

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September	Thurs 10th	<b>R U OK DAY</b>
	Fri 18th	<b>LAST DAY TERM 3</b>
October	Mon 5th	<b>FIRST DAY TERM 4</b>
November	Fri 6th	<b>RESCHEDULED:</b>  School Photo Day
Nov-Dec	Mon 30th Nov — Fri 4th Dec	<b>Year 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP</b>  (Camp will be confirmed early Term 4 in regards to the COVID-19 situation)

### Key Messages from the Principal in this Newsletter:

- iNewsletter
- Webex Teaching Groups
- Prep Enrolment for 2021
- R U OK Day



HAVE  
YOU



**ENROLLED For  
PREP 2021**

**MELTON WEST PRIMARY  
SCHOOL IS NOW TAKING  
ENROLMENTS**

Please contact the school office for  
more information



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Principal: Mrs Michelle Costa

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### 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.



### 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.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the second last newsletter for term 3. I hope you have found them informative and useful. As we start to see the Covid-19 numbers fall below 100, our excitement and anticipation around how schooling in term 4 will look grows. Unfortunately I have no news for you at this stage. I am not sure if you are aware that I hear about changes to schooling at the same time as everyone else through the media conferences. I'm thinking the reason why principals and schools don't hear it before the general public is so no leaks and misinformation can escape before the announcements are made and therefore official. I think this is a very important strategy that ensures clarity and certainty for all.

**iNewsletter:** Next term we are excited to announce that we will be trialling having our newsletters available online through a company called iNewsletter. One of the added features to presenting the newsletter in this way is that it is available to be translated in many of the languages that represent our school community. This is a natural extension on how we have been predominantly communicating with families during Remote Learning in term 2 and 3. More news will follow on how you can access it as soon as we are ready to launch and it will be communicated through our usual social media tools such as Skoolbag, Facebook, Class Dojo and through the Sentral email. We will trial this in term 4 and seek feedback from families on how they are finding it towards the end of the year.

**WebEx Teaching Groups:** As part of the Remote Learning experience, over the course of each week your child will have the opportunity to join a small teaching group through WebEx where explicit teaching occurs AT YOUR CHILD'S LEVEL. It is **VERY** important that your child attends these sessions. The teachers put a lot of time and effort planning the session to meet each child's individual needs, however, unfortunately, there are many times when children do not attend these sessions. Please check your classes online platform daily with you child, which will outline the time they are required to be on WebEx for the small group session. We need your continued help and support to get the children online at that specific time, as it has been set up specifically for the children in that group. If they miss it on that day, they will not get the opportunity for another 5-10 days. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher via the learning platform (Class Dojo, Google Classroom or Showbie).

**Prep Enrolments for 2021:** If you have a child in preschool, or is turning 5 before 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, we are accepting enrolments for Prep 2021. Please call the office for details. If you have family or friends with children who should start school next year, please encourage them to contact the school for a Prep Enrolment Pack. Unfortunately we cannot do School Tours until things settle down. Once we get the all clear we will let everyone know because we are looking forward to showing everyone our school.

**R U OK Day:** On Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of September it is R U OK Day. The school is planning to recognise this day remotely with each team running some special activities through-out the day. Please take the opportunity to check-in with what your child's class is doing on this very important day. Check out the following website for more information <https://www.ruok.org.au>

## High Levels of Learning for All

Michelle Costa  
Principal

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## **EMERGENCY FOOD RELIEF**

**Melton City Council's emergency food relief, which is now available in three Community Centres across the City.**

**Kurunjang Community Hub, 33 Mowbray Cres, Kurunjang.**

**Phone Carly: 0402 309 321**

There are 20 food packs (including a food voucher) available every Wednesday. Bookings are taken Wednesday morning 9am – 11am. **Pick Up only by appointment later that day.**

**Timber Top Community Centre, 1 Fields Street, Aintree**

**Phone Inderdeep: 0439 327 716**

There are 20 food packs (including a food voucher) available every Thursday. Bookings are taken Thursday morning 9am – 11am. **Pick Up only by appointment later that day.**

**Stevenson House, 10 Stevenson Crescent, Caroline Springs**

**Phone Catrice: 0455 326 903**

There are 20 food packs (including a food voucher) available every Friday. Bookings are taken Friday morning 9am – 11am. **Pick Up only by appointment later that day.**

## **Invitation to Try Scouting**

Rove McManus Sir Richard Branson Bill Gates David Beckham Dick Smith Venus Williams Mariah Cary Neil Armstrong Sir Paul McCartney Peter Garrett Billy Connolly Harrison Ford Ian Skippen Celine Dion Barack Obama Michael Jordan Jamie Durie Steven Spielberg Patrick Stewart Shane Jacobson Bear Grylls Michael J Fox David Attenborough Jamie Durie

**Free this year**



**All of these people were in the Scout Movement..... Enquire**

Since 1907 over 500 million other young people worldwide have also benefited.

**Here**

**Want to add your name?**

**3rd Melton Scout Group**

**Be Prepared...**

**for new adventure!**

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# Vacation Care Program

## SPRING 2020



## Program Details

### Who

The program is open to all primary school aged children.

### Program Hours

6.30am – 6.30pm.

Monday to Friday, during school holidays.

### Location

Bridge Road Children's & Community Centre  
260 Bridge Road, Strathulloh.

### Cost

\$72.50 per day (prior to Child Care Subsidy being applied)  
Excursions and Incursions will incur an additional cost.

### Enrolment Opens

8.30am Monday, 24 August 2020

### Enrolments Close

5.00pm Friday, 11 September 2020

Bookings submitted after this date will only be accepted at Supervisor's discretion and incur a \$22 late enrolment fee

### Contact

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

Ph: 9747 7200

Website: [melton.vic.gov.au/vacationcare](http://melton.vic.gov.au/vacationcare)

### Monday, 21 September

#### Mindfulness Day

Let's learn all about being mindful and having a Growth Mindset!

### Tuesday, 22 September

Incursion Charge \$23

#### Spring Delight

Today we are making our very own Herb Heads to take home, grow and help a grown up cook with!

### Wednesday, 23 September

#### Get Wild – Zoo Day

Create your own zoo today with the chance to explore animals and helping the environment.

### Thursday, 24 September

#### Disney Celebration

Come dressed as your favourite Disney Character (including Marvel) and have lots of fun!

### Friday, 25 September

#### Terrific Toys

Imaginations running wild today! Make your own toys to enjoy!

### Monday, 28 September

#### Perfect Pets

Today we are going to learn about the important things our pets need to survive and we are even going to make our own pet.

### Tuesday, 29 September

#### Gadgets Galore

Bring in your own device at your own risk! We will have opportunities throughout the day to enjoy playing on them!

### Wednesday, 30 September

Incursion Charge \$23

#### Travel In Style

Make your very own wooden plane and boat to take home as we explore different ways for us to get around!

### Thursday, 1 October

#### Footy Madness

Come dressed in your favourite footy team colours! We will have face paint to help you get in the spirit.

### Friday, 2 October

#### Princess or Pirate for a Day

Come dressed as a Prince, Princess or Pirate for the day and enjoy making your very own treasures!

\* Activities are subject to change



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



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