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Key Diary Dates 2025

3pm Friday Assembly All Welcome

4th Term 6 Oct to 19 Dec

7,14,21,28 Nov 2026 Prep Transition

14 Nov Aaron Violi Assembly visit

18 Nov Prep-2 Healesville Sanctuary

24 Nov Gr 5&6 Surf Day

1 Dec Curriculum Day—No Students

2 Dec Volunteers Afternoon Tea 3pm

3-5 Dec Gr3&4 Phillip Island Camp

8 Dec School Council

8 Dec Gr6 Graduation Rehearsal at Monbulk Christian Fellowship 9am

9 Dec Step up Day Classes 2026

9 Dec 2026 Captains Speeches

9 Dec Grade 6 Graduation

Ceremony 5.45pm MCFellowship

Dinner 7.30pm Marybrooke Manor

12 Dec Colour Run

19 Dec Early finish 1.30pm Last Day

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Remembrance Day

This Tuesday we stopped to honor and remember all those who have fought in all wars. Due to the heavy rain we were unable to walk as a school to the Monbulk RSL. Instead, Student Leaders represented the school and attended the service at Monbulk RSL and laid a wreath. Student Leaders also stayed at school and read through the poem 'In Flanders Fields', and led the school in observing a minute's silence. I was so impressed with the respect that all students



Items to action on Compass and special announcements

- ♦ 2nd December—Volunteer Afternoon Tea 3pm in the staffroom
 - 19th November—Last chance to order your 2025 Yearbook/School Magazine

New Bell Times for Monbulk PS in 2026

Every four years government schools undertake a Review to analyse a school's performance and make recommendations regarding learning and school operations. One such recommendation has been around our bell times, including our starting and finishing time. I have consulted with staff, School Council and the department around our bell times, and the best model for MPS.

As a result, we will be altering our bell times to maximise learning, minimise transitions, and build deeper connection with students.

Beginning in 2026 our starting time will be 8.50am, and our finishing time 3.10pm. This brings us into alignment with other local schools and allows more time for families to meet after school commitments.

Calm Start	8.50-9		
Session 1	9-10		
Session 2	10-11		
Recess eating time	11-11.10		
Recess	11.10-11.40		
Session 3	11.40		
Session 4	12.40		
Lunch eating time	1.30		
Lunch	1.40-2.10		
Session 5	2.10-3.10		

Each day will begin at 8.50 with the classroom teacher who will lead a calm start and set up the day for students. We will then have five one-hour lessons, with a 30min recess and 30 min lunch. The reduced lunchtime reduces unstructured play, which many students find challenging.

The total amount of teaching time remains unchanged.

Morning yard duty will begin at 8.30am, and students should not be dropped off before this time. After school yard duty will finish at 3.25pm.

TheirCare will continue to provide care from 7am-8.50am, and from 3.10pm-6pm.

This shift in our school day will supports our learning and wellbeing goals for our students. If you have any questions, please me contact the school.

Estelle Alder Principal Monbulk Primary School

Volunteer Thank you Afternoon Tea 2nd December 2025 3pm Staffroom

Please join us in the Staffroom at 3pm, for an afternoon tea to celebrate and acknowledge all the volunteer help you've given to support Monbulk Primary School in 2025. Volunteers have helped in the classroom whether listening to the students read, Kitchen or Garden Class.

Volunteered at the Bookfair, Bookclub, Mother's and Father's Day Stall, Colour Run, Sports Days, Moana Production, Excursions and Camp helpers. Collected our Sushi and Sausage orders from Edison's Bakery and Ethans Kitchen, helped keep our yards clean and tidy and putting our recycling bins at the kerb. Foody Friday and BBQ Masters, last but not least the our School Council members.

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We appreciate the generosity of your time, running our fundraising events and helping in and around our classrooms. Thank you sincerely from all the staff and students of Monbulk Primary School.

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2025 Year Books—Cut off to order is 19 November 2025

2025 Year books will be finalized shortly. It's a fantastic keepsake full of photos of the events that took place in 2025 and the students class pages.

Available to purchase on QKR for \$13ea, QKR/Payments/Accessories/2025 Year book. 2025 Year books have been on sale since Nov 2024 as an additional option in the Curriculum Contribution payments. If you're not sure if you've already ordered your copy please contact the school office.



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.



Fundraising News

Come and Join the 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 for Term 4

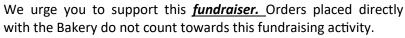
\$1 Icy poles will be on sale every Friday start of lunchtime. Served at the window of the SAKG (student kitchen) by our wonderful parent volunteers. Thank you again to Monbulk Woolworths for your generous donation of food.

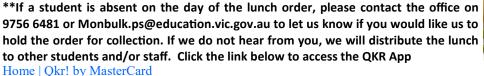


Tasty Tucker Thursdays

NB: Order by 9am Tuesday on the QKR app

<u>Every</u> Thursday at Monbulk Primary School tasty treats from Edison's Bakery and Ethans Kitchen are available to purchase via the QKR App. Lunch orders will be collected and delivered to the students classroom by 12.50pm each Thursday.















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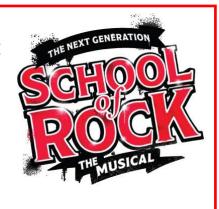
Community News



SCHOOL OF ROCK: The Musical **Final Week!**

The limited season will run at the National Theatre in St Kilda from November 1 to 9. Tickets are now on sale for SCHOOL OF ROCK THE MUSICAL at https://booktickets.com.au/ schoolofrock/

Come and see our very own Elliott Hayes playing the role of Billy along side a cast of wildly talented kids playing live on stage, School of Rock is bursting with energy, humour and heart. Dewey teaches his students to let loose, find their voices and stick it to the man — and they end up teaching him a thing or two along the way.







AT MONBULK PS

Drums 🎬 Piano 🎹 Guitar 🎸 Singing 🦻 Ukulele 🎶 Bass

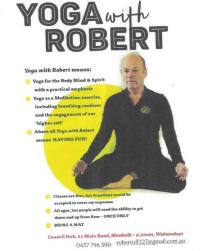






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PUFFING BILLY RAILWAY 30th November 2025 at Puffing Billy Station Gembrook Children 3-12 years running to benefit other children. Eastern Health Foundation

Lions Club of Melbourne Markets Inc. proudly presents...

2025 World Festival of Magic

The World Festival of Magic features world-class acts performing astonishing illusions, interactive maaic, and comedu. Providing relaxed theatre performances for children, young adults and families in Greater Melbourne.

Enjoy the "live performance" experience with a casual attitude to audience noise and movement in an accessible and inclusive environment, where you are welcomed and free to be yourself without restriction or judgement.

One hour shows. Suitable for all ages and accessible for people...

- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible)
- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment $when \ attending \ the \ theatre \ (sensory-friendly).$
- who are facing hardship.
- are without access or opportunity to live theatre.
- *Featuring moving and flashing lights, and upbeat, sometimes dramatic music.

ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.

*Bookings from organisations, staff, carers and families are all welcome.



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SHOW DATES	#1 SHOWTIME	#2 SHOWTIME	#3 SHOWTIME
SUNDAY, 23 RD NOVEMBER 2025	11.00 AM	1.30 PM	4.00 PM
MONDAY, 24 [™] NOVEMBER 2025	10.30 AM	12.30 PM	

To book tickets, please email your name, preferred showtime/s and ticket numbers to...

meredithnewman@showintent.com.au or call / text 0404-367-782

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Sunday 23rd November 2025 8:00am Meeting at Monbulk Main Oval Moores Rd



Family and friends are taking part in Walk4BrainCancer again this year, to raise money for brain cancer research and awareness.

Brain cancer kills more children than any other disease in Australia. Yet very little is known about its causes or how to treat it.

Please donate if you can and help find a cure for Bonnie and many others fighting this terrible disease.

Thank you so much for your support. Click on the link below for more information or to donate.

Kellie is Walking to Cure Brain Cancer!



