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Key Diary Dates 2023

3pm Friday Assemblies All Welcome Recess 10:40-11.10am Lunch 12.50-1.50pm

<u>1st Term 2023 27 Jan— 6 Apr</u>

22 Feb School Photos

22 Feb District Swimming

3 Mar Smile Squad Fluoride visit

9 & 10 Mar Scholastic Book Fair & Grandparent's Day

10 Mar Division Swimming

13 Mar Labour Day Holiday

15-21 Mar NAPLAN gr3 & gr5

17 Mar World's Greatest Shave

21 Mar Harmony Day and Tabloid sports—run by Monbulk College

23 Mar Gr3/4 Water Watchers Incursion

24 Mar Regional Swimming

28 Mar House Athletics Carnival

5 Apr District Summer Sports Gala Day

6 Apr Early Finish 2.30pm

2023 2nd Term 26 April—23 June



16 February 2023

Principal's Report

Welcome to our Preps!

This week our Preps had their first full week of full days at school. We are very proud of how the Prep students have transitioned into school brilliantly. Our Preps are busy playing with their buddies, learning letters and sounds, and settling into school routines. The Gr 1 students are being good leaders to their classmates and showing them the ropes of being a student at Monbulk PS.





Student Leader Badge Presentation

On Friday our Gr 6 student Leaders were presented with their badges at our Assembly. Our local member for Monbulk Daniela De Martino spoke to our students about leadership, and presented the badges to the students.



Items to action on Compass and notices sent home

During whole school assembly on Friday's 3-3.30pm phone messages intended for students may not be delivered as the students are outside. Order your school photos online with Schoolpix Sickbay slips will now be reported on Compass and text message to parent Curriculum contributions can be paid on Compass, QKR or at the office

Gr 6 Uniform

An important rite of passage was held earlier this week when our Gr 6 students were presented with their special Grade 6 uniform. Suddenly our students were transformed from former Grade 5 students into fully fledged Grade 6 students and leaders of the school. They are wearing the uniform with pride.



Monbulk PS Alumnus visits

Last Friday we were visited by a former student, 93 year old Josephine Suey (nee Eddie). Josephine started at MPS in 1932, around 15 years after the school was rebuilt by fire. I was able to take Josephine and her family, who were visiting from NSW, on a tour of this historic building where she saw her old classroom and reminisced about her time here. Josephine said '*The girl on the farm next door started going to school, so I wanted to as well. My mother agreed, thinking the three mile walk there and back would discourage me. So there I went to school at 5 years old with my neighbour, and came home. The next day I was dressed for school again, much to my mother's surprise! So I started going to school. In those days the school went up to year 8'.*



We acknowledge and pay respect of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation, their Ngurungaeta-Murrundindi, and their Elders, as the Traditional Owners of the land on which our School stands.



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Phone Messages

Please be aware that school assembly is held every Friday 3 to 3:30pm outside. It is very difficult to deliver phone messages to your child during this time.

Sick Bay Messages

We will now be using Compass to send a **notification text message** to families when their child attends sick bay. This replaces the Sick Bay slips of paper which did not always make it home at the end of the day.

The text message will have a brief description of the issue, such as 'minor cut' or 'head knock'. You are welcome to call for further information if needed. Often students are treated, if required, and then sent back to class for monitoring. Families will still be called when a student needs to be taken home or for further medical attention. Rest assured our first aid treatment remains the same, we're only changing how we communicate attendance at sick bay.

2023 Grade 6 Uniform

A minimum quantity of 15 garments is required for MPS to be able to order any additional uniform. If you are interested in purchasing extra garments please email Cathy Piesley at

Cathryn.piesley@education.vic.gov.au. with the size and quantity. You will be advised if the order is going ahead before payment is requested.



Monbulk Primary School

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Wednesday, 22 February 2023

ORDER ONLINE AT WWW.SCHOOLPIX.COM.AU

Early Bird orders with free delivery to your school close 5 working days after your last photography session

A postage fee will apply for orders placed after this date.

Sibling orders must be placed prior to 8am on Wednesday, 22 February 2023.

Misplaced your order flyer? Please visit www.schoolpix.com.au and use the student search to find your child's unique ID or contact our Customer Care team on 1300 766 055.

Please note: Cash orders will not be accepted



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FORM 2: NOTICE OF ELECTION AND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

(Formerly Schedule 4: Notice of Election and Call for Nomination)

An election is to be conducted for members of the school council of Monbulk Primary School

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on: 3rd March 2023

The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on: 3rd March 2023

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM OF OFFICE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS
Parent member	From March 2023 To March 2024	2

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, there will be no need for an election. Estelle Alder, Principal Monbulk Primary School



SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

WHAT IS A SCHOOL COUNCIL AND WHAT DOES IT DO?

overmment schools in Victoria have a school council, are legally constituted bodies that are given powers of the key directions of a school within statewide elines, in doing this, a school council [s_pbjs]g directly note the quarty of education that the school provides

WHO IS ON THE SCHOOL COUNCIL?

For most primary school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

- mandated elected Parent category rd of the total members must be fro Department employees can be Parent members at their child's school as bog as they are not engaged in work at the school
- members of this category may make up no more one-third of the total membership of school cou The principal of the school is automatically one of t
- ptional community member category m sopted by a decision of the council bec-special skills, interests or exper interest employees are not eligible nunity members.
- small number of school councils have Non

For all schools with a Year 7 and above cohort, there is an onal category of membership: ndated elected student member category, with two

rally, the term of office for all members is tw rm of office of half the members expires ea ig vacancies for the annual school

WHY IS PARENT MEMBERSHIP SO IMPORTANT? Parents on school councils provide important viewp and have valuable skills that can help shape the dire of the school.

arents who become active on a school council involvement satisfying and may also find that fren feel a greater sense of belonging.

DO I NEED SPECIAL EXPERIENCE TO BE ON SCHOOL COUNCIL?

Each member brings their own valuable life skills innoviedge to the role. Councilors may need to dew skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are untann to them. What you do need is an interest in your ch scheol and the desire to work in partnership with other help shape the school's future.

HOW CAN YOU BECOME INVOLVED?

The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, are held in Term one each year. However, balls only held if more people nominate as candidate there are positions vacant. In view of this, you might consider

 standing for election as a member of the school council encouraging another person to stand for election.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO STAND FOR ELECTION?

The principal will issue a Notice of Election and Cal for Nominations following the commencement of Term one each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual <u>sme</u>. Lise has been warded by the Minister.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.

Department employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work are eligible to nominate for parent membership of the school council at that school.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election





FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

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.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

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
- \$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

v applicants should contact the school office t ain a CSEF application form or download from ad 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 Check with the school office if you are unsure





rally, if there are more nominations received than are vacancies on council, a ballot will be ided during the two weeks after the call for ations has closed.

REMEMBER

Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do

You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.

- der standing for election to council this year
- Be sure to vote in the electio

EDUCATION

Contact the principal for further information.

MORE INFORMATION For more information about CSEF visit: https://www.education.vic.go

Fundraising News

Parent Support Group

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.

Share your talents! Our school is looking for BOOK BOOK FAIR Volunteers Do you have some time you could volunteer to work at our book fair during the following periods?

Dates: Thursday 9th and Friday 10th March Times: Before School (8.40 – 9.30) Lunch (12.30 – 2.00)

After School (3.00 - 4.30)

Any amount of time donated is greatly appreciated, PLUS it's fun too!

Contact: Carly Seddon - 0417 007 646

or leave your details with Cathy at the office and times you are free to help.

Thanks for your support!



Have you ever wanted to learn a musical instrument or singing? Monbulk Primary's instrumental teachers engage with the music you love, new musical styles, the foundations of music reading, and theory.

ETRIA	Drums	Singing
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To book your free trial lesson, contact Jordan at Groove Foundations.

Jordan Scotney - 0408 881 395 - groovefoundations@gmail.com



"READ UP, ME HEARTIES" IT'S THE MPS BOOK FAIR

Come and join the fun and add some treasure to your book collection

The MPS Book Fair is a fun reading event that brings books kids want to read right into our school.

The book fair will be held on:

Thursday 9th and Friday 10th March in the Music Room

Before School (8.40 - 9.30) Lunch (12.30 - 2.00) After School (3.00 - 4.30)

There will be a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level PLUS lots of posters and must have stationery items

All profits raised will be used to purchase new class reading sets and books for the MPS library

EFT and cash payments welcome

All students will get a chance to win a \$15 voucher to use at the Book Fair by decorating and colouring a Pirate Flag in Art Class Winners announced 2nd March at Assembly

Come and get hooked on a book!

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Experience Australia's most loved sport through AFL Victoria's FREE Footy 4 Fun events delivered across Victoria! A footy experience full of fun activities, modified games & memorable moments to take home with you!

Footy 4 Fun Junior Girls is all about giving girls (turning 7-12 years old in 2022) the opportunity to experience football in a fun and safe environment through fun activities and modified game.



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WHEN:

Thursday March 2nd -March 16th. 3.45-4.45pm



JOIN THE FUN! Monbulk & Surrounds:

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All Girls Auskick Centre

Monbulk Recreation Reserve Sunday 26th February - 26th March 9.30am-10.30am



For more details, contact william.macklin@afl.com.au

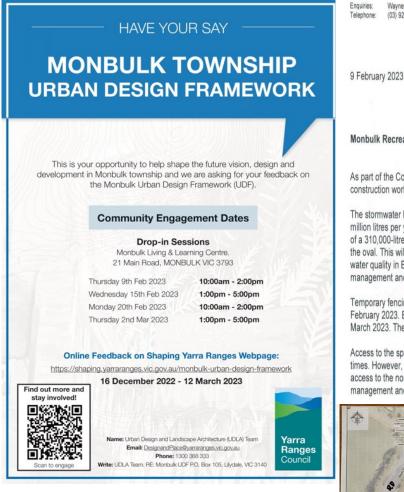




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Please be aware that between approximately 20th February and 20th March the bottom side of the oval (area highlighted in pink on the attached plan) will be closed to the public while works are undertaken to install a 300KL underground tank.

These works will take 4-5 months and there will be the need to close off separate areas for shorter periods of time after this time

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Monbulk Recreation Reserve - Construction Works for Stormwater Harvesting System

As part of the Council's capital works expenditure program 2022/23, we wish to advise of construction works at Monbulk Recreation Reserve.

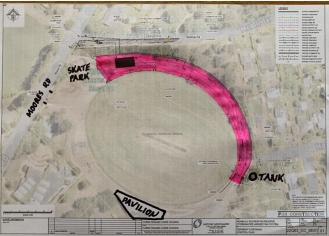
Wayne Arnold

(03) 9294 6733

The stormwater harvesting system at Monbulk Recreation Reserve will supply around 4 million litres per year of treated stormwater to irrigate the sports oval. The system will consist of a 310,000-litre underground tank and UV disinfection unit to supply treated stormwater to the oval. This will reduce reliance on potable mains (drinking) water supply and improve water quality in Emerald Creek. This creek is a high priority waterway for stormwater management and supports a breeding platypus population.

Temporary fencing will be installed next week with some works commencing on Friday 17th February 2023. Excavation for the underground tank will commence during the first week of March 2023. The stormwater harvesting system is expected to be completed by June 2023.

Access to the sports oval, skatepark, pavilion and other amenities will be maintained at all times. However, due to the nature and extent of the works there will be some restricted access to the north of the oval during the works. The contractor will provide ongoing traffic management and advice to motorists.





MINI RANGES

The Mini Ranges Basketball Program is specifically designed for primary school aged children for both boys and girls from Prep to Grade 6.

Developed to help children of all abilities to learn the fundamental skills of basketball in a fun and supportive atmosphere, this program will prepare children for junior domestic competition with Ranges Basketball Club. Ranges domestic Basketball Club have teams from U8 - U23 so if you are ages 6-22 Ranges have a team for you!

To book a place for Mini Ranges please contact: Adelaide on 0407 515 723 or secretary@rangesbasketball.com.au Please note that parents are expected to stay and all participants are expected to behave in an orderly manner.

DATES: All Wednesday's: 22 February. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 March & 5 April. TIME: 4pm - 5pm WHERE: Monbulk College Sports Stadium HOW MUCH: FREE WHAT TO BRING: Runners and a basketball (ball not compulsory)

The registration portal for Winter 2023 season will be opening soon. Watch our website or social media for more information.



Community News







Parenting Milestones for Children Aged 5-12 Years

Date:

Time:

ENQUIRIES:

Register at:

Presented by Joanne Templeton

- What are the 'normal' developmental milestones I should know?
- What do I do if I feel concerned?

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• Where and who can I speak to if I have concerns?







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Tuesday, 14 March, 2023

7:00 - 8:30pm

CFCCardinia@anglicarevic.org.au or call 0457 825 076

Where: Online via Zoom

Emotional Regulation: Dealing with Stress and Anxiety

PARENTZONE

Date:

Presented by Jasbir Suropada

 How do I recognise when my child is experiencing stress and anxiety?

- · How do I support my child?
- Where and who can I speak to for further help?



Time: 7:00 - 8:30pm Where: Online via Zoom ENOUIRIES:

Tuesday, 16 May, 2023

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Children's Mental Health & Well-Being

Presented by Jasbir Suropada

- Why our children's mental health & well-being is important?
- · How do we support mental health & well-being?
- Where do I go to get further assistance?



Date: Tuesday, 13 June, 2023 Time: 7:00 - 8:30pm Where: Online via Zoom

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Register at: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register /WN_DUCOEbzISiGx_tBvh8078g



Parenting Milestones for Children Aged 0-4 Years

Presented by Jasbir Singh Suropada

- What are the 'normal' developmental milestones I should know?
- What do I do if I feel concerned?
- Where and who can I speak to if I have concerns?



Date: Tuesday, 14 February, 2023 Time: 7:00 - 8:30pm Where: Online via Zoom

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