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## Key Diary Dates 2022

3pm Friday Assemblies All Welcome

Recess 10:40-11.10am Lunch 12.50-1.50pm

### 4th Term 3 October –20 December

10 Nov VCES Coding comp

11 Nov Step into Prep Program begins

11 Nov Remembrance Day

**16-18 Nov Gr5-6 Sovereign Hill Camp**

16 Nov Prep Kinder visit

18 Nov Step into Prep—Spartan visit

21 Nov School Council 7pm

25 Nov Step into Prep

**27 Nov MPS Full of Fun Fair**

30 Nov Volunteers Thank you Afternoon tea 3-4pm

2 Dec Final Step into Prep session

5 Dec Curriculum Day—no students

**7-9 Dec Gr3-4 Forest Edge Camp**

13 Dec Step up Day meet 2023 class

13 Dec Gr 6 Graduation

16 Dec Gr 5/6 Gumbuya Park

Gr 5/6 Surf Water safety TBC

**20 Dec Last day early finish 1.30pm**

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Monbulk Primary School's Newsletter

10th November 2022

## Principal's Report

### **World Teacher's Day**

We recently celebrated World Teacher's day at MPS, including a special Morning Tea to thank our teachers for their wonderful work.

We all have teachers from our childhood who were special to us as children; they may have sparked our imagination and curiosity, given us a love of reading, or made us laugh. As teachers we have a very special role in the growth and development of all children which is a great privilege.

Our teachers are highly dedicated professionals who are committed to the learning and development of every child, and themselves. Being a teacher is an extremely complex and challenging job, and I am very grateful and proud to be leading such a wonderful group of colleagues.

### **Primary Mental Health Fund**

In 2023 Monbulk PS is part of the roll out of the Mental Health Fund. This is a wonderful initiative which gives us funding to provide mental health and wellbeing programs to students, which we choose from a pre-approved 'menu'. I am very excited for the opportunities which this presents to expand our wellbeing support for our students. Initiatives we use are based on our school's needs and include things such as Art Therapy, coping with grief and loss, peer support and animal wellbeing programs. Information will be sent to families over the coming year, and more details of the program can be found online.

### **Hot Shot Tennis Success!**

Congratulations to our boy's Tennis team who made it through to Regionals on Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. The students played really well and did themselves and the school proud. And extra congratulations to Bailey winning his match!



## Items to action on Compass/QKR and notices sent home

- ◆ Gr 3 & 4 Payment for Forest Edge Camp Final Payment Due 18th Nov
- ◆ 2023 Curriculum Contributions—forms sent home last week—payments can be made via Compass, QKR, Eftpos or Cash
- ◆ Fair Donation Requests, wristband orders and updates
- ◆ Grade 6 Graduation Celebrations
- ◆ Christmas Raffle Tickets coming home next week—Winners drawn at the Fair

## Class Structures for 2023

Having considered the numbers for students in each class I have formulated our classes to minimise class sizes with available staffing. Next year we will have three Prep/1 classes which allows teachers to plan and teach collaboratively at each student's point of need. Grade 2 students will have regular opportunities to learn with Grade 1 students, and Prep students will also have time as a cohort. There are three Gr 3/4 classes, and two Gr 5/6 classes. Teachers are formulating classes throughout the term, and classes and teachers are finalised before the State wide Transition Day when we will all step into our 2023 classes for the day.

*Estelle Alder*

Principal  
Monbulk Primary School

## Other News

### Car Park and Kiss and Drop

Please ensure when you're using the kiss and drop zone that you do not stop the flow of traffic in the car park or Main Rd. Correct use of the kiss and drop zone is to stop your car at the most forward place in the drop zone, collect your child then exit the car park. Following cars pull in behind the first car and repeat the process. If there are not remaining spots in the drop zone exit the car park do a lap of main rd then re-enter the car park and try again. There has been several complaints that cars parked in the parking spots cannot reverse out of their parks to exit the car park as other cars have been blocking them in.

### Monbulk PS Division Cricket Team

Well done to the students that represented Monbulk Primary School in Division Cricket, you all played a fantastic game and supported each other. We are very proud of your efforts and team spirit.

### Upwey Under 10's Basketball Team

Are looking for 6 people under the age of 10 to play basketball this Saturday 12th November at 10am. If you're interested call Mick Spruhan on 0407 838 773 or email [mick.spruhan2@bendigoadelaide.com.au](mailto:mick.spruhan2@bendigoadelaide.com.au) for more details.



### Puffing Billy Railway Youth Engagement Survey (12-15 years)

Puffing Billy Railway (PBR) is committed to creating an inclusive organisation in which young people are listened to, recognised for their valuable contribution, and empowered to voice their ideas and concerns. The development of the PBR Youth Engagement Strategy will be informed by the views expressed by young people aged 12 - 25 years throughout 2022-2023.

The following survey will be used to identify the best platforms for youth to share their ideas and opinions. This survey is specifically aimed towards young people **aged 12 – 15 years**. The survey is live from Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022. It will take approx. 5 minutes. Your ideas and opinions matter.

Please click the link below to complete the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7RRKSHN>

Thank you for making a valuable contribution to Puffing Billy Railway.

Kim Dunstan—Project Manager—Puffing Billy Railway M 0417 574 521 E [kim.dunstan@pbr.org.au](mailto:kim.dunstan@pbr.org.au)

*"We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet and pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging".*




## Fundraising News

Please contact the office if you would like to join a great group of Parents raising funds for our children's educational needs. **Your involvement in fundraising activities is always welcome.**

### 2022 MPS Full of Fun Fair 27th November 2022

STALL	CLASS
Icy Poles, Soft Drinks & Soft Play	5/6 Stewart
Poffertjes	5/6 Merlino
Hot Chips	5/6 Lahza
Chocolate Toss + Dunk Tank	3/4 Freeling
Sushi, Bahn mi	3/4 Tan Sing
Bean Bag Toss & Fishing Game	2/3 Lamport
Fairy Floss & Popcorn	1/2 Prout
Hot dogs	1 / 2 Suckling
Cake Stall & Lucky Jars	Prep – Clarkson & Sawyer

**Lucky Jars**



MPS families are requested to contribute 1 (or more) Lucky Jars for the Lucky Jar Stall

Plastic preferred (e.g. peanut butter / diced fruit jars), but glass is ok

Jars can be filled with anything you like, be creative!

Some ideas;

- Hair ties
- Loom bands
- Lollies (wrapped)
- Toys
- Fidgets
- Stickers
- Squishies

Any food items must be individually wrapped

Lucky Jars and be dropped off at the office any time before 18<sup>th</sup> Nov

**It's time to show your support and sign up for your duty serving on a class stall.**  
**Sign up folder is at the office, get involved, you'll be surprized how much fun it can be.**

**Donations:** Thanks to those who have already made a donation. Further donations of a range of items are still desperately needed and very much appreciated! • Soft Drinks & Bottled Water – Cans and bottles (no larger than 600mls please) eg. Coke, Coke Zero, Lemonade, Fanta etc. to sell on the day • Bars and blocks of chocolate for the choc toss • Icy Poles  
 • Lucky Jars

**Cake Stall:** You will soon receive a cake stall package for donations of baked goods for the cake stall. We would really appreciate your donation of yummy baked goods for the fair. Please drop off between 9-11am on the day.

**Lending items:** Can you help? We will require the following items, to help the fair run. All items must be clearly named. • Trestle tables • Shade tents/marquees (owners' responsibility to put up and take down to ensure no lost items) • Extension leads.

**Stage Collection:** We are hoping someone will offer to collect the stage from Ferny Creek Primary School. Please contact the school if you can assist.

**Questions:** Any questions regarding anything to do with the fair can be directed to Jo Heap on 0402 429 141 Veronica Maakay on 0468 330 933

MONBULK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
**'FULL OF FUN' FAIR**

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**EARLY BIRD \$30!**

Purchase your wristband early and enjoy **UNLIMITED rides!**  
 Buy online or scan the QR code



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 Soft Play Gym - 4.45  
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**ON THE DAY UNLIMITED - \$40**  
 (SINGLE RIDE - \$8)  
 (SOFT PLAY - \$5)

**BAD BOYS** over 120cm

**BUNGEE TRAMP** 5+

**TURBO TUBS** all ages

**STUNT JUMP** 5+

**BAD BOYS II**

**ACTION EVENTS**  
 (HOURS 10.15)



# Fundraising News

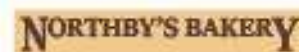


We would like to extend a huge thank you to all our Sponsors who have supported the fair this year!

## GOLD



## SILVER



## BRONZE



## Fundraising News cont..

### Sushi and Sausage Roll Thursdays

Every Thursday is now Sushi and Sausage Roll Thursday . Place your order on the QKR App by 4pm the Tuesday prior to delivery. Sushi orders are picked up from Ethan Kitchen and Sausage Rolls from Edison Bakehouse in Monbulk and delivered to your student's classroom just before lunchtime. \$5.50 2 x rolls Sushi incl soy sauce satchel, \$4.00 1 x Sausage Roll incl tomato sauce satchel.



### Icy pole Fridays

Every Friday during term 4 Icy poles will be on sale for 50c ea. Students may come to the Kitchen Window during lunch time to purchase an icy pole. Parent volunteers are welcome, please check in at the office when you arrive for your duty.



### MONBULK PRIMARY SCHOOL WINE BOX FUNDRAISING EVENT

#### Do you love to drink wine or know someone who does???

Monbulk primary School is partnering with Olinda Cellars to host a wine box fundraising event to raise funds for the school and help support a local business. Olinda Cellars is one of Melbourne's premier wine retailers, with passionate wine enthusiast Ross Wilson at the helm helping to provide expertly chosen wines to suite everyone's taste! **COST:** \$180 per box of 12 wines **SELECTION:**

- All red, all whites, or a mix?
- Sparkling wine may be included but not as a whole box - max. 6 per case.  
Include styles such as big reds, or lighter styles

**PLEASE NOTE:** you may advise of your wine preferences in the comments box at check-out after Paypal information is provided.

**HOW TO ORDER:** Click on the link below

<https://www.olindacellars.com/monbulk-primary-school-fundraising.html>

OR

Step1. Visit Olinda Cellars web page [www.olindacellars.com.au](http://www.olindacellars.com.au)

Step 2. Click on the wine fundraising tab located at the top right hand of the screen

Step 3. Select Monbulk Primary School Fundraising from the drop-down box

Step 4. Click on "Add to Cart" and proceed with order information

**HOW TO COLLECT:**

Wine boxes will be available for collection from Olinda Cellars 2-3 days after purchase OR dispatched from the primary school at the end of the fundraising promotion. This fundraising event is not exclusive to families from the school, so spread the word and tell your friends and family about this great way to support Monbulk Primary School and enjoy some wine too!! And remember for every 24 boxes sold that is \$1,000 straight back to the school to help fund the purchase of netbooks and iPads for our students.



## Community News

### History?

If there is some particular area where you would love to see confidence or self-esteem increased in your child, it would help us to know, so that we can work on that during the camp. Please let us know if your child needs special understanding. All information will be kept private and confidential. Please add another page if insufficient space.

**Special Skills, Abilities or Interests:**

**Please note:** This camp is subsidised-\$140 PP (representing a 54% subsidy) plus \$15PP Insur. Fees rep. a 58% subsidy. Many would be unable to afford the true full fee, so our sponsors make Kids of Gold possible.

### What to bring

- Sleeping Bag, Pillow and Blanket, Doona or Bed Linen
- A Towel.
- Hat, sunscreen, clothes for warm to hot weather.
- Toiletries (tooth brush etc.)
- Runners/Boots
- Pens/Pencils
- Favourite CD
- Balance of Camp Fees

### What not to bring:

- Matches or Lighters
- Mobile Phones (ring if a problem)
- Knives or any other dangerous items
- Confectionary

### The Venue

Kids of Gold is to be held at the safe and attractive setting of Lyrebird Park Camp, 510 Beenak Rd Yellingbo in the lovely Yarra Valley. It is found in Melways Map 308 K10, and is marked Lyrebird Park on the map as 1km further along Beenak Rd.  
KOG ABN : 57 327 231 835

### How did it start?

The Kids of Gold camp began in Feb 2003 with the co-operation and backing of a number of Primary Schools. Parents and children were so enthusiastic about the camp, it developed a 2nd level, then a 3rd. Eight years ago a 4th level began with the aim of teaching leadership to Level 3 campers. Since then a number of leaders have come out of Level 4, and serve currently in the camps. Gary Parsons, a fully qualified teacher, with the original vision, continues with a team of others working in the camps.

### What do they do?

The central theme of the camp is "You are Special" and will enable every child to see how special they really are!  
Activities will include sessions about value, confidence and self-esteem and include group and individual outdoor rope and initiative activities with trained staff.



### Transport

Campers are expected to arrange their own transport to and from the camp, but those in difficulty should ring 9737 9475 and we'll see if we can arrange transport for you as you need it.

#### Arrival and Departure Times

Arrival not before 7.30 pm on Friday and the departure time is between 3 and 3.30pm on Sunday. Parents are requested to arrive by 1.50 pm on the Sunday, in time for a final hour presentation by campers. This is to show to their families what they've learned at the KOG over the weekend.

### What will we do?

We will learn how to be a lot more confident and find values in ourselves that we didn't dream were there! We'll learn lots of new skills too!

### Registration

Book online at [kidsofgold.org.au](http://kidsofgold.org.au) or send Application fully completed (or pay by Internet or direct at a Bank), with a Cheque or Money Order to Kids of Gold for \$30 (deposit) or \$75 to: Kids of Gold, 10 Hillview Rise Hampton Park 3976. {Acc Name: Kids of Gold, BSB: 633 000 AccNo: 129551552} For Internet or Direct Payment



**Fri 10<sup>th</sup>–Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023**

**A weekend retreat for children in Years 4-7 (Prim & Sec), aimed at Significantly raising:**

Self esteem  
Confidence levels

**Level 2&4 Camp  
Through a number of initiatives that involve a major focus on praise and encouragement for each child**

Where? Lyrebird Park Campsite  
Cost: \$75 per child  
Phone: Melissa (0403 271 987), & email: [admin@kidsforgold.org.au](mailto:admin@kidsforgold.org.au) & Gary (0415 427 396 or 9737 9475)  
Email: [kidsforgold@gmail.com](mailto:kidsforgold@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.kidsforgold.org.au](http://www.kidsforgold.org.au)

All the information on this form is kept private and confidential. By signing this form, you agree that Lyrebird Park Camp and Kids of Gold staff cannot be held liable for accidents and injuries that may occur on the camp, including visitors & visitors children not booked in.

**Child's First Name**

**Surname**

**DOB M/F School Grade**

Are there any medical or dietary needs

Bedwetting Yes / No  
If Yes, please give details:

**Medicare No:**

**Parents Names:**

Do you give permission for first aid and medical to be given if required (e.g. Panadol)?

**Emergency Contact Numbers:**

**Home and/or Postal Address:**

**Email Address (write clearly):**

**Signed:**

Parent or Guardian



# Community News



Striving to ensure that no child is left behind.

Specialising in dyslexia, dysgraphia and dyscalculia, The Ranges Learning Centre provides a highly specialised service for students from 4 years of age up to high school who have dyslexia, dysgraphia or dyscalculia, or who generally need further support in literacy and numeracy.

Small group and one on one lessons available.

We are now taking enrolments for the 2023 school year.

[www.therangeslc.com.au](http://www.therangeslc.com.au)  
Call Giulia on 0475307484  
or email [info@therangeslc.com.au](mailto:info@therangeslc.com.au)  
for more information or to secure your spot.

Happy Birthday  
**SACRED HEART**  
**100 YEARS**



**Sunday 13th Nov**  
FREE Morning Tea  
FREE Jumping Castle  
FREE Entertainment  
with BBQ Lunch

**JOIN US @ MASS: 9AM**  
**CELEBRATIONS: 10AM - 1PM**  
**MAIN ST, GEMBROOK**

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Rotary Club of Emerald & District

## KIDS FUN RUN

with **PUFFING BILLY RAILWAY**

4th December 2022 at Puffing Billy Station Gembrook  
Children 3-12 years running to benefit other children.  
Proudly supporting

**Monash Children's Hospital**

THANKS TO OUR FANTASTIC SPONSORS



Enter Online  
[www.kidsfunrunwithpuffingbilly.org.au](http://www.kidsfunrunwithpuffingbilly.org.au)  
Information Line 0408 789 491

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## KIDS IN THE BUSH SCHOOL HOLIDAYS PROGRAM

BUSH EXPLORING, GARDENING, HORSE PLAY, NATURE BASED ART AND CAMP COOKING

Is your child glued to devices? Do you want them to spend more time outside? Nature delinquency is a reality in many children's lives, with many children becoming increasingly alienated and distant from nature.

Wedgetail Therapy is offering a new weekly program!

Kids need to be able to explore their environment without fear or punishment for getting dirty or wet or falling over. Many play provides a natural rite of passage for children to grow. Let's help our children experience a true range childhood!

We will:

- Explore in movement: play, art, group activity, bush walking, building cabbies & friendships
- Enjoy nature: planting seeds & fun
- Make lurch and eat together - Learning about campfire cooking, marshmallows and donuts
- Create group art projects
- Explore and learn about nature including insects and bugs, fungi, flowers, fruit and veggies
- Experience farm life
- Learn about animal welfare and horse care

When: 2 hrs every Friday (4 sessions) from 6-27 January, 2023  
Cost: \$450 (incl GST - 1/2 if NDIS funded) for full program, materials and lunch/snacks  
Where: Wedgetail Therapy, 282 Parkview Road, Leaning Place

This is being offered to a maximum of 6 children from 8 to 12 years. All abilities catered for.

Our therapists are Qualified Art, Equine and Multicultural Therapists.

The benefits of our program include (but are not limited to):

- Innovative community participation
- Improved social skills and connections
- Learn new skills in managing their environment and physical bodies
- Reconnecting to real life and sense of self in the world
- Great sense of self sufficiency and practical skills
- The experience of joy and wonder in nature

Society is facing an obesity epidemic and attention-deficit disorder is being diagnosed with increasing frequency. Isolation and childhood depression and anxiety are prevalent and a sedentary lifestyle is even being linked to lower immune systems and poorer health outcomes.

Nature holds many answers for us all.

CONTACT KIM TO BOOK OR ENQUIRE TEL 0417 312 602  
[www.wedgetailtherapy.com.au](http://www.wedgetailtherapy.com.au)

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Our school aged superheroes learn that anything is possible through developing confidence, resilience, respect for themselves and others, self defence and so much more!

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