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ISSUE 2



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Key Diary Dates 2026

2.40pm Even weeks Friday Assembly
All Welcome

1st Term 27 Jan to 2 Apr

20 Feb Volunteer's Induction after school in the playground

24 Feb District Swimming-invited students

4 Mar Whole School Photos

5 & 6 Mar Book Fair

6 Mar Grandparents/Special Person Day Picnic and BBQ \$2 Sausages

9 Mar Labour Day Holiday

10 Mar Division Swimming-qualifying students

11 to 18 Mar NAPLAN Gr3 & Gr5

16 Mar School Council 7pm

19 Mar Harmony Day

20 Mar Curriculum Day - No Students

31 Mar Regional Swimming- Qualifying students

2 Apr Last Day Term 1 finish 3.10pm

2nd Term 20 Apr to 26 Jun

Camps

31 Aug to 2 Sep Gr5&6 Sovereign Hill

2 to 4 Dec Gr3&4 Forest Edge Camp

MPS Full of Fun Fair

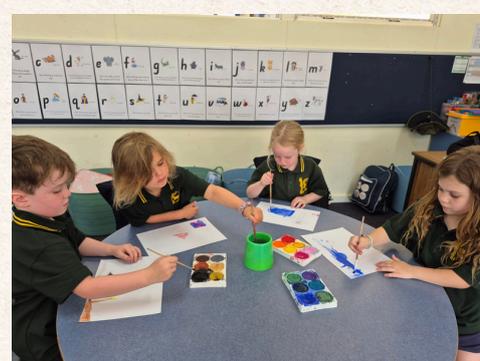
Sunday 22 November 2026

Welcome Preps!

We welcome our Preps for 2026, who have now started full time school.

Our Preps did a wonderful job settling in with their shorter days, discovering their classrooms and playing with their Grade 6 Buddies.

It was quite a sight to see our Prep students lining up on the big concrete ramp, and waving good bye to their loved ones as they started their formal schooling adventure!



Items to Action on Compass and Special Announcements

- Brekky Club every Wednesday and Friday 8.15am in the school kitchen
- Order your school photos with schoolpix - flyers went home last week
- Volunteer your time to help at the Book Fair 5 & 6 March

Monbulk Mix Up Launch!

Last Friday 13th February we had our very first Monbulk Mix Up. Students in Gr 1-Gr 5 were mixed into their House groups, with two classes per House. Student had a different teacher in a different room. The goal of Monbulk Mix Up is for all students to build broad and strong relationships with students and staff across the school. There were a few nerves as students moved into their new spaces, but everyone had fun getting to know each other and completing fun activities.

Monbulk Mix Up is held every second week, alternating with our Whole School Assembly on Friday afternoons.

Friendology Friend-o-Leaders

This week we launched our Friend-o-Leaders as part of our Friendology curriculum. Friendology empowers students with the friendship skills, and helps them identify and navigate 'Friendship[Fires', 'Mean-on-Purpose' behaviours, and helps them master their inner Ninja to be their own BFF. Our Friend-o-Leaders are Gr 5/6 students who volunteer to support other students in the yard, to help them navigate friendship issues, including Friendship Fires and Mean on Purpose behaviours.



Student Leader Badge Presentation

We were honoured to welcome Daniela DiMartino to present the leadership badges to our Student Leaders on Fri 6th Feb. The leaders did a wonderful job on their first assembly, speaking clearly and confidently and impressing their audience. Daniella spoke about the importance of being a leader, even if we're not wearing a badge.

Congratulations to our Student Leadership Team!



School Crossing Safety

The school crossings on Moores rd, Main St and David Hill Rd are there to keep you and your children safe when crossing the road. Please use them!! The Crossing guards have noticed an increasing number of pedestrians crossing the roads at dangerous intersections. Please take those extra few steps to stay safe and cross at the crossings.

Volunteers Induction - Tomorrow After School

20th February, Meet Estelle in the playground afterschool to find out about Volunteering at Monbulk Primary School

Estelle Alder

Principal

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.



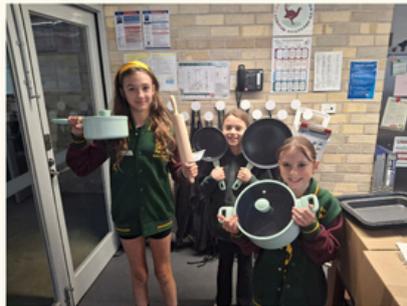
THANK YOU FROM SAKG KITCHEN

THANK YOU TO ALL THE FAMILIES WHO DONATED DURING THE 2025 COLOUR FUN RUN. WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PURCHASE SOME AMAZING AND QUALITY NEW COOKING MATERIALS FOR THE KITCHEN SUCH AS

- **POTS PANS PIZZA CUTTERS BLENDERS ELECTRIC WHISKS**
- **CHOPPING BOARDS ROLLING BINS DIGITAL SCALES MUFFIN TRAYS**
- **AND MUCH MORE**

STUDENTS HAVE BEEN EXCITED TO HELP UNBOX THESE ITEMS AND CANNOT WAIT TO START USING BETTER QUALITY EQUIPMENT IN THE KITCHEN.

THANK YOU EVERYONE
MEG FOX



Sustainability News

Our school Sustainability team is lead by Mrs. Lamport with the assistance of Miss Tan Sing, our Sustainability Captains, Emmaline Roberts and Emmett Clapham, as well as two other team members; Will Asling and Alice Holloway.

This year the team will be working on ways to continue reducing waste (rubbish) leaving our school and going to landfill. In doing so, we will not only be helping our environment and learning how to be more sustainable, but we will retain, for the third time, our Waste star as part of our rating as a 5 Star sustainable school.

Last year our school was shortlisted as one of three up for a Sustainability Victoria award in the category of School of the Year! You may recall that we didn't win that one but we were winners for being the only primary school in the state nominated, and we got to meet Costa! This year we hope to be shortlisted again for the awards in term 2.

Last year, the team worked on reducing the schools energy use. Just this week, we found out that our extensively documented work was reviewed and certified by Sustainability Victoria, meaning that we retained our Energy Star. Here is what the reviewer had to say about our work.

Comments from SV certifier

Dear team,

I'm pleased to inform you both, the Energy Module submitted by Monbulk Primary School has been successfully certified.

Well done Danielle for documenting all the great work Monbulk Primary School is doing to reduce energy use. We love seeing energy audits completed by students. There were some valuable observations made by students in the audits including identification of areas that could use signage as well as opportunities to switch to more efficient lighting.

We were also impressed by the learning story written and presented by students on the Repower festival.

Please pass on our congratulations to Daniele and the school community.

Keep up the great work Monbulk primary School!

From the Sustainability team

Danielle Lamport
Grade 5/6 Teacher
Sustainability Leader



MONBULK PRIMARY SCHOOL, MONBULK

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Wednesday, 4 March 2026

SIBLING ORDERS

must be placed prior to 8am on
Wednesday, 4 March 2026



Order at order.schoolpix.com.au

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?

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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.

Tasty Tucker Thursdays

Order by 9am Tuesday on the QKR app

Every Thursday at Monbulk Primary School tasty treats are delivered from Edison's Bakery and Ethans Kitchen. Purchase your lunch order via the QKR app by 9am on Tuesdays. Lunch orders will be collected and delivered to the students classroom by 1.30pm each Thursday.

We urge you to support this fundraiser. Orders placed directly with the Bakery do not count towards this fundraising activity.

**If a student is absent on the day of the lunch order, please contact the office on 9756 6481 or Monbulk.ps@education.vic.gov.au 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. Click the link below to access the QKR App and download it on your phone

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Foody Fridays - Back on for 2026

Thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers who have made this happen!!

Term 1 \$1 Icy poles sold at Kitchen window 1st half of lunchtime



Welcome VOLUNTEERS

We love our family volunteers!



Breakfast Club!

Help out by making toast and cereal!

Wed & Fri mornings
8:15-8:45am
SAKG Kitchen

Foody Friday

Serve Icy Poles, fruit and a winter warmer

Friday Lunchtime
1:40-2:10PM
SAKG Kitchen

What do I need?

All Volunteers need:

- a valid Working with Children's Card (free)
- to register their WWCC at the Front Office
- Complete the Volunteers OH&S Induction

Volunteers OH&S Induction is held at the start of every term.
Next Volunteer Induction:
Fri 20th Feb after school in the playground

SAKG Cooking Class

For Gr 3/4 and 5/6

Help in the Kitchen Garden class; chopping, slicing, dicing, stirring, tying aprons etc.

Every fortnight during the timetabled lesson

Contact Info

Front Office & Mrs Meg Fox

✉ email: meg.fox@education.vic.gov.au

☎ Office: 9756 6481

*TERM 1 BREAKFAST CLUB!

FAMILY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Starts Week 2 (4th feb)
- Wednesday and Friday Mornings
- 8.15am-8.45am
- Helping out making toast and cereal!
- Where: School Kitchen

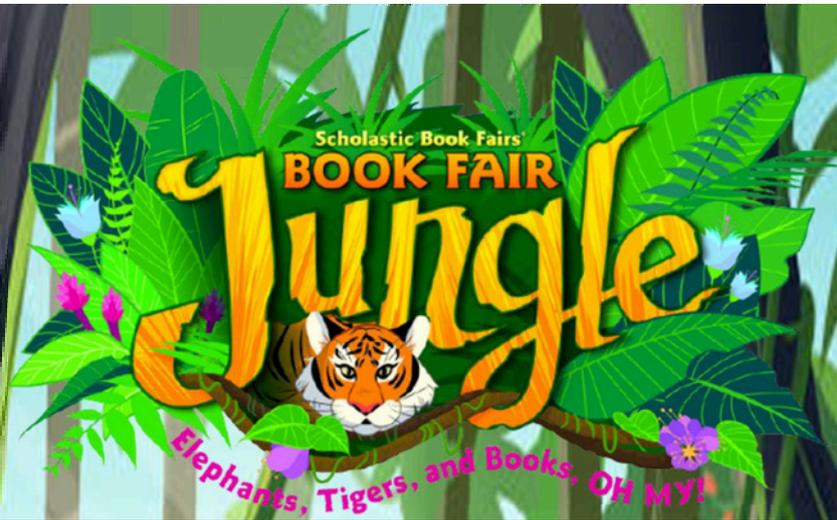
MESSAGE NOW

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HEAR THE ROAR OF BOOKS AT THE MPS BOOK FAIR JUNGLE

Swing into adventure and uncover a bounty of new books to unleash your wild side

The Book Fair will be held in the MusicRoom on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th March during the following times:

Thursday 5th March	Before School 8.30 – 9.00	Lunch 1.30 – 2.10	AfterSchool 3.10–4.00
Friday 6th March	Before School 8.30 – 9.00	Lunch 1.00 – 2.30	

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, Cash and Online Pre Payments Welcome

Enter the colouring competition during Art Class for a chance to win a \$15 Book Fair voucher

If you like wear a touch of 'Jungle Fever' on Friday 6th to celebrate

READ, EXPLORE AND ROAR

CAN YOU ADD SOME RUMBLE TO OUR BOOK FAIR JUNGLE ?

MPS needs Book Fair Volunteers!

Could you volunteer your time at our Jungle Book Fair during
any of the following periods?

Thursday 5th March	Before School 8.30 – 9.00	Lunch 1.30 – 2.10	AfterSchool 3.10–4.00
Friday 6th March	Before School 8.30 – 9.00	Lunch 1.00 – 2.30	

Help with setup and closing on Tuesday 3rd and Friday 6th 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
OR
MPS Office with your availability

COME UNLEASH YOUR INNER TARZAN AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Community News

Open Door Creative Kids Club

Ages: 8 - 14 years

\$5 per week

Sign Up Now!
Limited places

Join us for fun-filled afternoons of art & craft workshops, designed especially for young creators!

WEDNESDAYS
3:45 PM - 5:15 PM
Starting March 25th 2026

For more information collect flyer from the Open Door Op Shop

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REPOWER FESTIVAL

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- ✓ Family fun day

Sunday 22 March | 10am to 4pm
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HOBAN Recruitment

JOIN THE OLINDA BLOODS!

Under 8s Mixed | Under 9s Mixed | Under 10s Mixed | Under 12s Mixed | Under 12s Girls

Are you keen to have fun, make mates and play footy this season?
Come and be part of our friendly community team!

📍 Training at Olinda Green (Top Oval)

TRAINING TIMES	
Starting from 25th February	
✓ Team spirit	✓ Under 8s, 9s & 10s Mixed Wed 4:30 - 5:30
✓ Skills development	✓ Under 12s Mixed Wed 4:30 - 5:45
✓ Fun games & matches	✓ Under 12s Girls Thu 4:30 - 6:00 pm
✓ Great coaches and new friends	

No experience needed - everyone welcome!

GET IN TOUCH / REGISTER

📞 Call: 9751 0408
✉ Email: olindafnc@gmail.com

Register Online:
🌐 Visit www.playhq.com/afi/register/77353f

Be part of something special this footy season!

SAFE HOMES SUPPORT LEARNING

BECOME A FOSTER CARER

FREE ONLINE EVENT
19 FEB
12:30 PM - 1:20 PM

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