

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

AUGUST	Friday 18th	3-6 Athletics (Selected students)—Field Events
	Friday 18th	Assembly @2:30pm. Performance by 56F
	Mon 21st - Fri 25th	Prep Swimming
	Mon 21st—Wed 23rd	TEETH ON WHEELS AT MWPS
	Thursday 24th	Coffee Afternoon @2:30pm Staffroom. All Welcome!
	Friday 25th	YEARS 1-6 BOOK WEEK PARADE @9:00am
	Friday 25th	Assembly @2:30pm. Performance by Prep M
	Friday 25th	FINAL DAY FOR PAYMENT Year 3/4 Excursion POLLYWOODSIDE
	Monday 28th	PREP BOOK WEEK PARADE @9:00am
	Monday 28th—Fri 1st Sep	Year 5/6 Swimming
	Tuesday 29th	FINAL DAY FOR PAYMENT Girls Year 4/5 FOOTBALL
	Tuesday 29th	3/4 Excursion Polly Woodside—3/4 J,K,M,S
	Wednesday 30th	3/4 Excursion Polly Woodside—3/4 A,B,H,L
	Wednesday 30th	Walk to School meet 8:30 am Navan Park
	Thursday 31st	Year 4/5 Girls football
	Thursday 31st	Father's Day Stall
SEPTEMBER	Friday 1st	Father's Day Breakfast
	Friday 1st	FINAL DAY FOR PAYMENT Whole School Special Lunch
	Friday 1st	Assembly @2:30pm. Performance by DRUMBEAT
	Mon 4th—Friday 8th	Year 3/4 Swimming
	Tuesday 5th September	Whole School Special Lunch
	Wednesday 6th September	Year 5/6 Graffiti incursion
	Wednesday 6th	FINAL DAY FOR PAYMENT Student Disco
	Thursday 7th	P-2 Inquiry Showcase
	Thursday 7th	Coffee Afternoon @2:30pm Staffroom. All Welcome!
	Friday 8th	Assembly @2:30pm. Performance by 34A
	Friday 8th	Student Disco Years P-2 5:00pm-6:30pm / Years 3-6 7:00pm-8:30pm
	Monday 11th	School Council 7:00pm
	Mon 11th—Fri 15th	Year 1/2 Swimming
	Friday 15th	Assembly @2:30pm. Performance by 34H
	Monday 18th	3-6 Inquiry Exhibition
	Wednesday 20th	WHOLE SCHOOL ART SHOW
	Thursday 21st	Coffee Afternoon @2:30pm Staffroom. All Welcome!
	Friday 22nd	Assembly @2:30pm. Performance by 12W
	Friday 22nd	END of TERM 3

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Key Messages from the Principal in this Newsletter:

- Art Show
- Emergency contact numbers
- Science Week
- Book Week
- Swimming
- Crossing roads
- Master Plan
- School Council
- Athletics
- Parent Opinion Survey
- Berry St Training
- Volunteers



Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Art Show:** The plans for our Inaugural Art Show are well underway. The date is set for Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. The art teachers are working very closely with each class to create individual pieces of art that will be on display and available for purchase on the night. They are also creating a class art piece that will be auctioned on the evening as a silent auction. A silent auction is where people indicate, privately, how much they would be prepared to pay and the person that has put in the highest bid will get to buy it. We are also hoping that we may have some buddy artists in our parent community who might like to donate a piece of art that we could also auction off. I am really looking forward to this community event, one we hope is successful and can be held every second year, with the other year the school concert. More details to follow.

**Emergency Contact Numbers:** From time to time we need to contact parents for a myriad of reasons including sick children or to pass on important information or to arrange a meeting. Very often we are unable to contact the parents as the numbers listed are disconnected and the office has not been updated. Please ensure that when you change your contact details or the emergency contact's details the office is informed immediately.

**Science Week:** This week has been Science Week and all classes have been doing extra science lessons and experiments to celebrate. I have loved walking into classrooms to see balloons being rubbed on teacher's heads to create static electricity which is then used to make an aluminium can roll. I have recently met some budding young scientists who have continued to explore science out of school hours using Google to find 'recipes' to make things like slime. Unfortunately, there is often no safety warnings on these links and may require the use of chemicals that are freely available from the supermarket or hardware store but that are very toxic. If you are allowing your child to do some home scientific experimentation, please check the labels for the items you buy to ensure they are safe, and please make sure they do not bring these to school. Anything we make at school, such as slime, is created with only safe products.

**Book Week:** Next week is Book Week, with lots of fun literacy activities planned throughout the week. It will culminate in a Dress Up Parade on Friday at 9.00 am, however the Year Preps will have theirs the following Monday due to swimming. Hope to see you at both or either events.

**Swimming:** Over the next 4 weeks, each year level will spend a week going swimming at the Melton Wave Pool. Children will walk to the pool, have a 45 minute lesson, get changed and return to school. All non-swimmers will be involved in a water safety program whilst remaining at school. Please label all children's clothing so lost towels and bathers can be returned. We often have a range of lost property after swimming so check at the office if your child comes home without something. The teachers do their best to check the change rooms for items left behind before leaving,

**Crossing Roads:** We are fortunate to have all the crossings close to our school manned both before and after school. If you are driving your children to school and dropping them near the school please ensure you encourage them to cross the road, if required, via the school crossing. I saw a few children cross directly in front of the school last week, one almost getting hit. It would not have taken too long for them to walk down to the crossing and be safely led across the road. Please talk to your children about the importance of using the crossing and drop them closer to it if need be.

**Master Plan:** The planning for our Master Plan is moving along and last week I met with the Landscape Architect who was appointed by the Architects. He came to look at our site to determine the best places for plants, seating, walkways etc to complement the new plans. They saw our Indigenous Garden that was planted in 2014 outside Ms Davies' room and drew a 'mud map' of where to plant some more indigenous plants that were recently donated to us. We were very grateful for their advice as we would have probably just scattered them around the school, which would not have had such a beautiful affect. Thanks to the kids from Koorie Club yesterday who helped with the planting.

**School Council:** On Monday we welcomed some representatives from Junior School Council to our monthly School Council meeting. They were observers at this meeting and will return to another meeting later in the year to give a report. We also welcomed new School Council Members who have filled vacancies of members who could no longer fulfil their commitment. We thank all School Councillors for volunteering their time to meet 8-9 times a year making decisions around the governance of the school.

**Athletics:** Today and tomorrow some children have spent the day representing our school, competing against others from local schools in a range of athletic events. We wish them well and hope they do their personal best!

**Parent Opinion Survey:** A random sample of parents were selected to complete the annual Parent Opinion Survey. Some would have received an email to complete the survey online if their email address was registered with us, otherwise they would have received a paper copy in the post. If you were one of the people who received the survey, please take the time to complete it as your opinion is valued.

**Berry St Training:** We are continuing to develop our knowledge, troubleshoot concerns, and build our skills in helping students regulate their emotions and behaviour. Today our Leading Teachers, the Inclusion and Engagement teachers and Mrs O'Connor joined staff from some neighbouring schools to share their practice and seek advice with the Berry St trainers. We will continue this relationship with Berry St next year as it helps keep this work alive within our school. We have noticed it is having a positive impact on our students and a positive impact on their learning.

**Volunteers:** We have an Induction Pack for all volunteers that help in the school. If you are a parent helper and have not seen this document, please ask the office to print you a copy. It will be available on the website soon.

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

Michelle Costa  
Principal





Congratulations to the following students who were  
awarded **STAR STUDENT** Awards



**Friday 4th August**

PB	Nate S
PC	Ramlah h      Destiny G
PM	Brookelyn-Rose W
12A	Joel C      Leticia H
12D	Alek d
12G	Alexander C      Sorenson M
12P	Nick M      Jacob J
12T	Benjun L
12W	Melyn Y      Hannah J
12Z	Xavier L      Vaibhavi D
34A	Jarome k
34B	Victoria M
34H	Jordan M
34J	Fred G
34K	Karen D      Tanika W      Vivi N
34L	Rehaan K      Mikaylah C
34M	Dario S
34S	Haylee G      Xavier G
56f	Lynette A      Allyra B
56S	Amelia T
56T	Yazmin L
56V	Ryan D

**Friday 11th August**

PM	Matilda M      Imogen S
12D	Kory I
12G	Shae A      Jok M
12P	Willis T      Tiahana J
34A	Amanda D      Anjali S
34H	Shiloh P      Kenny H
34J	Mason K      Lateasha B      Trinity S
34K	Karen D
34L	Tarin D      Teleisia N
34M	Alysha T
34S	Ashton P
56V	Jetsadakorn S



**PARENT OPINION SURVEY**

If you have received a Parent Opinion Survey, either by email or postal mail could you please complete the survey ASAP

Thank you in advance for your support.

Congratulations to the following student for completing Nights of Reading:

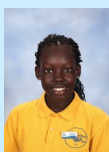
100 Nights: Gursidak K 1/2G

150 Nights: Ivy A 1/2G, Matilda D Prep M, Mankeert B 1/2Z



**A Word from Our Captains**

**Welcome to Term 3.**



**In Term 3 Week 5 our 3-6 students have gone to the Melton District Athletics. These selected students will be representing our school in many events. Science week is also this week, we are celebrating doing different activities. Next week is Book Week, we will be doing exciting things, activities and have a parade at the end of the week.**



**Anyang & Tarkyn**



## Extend OSHC

### MELTON WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### Quick note from Educators

Staff held a meeting with the children last week to decide on some themes for our new theme days which will be on Tuesday's and Thursday's starting this week and ongoing from this point. Lots of great ideas presented and we look forward to implementing those into the program planning. Everyone participated in a jelly bean experiment which was loads of fun! Children learnt about putting soda water with jelly beans and how it would react. Everyone enjoyed this activity and we look forward to more science activities this term! A building competition was held and everyone got involved for this, children used recycled goods to see who could make the highest and sturdiest tower from the materials, everyone involved showed brilliant team working skills.

#### Past activities:

- Jelly bean experiment
- Building competition
- Recycled 3d houses
- Hoop tag
- Simpsons

#### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Weaving
- Papier mache volcanos
- Lasagna sheet painting
- Volcano (Science activity)
- Domino competition
- Kangaroos and crocodiles (Group game)
- Pony express (Group game)
- Bean bag toss (Group game)

#### EXTEND SUPERSTAR AWARD

The Extend superstar award this week goes to.....

**CHARLOTTE HOBBS** for her fantastic behaviour and attitude at after school care, making everyone feel welcome and her amazing craft skills.

**BELLE BOOKER** for fantastic leadership skills and involving everyone in group games at after school care, having a positive attitude and always willing to help staff and children.

#### NEW FAMILIES – ENROL TODAY

Enrolling is simple and can be done online via our Parent Portal. The annual enrolment fee will not be charged until you use the service, so it's a great way to ensure you can have emergency access if the need arises. See information on operating hours, fees, and how to enrol & book at [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au).

#### 2017 BOOKINGS?

If you have used our services before, we look forward to seeing you again throughout Term 3 Please ensure you have made your 2017 bookings on the Parent Portal.

#### QUESTIONS?

Check out the FAQs on our website which contains useful information for new parents.

PARENT PORTAL:[extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au)

# Father's Day Family Night

FREE



**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 6-8pm**

Bring the family along for a great night of fun!

- Make a gift for dad
- D.I.Y. workshops
- Light refreshments will be provided
- Activities for the whole family
- Free gift wrapping

Plus more great activities in store including:

**CRAZY GOLF, FAIRY FLOSS, JUMPING CASTLE, PHOTO BOOTH, FACE PAINTER, BALLOON WORKSHOPS**

Bookings recommended. For more information or to book ask one of our team in-store or visit [www.bunnings.com.au](http://www.bunnings.com.au)

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**PLAYERS WANTED**



**BLACKWOOD RESERVE, REYNOLDS PLACE, MELTON SOUTH**  
Programs include: In2Cricket, juniors suitable for all ages, Senior - for Women and Men, all with qualified Coaches.

REGISTRATION FORMS ONLINE

**TURF AND SYNTHETIC OPTIONS**

**REGISTRATION DAY**  
**2ND SEPTEMBER 2017**  
**9AM to 12PM**

## Aboriginal Father's Day Lunch



Let's celebrate the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Fathers of Melton and Moorabool. A day of yarning and building positive relationships.

All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dads, Pa's and Kinship Carers are welcome.



FREE Bush Tucker Food Truck, Art activities for Children and Melton Saturday Auskick for Dads and Kids.



**Date:** Saturday 2nd September  
**Time:** 12:30-3:00  
**Venue:** Melton Community Hall  
232 High St Melton

Please RSVP to Charry on 8746 1511 for catering purposes.

**This event is for MEN and Children only.**

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