

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Melton West Primary School News

FRI	Fri 8th	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome
	Fri 8th	Year 6 Immigration Journey Incursion due
	Fri 15th	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome
	Mon 11th	School Council
	Tues 12th	Year 6 Immigration Journey Incursion
	Tues 12th	3/4 Basketball due. No late payment accepted
	Thurs 14th	3/4 Basketball
	Fri 15th	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome Performance by 1W
	Tues 19th	Prep 2020 Transition Session 1 2:15-3:00pm
	Fri 22nd	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome Performance by 1V
	Fri 22nd	Final Payment due: Year 6 Graduation
	Mon 25th	Year 2 Sleepover due. No late payment accepted
	Tues 26th	Prep 2020 Transition Session 2 2:15-3:00pm
	Fri 29th	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome Performance by Choir
	Fri 29th/Sat 30th	Year 2 Sleepover
DEC	Tues 3rd	Prep 2020 Transition Session 3 2:15-3:00pm
	Fri 6th	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome Performance by Drumbeat
	Tues 10th	Prep 2020 Transition Session 4 9:30-10:45 am
	Tues 10th	Year 6 Secondary School Transition Day
	Tues 10th	Whole School "Step Up" Transition Day
	Wed 11th	Year 6 Graduation
	Fri 13th	Assembly 2:20pm All Welcome Captain's Tree Planting Ceremony
	Fri 20th	Assembly 1:15pm All Welcome Grade 6 Graduation song and farewell
	Fri 20th	Last Day of Term 4 Early dismissal 1:30pm

Tomorrow the JSC are holding a Crazy Hair Day to raise money for Ronald McDonald House. The JSC are asking students to come to school with **CRAZY HAIR** and a gold coin donation.

"FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM MUST STILL BE WORN. IT IS NOT AN OUT OF UNIFORM DAY".



2020 BOOKLISTS

Your child's 2020 booklist & payment is due by Tuesday 12th November. Health Care Cardholders must produce their card at the office to receive the 50% discount.

Melton West Primary School is a Child Safe School

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our school and base all our decisions on what's best for the students. Please talk to a staff member if you have any concerns about a child's safety at any time.

PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse. No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community. Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



Key Messages from the Principal in this Newsletter:

- SunSmart Policy/Canteen
- New Office Admin Area
- 2020 Booklists
- Prep 2020 Transition
- Year 6 Transition
- Step Up Day

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Sun Smart Policy/Canteen: Please remember that in Term 4 ALL children are required to wear a broad-rim hat to ensure they are protected from the sun. Our new Canteen does not provide the same undercover area that the old one did, so if a child does not have a hat, they will NOT be able to line up to buy things from the canteen at LUNCHTIME, as the area is not protected by shade. If they have money to spend at the canteen they will need to purchase it at RECESS, when the shadow from the gym provides a shaded area. This should not impact their ability to buy lunch from the canteen because lunch should always be purchased through the lunch order system operating via the classroom. Food suitable to have as lunch is not available to buy over the counter.

New Office Admin Area: When the new admin block is opened sometime in Term 4 access to the school during school hours will only be available from Rathdowne Circuit. A security feature will be added to the entry foyer, which means that entry to the school grounds during school hours will be through a buzzed-in system through the office. Access to the school in the afternoon prior to the external gates opening will not be possible as it is far too impractical for the office staff to buzz parents through early to wait for their children in the courtyard area. The external gates will be opened from 2.55pm which will still give parents ample time to enter the grounds to wait for their children. If you need to collect your child early for a scheduled appointment, they will be asked to come to the office where you will be waiting for them.

2020 Booklists: At our recent School Council meeting, we had a discussion around the cost of booklists for 2020. You will have received your child's booklist for next year, which outlines the equipment your child will need. In the recent past, we have been able to offer health Care Card and Pension Card holders the booklist at no cost, as our funding structure supported this. However we are finding the costs associated with running the school ever increasing so we are asking these families to pay half the cost. I believe we continue to be the school that can offer the lower cost for the booklist in the area, yet still able to provide a high quality education. Please note we require payment by **Tuesday 12th November 2019.**

Prep 2020 Transition: We have the first of 4 transition sessions for next year's grade Prep coming up on the 19th 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: On Tuesday 10th 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

Hello Melton West Community,

Last Friday, the Grade 4's had their excursion to CERES, the same place the Grade 5's went to a few weeks ago. They learned about sustainability and how we need to be mindful of the environment and how we need to look after it for future generations. One of the activities they did was paper-making. Although it was an extremely hot day everyone had fun and learned lots of new information.



The gymnasium floor looks fantastic but we still don't have a definite date for when we can finally use it. Fingers crossed we don't have to wait too long! The oval is still out of bounds but we don't mind when the outcome will be a brand new, dust and dirt free play and sports area.

We also noticed that there was a delivery of new office equipment. Does this mean the new administration office will be opening soon? We hope so!

Have a great week,

Daniel and Akur



These last couple of weeks at After School Care we have enjoyed making lots of Halloween craft, children participated in making ghosts, witch houses, haunted houses, Frankenstein and Halloween drawings.

We have been using a lot of our recycled goods for craft and are in need of some more.

If you have any recycle boxes, containers, jars, lids we would love to have them!

We have a Sun Smart Policy which outlines when hats need to be worn outside during play. This requires children to have a hat during Term 4 and Term 1 next year.

Please ensure your child brings a spare hat to After School Care if you do not want them taking their school hat from the classroom. We have a spare hat tub located in the OSHC room that hats can be left in.

What's on at Extend: 11th November - 15th November

Monday 11th November: Spider Web Craft+Table Tennis Competition

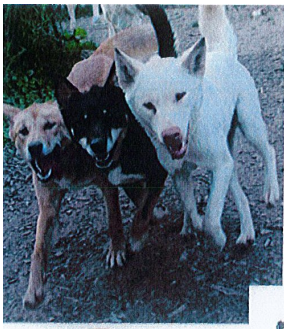
Tuesday 12th November: Enrichment Program – Learning about Aboriginal Art/ Cave Paintings + Aboriginal Dot Painting

Wednesday 13th November: Make Healthy Fruit Skewers + Veggie Guessing Game

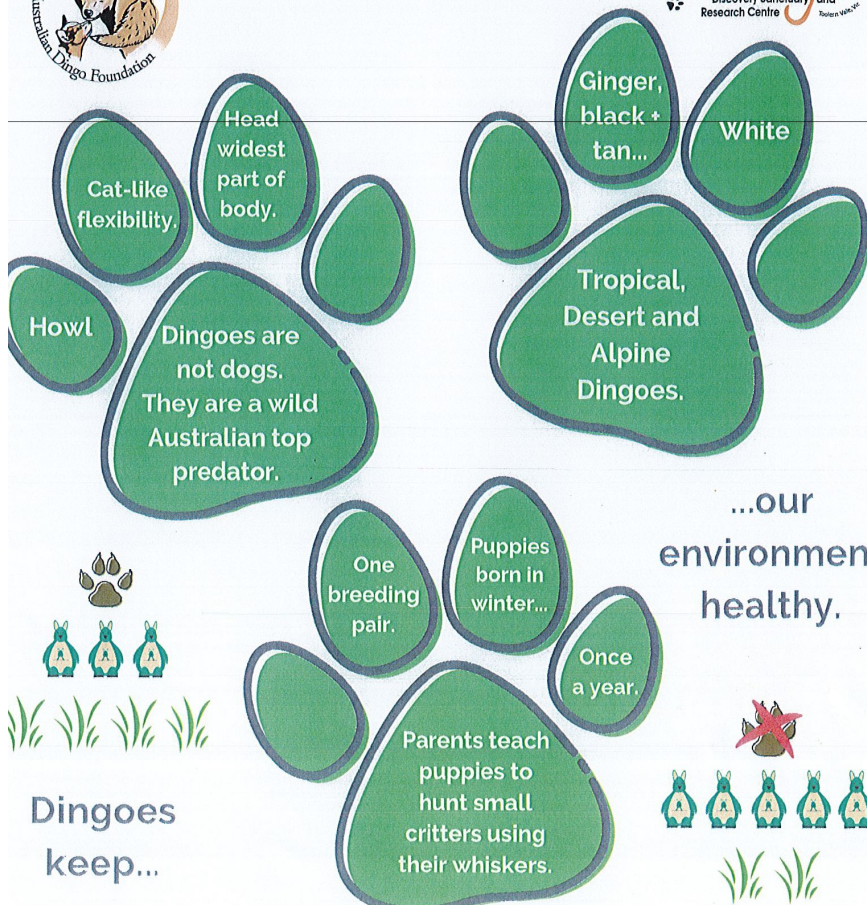
Thursday 14th November: Toy Story Alien Craft + Cone Soccer

Friday 15th November: Polar Bear Craft+Playground Obstacle course

[Enrol and book now](https://www.extend.com.au)
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DINGO WHISKERS
COMMUNITY EDUCATION



Bonnie visits Melton West Primary School

Our Koorie Club were fortunate to have our school's sponsor dingo visit along with three 9 week 'puppies'.

Our own grade 3 student Sydney introduced her baby brother Liam to Bonnie. Bonnie treated Liam with the utmost care. Bonnie also took a real shining to Ms Hennaway.

As we have grown to learn, the dingo is one of the most discredited and misunderstood animal in Australia, and at serious risk of extinction. It is also arguably one of the most important animals, and said to be our equivalent to the great 'Lion'. The dingo is said to be the number one predator in our great nation.

Melton is lucky to have close proximity to the Dingo Sanctuary only 8km away in Toolern Vale. Visits can be arranged by appointment. It is a wonderful facility, and features all three species of dingo in this country.



HELP WANTED

**MELTON WEST
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Bunnings Sausage Sizzle



Dear MWPS Community,

MWPS Parents Club will be holding a sausage sizzle at Melton Bunnings Warehouse on **Friday 22nd November**. This is a great way to raise extra funds to help improve our school. In doing so, **WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP!** Please fill out the below details and return to MWPS if you are able to donate any of your VALUABLE time between 8.00am to 5.00pm - even if it's only for an hour. **WE GREATLY APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE RECEIVED!**

Thank you,

Parents Club

.....✂Please complete and return ✂.....

I would like to help MWPS Bunnings Sizzle

Name: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Date: Friday 22nd November ☐ Time available (between 8am and 5pm): _____

Child's name: _____ Grade: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

It is the mission of Melton West PS to work collaboratively to ensure high levels of learning for all.

the *Carly Ryan* foundation. APP FACTS

SNAPCHAT



Age Rating in
the App Store:

13+

Snapchat is an application which is free to download on iOS and Android devices that allows users to send images and videos 'snaps' to each other.

How does it work?

The receiver of the 'snap' can view it for up to 10 seconds (depending on what time the sender sets). After the allocated time the 'snap' will then 'dissolve'. If the receiver screenshots the snap the sender will be notified. Keep in mind there are ways around this ensuring that the sender doesn't get notified if a screen shot is taken, so keep in mind that nothing is private on Snapchat and everything is easily retrievable.

Concerns

Snapchat is the number one application used for 'sexting' or 'sending nudes' between underage people. Users must be mindful of the social and legal consequences of sending images like these. If the user is under 18 years old it is illegal for them to produce or possess these types of images. It is classed as child abuse images.

Child abuse pictures are illegal if they are:

- ☐ asked for;
- ☐ taken;
- ☐ received and kept; or
- ☐ sent, posted or passed around

These actions are a crime even if the picture is only of you, your boyfriend / girlfriend or someone else who says it's ok. Even if a picture is not child abuse material, asking for or sending a nude / sexy photo can be an indecent act and this is a crime. The maximum penalties for child abuse material can be up to 15 years in jail and being placed on the sex offender register. The maximum penalty for an act of indecency is 2 years in jail if the person in the picture is under 16. If the person is over 16, the maximum penalty is 18 months in jail. (http://www.lawstuff.org.au/nsw_law/topics/ Sexing)

Privacy

Privacy settings that are available within Snapchat are the ability to restrict who can send a user photos or videos, 'snaps'. This can be enabled by going into the Settings menu, select 'Who can send me snaps', then select 'My friends'. This will ensure only people the user knows will be able to connect with them via the application.

It is important to read the Snapchat privacy policy as it provides information about how the images and videos are stored and used. Users need to be aware that Snapchat has the right to reproduce, modify and republish photos and videos, and save them to the Snapchat servers, particularly in relation to the 'Live Story' feature.

Snap Map

The feature is designed to help friends meet up or attend events together. This could be abused by others or used to track users. It shows exactly where the user is at all times and exactly what they're doing i.e driving a car, reading listening to music etc. To hide your location from friends, you can turn on 'ghost mode' in Snap Map.

To do this, pinch the screen when you are in camera to bring up Snap Map. Click the settings icon in the top right hand corner and set the phone to 'ghost mode'. Then Snapchat will stop sharing your location.


Be mindful who are you sharing images with and always remember that everything on the internet is permanent. Make sure you are happy for potentially anyone to see your snaps.



How to block a user

- ☐ Go to your friends list.
- ☐ Tap the name of the offending friend.
- ☐ Hit the gear icon that appears next to their name.
- ☐ Select Block to stop receiving Snapchats from that person or pick Delete if you want to remove him or her from your contacts.

How do I report abuse on Snapchat?

To report a Story on Snapchat, just press and hold on the offending Snap until a flag button appears in the bottom-left corner. To report a Snapchat account, press and hold on that Snapchatter's name and tap the  button. To report a Story on the web from your computer, click the button on the video, then click 'Report'.

More App Fact Sheets available from the Carly Ryan Foundation. Please email: info@carlyryanfoundation.com

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Market Day

23rd November

9am - 1:30pm



INCLUDING:

- > Jumping castle
- > Face painting
- > Sausage sizzle
- > Various stalls

For more information, visit
foodbankmelton.org.au/marketday

PLANNING 2020

Please complete and return to school if your child **WILL NOT** be returning to MWPS in 2020.

At this stage, I am anticipating that my child **WILL NOT** be attending Melton West Primary School in 2020. We are transferring to (write name of school):

child/ren's Names:

Grade (2019):