

Melton Primary School Newsletter

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You've got what
it takes to **ASK**

RUOK?[™]



You've
got this!



LifeEd.
Every child deserves to thrive

RUOK?[™]

**Ask
RUOK?**



Listen



**Encourage
action**



Check in



RUOK?[™]

From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Phillip Island Camp

Our Grade 4 students enjoyed the opportunity to go on School Camp to Phillip Island. They completed activities such as the giant swing, outdoor games and the flying fox. They also had a fun at A Maze'N Things and even saw the penguins at the Penguin Parade. A special thank you to all of the staff that organised and attended the camp, it is greatly appreciated - Mr Trewavis, Ms Lucas, Mrs Forbes, Mr Kay and Ms Grundy. It is greatly appreciated that all of the adults who attend could provide this opportunity for our Grade 4 students. Please note that these staff will take time in lieu for the additional hours that they worked.

Sunsmart

We have sprung into Spring on 1st September, and the weather is starting to improve, as per our policy students and staff are required to wear their hats again in the yard.

Last Day Term 3

Term 3 is quickly drawing to an end. Students will finish the term on **Friday 20th September at 2:30pm**. Students will resume for term 4 on Monday 7th October.

Switching off

Please be advised that from close of business on Friday 20th September, our staff will be switching off and enjoying a well deserved break. I encourage staff, students and parents to switch off and not make contact with each other until the day before school resumes.

Book Parade

The characters, the colours, the effort and the books, all helped to make our Book Week Parade successful. The students looked sensational as they paraded around and represented marvellous characters from an array of books. Thank you to the families who helped the students with their costumes and to the students who were brave and proud wearing their costumes. Thank you to the members of the literacy team for organising this wonderful event.

From the Principal's desk

Melton District Athletics Carnival

Selected students participated in the Melton District Athletics Carnival at Bridge Road. Our students gave their all and tried their best when competing against other schools. Whilst waiting for their events, they showed exceptional sportsmanship by cheering on their peers and were great ambassadors for our school by showing outstanding behaviour. A huge congratulations to all of the students who placed in their event and will now go onto the next level of competition, divisional athletics - Mitchell E, Flynn G, Indigo H, Jake M, Emma M, Aneti R, William T and Scarlet Z. Thank you to Ms Speranza for her organisation of this event. Thank you to Ms Timpani, Mrs Coward and Mrs Blain for attending and supporting on the day.

R U Ok? Day

We encourage you to wear a splash of yellow and donate a gold coin for R U Ok Day on Thursday 12th September. Take the time on this day to ask someone if they are ok. Reach out to someone you may not have spoken to in a while.

Father's Day Stall

We hope that all of our Fathers, Pas, Grandfathers and special males in the lives of our students had a wonderful Father's Day. Thank you for being role models to the students of Melton Primary School.

A huge thank you to Mrs Sutherland for her coordination of the Father's Day stall and the support provided by Mrs Hunt. A special thank you to our parent helping hands that assisted with our Father's Day stall - Hannah, Bec, Tiff, Melissa, Michelle H, Michelle F, Samantha H, Karen L, Karen W, Rennea, Lynne and Megan.

Planning Week

Next week the teachers are involved in a day of planning for term 4. Students will have all of their specialist classes on one day this week so that teachers can engage in planning.

From the Principal's desk

Foundation 2025

Students enrolled in Foundation for 2025 have received notification of their acceptance into Melton Primary and their scheduled transition sessions for term 4. If you did not receive this, please contact the office or if your child/ren are not enrolled don't worry it is not too late. Please ensure your enrolment form is lodged at the office.

Planning for 2025

Planning for 2025 has now commenced. Apart from students in Grade 6, if you know that your child/ren are not likely to be at Melton Primary in 2025, can you please notify the office so that we do not count them in our enrolment numbers and classes. If you have a Foundation student for 2025, please ensure that you enrol them now so that we can guarantee a position for them.

35+ Nights Reading - Term 3 goal

This term our goal is that students log 35+ nights reading since the start of the term. 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.

Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge - CLOSES THIS WEEK

The Premier's Reading Challenge closes Friday 6th September so please ensure that you log all of the books that your child has read. Students who complete the challenge will receive a signed certificate from the Premier. Congratulations to those students who have already completed the challenge.

2-6 Swimming Carnival

Students in Years 2-6 will participate in our annual swimming carnival on Friday 20th September. We encourage family members to come along and cheer on their child/ren. Good luck to everyone involved.

Vanessa Harrison

Principal

Key Dates for Term 3, 2024

September

- 3rd - 2A Basketball Clinic
- 3rd - Grade 2 Sleepover
- 4th - 2B Basketball Clinic
- 4th - $\frac{3}{4}$ Basketball Tournament selected students.
- 5th - 2C Basketball Clinic
- 6th - Foundation Fairytale Fiasco Incursion
- 6th - Melton Minis 2:05pm
- 10th - 2A Basketball Clinic
- 11th - 2B Basketball Clinic
- 11th - Grade 6 Transition Workshop
- 12th - 2C Basketball Clinic
- 12th - Cookie Dough Delivery
- 13th - $\frac{5}{6}$ Basketball Round Robin selected students
- 18th - Football Dress Up Day
- 18th - Live assembly
- 19th - $\frac{3}{4}$ Basketball Round Robin selected students
- 20th - Foundation Fairytale Dress Up Day
- 20th - MPS Swimming Carnival - selected students
- 20th - Melton Minis
- 20th - **Last day term 3 - 2:30pm finish**

Key Dates for Term 4, 2024

October

- 7th - Term 4 commences 8:40am
- 9th & 10th - Biology incursion
- 10th - World Mental Health Day
- 11th - Koorie Club
- 11th - Melton Minis 2:05pm
- 15th & 16th - Grade 3 Lady Northcote Camp
- 15th - $\frac{3}{4}$ Rugby Tournament selected students
- 17th - Foundation 2025 Orientation session 1
- 18th - $\frac{5}{6}$ Rugby Tournament selected students
- 18th - Melton Minis 2:05pm
- 22nd - Western Regional Athletics - selected students
- 25th - World Teacher's Day

November

- 1st - $\frac{3}{4}$ T20 Cricket selected students
- 1st - Melton Minis 2:05pm
- 4th - Curriculum Day**
- 5th - Melbourne Cup Holiday**



Sensational Attendance

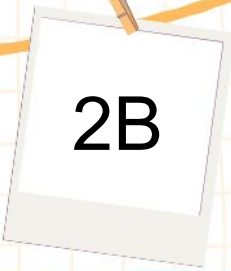
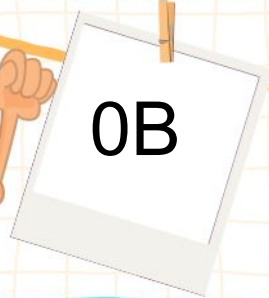
ATTENDANCE



LAST FORTNIGHT

CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE FOLLOWING GRADES



IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE AWAY

enter an absence on Compass or
phone 9753 5335 and select 1 to leave a message

WHEN DO ABSENCES BECOME AN ISSUE?



SATISFACTORY
9 or fewer days

WARNING SIGNS
10 to 17 days

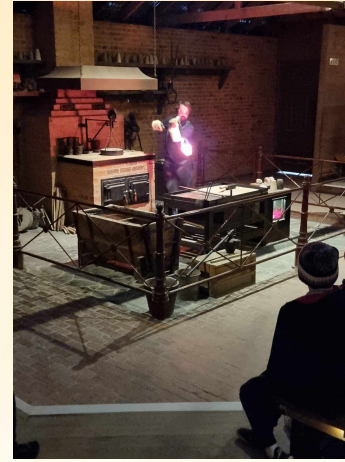
CHRONIC ABSENCE
18 or more days



Grade 1

On Friday the 9th of August, the grade 1 students went to Sovereign Hill. We had the best time learning about the past! We played games, got dressed up, watched the gold pour and even panned for gold.

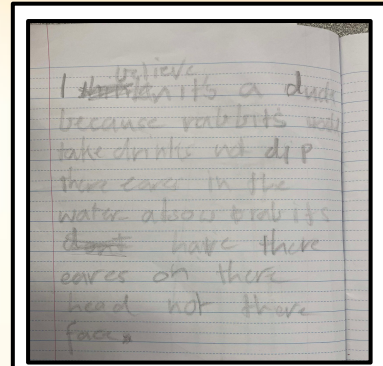
Check out some photos of what we got up to:



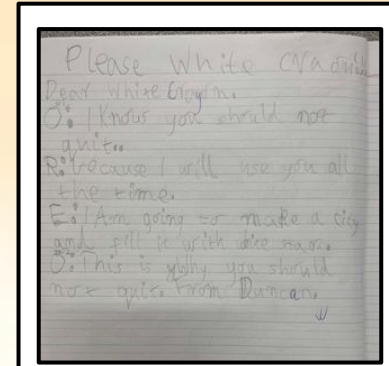
Grade 2

Persuasive Writing

This term the Grade 2's have been looking at persuasive writing. We have looked at advertisements and how they are persuasive. Created our own ads for our "yucky milkshakes". We understand the difference between facts and opinions. We can give our reasons to help convince our audience.



#worksample



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At home activity:



Would you rather have a tail or a horn?

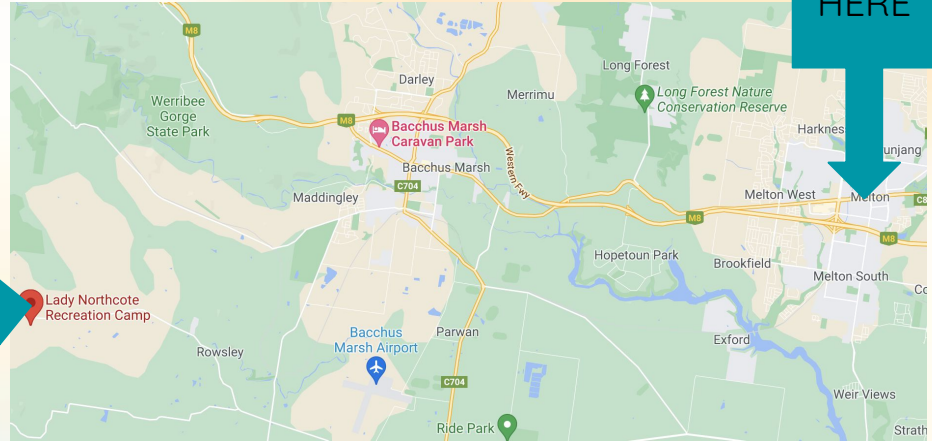


Would you rather find a magic carpet or a genie's lamp?

Grade 3 Camp October 15th and 16th

A great opportunity for the grade 3's to spend some time together socialising and participating in some fun activities. Students will also learn what it is like to spend a night away from home, all while being only a short 30 minute drive away.

CAMP IS
HERE



WE
ARE
HERE

Spending time outside encourages adventure, good health, personal growth and community spirit. It challenges young people physically and mentally, allowing them to unplug, take in nature and the fresh air.

The campsite has a range of adventure-based activities, including specialised activities only instructed by qualified YMCA camp leaders (such as canoeing, the flying fox and the giant swing) and non-specialised camp activities that can be led by teachers (such as group dynamics and orienteering).

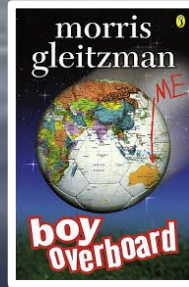
Permission and payment is due by Friday the 20th of September to secure a spot.
No late payments will be accepted.



Grade 5

Boy overboard

Predicting	Vocabulary	Analysing	Inferring
<p>I</p> <p>I think there country was in war so they had to flee from there country to Australia</p>	<p>Unexploded shell</p> <p>It means he really good at soccer and scored many goals</p>	<p>How Bibi's actions effect others</p> <p>When Bibi is in trouble Jamal comes and risks he's life just for Bibi because he doesn't want Bibi to get hurt.</p>	<p>Character motivations</p> <p>What motivates the family to leave</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -there is to many tanks and land mines - kids safety
<p>Josh</p> <p>I think there are going to travel to a different country so they free from the government and the Taliban and while there at the different country there are going to the</p>	<p>My heart has a missile attack</p> <p>It means your heart starts beating rapidly and you can't move</p>	<p>Rashida</p> <p>She is kind helpful and really nice to people and likes to help people who are sick and give stuff to other people who need it</p>	<p>Traits: Jamal.</p> <p>Obsessed. This influences Jamal because all he thinks</p>
	<p>My insides turn into yogurt</p>		



Isabella's padlet

Questioning	Predicting	Inferring	Analysing
	<p>Predicting</p> <p>I think the book may be about a boy who plays soccer and would like to play a big game but there is a problem in his life that him and his family have to go through. And there is different problems big and small he has to go through with his family. He plays soccer and may be on a soccer team and that he might wanna go see the finals or be in the finals and there is people stopping him from doing that and they are making problems for the family.</p>	<p>Character motivations</p> <p>What motivates the family to leave? The government found out about the secret school broken many rules There house got bombed Leaving for others safety Lots of landmines and dangerous activity Doing lots of illegal activity Lots of tanks Lots of guns and weapons Bibi plays soccer and she is a girl with is illegal Not a very lovely place with lots of</p>	<p>Mums choice on how they impact others.....</p> <p>Mum choice in some of her ideas was bad. Example her working in the school was bad because she had to leave everything behind and she never knew that but she wasted all her time in the school and doing all the things she earned because in the end she had to leave it ALL AIIIIII of it! And she must be very upset and disappointed because she loved that school that school meant so much to her it meant a lot. But when she -chose</p>

This term the Grade 5 students have been enjoying reading Boy Overboard. During this time they have explored character relationships, symbolism, foreshadowing, impacts of characters actions, real life connections, roles of supporting characters and how character traits influence behaviour. They were also exposed to the rich vocabulary the text has to offer. The students completed a wide range of tasks about the text.

Check out some of their awesome work!

Library

Author Visit Amy Adeney

The students had a wonderful time when Amy visited the students during Book week



Amy used a giant chatterer box to show the students how to get story ideas.



Grade 6 doing book yoga

We are Sun-Smart



Surf Hat - \$8



Wide Brim Hat - \$6

Melton Primary School is a Sun-Smart school. From the 1st of September all students are required to wear a school hat when outside.

Hats can be purchased from the office.



Bucket Hat - \$5



R U OK? DAY

THURSDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2024

**WEAR YELLOW AND DONATE A GOLD
COIN.**

ALL FUNDS RAISED TO GO TO R U OK DAY

Make time
to ask
R U OK?[™]

Start a conversation using these 4 steps



1 Ask
R U OK?



2 Listen



3 Encourage
action



4 Check in

Find tips at ruok.org.au

Happy
FATHER'S DAY

We hope all our
Fathers,
Grandfathers and
special people in our
student's lives had a
fantastic Father's
Day!



Thank You!

to our Helping Hands for
their support with the
Father's Day Stall

Hannah, Bec, Tiff,
Melissa, Michelle H, Michelle
F, Samantha H, Karen L,
Karen W, Rennea, Lynne
and Megan

Without these volunteers
our stall would not have
been able to run.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

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MPS FOOTY DAY

WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME DRESSED IN THEIR AFL/NRL TEAM COLOURS! THERE IS NO COST TO DRESS UP.

WE WELCOME PARENTS TO JOIN US FOR OUR FOOTY PARADE ASSEMBLY AT **8.50AM** ON THE OVAL. PLEASE SIGN IN AT THE TENNIS COURTS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE LUNCH TIME ACTIVITIES FOR STUDENTS.

STAY TUNED FOR INFORMATION FROM THE CANTEEN ABOUT SPECIAL FOOTY DAY LUNCH ORDERS!



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FOOTBALL DAY LUNCH- WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPT



Option 1:

1X Cheeseburger 1X
apple or
apple/blackcurrant
pop top

\$8.50

Option 2:

1 hot dog
1X apple or
apple/blackcurrant
pop top

\$8.00

Pre orders being
taken now.

These are
available on the
app or you can
send in a paper
bag with details

Hot jam donut \$2.50

Zombie Chews \$1.00



MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

ANNUAL CONCERT

2024

17 DEC

2024

STARTING

4:00PM

MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAL

MORE INFORMATION

coming soon

SAVE THE DATE



Benefits of reading with your children

Wild Books Lunchtime reading

When educators share reading experiences with children, it provides numerous opportunities for language and literacy learning. Reading with children is an opportunity to support children to make meaning from texts, and to learn “how texts work” (for example, exploring texts).

Children can also “rehearse” their emergent literacy skills (for example, concepts of print, phonological awareness, making meaning) through the supportive scaffolding from educators.

Texts for different ages:

All children’s literature should:

- engage children emotionally
- invite involvement
- provide opportunities for interaction by educators to increase children’s understanding of the book
- be aesthetically pleasing and include interesting illustrations/photographs

When choosing a book for emergent literacy experiences, think about:

- the age and language skills of the children
- what aspects of emergent literacy (making meaning, concepts of print, phonological awareness, phonics, text structure) can highlighted and embedded within the book reading experience
- how the characters, events, and messages within the story will appeal to children
- the length of the book



Life can be very busy so if your child doesn’t get a chance to read at home, they are able to come along to the library every day where we can listen to them read, support them in their M100W.

Make sure they bring their blue reader bag and reading recording diary. This will help contribute to their nights of readings.

Thanks Amanda and team