quite long at 56cms. Both mum and baby are doing well.

Today we had a visit from Ms Keili Burns with her beautiful 4 month old daughter, who looks the spitting image of her mum. Her baby was very relaxed being cuddled by all the doting teachers and Keili is thoroughly enjoying motherhood.

**Koori Education Excellence Award:** On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October, myself and some other staff members were invited to the Victorian Education Excellence Awards after we were shortlisted for the Koori Education Excellence Award. It was a wonderful evening and we felt very proud to be amongst the winners and other finalists. Bruthen PS in East Gippsland was this year's award winner, and very worthy they were. The Principal of that school was able to do her acceptance speech in the aboriginal language of that area, one they teach to every student at the school. They are having a positive impact on other schools in their area in terms of their Koori Education Programs. Congratulations to Bruthen PS, a worthy recipient of this year's award.



**Building Works:** Last week the contracts for the upcoming building works were signed and today I met with some of the people who will be overseeing the construction. Things will be moving quite quickly from here, with lots of changes to access of certain areas and the demolition of buildings and relocating portables, movement of classes etc to accommodate the building works. Please be patient with us as the pain will well and truly be worth it once it's complete. Today we also installed fencing around the areas where the new play equipment will be installed. The existing equipment will be removed shortly, refurbished and repurposed in Sri Lanka thanks to Rotary.

**Voting:** Due to the Building Project, we have not been able to make our MPR available to the Electoral Office as a voting booth. If you normally vote at Melton West, please be advised it will not operate as one for this election.

**Prep 2019 Transition:** We have the first of 4 transition sessions for next year's grade Prep coming up on the 21<sup>st</sup> November. Parents have been invited to an information session whilst the children are involved in classroom activities. If you know any families or friends who live within our area, who have yet to enrol, please encourage them to contact us so we can include the children in these important transition sessions.

**Year 6 Transition:** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December is the State-Wide Year 7 Orientation Day, where all Year 6 children will spend the day at the secondary school they will be attending the following year. We have organised some additional sessions for some of our Year 6 students, based on individual need. We are confident our students will be fully prepared to move onto secondary school and have a successful start to their secondary education.

**Step Up Day:** Whilst the Year 6 students are out for the day, we hold a Step-Up Day where all students spend the majority of the day in the next year level. For instance, the Year 4 children will be placed with children currently in Year 5 etc. This experience gives the students the opportunity to see what next year will be like. We invite any new enrolments for 2018 to attend as well so they have the opportunity to meet some students and teachers.

### ***High Levels of Learning for All***

Michelle Costa  
Principal

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### **PREP ENROLMENT 2019**

We are now taking enrolments for 2019.

Please call at the office to collect an enrolment form if you have a child that will commence prep next year. If you wish to have a tour, please make an appointment at the office.

If you know of any one who has a child that will commence Prep in 2019 and who lives in our zone please ask them to call the office: 9743 5818 to make an appointment for a school tour.



*Extend's school holiday programs are a fantastic opportunity for your child to do fun and engaging activities with friends. Book 14 days in advance to receive the early bird rate.*

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### **Extend After School Care**



The past couple of weeks children have enjoyed making craft and have had fun learning and doing experiences that have been incorporated in to the program through the extend a hand project.

Children have been enjoying lots of time outside in the sunshine and have had fun playing games such as basketball, football and hula hoop games on the court.

What's on next week!

**Monday 12th November:** Rainbow craft, Octopus

**Tuesday 13th November:** Mobile craft using recycled goods and learn about puffer fish, Simon says

**Wednesday 14th November:** Slime and Marshmallow stem activity, Zoo keeper (group game)

**Thursday 15th November:** Boat craft, Make your own vegetarian wraps

**Friday 16th November:** Tie dye art, Dodgeball

**THE EXTEND SUPERSTAR FOR THE FORTNIGHT IS..** Kale Neve

For his fantastic behaviour at after school care, always helping staff, being friendly and welcoming towards everyone.

For all new enrolments or bookings please visit [www.lookedafter.com](http://www.lookedafter.com)



### **CASUAL CLOTHES DAY**

**TOMORROW: 9TH NOVEMBER**

**GOLD COIN DONATION**

**PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT MATAI HAUNGA 5/6 S WHO WILL BE REPRESENTING MELTON WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL IN DISCUS AND SHOTPUT AT THE "ALL SCHOOLS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS" LATER THIS MONTH.**

**CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK MATAI!**





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### **PLANNING 2019**

Please complete and return to school if your child **WILL NOT** be returning to MWPS in 2019.

At this stage, I am anticipating that my child **WILL NOT** be attending Melton West Primary School in 2019. We are transferring to (write name of school):

Child/ren's Names:

Grade (2018):

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