

Monbulk Primary School

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www.spartanschoolworld.com.au



28 November 2024

Maths at Monbulk PS

Last Fri 22nd Nov I had the privilege of joining our Maths Specialists for the final conference of the Primary Maths Science Specialist initiative. Over the past two years Mrs Holloway and Mrs Judges have undertaken intensive professional learning in Maths and Maths teaching, and have in turn trained our staff in teaching maths. They have introduced a Maths teaching model which includes and challenges students of all levels, hand-on activities, and tackles maths anxiety. There are also a suite of new resources and documentation which have supported the transformation of maths teaching and engagement at MPS. I am very grateful for their work and look forward to their continuing impact on our Maths learning at MPS.

Thank you & Farewell Mr Rus

Mr Rus will be on medical leave for the remainder of 2025 and we wish him every success in his return to health. Mr Rus taught PE at Monbulk PS and agreed to take on the one year contract here at very short notice. He also co-ordinated inter-school sports events for the District, enabling hundreds of students to participate in sport at a higher level. Thank you Mr Rus! For the remainder of the year PE will be taught by relief teachers; Shannon and Mrs Owens.



Key Diary Dates 2024

3pm Friday Assembly All Welcome

4th Term 7th October to 20 December

29 Nov 2025 Prep Transition 9.15 to 10.30am

2 Dec Curriculum Day—Student Free Day

3 Dec School Council 7pm

4 Dec Gr 5-6 Surf Day—Phillip Island

4-6 Dec Gr3/4 Camp Forest Edge

6 Dec Gr 5-6 Graduation Rehearsal

10 Dec 2025 Step up Day—Meet your 2025 Class 9.30am to 12.30pm

10 Dec 2025 Yr7 Orientation Day at chosen College

11 Dec Gr6 Graduation Ceremony & Dinner

19 Dec Reports Published

20 Dec Gr 6 Breakfast at school

20 Dec Early Finish 1.30pm Last Day of 2024

2025 Staffing

On Step Up Day on Tues 10th Dec students will meet their 2025 teacher and classmates. Teachers have been spending many hours on forming classes and take into account a host of factors including students friendship requests, gender balance even numbers. Below are the planned teachers for 2025. Please note that there may be some changes if staff availability changes over the holidays, or curriculum needs change.

Prep – Mrs Murray

Gr 1/2 – Mr Prout, Mrs Suckling, Mrs Judges & Mrs Holloway (shared class)

Gr 3/4 - Mrs Lamport, Ms Tan Sing, TBC

Gr 5/6 – Ms McDonough, Ms Lahza, Mrs Prout

Arts & Auslan – Mrs Cathie

STEM - Mrs Vranjes

Kitchen Garden – Mrs Fox

PE – Mr Freeling

Mrs Sawyer will be on maternity leave, and Mrs D'Atri is our Wellbeing Leader

Estelle Alder

Principal



Items to action on Compass and special announcements

Allocate your School Savers Bonus on the portal-see email from Dept of Education for instructions

MEG FOX

Hello my name is Meg Fox and I am very excited to begin at Monbulk **Primary School in** 2025 as the Stephanie **Alexander Kitchen Garden Program** teacher! I have been teaching for over 10 years and have a passion for hands on learning. I look forward to getting to know students, staff and families in the year to come.



Things I LOVE!

- Gardening
- Reading
- Cooking
- Dogs!
- The beach
- Crafts
- Music

Brodie Prout

Hi there! I'm Mrs
Prout!
Some of you might remember me from a
few years ago. I'm so
excited to be teaching
at Monbulk Primary
School in 2025! Some
of the things I like are



spending time at the beach, playing netball (or any sport, really!), and I also like watching AFL! I barrack for the Richmond Tigers. I have a little dog named Maggie and she loves going on walks. My favourite subject is Maths but I also love learning about plants and animals. I can't wait to get to know you all a little better!

\$400 School Saving Bonus

Parent and carer School Saving Bonus code distribution. The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus – a one-off \$400 support for government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025. From Tuesday 26 November 2024, you will receive an email from the Department of Education with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code. The School Saving Bonus will help families cover the cost of uniforms, textbooks, excursions, activities and more. If you have multiple children enrolled in Victorian government schools for 2025, you will receive one School Saving Bonus code email per child. These emails might arrive on different days. Please make sure to check your spam/junk email folder. Parents and carers can use the School Saving Bonus code in store at school-nominated suppliers. Parents and carers must access the School Saving Bonus online system, where they need to allocate part or all the \$400 bonus to use at school nominated-online suppliers or for school activities. To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, visit www.School Saving Bonus.vic.gov.au. A step-by-step user guide will be available on the webpage on 26 November. If you have not received your School Saving Bonus code via email by Friday 29 November, please contact the Department of Education by emailing school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au for all your queries

Lost Property Items

Would love to reunite these items to their owners. Being looked after at the school office!!



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



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.

Foody Friday Term 4

\$1 Icy poles (Zooper Doopers) will be on sale during term 4. Served at the SAKG window at the start of lunchtime by our wonderful parent volunteers. Thank you to Monbulk Woolworths for your generous donation. Last foody Friday for 2024 will run on 13th December 2024

Sushi, Sausage Roll and Party Pie Thursdays

NB: Order by 9am Tuesday on the QKR app

Every Thursday at Monbulk Primary School

Sausage roll and a tomato sauce for \$4.50

Party Pie and a tomato sauce for \$2.00

Spinach Roll and a tomato sauce for \$5.00

Sushi Vegetarian, Crispy Chicken or Tuna and Avocado Sushi Rolls \$5.50 includes 2 Rolls per serve and soy sauce.

Orders can only be placed on the QKR APP and must be in by 9am Tuesday prior to delivery.

Orders will be delivered to the students classroom before lunch time.

**If a student is absent on the day of the lunch order, please contact the office on 9756 6481 to

let us know if you would like us to hold the order for collection. If we do not hear from you, we will distribute the lunch to other students and/or staff.



Thank You!!!

An enormous thank you to the Fair Committee for their dedication to delivering another fantastic fair. Despite the weather we had a very successful day. All proceeds from the fair will be put towards updating IT equipment for the students.

If you would like to get involved and join the Fair Committee for 2026 please talk to Cathy or Michelle at the school office or any one of the fabulous Parents of this year's committee.



Spartan School World Uniforms

Please note there will be <u>no</u> uniform delivery in the last week of Term 4. This is a busy week for both schools and couriers and if the delivery is not made prior to school finishing then there is a risk that orders are lost at the courier depot over the holidays.

- Final Uniform Delivery 2024 Week 10 2024 9th 13th December 2024
- First Uniform Delivery 2025 Week 1 2025 28th 31st January 2025
- Orders placed during the break for Delivery to School will be held and sent when school reopens on 28th January.
- Orders for delivery to home will continue to be processed and sent via Australia Post. (Except during our Christmas Closure period from 20th December to 6th January)
- All stores will close at 5.00 pm on Friday 20th December and reopen at 9.00 am Wednesday 8th January. Please check the website for each store's hours. All stores will be open on Australia Day Public Holiday 27th January 2025 For information and assistance please email OnlineOrders@spartass.com.au



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Thank you to the following Monbulk Primary School Fair Sponsors MAJOR SPONSORS



The Monbulk Primary School and community would like to sincerely thank the Monbulk Open Door Community Church for their generous donation towards the future upgrading of IT equipment for the students of MPS.

ODCCare focuses on providing support for those in need. With the assistance of donations from the wider community, we offer furniture, clothing, food parcels, limited financial assistance and community information. We also seek to R foster cooperation and partnership with other agencies, schools and churches.

https://www.opendoorcommunitychurch.org.au/



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https://monbulkbowls.org/

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Always willing to support the local Monbulk community, we extend our sincere gratitude to Coolwyn Nurseries for their ongoing support. Coolwyn Nurseries are a local wholesale nursery specialising in conifers, mag-Urseries nolias both evergreen and deciduous, topiary buxus, Christmas trees and syzygiums.

https://coolwyn.com.au/



Thank you to Garden City Plastics for once again supporting the Monbulk Primary School Fair in 2024. Garden City Plastics are the first choice for horticulture supplies and provide a complete range of products, services and resources tailored to your specific industry needs.

https://gardencityplastics.com/



Need Gas? We sure do! Thank you to YVG for once again being a Gold Sponsor of our school fair! Yarra Valley Gas is a locally owned and operated LPG distribution and refilling business based in Wandin North. They supply LPG to both residential and commercial clients, from 9kg BBQ cylinders to onsite bulk deliveries via their own Yarra Valley Gas LPG tanker. https://www.facebook.com/YVGas/

SILVER SPONSORS



Community Bank Monbulk & District

Thank you to our local Bendigo Bank for being a Silver Sponsor in 2024! The team at Bendigo Bank Monbulk are always willing to give back to the community we live in and once again our fair wouldn't be the same without their wondering support!

https://www.bendigobank.com.au/branch/vic/community-bank-monbulk-district/



Thank you for becoming a Silver Sponsor once again in 2024!

Based locally in Silvan, Green Valley Solar provide domestic and commercial solar power installations. When you call Green Valley Solar you'll speak with a qualified PV grid connected solar designer and installer with extensive experience in solar power installation.

Green Valley Solar Get in touch with the solar power systems experts at Green Valley Solar and start making some serious changes to your expenses.https://greenvalleysolar.com.au/



Thank you to Fleming's nursery for your ongoing support in 2024. Landscape professionals for urban developments, public open spaces, parks and gardens, Fleming's Nurseries is a company that has grown out of the rich red soils of the Dandenong Ranges and loves to give back to our local community. https://www.flemings.com.au/



Thank you to the team at Elysium Accounting for becoming a first time Silver Sponsor of our fair! Elysium is a full service accounting and financial services firm with offices in Monbulk, Scoresby and Malvern. With over 25 years of experience, they are ready to help you. https://elysiumafs.com.au/



Thank you to Barry Rogers Automotive for supporting the school fair once again in 2024! Call Pete and Kelly at Barry Rogers for all your automotive servicing, repairs, gas, tyre and roadworthy needs. https://www.facebook.com/barryrogersautorepairs/



Independently owned, the team at Monbulk Cellarbrations store is stocked with all your favourites as well as plenty of local products. Why not drop in and let Craig and his team help you find the perfect drop to celebrate life's special moments. www.cellarbrations.com.au



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Declan's Doggy

\$1 ea or 3

Delights!



and breath, natural peanut butter for protein and healthy fats. See Declan for orders or text Sam 0401 155 865

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM Grades 1 - 6

Tuesday's After School \$15 p/w 1hr Session

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Help us create quality programs for dads and male carers across Yarra Ranges and Maroondah.

What are your ideas for programs, activities and support that can help you in your parenting role?

Scan the QR code to visit the website for more information and to have your say.



Have your say by 4 December, 2024.









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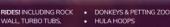
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Community News



www.chimera7aus.com.au and the chimera7aus Facebook page.

After years of product development we are now releasing the first of our products. Wooden road sets that suit Matchbox and HotWheels cars as well as adapting to the wooden 'Thomas and Friends' railway sets. To celibrate this we are having a giveaway competition as part of this release.

Colouring competition Oct 1st to Dec 1st 2024





1st prize is a wooden road Medium Starter pack, the winner by popular vote on our Facebook page.

2nd and 3rd prizes are Wooden Road Small Starter packs, the winners are drawn at random.





How to enter.

- 1- Go to our website www.chimera7aus.com.au and download the colouring page for FREE.
- 2- Colour in the page (pencils/texters/paint/even digital on your tablet) & email it or a photo to us at sales@chimera7aus.com.au
 - subject: Dec1st 2024 colour competition entry.
 - Please include a name, an age and your post code.
- 3- We will post the picture to our Facebook page
- 4- Like our Facebook page and like your entry, if you share it as well, your friends and family can vote for you too.
- 5- 1 page per child, 4 pages per house. Competition closes at 7pm Dec 1st 2024 and announced at 8pm Dec 1st 2024 on our Facebook page. Prizes delivered before Christmas. Full T&C's are on the website with the colouring page download.

Colouring Sheets also available at Monbulk Primary School Office

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Summer Holiday Program Monday 13th January - Friday 24th January To secure a spot please contact Giulia at info@therangeslc.com.au

Ready, Set, Prep!

School Readiness Sessions

Build confidence and key skills for a successful start to Prept

Where: Olinda and Upper Beaconsfield Centres Cost: \$275 (incl. GST) for 4 hours across two sessions Led by: Louise, Early Years Expert & MSL Specialist These fun, interactive sessions focus on:

- Literacy Foundations: Stories, songs, and activities to build early reading and writing skills.
- Mumeracy Basics: Nands-on games introducing counting, patterns, and 2D shapes.

 Personalized Support: Includes a Little Learners Love Literacy Workbook to continue learning at home.

Pre-assessment required on 9th or 10th January. Children will then join a tailored group for personalized learning.
Set your child up for Prep success — Enrol Today!

Fostering creativity and writing skills for young writers.

Where: Upper Beaconsfield Centre Cost: \$132 (incl. GST) per session

Led by: Mandy, Exper enced Writing Teacher Each 2-hour session offers a unique and engaging focus

- Week One Creative Writing: Spack imagination and storytelling as students craft their own short story to take home.
- Week Two Informative Writing: Build research and reporting skills while creating an information poster on a topic of their choice.

Students are grouped by age to ensure personalized instruction. Enrol in one session or both!

Boost Reading and Spelling Confidence!

Multisensory Structured Language (MSL) Sessions

Where: Olinds and Upper Beaconsfield Centres Cost: \$300 (incl. GST) for 4 hours across two sessions Led by: MSL Specialists Lauren (Olinda) & Olivia (Upper Beaconsfield)

- Reading & Spelling Skills: Learn spelling rules and concepts that support reading and spelling.

 Multiseasory Learning: Engages multiple learning pathways for enhanced memory and understanding.
- Tailored Instruction: Groups are adjusted weekly based on each child's learning needs.

Each child receives an MSL Workbook to continue learning

Pre-assessment required on 9th or 10th January to ensure placement in the most appropriate group. Enrol for one or multiple weeks and give your child the tools to succeed Enrol Nove!

Make Maths Hands on and Engaging!

Maths Sessions

Where: Olinda Centre Only

Cost: \$132 (incl. GST) per session Led by: Elizabeth, Experienced Numeracy Specialist

Each 2-hour session offers hands-on, open-ended activities tailored to all abilities. Choose from exciting themes:

Monday - Fractions Fan: Explore Tractions of a Google and Tractions of One' through period food-based play.
 Tracsday - Mutha Meets Act Use 20 shapes and measurement to create unique artwork.

Week Two

*Boomary — Staples and Next Louis and explain 2.0 Income.

*Toesday — Digital Maths Games: Sharpen quick maths skills (Addition, Subtraction, Division, Multiplication) with engaging digital games.

Each student receives a Maths Pencil Case to continue practicing at home!

Ensol in one session or as many as you like. Spaces are limited—Sign Up Today!

The Ranges Learning Centre | www.therangeslc.com.au 5/1526 Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd, Olinda | 1/49 Beaconsfield-Emerald Road, Upper Beaconsfield

Timetable Monday 13/1/25 - Friday 24/1/25

Monday 13/1	Tuesday 14/1	Wednesday 15/1	Thursday 16/1	Friday 17/1
School Readiness - Day 1 Group One 900sm - 1100sm Otinda Centre	School Readiness - Day 2 Group One 9:00am - 11:00am Olinda Centre	MSL Sessions - Day 1 Group One 900sm - 11:00sm Olinda Centre	MSL Sessions - Day 2 Group One 9:00am - 11:00am Olinda Centre	Creative Writing Group One Lower/Middle Primary 9:00am = 11:00am Upper Beaconsfield Centre
School Readiness - Day 1 Group Two 12:00pm - 2:00pm Otinda Centre	School Readiness - Day 2 Group Two 12:00pm - 2:00pm Olinda Centre	MSL Sessions - Day 1 Group Two 11:30am - 1:30pm Olinda Centre	MSL Sessions - Day 2 Group Two 11:30am - 1:30pm Olinda Centre	Creative Writing Group Two Middle/Upper Primary 11:30am - 1:30pm Upper Beaconsfield Centre
Maths: Fractions Early Primary 9:00sm - 11:00sm Olinda Centre	Mathic Art Early Primary 900am - 1100am Olinda Centre	MSL Sessions - Day 1 Group Three 200pm - 400pm Olinda Centre	MSL Sessions - Day 2 Group Three 2:00pm - 4:00pm Olinda Centre	Creative Writing Group Three Upper Primary/High School 2:00pm - 4:00pm Upper Beaconsfield Centre
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