Melton Primary School Newsletter

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Tuesday 13th June, 2023

Being 'Active Learners' outside the school!



Grade 1 Ceres Excursion



Grade 5 MCG Excursion



Foundation Farm Excursion

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Grade 6 Camp

Our students had a sensational time at the Grade 6 Camp to Queenscliff. Our students are to be congratulated on their exceptional behaviour and for being great ambassadors for our school. They should be exceptionally proud of trying new things and exercising their muscle of bravery. A special thank you to Ms Allan, Mrs Zapparoni, Mrs Partridge, Ms Velden, Ms Crossley and Mr Wheelahan for your organisation and attendance at the camp. A huge thank you to parent helper Cam Willey for his attendance and support of this camp.

Foundation Animal Land Excursion

Our Foundation students had a wonderful time on their first excursion to the farm. Students were provided with the opportunity to help feed the animals, care for them and learn about farm life. Our students are to be commended for their sensational behaviour. There were many tired students on the bus ride back and quite a few fell asleep. A special thank you to Mrs Morgan, Mrs Thomas, Mrs Stokes, Mrs Shirtcliffe, Ms Colson and Mrs Papaemmanouil who organised and attended this event!

Grade 3 Bike Education Excursion

Helmet. Pedal. Stop. Go. Signal. These are a few of the skills our Grade 3 students learnt when they went to learn about rules and laws to do with bike riding on their excursion to the Brimbank Bike Education Centre. Our students enjoyed the opportunity to learn about personal safety, road and traffic signs and a safe and successful riding experience. A huge thank you to Ms Prenga, Mrs Coward, Mrs Geddes, Ms Fritzz and Ms Moss for your organisation and attendance on the day.

Book Fair

It is wonderful to see our families supporting their children with reading by purchasing books from our recent Book Fair! We will receive \$1159 from the sales to buy books for our library. A massive thank you to Mrs Strawbridge and Mrs Borg for their coordination and organisation of this event. A special thank you to all of the other staff that assisted with the sales, it is greatly appreciated.

Skateboarding Incursion-

After a reschedule due to the weather, the Grade 4 students and selected Grade 6 students were again looking forward to participate in a free Skateboarding incursion. Unfortunately with another wet day scheduled they had to postpone this event again. A special thank you to Mr CC for organising this and to Mrs Reardon, Mr Kay, Mrs McMahon, Mrs Allan and Mr Trewavis for their support of this event, hopefully third time lucky!

MCG Excursion

Students in Grade 5 enjoyed the opportunity to stand in the place where many sporting heroes have performed as they visited the MCG. Our students learnt not only about the history of the venue, but also the athletes and events that have occurred there. They even had the opportunity to meet Olympian Carrie Smith. Our students were sensational ambassadors for our school and should be proud of the respect they displayed. Thank you Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Strods, Mrs Magnano, Ms Guise, Mrs Dandy, Mrs Borg and Mr Hunt for their organisation and attendance to this event.

Ceres Excursion

Grade 1 students were provided with the opportunity to attend CERES - School of Nature and Climate to learn about Indigenous Perspectives. Students explored Indigenous artefacts, Indigenous stories, Ochre painting, Ngarrga/Traditional Dance and Merri Merri Cultural Walk. CERES will even plant trees on behalf of Melton Primary School. This was a great hands on learning experience for the students about the Indigenous ways of living and perspectives. Our students showed respect and were active learners throughout the day - sensational work Grade 1 students! A special thank you to Mrs Brewis, Ms Smart, Mr Strachan, Mrs Stanley, Ms Moss, Mrs Blundell, Mrs Crossley and Mrs Phelan for your organisation and attendance at this event.

COLD Rock Fundraiser

A day of comfort and warmth was on the agenda as the students and staff got behind our Winter Wonderland fundraiser for Exford Primary School. A grand total of \$3,273.10 was raised. The ice-cream and lollies were extremely popular, with us providing double the amount of orders that we have in the past. Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser, our leadership team for their organisation and our ice-cream helpers at the busiest ice-cream shop. Thank you to the businesses that supported this event Aspire Lawyers, Coles, Costco, I Love This Shop, Scoops Ice-Cream and Woolworths.

It has been a busy couple of weeks with students not only learning on site, but provided with learning experiences off site. What an amazing team of staff we have who want to support learning with so many hands on experiences!

<u>Pie Drive</u> - The orders are coming in! Thank you to everyone who has placed them so far. **Orders are due by Wednesday 14th June**.

Do you have a Concern?

Do you have a concern and you not sure how to raise it? **Clarify the issue**: be clear about the topic or issue that you want to discuss, focus on things that are genuinely affecting your child, always remain calm and remember you may not have all of the facts relating to the circumstances of the topic or issue you wish to discuss, think about what would be an acceptable outcome for you and your child, be informed and check DET policies or guidelines (where relevant).

Contact the school: Firstly, write a note to **your child's teacher** outlining your concern, make an appointment to speak on the phone or in person with the class teacher—ensure that you inform the school about the issue you wish to discuss, consider speaking to the Primary Welfare Officer—if you feel this would be appropriate. The class teacher together with others involved, should be given a reasonable amount of time to take the steps required to resolve or address your concerns. Remember, it may not always be possible to resolve an issue to your complete satisfaction.

Contact a member of the Principal Class:

Most concerns are resolved by following those steps already outlined. However, if the issue remains unresolved after you have approached your child's teacher then please ensure **you contact the office and make an appointment to see a Principal Class member**.

Contact the Regional Office:

After meeting with the Principal, if you feel your complaint has not been addressed satisfactorily you can contact the relevant regional office. The regional office's responsibility is to ensure that complaints, wherever possible, are resolved at the school level and to ensure that procedures at the school are in accordance with the DET regulatory framework. Please feel free to contact me via phone, email or in person.

35+ Nights Reading - Term 2 goal

This term our goal is that students log 35+ 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.

Planning Week

Please be advised that from 19th-23rd June, all teachers will participate in a planning day for their year level. Each team is allocated one day where they meet together and develop the scaffolding for their term 3 planning. During this week it means that normal specialist programs do not operate at their normal timetable.

Premiers' Reading Challenge

Don't forget to log books in the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge. Instructions on how to this are located further on in the newsletter. Your child's teacher will have sent home the your child's log in details.

Parent Teacher Meetings - Monday 10th July - Student Free Day

Families will be shortly asked to book in for a student led conference with classroom and specialist teachers via Compass. This will be your opportunity to discuss with your child and their teacher, their performance and future learning. Monday 10th July is the day where students do not attend normal school, but only with the parent for Parent Teacher meetings.

End of term

The end of term is approaching fast. **Students will finish term 2 on Friday 23rd June at 2:30pm.** If you are unable to collect your child/ren at this time, please ensure that you make alternate arrangements for their care.

Vanessa Harrison Principal

Key Dates for Term 2, 2023

June

13th - No School - Curriculum Day

14th - Pie Drive Orders due

15th - % Soccer Tournament - selected students

16th - 3-6 Athletics Carnival

21st - Whole school in person assembly

22nd - Pie Drive collection day

23rd - Melton Minis - 1:30pm

23rd - Last day of term 2, 2:30pm finish



Term 3 commences on Tuesday 11th July

Key Dates for Term 3, 2023

July

10th - No School - Parent Teacher Meetings

14th - Melton Minis 2:05pm

21st - 2024 Foundation Orientation Session

28th - Melton Minis 2:05pm

August

2nd - Grade 6 Graduation and missed sibling photos

11th - Curriculum Day - No School for students

14th - 16th Grade 4 Phillip Island Camp

17th - 3/4/ Basketball Tournament - selected students

18th - 3-6 House Fun Event 2pm

18th - Melton Minis 2:05pm

21st - 25th Book Week - more details to follow

21st - 2024 Foundation Orientation Session

23rd - MPSSA Athletics - selected students

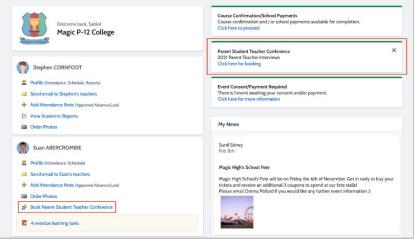
31st - Father's Day Stall (8:40-11:30am)



WHEN DO ABSENCES BECOME AN ISSUE?



2023 Parent Teacher Conferences are open. How to book on a computer Log in and make a booking

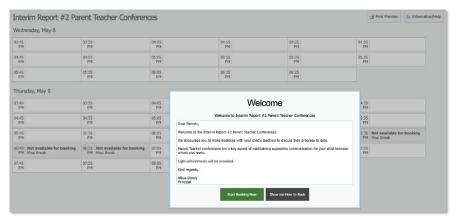


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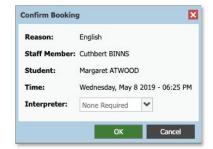
The user can click the notification to proceed to make a booking.

To access all their conference cycles, they can click the Community menu (two people icon) and choose 'Conferences'.

When they click the notification, they will be taken into that specific cycle. If a Description was included in the cycle settings, the user will see this information. They can click either 'Start Booking Now' or 'Show me How to Book' to proceed'.



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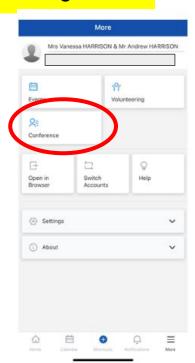


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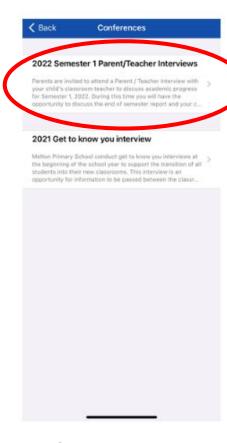
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 Click on MORE in the bottom right corner



2. Click on CONFERENCE in the middle of screen



4. Click on THE AVAILABLE DAY AND TIME THAT SUITS YOU

Repeat for each child

3. Click on 2022 SEMESTER 1



for Foundation 2024!

Do you have a child starting school in 2024?

Collect an enrolment form from the office, or call to have one sent home.

Secure your child's enrolment at Melton PS.

Act now as classes fill fast.

Transition activities begin term 3.



Melton Primary School

Chat with us today! 9743 5335

Secure

www.meltonps.vic.edu.au



When someone says or does something unintentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's **RIJDE**.

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they do it once, that's **MEAN**.

When someone says or does something intentionally hurtful and they keep doing iteven when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset—that's

BULLYING.

MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL PIE DRIVE

We have organised with TONY'S PIES OF ESSENDON to conduct

a Pie Drive. Tony's Pie's will supply us with a range of their freshly baked pies, pasties, quiches and sausage rolls on Thursday, 22nd of June.

All the products will be freshly baked and will be suitable to go straight into the freezer if you wish.

So order up BIG. Remember, the more you order the more we make. Make your choice from the list below and return your order with the correct money or cheque by Wednesday, 14th of June.

We need the support of everyone to make this fundraising a success.

PRODUCT PER ½ DOZEN	QTY	PRICE PER ½ DOZEN	TOTAL	PRODUCT FAMILY SIZE.	QTY	PRICE EACH	TOTAL
Chunky Steak		\$36.00		Chunky Steak		\$15.00	
Steak & Mushroom		\$36.00		Steak & Mushroom		\$15.00	
Steak & Cheese		\$36.00		Steak & Cheese		\$15.00	
Chicken & Vegetable		\$36.00		Chicken & Vegetable		\$15.00	
Bacon, Tomato & Cheese Quiche		\$36.00	1	Bacon,Tomato & Cheese Quiche		\$12.00	
Spinach, Onion & Cheese Quiche		\$36.00		Spinach, Onion & Cheese Quiche		\$12.00	
Pasties		\$36.00		Pasties		\$15.00	
Sausage rolls		\$24.00		Apple Pie		\$11.00	
Party Pies		\$10.00		Blueberry & Apple Pie		\$11.00	
Spinach & Cheese Rolls		\$26.00					
Cauliflower & Cheese Rolls		\$26.00					
Lasagna Rolls		\$26.00					
Apple Pies		\$36.00					
Blueberry & Apple Pies		\$36.00					
SUB TOTALS						12	

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PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL"



Order forms available at the school office.





Expresso Alfresco will be on site for adults attending to make purchases.

*No purchases are to be made for students







Footy day! Save the date...

Wednesday 13th September

8.50am on the oval Parents to sign in on the tennis courts Students come dressed in their favourite teams colours Prizes, music, a parade as well as a sausage sizzle are all planned for the day.

Details to come...

8 steps to logging books for the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/default.aspx

1. Click on log in for

School coordinator or student

2. Click on VPRC and insert your child's log in details.

VPRC login

For Government, Catholic, Independent and Home based readers

3. Click on your child's drop down menu from your child's dashboard located in the top left corner



4. From the drop down menu, click on search books



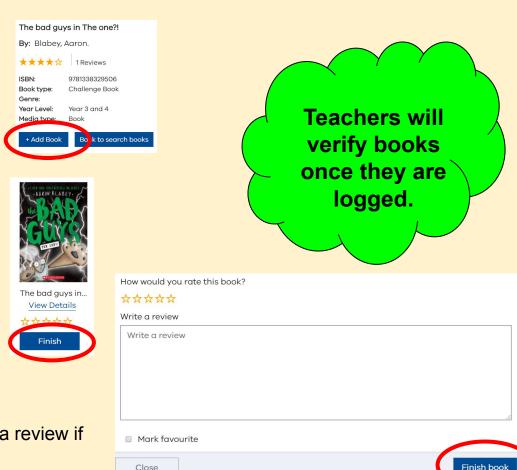
5. Enter the title and author, click search. Then locate the book from the list and click the title.



8 steps to logging books for the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

6. Details of the book will then appear and click add book.

7. Then click Dashboard and you will be taken to your child's dashboard where you will see the book listed. Click Finish



8. You are then able to rate the book (even write a review if you really want to) and then click finish book.

Camps, Sports, Excursion Fund (CSEF) \$\$\$

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

\$125 for primary school students

Last chance to apply!

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Applications should be lodged as soon as possible, with schools accepting them until 23rd June

Foundation Farm Excursion

The Foundation students had a fantastic time at the farm. They participated in a range of fun filled activities such as milking Ellie the cow, riding Snowflake the pony, feeding the ducks, planting seeds, nursing baby animals and they even had a tractor ride!















Grade 4

Grade 4 had a deep dive into the past with our incursion about pre colonial Australia and the First Fleet. This has linked into our inquiry studies as well as our writing in historical narratives.

Don't forget payments for camp are coming up, they are due on the 28th of July.

Parent interviews are open for bookings.





Physical Education



Melton Primary Schools Annual 3-6 House Athletics Carnival is fast approaching! It's set to take place this Friday!

The Carnival will commence at 9.00am and finish at 3.00pm, students will get the opportunity to participate in eight different athletic events.

Students are encouraged to come dressed in their house colours!

We would love to see as many members of our school community in attendance!





This next presentation from The Resilience Project is all about Empathy and Kindness.

Empathy is our ability to put ourselves in the shoes of others to feel and see what they do. We practice this through being kind and compassionate towards other people.

Brain imaging data shows that being kind to others registers in the brain as more like eating chocolate than like fulfilling an obligation to do what's right (e.g. eating brussel sprouts)! Research shows that practicing empathy, such as performing acts of kindness, taps into our brain's 'mirror neurons', builds compassion and our behaviour becomes more social and community-based.

View Part 3 of the series here

Part 3 - Empathy: https://theresilienceproject.com.au/2023-parent-carer-hub-inspire-martin/

Here's an activity to practise empathy and kindness:

- Reflect on someone in your life who could benefit from an act of kindness today. It could be a friend who would love some affirmation about their work, your pet who deserves an extra treat, or a family member who would love a phone call or text message.
- Make a plan for who you are going to gift an act of kindness to, and what you are going to do.
- If you want to add accountability to your plan, share it with someone else and encourage them to do the same thing.
- Follow up with each other in a few days' time, to ask how it went!

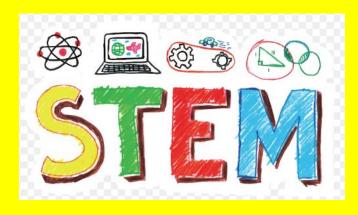
Sources: Psychology Today, UC Berkeley, Greater Good Science

For mental health resources and support information, visit The Resilience Project's Support Page.

PREVIOUS PARTS:

Part 1: Meet Martin and learn about The Resilience Project - https://theresilienceproject.com.au/2023-parent-carer-hub-inspire-martin/

Part 2 - Gratitude: https://theresilienceproject.com.au/2023-parent-carer-hub-inspire-martin/







Some of the STEM Night Prize Winners













WOW! Our Junior SRC and Senior SRC want to say thank you for joining us for Pirate Day to raise money for kids with brain cancer. We raised...

\$459.50



Hello! This is Neil and David, and we

P.S if you do agree to help Mease

Our Senior SRC spent some time writing letters to local businesses to request any donations for our Cold Rock Ice Cream Fundraiser. A huge thank you to...

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23 JUNE - 9 JULY



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23 JUNE - 9 JULY

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With Eynesbury's

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amazing world of reptiles

From 12pm - 4pm



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source fire pit

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Join in for some four legged fun From 12pm -4pm

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At 11am & 2pm

four legged fun

produce, arts & crafts

From 5pm

From 12pm - 4pm

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Fresh food,

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From 2pm

arts & crafts



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- New members always welcome

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Paul Sadler Swimming Ability Survey

Paul Sadler have updated their swimming levels. We ask all families to compete the swimming ability survey to ensure they have up to date information on your child.

Please complete the survey for each child swimming in semester 2

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAI pQLScW1zwN3n6DVqKEFNaCXMxotV 5fonD5HtM_sejOfjqwyohpYQ/viewform

