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Key Diary Dates 2025

3pm Friday Assembly All Welcome

1st Term 2025 28th Jan to 4th Apr

6 to 7 Mar Bookfair

6 to 7 Mar Smile Squad Fluoride

7 Mar Grandparents Day

7 Mar Early Assembly 2pm normal dismissal time of 3.30pm

10 Mar Labour Day Holiday

12 to 20 Mar NAPLAN Grades 3 & 5

12 Mar Division Swimming

17 Mar School Council 7pm

20 Mar Harmony Day

21 Mar Regional Swimming

21 Mar Curriculum Day No Students

23 Mar Sunday Repower Festival 11-4pm

25 Mar Gr5&6 Puberty Talk

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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Monbulk Primary School's Newsletter

6 March 2025

Disco Inferno!

Last Friday we had a brilliant time as the SRC put on the first Disco for the year. We were raising money for Camp Quality, who came and did a presentation earlier in the term about understanding cancer.

We had a great time dancing away to 80's classics, and rocked some great fashion!



Items to action on Compass and special announcements

- *SAKG taking donations of seeds, seedlings or cuttings for Winter fruit and vege crops
- *Complete the consent forms on Compass dashboard for Media and Local Walks
- * If Division swimmers qualify for Regional Swimming this will take place on our curriculum day. Qualifying students will be notified via Compass Event

Monbulk PS in the media!

You may be seeing Monbulk PS in the media.

The Star Newspaper group featured an article on our Future Monbulk project for the Repower Festival.

Students in Gr 5/6 have created a model of future Monbulk Main Rd, with working circuits and sustainable design in mind. It will be featured at the Repower Festival. You can see the article here

<https://lilydale.mailcommunity.com.au/2025/02/26/imagining-the-future-of-monbulk/>



Yarra Valley Water has also featured our new Sensory Garden project which is being constructed in front of the Heritage building.

You can see the article here.

<https://www.yvw.com.au/news-room/sensory-garden-help-students-flourish-thanks-yarra-valley-water-grant>

The \$10,000 grant will be used to turn an under-utilised area of the school grounds into a landscaped sanctuary featuring native plants.

“The new sensory garden will be a fantastic asset for the children of our school community, their siblings and families, and will especially benefit children who require some sensory respite,” said Monbulk Primary School principal Estelle Alder.

Yarra Valley Water’s General Manager Strategy and Community, Tiffany White, congratulated the school on their vision to transform an under-utilised part of their grounds.

“Monbulk Primary’s sensory garden project is such a clever and considered way to bring this corner of the school’s grounds back to life, creating a great space for both students and local wildlife, and bringing the community together to make it happen,” Ms White said.

Estelle Alder
Principal



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 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

Price Increase as of 10th March 2025 reflected below.

Sauce Satchels will now be sold separately

\$4.80 Sausage roll

\$2.50 Party Pie

\$5.30 Spinach Roll

\$0.40 Tomato Sauce Satchel

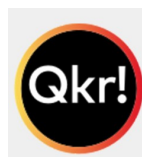
Sushi Vegetarian, Crispy Chicken or Tuna and Avocado Sushi Rolls \$5.50

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.**



Donations to the First Aid Room

From time to time our little ones may have a little toileting accident at school. We'd love some donations of new undies and 2nd hand leggings to stock up our spare supply of dry clothes for the students to change into. Clothing sizes 4 to 12 are most welcome. Feel free to drop any into the office at your convenience.

Might be an idea to keep a supply of clean clothes in your child's school bag in case of emergency!!

2nd Hand Uniform

Our secondhand uniform rack is overloaded!! If you're looking at stocking up your wardrobes come check out the rack in the first aid room. All items gold coin donation.

BYO Bag to take your goodies home



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!

Winter is coming!

Dear families, with Autumn here and Winter on the way, MPS are looking ahead to prepare our fruit and veg garden for Winter crops.

We are seeking donations of seeds, seedlings or cuttings from your garden if you have any to spare to help bulk up our garden beds for companion planting!

Herb and flower cuttings are also welcome.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. See Meg Fox or email Meg.Fox@education.vic.gov.au



Community News

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 Sierra Voices Primary Choir Monbulk

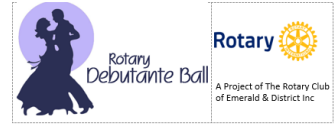


Join us! Weekly choir program for Grades 1-6 students. Learn how to sing in a fun environment, perform and create lasting friendships.

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



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



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



A fun family day focused on our sustainable future

Sunday 23 March
10am to 4pm

Monbulk Community Link & Monbulk Primary School
Main Road, Monbulk
repowerfestival.au



1925 2025
KALLISTA CENTENARY
SAT 29TH MARCH 2025
COMMUNITY GALA EVENT

PROUDLY FUNDED BY

SCAN NOW

ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNTRY FAIR

ARE YOU READY FOR 5 HOURS OF SERIOUS FUN?
SATURDAY 15TH MARCH 11-4PM

Unlimited Ride Wristband: Great Value - Unlimited access to all rides, animal attractions and photo booth **\$30**
On Day \$35

Individual Ride Tickets: Available on the day only **On Day \$7**

Rides open from 11-4

Pre-purchase via St Paul's School Office between 8.30 and 3.30 until Thursday 12th March



Terms & Conditions: Wristbands and Ride Tickets are valid on all rides, animal farms, 3D Cinema, Photo Booth, they are not refundable or transferable for cash. There will be no replacements for lost tickets or wristbands. Adults ride for free with a paying child.

FREE Bookaburra Story Time



Join the Bookaburra Volunteer story tellers for some favourite stories, songs and craft.

For children aged 0-5 years - No booking required, just come along.

Tuesdays 9:15am

Monbulk Reading Room
21 Main Street, Monbulk

For enquiries contact:
Yarra Ranges Council
earlyyears@yarraranges.vic.gov.au



SWITCHED ON FESTIVAL AND FAMILY DAY

SAME TIME, SAME PLACE AS THE REPOWER FESTIVAL.

SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY MARCH 23RD
10AM - 4PM
MONBULK COMMUNITY HUB
21 MAIN ROAD, MONBULK

MUSIC STAGE
BUSKERS STAGE
FOOD TRUCKS
BIKE AND BLEND SMOOTHIES
"ILLUMINATI" STREET PERFORMERS
FACE PAINTING
ELECTRIC GO-KARTS