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Mount Waverley Primary School



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2023 TERM DATES

Term 2: 24th April - 23rd June (2.30pm dismissal)

Term 3: 10th July - 15th September (2.30pm dismissal)

Term 4: 2nd October - 20th December (1.30pm dismissal)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Families,

As a school we find that a focus for five weeks (twice per term) is a good amount of time to emphasise some of our school wide priorities.

For the first five weeks this term, the students and staff are focussing on the following:

- **Water Conservation** (Sustainability)
- **Respect** (One of our School Values)
- **Positive Coping** (one of the eight topics in the Respectful Relationships Program)

At School Focus – Meaning we stay in at school (for the first five weeks of term) with a strong academic focus; leaving camps and excursions for the second half of each term - where we can explore themes and topics from earlier in the school term. The main emphasis with the 'At School Focus', is to stop the crowded curriculum, so that teachers can cover what your child needs, and not feel rushed to do so.

The 'five week' model was something we started in 2022 with the idea of sharing this more widely with families this year. We hope this gives you a better understanding of what we are working on and some areas you can support and extend your children with – as such we will highlight these foci in the newsletters, our social media and other correspondence.

Foundation Enrolment & Transition 2024 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

[The Department of Education has released a new statewide Foundation \(Prep\) enrolment timeline. The timeline advises families when and how to enrol their child into Foundation \(Prep\) at a Victorian government primary school, including Mount Waverley Primary School.](#) The new timeline will apply for children starting Foundation (Prep) in 2024. [All government primary schools will follow the new timeline](#) in 2023 to support Foundation (Prep) enrolments for the 2024 school year.

You can find information and resources about the new timeline, including factsheets, at: [Enrolling in Foundation \(Prep\)](#). You can also download the 'Foundation (Prep) Enrolment Information Pack for Parents/Carers for the 2024 school year' from the Starting School webpage, now available.

Families can now apply to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) 2024 at Mount Waverley Primary School.

What you need to do:

Download the Foundation (Prep) enrolment information pack from [Enrolling in Foundation \(Prep\)](#) (now available)

1. Submit an enrolment application for Foundation (Prep) **by Friday 28 July 2023**
2. You will be notified of the outcome of your application **by Friday 11 August 2023**. If you receive an offer of placement, you should contact our school to accept the offer by **Friday 25 August 2023**
3. Take part in enrolment information and transition sessions (for both students and parents) during Term 4, 2023

Enrolment applications submitted after 28 July 2023 will be processed by our school, as they are received, in accordance with the department's Placement Policy.

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Transition – Year 6-7

Parents of Year 6 students are reminded that the application for Year 7 placement forms were due to be returned to MWPS year 6 staff no later than Tuesday 16th May. Student applications for **Year 7 placement are based on school zones and other entry criteria, including sibling claims**. For more information, families can access forms and documents here: <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/enrolment/guidance/year-6-to-7-placement>

Year 6-7 simplified timeline of secondary school enrolment information:

Tuesday 16 th May	Parent/Carers return application for Year 7 placement 2024 forms to MWPS by this date.
Wednesday 19 th July	MWPS notify parents/carers of Year 6 students, in writing, of Year 7 secondary school placement offer for 2024
Friday 28 th July	Closing date for parents/carers to lodge a written non-placement appeal to their preferred secondary school
Tuesday 12 th December 2023	Secondary Schools Host Orientation Day for all Year 6 students.

If you have any questions regarding enrolment, please contact our office.

Finally, I have been out of school (for several days) supporting a local school with their four yearly Strategic Review. This is something that I enjoy doing and as a 'Challenge Partner' we get to see what other schools are doing - with access to all the school's data and interviewing their parents, students, teachers, and school leaders.

Visiting other schools is something I have been promoting and we have been doing since I started at MWPS. Keeping our eyes open and on the horizon is important for our continued success. This week we (the Principal Class Team) visited the highest performing government primary school in Victoria (based on NAPLAN data). It was great to compare and contrast what they (and we) are doing. Local context and student needs are big factors behind why schools do things so differently. We feel really reassured with what we are doing, following this visit, and on reflection, we have a couple of ideas to tweak (to improve) the work we are doing. Importantly, we will continue to seek out best practice and blend that with our plans, direction, and vision. A real danger schools can fall into, is thinking they are 'great' and not looking outward – as this can lead to complacency and lack of impetus. I can assure you; we will not be one of those schools not only for the reasons I mention, but also for the enjoyment and privilege of learning we have as leaders.

Kind regards,

Campbell McKay
Principal
Mount Waverley Primary School
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PRINCIPAL AWARDS

6D	Kyra B
5A	Yuxi S
5B	Angela S
5D	Ayumi C
5E	Tara D



The Book Fair is coming! Week 4 & 5

Every year the MWPS Library runs a **Scholastic Book Fair**.

This is not the same as the Scholastic Book Club.

The **Book Fair** is like having a **visiting book shop in the library** for two weeks. The children can actually examine the books offered for sale and make a list of a few which interest them.

This **Wish List** will come home over Weeks 4. Parents can then decide whether their children *may* buy any books, and if so, which ones.

Books **can be purchased online**, using the information on the Wish List. It is **essential** to record the **receipt number** for any purchases, **on the Wish List**, and **send it back to Jacqueline Griffeth or Emma Kyriacou in the library**. It can also be sent via the **office**.

*****If you make an online purchase but you do not immediately send the Wish List to Jacqueline Griffeth, we will have no idea that you have purchased anything. Scholastic do not record your names or the names of the books you pay for. Please ensure that you record the receipt number on the Wish List and give it to the library or office staff.**

Books can also be purchased by credit card, (see the back of the Wish List), or by cash in an envelope. **The Wish List needs to accompany any payment**, so that we can identify the child, the class and the items being purchased, to ensure each child gets the right order.

This is the only fund raiser for the library and is used to provide not only books, but furniture and equipment, which is used and appreciated daily in our library by the children themselves.

For instance, books, our book spinners, the reading mat, some shelving, our ever-popular cushions and couches, our non-fiction book display carousel, signage and many other bits and pieces that give our library is vibrant and welcoming atmosphere, were funded by the **Scholastic Book Fair**. (But mainly BOOKS!).

The Scholastic Book Fair is enthusiastically embraced by the children at MWPS, but the strong support given by so many parents every year is the reason for its continuing success.

We are hoping to open the Book Fair for sales before and after school, between 8.30 -9.00 and 3.30 – 4.30 if we can find enough volunteers to help man the sales desk. It's only for a busy half hour to 45 minutes after school and only 8.30 - 9.00 in the mornings.

If you can help us, please email Jacqueline Griffeth via Compass. I will send out a roster on Compass on which you can indicate the times when you could be available.

Jacqueline Griffeth

Teacher Librarian

Book Fair Timetable - Library	
Day	Open for sales
Thu 18 th May	8.30-9.00 3.30-4.30
Fri 19 th May	8.30-9.00 3.30-4.30
Mon 22 nd May	8.30-9.00 3.30-4.30
Tue 23 rd May	8.30-9.00 3.30-4.30
Wed 24 th May	8.30-9.00 3.30-4.30
Thu 25 th May	8.30-9.00 Pack up and Book Fair leaves



The boys Club!

Very Cute! This same little group comes every lunchtime library day, sitting in the non-fiction section checking out the cool books.



Senior House Cross Country

On the 4th of May, all grades from 3-6 had this year's Senior House Cross Country. Although there must **be** a winner everyone still did exceptionally well and had great sportsmanship. Thank you to Miss Giles and Mr Goldstraw for such an amazing event and also thank you to the parents who volunteered their time. All students who participated earned house points for their house on the day and the points were as follows, third place with 202 points was Goulburn, in second place was Murray with 219 points and in tied first was Barwon and Glenelg on 255 points.

Congratulations to everyone who made it through to District Cross Country, we will be cheering you on! This year it will be held on the 24th of May at Mirrabooka Reserve and Wurrunjeri Walk.

Eliza Scott and Jacob Mitchell - cross country captains



Diving:

On Monday the 1st of May Eliza Scott (6B) competed in the State School Victoria diving competition held at MSAC. Eliza has been training long hours in the mornings and nights for this competition and represented our school with great pride at the event. Eliza ended up coming first place in the Eastern Metro Regionals with a score of 97.15 which allowed her to continue on to represent at the State competition later in the day. In state she came in a very close 4th place with a score of 90.25. Eliza completed three dives per competition, and they were as follows, a forward 1 and a half tuck, an inward pike dive and a back dive straight. On behalf of the school, I want to congratulate Eliza on her amazing achievements, and we can't wait to see where diving takes her in the future!

Miss Giles



COMING UP

Coffee van

at Mount Waverley Primary



FREE
thanks to

Enjoy a coffee, on us!
**Education Week
Open Classrooms**
Thursday 25th May
Celebrating with you
8am -10am



Coffee, Tea,
Chai, Hot
Chocolates

Inspiring before and after school programs



Your OSHC. by 



Our Before School, After School and Pupil Free Day experiences are tailored to your child and designed to inspire their confidence, creativity, and independence. Our inspiring experiences include science experiments, cooking classes, group sport and so much more.

Extraordinary holiday adventures





ROCKETEERS by 

Every school holiday break is a new mission for your child to embark on. With hundreds of fantastic feature experiences every mission, your child will be engaged from morning until evening. Your child's holidays could be filled with trampoline parks, big sporting carnivals and filmmaking workshops.

Register with Camp Australia
Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now at pp.campaustralia.com.au



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(EVENING)**

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MWPS

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Program spotlight




Your OSHC.

Your OSHC by Camp Australia provides enriching experiences for children during term – before school, after school and on pupil free days. At Your OSHC we give children a supportive space to continue their development, build confidence and socialise with their friends.

What's coming up at Your OSHC:

Monday 15th May	Love Heart Book Marks	memory
Tuesday 16th May	Flower Hand Print Tree	creativity
Wednesday 17th May	Dot Painting Fun	Imagination
Thursday 18th May	Basketball Incursion	Team work, Physical
Friday 19th May	3D Caterpillar or Hot Air Balloon	Fine Motor Skills
*HOMEWORK CLUB AVAILABLE EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK		
Monday 22nd May	Face Portraits	Self-esteem, confidence
Tuesday 23rd May	Flower Frame	designing
Wednesday 24th May	Free Creative Painting	emotional, self-exploration
Thursday 25th May	Basketball Incursion/Concertina Fairy	following instructions
Friday 26th May	Paper Craft – Flower Making	problem solving skills
*HOMEWORK CLUB AVAILABLE EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK		


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Newsletter

Incursions this term



Tailored before and after school experiences that children love.

Your OSHC.

Join us this term for fun, engaging, and educational incursions in After School Care at **Mt Waverley Primary School OSHC**. To enrol your child into the incursion at no extra charge than their regular session fee, make sure you book the After School Care program on the date of the incursion.

Week 1, Thursday 11th May 2023

Basketball, Run by Cube Sports

Get ready to learn some exciting new skills! Our basketball incursions are run by qualified coaches!

Week 2, Thursday 18th May 2023

Basketball, Run by Cube Sports

Week 3, Thursday 25th May 2023

Basketball, Run by Cube Sports

Week 4, Thursday 1st June 2023

Basketball, Run by Cube Sports



Register for Your OSHC

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now

Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. Your eligibility is determined by your family's annual adjusted taxable income, the type of childcare you use, and your activity level. To find out if you're eligible, contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.

Register free and book now at www.campaustalia.com.au



Big Art

Be Bold. Be Brave. Be You!



Register free and secure your spot today: www.campaustalia.com.au

Calling all young artists!

Big Art Comp

Be Bold. Be Brave. Be You!

June 12 – July 16



Big Art Weeks

Your OSHC.

12-23 June 2023

2x awesome weeks of creative FUN!



Book into Before and After School Care to unleash your imagination!


ROCKETEERS

Winter School Holidays

One MASSIVE day of exploration!

Big Art Day

Book into Operation: Big Art Day these holidays!



Big Art Comp

12 June – 16 July

Showcase your child's creativity + WIN!

OVER \$3,000 PRIZE POOL

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- 1 Download the competition template.
- 2 It's creativity time! Let your child's inner-Picasso run free.
- 3 Upload your child's entry!

That's it! Our amazing expert panel will then look at all the artworks and choose 4 lucky winners and 40 runners-up!



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- Artist**
Showcase your talent in the visual arts. Whether you draw, paint, sketch, sculpt, collage or anything else, we want to see your masterpiece.
- Expressionist**
Express yourself in the written arts. Let your imagination and emotions run wild with poems, stories, essays, songs or any other form of writing.

Your OSHC. ROCKETEERS

Join us for Big Art Weeks and Big Art Day and triple your chances to win!

All Camp Australia families get one entry, plus two more if you book our after school and holiday programs.

Unleash your imagination!

Using our Big Art Comp templates, respond to one of the following quotes through creativity.

"Be yourself; everyone else is already taken." – Oscar Wilde

"Everything you can imagine is real!" – Pablo Picasso

"You can't use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have." – Maya Angelou

Show us your amazing skills and win big time!

Open to all Camp Australia families. Register with us now, for free!

Terms and conditions apply. Visit campaustalia.com.au/page/big-art-comp-terms-and-conditions for more details. Entries close Monday, July 16, 2023.