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ISSUE 3



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Key Diary Dates 2026

12.30pm 6/3/26 Special Assembly All Welcome

1st Term 27 Jan to 2 Apr

5 & 6 Mar Book Fair in Music Room

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

6 Mar Assembly 12.30pm

9 Mar Labour Day Holiday-No Students

10 Mar Division Swimming-qualifying students

11 to 18 Mar NAPLAN Gr3 & Gr5

16 Mar School Council 7pm

18 Mar Student Leader Excursion

19 Mar Harmony Day

20 Mar Curriculum Day - No Students

31 Mar Regional Swimming- Qualifying students

2 Apr Easter Raffle drawn

2 Apr Cross Country

2 Apr Special Assembly 12.40pm

2 Apr Last Day Term 1 finish 3.10pm

3 Apr Easter Good Friday Holiday

2nd Term 20 Apr to 26 Jun

20 Apr Curriculum Day - No Students

22 Apr Student Leaders ANZAC Dandy

24 Apr ANZAC Assembly

27 Apr to 1 May Open Week Daily tours

Camps

31 Aug to 2 Sep Gr5&6 Sovereign Hill

2 to 4 Dec Gr3&4 Forest Edge Camp

Book Fair

It's our Annual Book Fair! All funds raised go towards explaining our classroom libraries. A huge thank you to all of our volunteers, and especially to Carly Seddon for all of the organising of rosters, equipment, publicity. Without her hard work this wonderful event would not be possible. Carly has organised the Book Fair for a number of years, and will now be handing this on to another family. Thank you, Carly, for everything you have done for our students and our school!



MPS Full of Fun Fair

Sunday 22 November 2026

Items to Action on Compass and Special Announcements

- Brekky Club every Wednesday and Friday 8.15am in the school kitchen
- Visit the Book Fair 5 & 6th March in the Music Room see flyer inside for times
- Forgot to order your school photos?? No worries online orders still open

Shelter in Place Drill & Bushfire Safety

Last week we practiced our Shelter in Place Drill.

As a school on the Bushfire Risk Register we are required to practice this drill in Term 1. Our students did a wonderful job in coming in to the senior building calmly and quietly. The entire school was in place within 5 mins of the practice alarm being raised. As a school we may close when the rating is Extreme for the Yarra LGA. We will close when the rating is Catastrophic of the Central District.

This may be different to other local schools; families should always enact their own Bushfire Plan.

Possible Industrial Action Tues 24th March

The Australian Education Union (AEU) has flagged Tues March 24 for potential industrial action as teachers, education support staff and principals negotiate with the Government for our new agreement. As the lowest paid staff in Australia, we must advocate for our working conditions and to ensure our schools are resourced to meet the needs of our children and communities. This also helps us attract and retain our wonderful staff.

If industrial action goes ahead, most teachers and education support staff will be participating and there will be significant disruption to the school. A normal school day will not run.

If and when the industrial action is confirmed more information will be sent to families as soon as possible to assist with planning.



Grandparent/Special Person Day

- 11.45am Prep Families Tour of the classroom
- 12.00pm Gr1-Gr6 Families tour of the classroom
- 12.30pm Whole School Assembly
- 1.00pm BBQ \$2 Sausage in bread, Picnic, Bookfair open

Estelle Alder
Principal



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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.

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



Easter Raffle 2026 🐣🌸

We are now accepting Easter Basket donations at the school office! We welcome all Easter-themed contributions, including: Easter eggs and chocolates, Gift baskets and fillers

All donations can be dropped off at the school office.

💎 Raffle Tickets coming home soon, \$1 per ticket
Additional tickets will be available from the office
Please write your student's name and class on each ticket and return them, along with payment, to the school by 1 April 2026.

🏆 Prize Draw - Winners will be drawn on the last day of term, 2 April 2026, and prizes will be sent home with students. Thank you for your support - we appreciate our wonderful school community! 🌟



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.

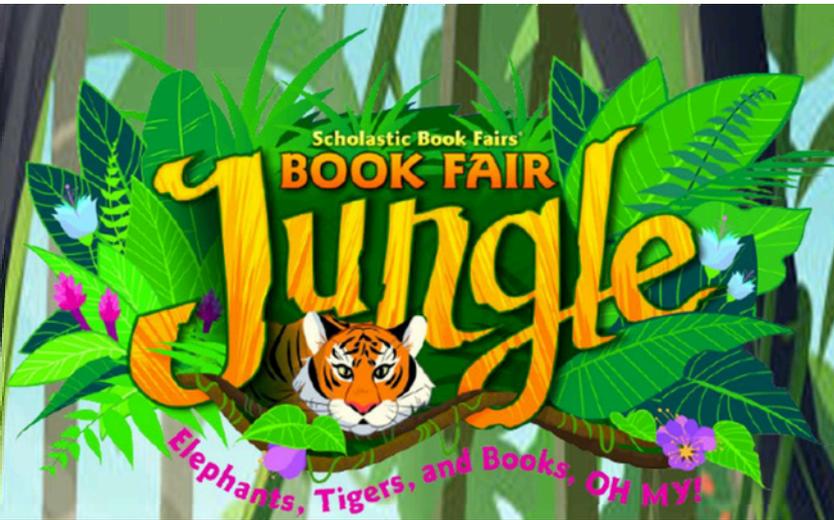
Every fortnight during the timetabled lesson

Contact Info

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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

Other News

Congratulations to the winners of the Book Fair Colouring Competition, Charli Grade 6, Jess Grade 5, Vivienne Grade 4, Harper grade 3, Taylor Grade 2, Bessie Grade 1 and Frankie Prep. All entries were fabulous and are on display at the Book Fair. I'm sure the winners will enjoy redeeming their \$15 vouchers at the Book Fair.



Huge thank you to Carly Seddon and team for your time setting everything up and running another amazing Book Fair.

Proceeds from the Fair will allow Monbulk Primary School to update the classroom libraries.



OPEN WEEK

27th April to 1st May 2026 Tours 9.30am Daily

28th April 2026 6pm Prep Parent Information Night

**2027
Enrolments
Now Open**



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
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Congratulations to Felix who competed in the Bendigo Cup Inline Hockey Tournament earlier this week



REPOWER FESTIVAL

- ✓ Save money
- ✓ Clean energy
- ✓ Family fun day

Sunday 22 March | 10am to 4pm
Civic Centre
15 Anderson Street Lilydale

repowerfestival.au

Young people and their families are encouraged to attend this year's Repower Festival to learn how renewable energy and sustainable initiatives will help Yarra Ranges become more resilient in the future. The day will include expert speakers, stallholders, food, entertainment, and a Schools Climate Exhibition featuring artwork from local school students addressing the theme 'What does a climate resilient Yarra Ranges look like to you in 2035?'

The festival is on Sunday 22 March, 10am to 4pm at the Civic Centre, Lilydale. Find out more at repowerfestival.au

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