

Melton Primary School Newsletter

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WE ARE MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

WE ARE ACTIVE LEARNERS

- ✓ We will have a go and try our best.
- ✓ We reflect on our learning and seek to improve.
- ✓ We ask questions to clarify our understanding.
- ✓ We are persistent and determined to succeed.
- ✓ We are punctual and prepared.
- ✓ We take pride in our work.
- ✓ We listen attentively.
- ✓ We are resilient and use a range of strategies to solve problems.

WE RESPECT OTHERS

- ✓ We are polite.
- ✓ We are friendly, honest and caring.
- ✓ We are accepting and inclusive.
- ✓ We have self-control.
- ✓ We listen to others and use words that show respect.
- ✓ We follow rules and accept outcomes for our behaviour.
- ✓ We are grateful.

WE ARE SAFE

- ✓ We make safe choices.
- ✓ We listen and follow instructions.
- ✓ We are cyber safe.
- ✓ We walk within the classroom.
- ✓ We use equipment appropriately.
- ✓ We follow road safety rules.
- ✓ We are sun smart.

WE ARE SUPPORTIVE

- ✓ We are understanding and encourage others to do their best.
- ✓ We give feedback and positive reinforcement.
- ✓ We listen, collaborate and work well in teams.
- ✓ We aim to build positive relationships.
- ✓ We are sympathetic to the needs of others.

From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you

Thank you for your willingness to work with us on remote learning. We had some hiccups and connection issues, all expected in our first week, but we hope to have more people actively engaged during this week. Thank you to our staff who have willingly jumped back into remote learning and providing the best learning opportunities as they can.

Students on site

We understand that this situation isn't ideal and that working remotely with your children is hard, but only students who meet the Government requirements are permitted to work onsite:

Children on days when they are not able to be supervised at home as the parents are not working from home and no other arrangements can be made.

This will be available for children of parents who cannot work from home and vulnerable children ONLY, including:

- children in out-of-home care
- children deemed by Child Protection and/or Family Services to be at risk of harm
- children identified by the school as vulnerable (including via referral from a family violence agency, homelessness or youth justice service or mental health or other health service).

Education Week

Thank you to all of the families that attended open mornings/afternoons and to all of the students who dressed up for Education Week.

Pie Drive - Please be advised this will go ahead. **Orders are due by Wednesday 16th June.**

From the Principal's desk

Signing in

All parents and visitors who enter the school site must log in via the QR Code as per the Victorian Government requirement. QR codes are provided at all entries to the school site. Failure to comply could result in parents/visitors not being able to come onsite.

If you are onsite longer than 15 minutes you are still required to sign in via the office Compass kiosk as per the DET requirements.

Student led conferences

Student led conferences will still go ahead, however depending on the Covid restrictions, they may need to be online. We will know more once the Covid restrictions are announced. Families are being asked to book in for a student led conference. This will be your opportunity to discuss with your child and their teacher their performance and future learning.

Student's work online

If you find that there is too much work for your child to complete online, then please only complete part of it. Students work at different paces, some kids thrive and are able to complete all of the work. Some students may take longer to complete one task than other students. Give your child a break between each task, have a snack or eat some lunch.

Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge

We encourage all of our families to read with their child/ren and log books for the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge.

75+ Nights Reading - Term 2 goal

This term our goal is that students log 75+ nights reading since the start of the year. Reading on the weekend and over holidays count! Help your child achieve this goal by ensuring they log their nights reading in their reading log or diary.

A friendly reminder that Monday 14th June is a public holiday and students are not required at school on this day and if we are in lockdown, no remote learning will be provided.

Vanessa Harrison - Principal

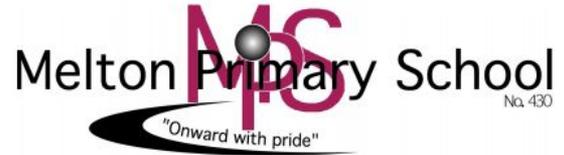
Parent Teacher Interviews

Please log in to compass to book a time with your child's classroom teacher

Monday 21st June 3:20-4:20pm

Tuesday 22nd June 3:20-4:20pm

Wednesday 23rd June 3:20-5:00pm and 5:30-6:20pm



**Melton Primary School
Student Report
2021 - Semester 1**

You can access your child's school report on Compass from Friday 18th June in the afternoon

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

EVERY CHILD DESERVES AN EDUCATION

YOUR CHILDREN NEED YOUR HELP TO DO WELL AT SCHOOL. YOU CAN HELP BY:



Ensuring children get a good night's sleep and get ready for school in the morning



Getting children to school every day



Asking questions to find what your child likes about school

Talking about going to school every day and how it helps children reach their dreams.



Talking about how school can be fun



EVERY DAY THEY MISS ADDS UP!

Skip
1 day a week

Miss 3 Years

Skip
2 days a week

Miss 5 Years

Skip
3 days a week

Miss 7 Years

Skip
4 days a week

Miss 10 Years

Skip
5 days a week

Miss 12 Years

Attendance

Remote Learning Attendance is just as important as school attendance.

Try and keep your children in routine.

Here are some tips to help you and your child get a great start to the day!

1. Early to bed, ready to rise. When your child gets enough sleep, they are more likely to wake up cheerful, energetic and ready to learn at school. ...
2. Be prepared. ...
3. Keep it simple. ...
4. Make a plan.

Grade 1 Trip to Werribee Zoo!



The grade 1 students had a fantastic day learning about animal habitats, and how to use their senses to learn more about those animals. Thanks to those parents helpers who made the day possible!



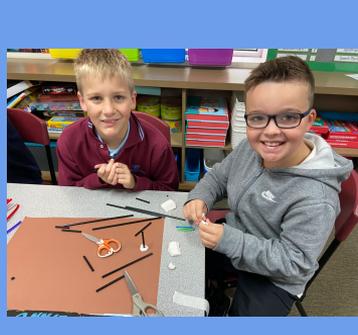
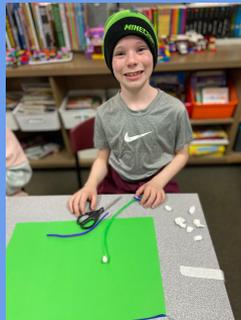
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Grade 3 Education Week Opening Morning

This year's theme for education week was 'Building Connections'. The theme celebrated the connections between schools and local communities and strengthens bonds with families and carers.

With this in mind the Grade 3 students had a lovely morning designing and making a model of a new playground for Hannah Watts Park with their visitors.



Grade 5



During Naplan the grade 5 students took their minds off the tests by investigating homonyms, puns and compound words during Writing. During this time students experimented with puns and developed really cool pictures to show the meaning. Students created a guessing game where they drew the meaning of the individual words in a compound word. Compound words are formed when two or more words are joined together to create a new word that has an entirely new meaning. Can you guess the compound words?

REMINDERS

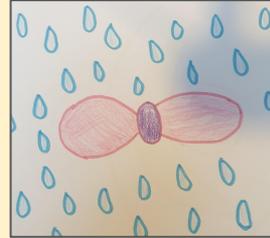
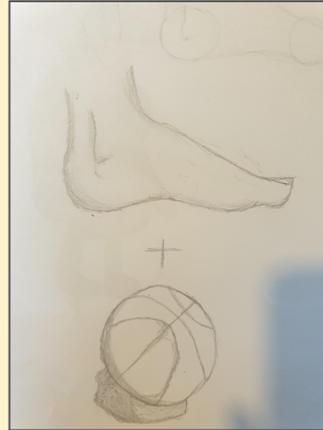
Nightly reading and logging it in our student diaries.

Keep logging your Premier's Reading Challenge books on the website with your login details.

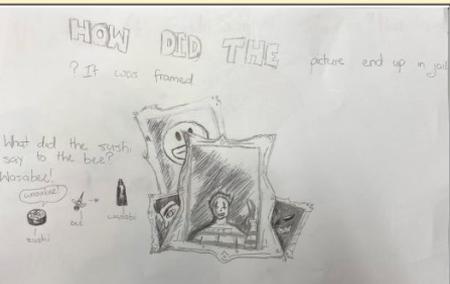
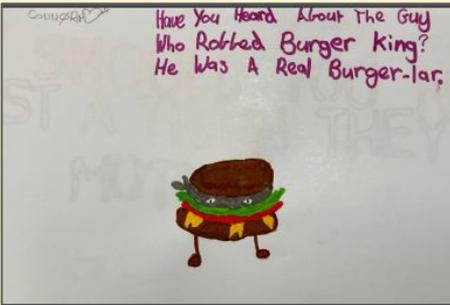
Puns by 5D!

What do you call a sleeping bull? A bulldozer.

I don't trust stairs because they're always up to something! - Jett



Compound words by 5A and 5B!



ng doesn't always
ean being first.
ining means you're
oing better than
ou've done before.



OWL COLLAGES

Auslan Visual Arts

Auslan sign for OWL

- 2 thumbs drawing
circles around eyes.

We used our knowledge of 3 of the 7 Art Elements:

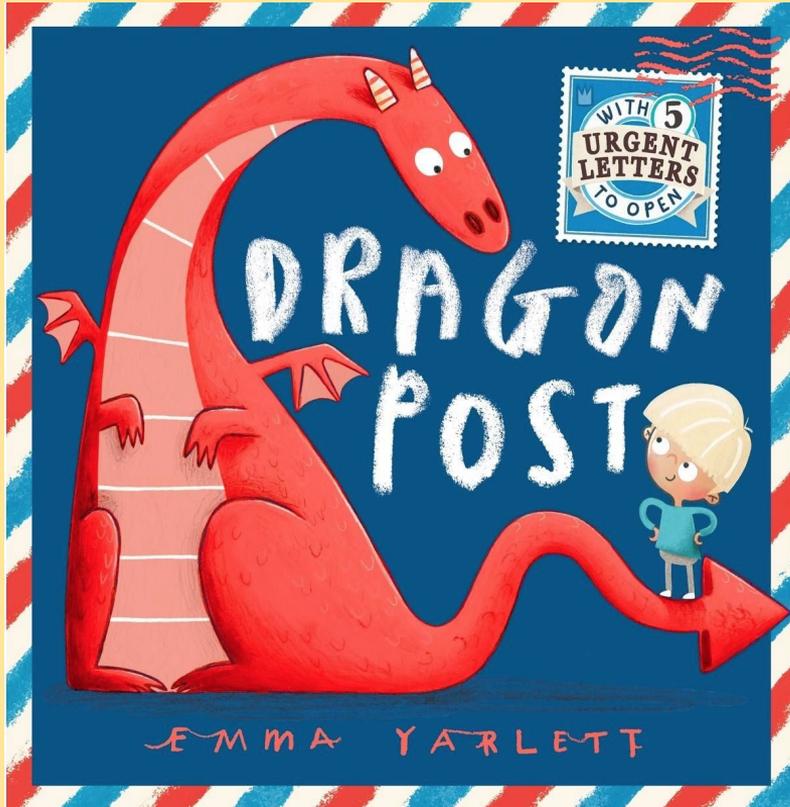
Lines: we used several different types of lines to draw our owls (curvy, vertical and horizontal)

Shapes: we used geometric and organic shapes to draw our owls (circles for eyes, triangle beak, and organic shapes for body, wings and feet)

Texture: we used lots of materials to collage our owls. The materials had different textures. We used feathers for wings, giant googly eyes etc)



Books teachers love... with Miss Prenga



One day Alex finds a dragon living in the cupboard under the stairs. Luckily he knows just what to do. He writes letters to lots of different people - including the fire brigade and the butcher - to ask how he should take care of his surprise visitor. Children will love opening the five envelopes and reading the hilarious letters to Alex and then following his magical adventure with his new fiery friend.

Melton Minis

Melton Minis is a program run by Mrs Sutherland for any younger siblings of enrolled students at MPS.

No age is too young. We complete a different activity each week so it doesn't matter if you can't come every week.



Melton Minis will run on a Friday afternoon 2:00-2:50pm in the Art room.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Term 2 dates:
Fri: ~~7th May, 21st May, 4th June,~~
18th June

LAMONT BOOK FAIR

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don't miss it!**

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**AN INVITATION
TO OUR BOOK FAIR!**

Where: Melton Primary School

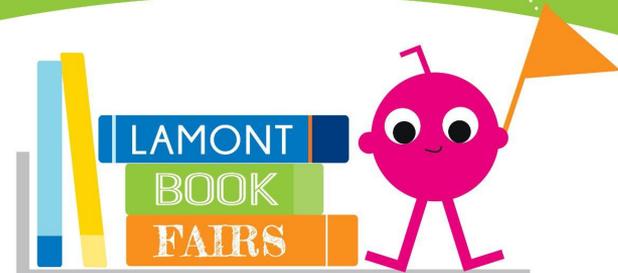
School Library

Date: 21st - 25th June 2021

Time: Before & after school

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Joyful June 2021

MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY



FRIDAY



SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Decide to look for what's good every day this month

2 Say positive things in your conversations with others

3 Re-frame a worry and try to find a helpful way to think about it

4 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

5 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down

6 Get out into green space and feel the joy that nature brings

7 Do something healthy which makes you feel good

8 Find joy in music: sing, play, dance, listen or share

9 Ask a friend what made them happy recently

10 Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them

11 Eat good food that makes you happy and really savour it

12 Write a gratitude letter to thank someone

13 Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side

14 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you

15 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

16 Speak to others in a warm and friendly way

17 Take time to notice things that you find beautiful

18 Look for something good in a difficult situation

19 Get outside and find the joy in being active

20 Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity

21 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement

22 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh

23 Create a playlist of uplifting songs to listen to

24 Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for

25 Show your appreciation to people who are helping others

26 Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it

27 Be kind to you. Do something that brings you joy

28 Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people

29 Share a friendly smile with people you see today

30 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



Nurturing confident and creative learners.

Confidence helps children thrive in relationships, learning and life. We provide imaginative, caring and playful learning experiences that inspire children to build positive relationships and a sense of belonging.

Kindergarten

Children with strong self-esteem and confidence thrive in relationships and transitions. By fostering independence and resilience, our Kindergartens prepare them socially and emotionally in the lead up to school and beyond.

Where children thrive.

Children joining our kindergarten:

- Develop their sense of identity and belonging
- Explore their individuality and creativity
- Grow their self-confidence
- Learn to express themselves
- Play, learn, and explore with friends
- Participate in sensory learning experiences
- Have adventures in nature
- Embark on journeys rich in numbers, arts, and languages
- Discover new cultures

Explore, discover, delight.

Our educators craft exciting learning journeys encouraging children to flourish as individuals.

Delighting in sensory learning experiences, your child will explore playful spaces that arouse curiosity, inspire imagination and the spirit of adventure.

Here for families.

We work with parents and community to build programs that better support local families and their children.

Your child will connect with their friends, family, culture and community as they learn about themselves and the world around them.

Families using our kindergarten services may be eligible for the Kindergarten Fee Subsidy or the Early Start Kindergarten Grant.

Melton Uniting Kindergarten

- Large outdoor space with natural shade
- Play area with climbing equipment, swings and bicycle track
- Cubby house, sand pit, mud pit, vegetable patch and indigenous rock garden

2021 Timetable

4-Year-Old Kindergarten
3 x 5 hour sessions per week
Tues, Wed & Thurs
8.30am - 1.30pm

2022 Timetable

4-Year-Old Kindergarten
3 x 5 hour sessions per week
Tues, Wed & Thurs
8.30am - 1.30pm

3-Year-Old Kindergarten
1 x 5 hour session per week
Mon | 8.30am - 1.30pm

Get in Touch

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TYPES OF SELF-CARE



30 day happiness challenge

1. clean the bed sheets
2. listen to music from your younger years
3. meditate
4. treat yourself to some flowers
5. compliment someone & yourself
6. dance like no one is watching
7. take yourself out for lunch
8. do something creative
9. take a relaxing hot bath or shower
10. create a pinterest board full of things you love
11. bake a cake
12. go for a walk
13. call a friend
14. read a book
15. learn something new
16. try something new
17. help someone
18. start a journal
19. yoga
20. up-level something
21. celebrate every win
22. exercise
23. cook from scratch
24. make a fancy breakfast
25. listen to the birds
26. tidy a room in your home
27. visit somewhere new
28. watch the sunrise
29. eat healthily
30. have a PJ day