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Key Diary Dates 2025

3pm Friday Assembly All Welcome

1st Term 2025 28th Jan to 4th Apr

25 Feb Whole school Photos by Schoolpix

6 to 7 Mar Bookfair

7 Mar Grandparents Day

10 Mar Labour Day Holiday

11 Mar School Council 7pm

12 to 20 Mar NAPLAN Grades 3 and 5

12 Mar Division Swimming

20 Mar Harmony Day

21 Mar Regional Swimming

21 Mar Curriculum Day No Students

23 Mar Sunday Repower Festival 11-4pm

26 March Student Leader Excursion

2 Apr Open Classrooms

4 Apr 2.30pm Early Finish—Last Day Term 1

2nd Term 22 Apr to 4th Jul

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20 February 2025

Breakfast Club Bonanza!

We've launched our Breakfast Club!

It has been wonderful to see so many children coming and enjoying breakfast, second breakfast, or snacks on Thursday mornings. Our fabulous crew of Gr 5/6 Breakfast Club Leaders prepare toast, cereal, help with set up and pack up and generally help the show run. We have some fantastic parent volunteers too, assisting the Leaders and all children.

All are welcome to Breakfast Club, which is run free of charge through Food Bank. We're looking to increase the number of time we run Breakfast Club, and will soon welcome volunteers from local community organisations, including the CWA, and Monbulk Cricket Club. If you're interested, contact Breakfast Club Leader Meg Fox at school, or pop in and see the magic in action! Through Food Bank we also have access to fresh fruit in the classroom, some lunch supplies, and can provide families with boxes of food for kids, free of charge. With the current cost of living pressures, anyone might need an extra hand for a bit. We're here to help! Come and check out Breakfast Club – we'd love to see you there!

Ramp Remediation works

A recent audit of Victorian school found many ramp were not compliant, including at Monbulk Primary School.

The Department is funding the remediation of ramps to ensure they are safe and compliant. The ramps being demolished and rebuilt are the long concrete ramp near the Shade Sails, the wooden ramp alongside the heritage building, and some minor works to the ramp leading from the senior building to the Shade Sails. Works are planned to be completed by early April.

District swimming Report

Pippa and Emmet both earned impressive 3rd place finishes in their age group for backstroke, with Pippa clocking in at 39.22 seconds and Emmet at 41.19 seconds. They also each triumphed in their freestyle heats, showcasing their versatility and skill. Ella shone brightly, securing 3rd place in both the freestyle and butterfly heats—an outstanding performance across the board. Jack's presence in the water was nothing short of powerful and graceful, with onlookers joking he must be part fish! He dominated his races, defeating his longtime rival Zephyr from The Patch in both freestyle (25.88) and butterfly (32.03). Jack will be advancing to the next stage in both events. The rest of our team—Em, Myla, Sadie, and Mila—gave their all, representing Monbulk with determination, supporting one another, and demonstrating excellent sportsmanship throughout the competition.

Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy and the Schools' Privacy Collection Notice.

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy <https://monbulkps.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/MPS-Photographing-Filming-and-Recording-Students-Policy-2024.pdf>, describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn. We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use Google Workspace for Education safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Google Workspace for Education, please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents](#).

Estelle Alder
Principal



District Swimming



Breakfast Club



MONBULK PRIMARY SCHOOL

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Tuesday, 25th February

Sibling orders must be placed prior to
8am on 25th February

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.

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**.

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Fundraising News

Parent Support Group

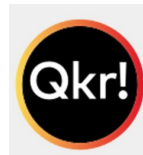
Please contact the office if you would like to join a great group of Parents raising funds for our children's educational needs. Your involvement in fundraising activities is always welcome.

Foody Friday Term 1

\$1 Icy poles will be on sale during term 1. Served at the SAKG window at the start of lunchtime by our wonderful parent volunteers. Thank you to Monbulk Woolworths for your generous donation.



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

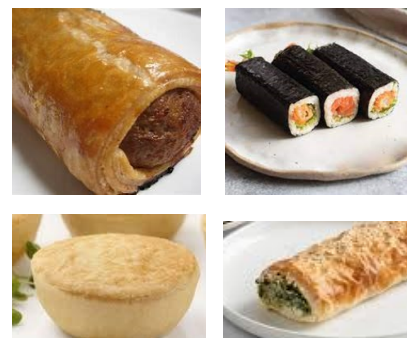
Sushi Vegetarian, Crispy Chicken or Tuna and Avocado Sushi Rolls \$5.50

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.**



Hats for Sale

For a limited time we have Monbulk Primary School Hats for sale at the office—\$12.30ea in sizes Small 55cm, Medium 57cm & Large 59cm.

Hats are also available to order online at <https://www.spartanschoolworld.com.au/collections/monbulk>

Free delivery to school on Thursdays



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.





A MAGICAL WORLD OF READING AWAITS AT THE MPS ENCHANTED FOREST BOOK FAIR

Discover a wonderful array of new books that let your imagination grow

The Book Fair will be held on:

Thursday 6th and Friday 7th March in the Music Room

Before School (8.40 – 9.30) Lunch (12.30 – 2) After School (3 – 4.30 Thurs only)

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

All profits raised will go towards reading resources within our school

EFT and cash payments welcome

All students have a chance to win a \$15 voucher to use at the Book Fair by entering the colouring competition during Art Class

You can also dress up in a touch of 'Enchanted Forest' on Friday 7th to celebrate

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



CAN YOU WEAVE SOME MAGIC IN OUR ENCHANTED FOREST?



MPS is looking for Book Fair Volunteers

Do you have some time you could volunteer to work at our book fair during the following periods?

DATES: Thursday 6th and Friday 7th March

TIMES: Before School (8.40 – 9.30)

Lunch (12.30 – 2.00)

After School (3.00 – 4.30 Thursday only)

Help with setup and closing is also needed – contact for times

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

CONTACT: Carly Seddon - 0417 007 646
or via MPS Socials

You can also leave your details and times you are free to help with Cathy at the office

Thanks for your support!





BREAKFAST CLUB!

FAMILY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Thursday mornings
- 8.30am-9.10am
- Helping out making toast and cereal!
- Where: School Kitchen

MESSAGE NOW

meg.fox@education.vic.gov.au


Volunteers for Kitchen Garden!

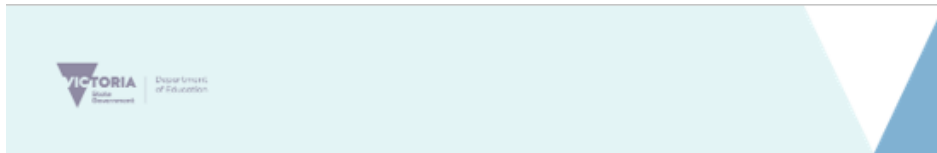
Are you or a family member keen to get hands on in the Kitchen and/or Garden this year?

Please get in touch with **Meg Fox** to kindly volunteer as a one off, fortnightly or weekly. There are no set commitments and you are welcome any time, just let Mrs Fox know in advance!

Volunteers must have a **Working with Children's Check**, let us know if you need help to apply for one easily!

Please see timetable below. Scan QR code or email Meg.Fox@education.vic.gov.au to sign up.

Thank you so much and cannot wait to meet with families in the Kitchen Garden!



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:

- \$154 for primary school students
- \$256 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download 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

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:
<https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund>



Community News



2025 Sierra Voices Primary Choir Monbulk



Join us! Weekly choir program for Grades 1-6 students. Learn how to sing in a fun environment, perform and create lasting friendships.

Term 1 - 2025
Tuesday 3:50pm
Location: Monbulk PS
1hr Program
\$15



Directed by Lilly Tunley
e:sierravoices.info@gmail.com

Groove Foundations Music School



Have you ever wanted to learn a musical instrument or singing?

Monbulk Primary's talented team of teachers offer private lessons for:

Drums 🥁 Piano 🎹 Guitar 🎸 Singing 🎤 Ukulele 🎸 Bass 🎸

To book your free trial lesson, contact Jordan at Groove Foundations.
Jordan Scotney - 0408 881 395 - groovefoundations@gmail.com



2025 Debutante Ball
SATURDAY 14th June 2025

Applications are now being accepted (closes 16th March)



For further information and to download an application form, go to www.emeraldrotary.org.au

BELGRAVE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

2025 PLAYERS WANTED

REGISTRATION DAY
23 FEBRUARY 2025
12PM - 3PM

VENUE CHANGE!

BBQ & MEET THE COACHES

Menzie's Creek Reserve - Black Hill Road, Menzie's Creek

AGES: UNDER 9 MIXED, UNDER 10 MIXED, UNDER 11 MIXED, UNDER 11 GIRLS, UNDER 12 MIXED, UNDER 13 MIXED, UNDER 13 GIRLS, UNDER 14 BOYS, UNDER 15 GIRLS, UNDER 16 BOYS, UNDER 17 GIRLS

Free shorts & socks for new players not previously registered with BJFC

Register for 2025

FOR QUERIES: belgravejfc@outreastfn.com.au

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SAT 29TH MARCH 2025

COMMUNITY GALA & EVENT

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