



Thursday 16th November - House Sports

Thursday, 9th November 2017

TERM 4

WEEK 5

KEY DATES

NOVEMBER

Fri 10 Multicultural Day
Thu 16 House Sports

DECEMBER

Wed 6 Start Smart G 1-6 Banking
Thu 7 Start Smart G 1-6
Fri 8 Start Smart G 1-6

DECEMBER

Tue 12 Gd 6 Orientation Day for
Transitioning into high school
Tue 12 Preps - Meet your teacher
9.15 - 9.45am
Mon 18 Yr 6 Graduation
Wed 20 Mini Fete, 30th Anniversary
& Carols by Candlelight

Friday 22 - Term 4 Ends
1.30pm Dismissal



TERM DATES 2017

Term 4: 9 October to 22 Dec
6th November - Curriculum Day

TERM DATES 2018

Term 1: 30 January to 29 March

TIMETABLE

Drop off time from 8.45am
Classrooms open 8.50am
School commences 9.00am
Recess 11.00 - 11.30
Lunch 1.40 - 2.30
School Finishes 3.30pm

Principal's News

In 1918 the armistice that ended World War I came into force, bringing to an end four years of hostilities that saw 61,919 Australians die at sea, in the air, and on foreign soil. Few Australian families were left untouched by the events of World War I - 'the war to end all wars'. Most had lost a father, son, daughter, brother, sister or friend.

At 11am on the 11th of November we paused to remember the sacrifice of those men and women who have died or suffered in wars and conflicts and all those who have served to protect our country. This is an important ceremony that reminds us that the freedoms and prosperity that we enjoy as a nation have not come without a cost, and that we should be thankful to those who paid the price so that we may enjoy the wonders of this great country.

The Ode

*They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
We will remember them.*



This year, our students will come together in the school hall on Friday November 10th at 11am to mark the 2017 Remembrance Day service.

Lest we forget.

Principal's message continues pg 2:

Values: Motivated • Persistent • Successful Est. 1879

Facilities Update

As many would have noticed, we have relocated the large water tank from the community garden area to the bike shed next to the hall. In the not too distant future, the tank will be plumbed into the hall toilets, reducing our water usage and creating some significant cost savings over time which can be used to improve student amenities. The school is also currently in negotiation with the Department regarding our current toilet spaces. As we continue to grow, this will become more of an issue, so we are working towards a solution. We will keep families updated.

In addition, the new portable is nearing completion and we will hopefully be able to take ownership in around a fortnight's time. Following this, we will decant the Year 6's into the new spaces prior to relocating their current building to be face to face with the new structure. Over time, it is the intention of school council to in fill the space between the buildings, creating a Covered Outdoor Learning Area for our senior students. The decision to relocate the existing senior building did not come lightly, and took into consideration the cost of future covered ways to other possible sites, to the existing Year 6 site and it was apparent that having the two together would make greater sense from both an educational and a financial perspective. We look forward to our Year 5 and 6 students coming together in 2018.

Foundation Classes 2018

During our final Step Into Prep session for the year, our 2018 Foundation students met the 2018 teaching team. With the growth in the school, we have been able to create 4 small grades to assist our new students to transition into school life. The school is also going to be able to retain three small classes for Year 1 and 2 in 2018,

ensuring our average class sizes remain extremely low. Whilst we acknowledge that the full grades are still a work in progress, we are pleased to confirm that the Foundation teachers for 2018 will be:

- ◆ Ms. Janet Melnyk (Team Leader)
- ◆ Mrs. Kerry Batt
- ◆ Miss Le-Buu Ly
- ◆ Miss Erica Shaw

Final class groupings will be finalised over the next few weeks and Foundation parents will be notified as soon as possible. For the remaining grades, the process will take a little longer, however all students will meet their 2018 teacher on Thursday Dec 21st.

Motivated and Persistent Reading = Success

As I have mentioned previously, studies show that students who read for 67 minutes a day or longer will be achieving at the 98th percentile compared to their peers. Reading for enjoyment at home helps to achieve that target, but in doing so it also helps students develop their vocabulary, writing, comprehension, punctuation and grammar and many more skills. Reading is the key to everything in life and it is why we are working so hard to improve our practice as teachers in this area. By improving the consistency of our practice through the embedding of the CAFÉ reading program in every classroom and through professional learning, we are building a school culture where reading is highly valued and recognised for its lifelong benefits. As parents, you can help us by reinforcing the importance of reading and ensuring that your children are reading for enjoyment every day at home.

Reading at home and at school is to be enjoyed and treasured. Learning new facts, becoming engrossed in a story or escaping to a world of imagination are all great reasons to pick up a book. Of course, in the modern world, there's no reason why those books can't be on the iPad, if it helps improve **motivation** levels! By setting aside time every day, students will develop excellent habits that, through **persistence**, will have a large bearing on their lives. We are so lucky to be exposed to an excellent reading culture in Victoria and are considered to be amongst the world's best in this regard. I strongly urge all families to support reading within the home to ensure a **successful** future for every child.

Mini-Fete & Carols – Celebrating 30 Years at Gladeswood

On Wednesday December 20th, the school will celebrate our 30 years on our current site by combining our mini-fete and our carols evening. Mr. Leopold and the events team are currently working on a fantastic afternoon and evening that will include fete stalls, food, drinks, popcorn and ice-cream. The mini-fete will lead into the Christmas carols, enabling families to enjoy a casual atmosphere and enjoy the dulcet tones of our students. We welcome families to arrive and set out a picnic blanket in the front area of the courtyard or on the grass to the side, or some deck chairs to the back of the area (facing the Foundation building), as we celebrate the festive season and come together to enjoy the culmination of the school year. More information will come home soon, but please set the night aside in your calendars and we look forward to seeing a great turnout on Dec 20th.

Charles Spicer – Principal



School News

MULTICULTURAL DAY



Dear Families,

As part of KidsMatter this term, we are exploring different cultures and how they have influenced who we are today. To celebrate our cultural diversity at Mulgrave Primary School, we are having a Multicultural Day on Friday November 10th.

Students are encouraged to wear clothes that represent their culture, whether they are traditional, or country related colours.

Students are also invited to bring along a small plate of their favourite cultural food to share with their classmates. As we have numerous students at MPS who are at risk of anaphylaxis, we kindly ask that you avoid bringing food that contains nuts.

We look forward to seeing you proudly represent your cultural heritage on Multicultural Day!

Sincerely,

MPS Staff





TERM 4 - WEEK 3 AWARDS

Student of the Week Awards

Class	Name	Reason
PM	Anthony S	For trying hard with his writing.
1J	Ethan T	For such an improved attitude towards writing. Well done!
1S	Pano P	For his wonderful presentation about celebrations.
1W	Daniel B	For creating a great presentation about making pancakes!
2F	Jiniya K	For always trying her best to achieve great work.
2L	Rohan P	For his participation in class discussion and his enthusiasm in the Colour Fun Run.
3B	Risha P	For teaching our class Hindi and being patient with our learning
3J	Stanley R	For his wonderful enthusiasm in the colour run.
4E	Amanda S	For her wonderful contributions during topic discussions.
4T	Jack C	For making positive choices about his learning and working really hard. Well done!
5D	Samantha M	For her great work this week using order of operations to solve sums.
5H	Billy L	For his great spirit and endurance in the Colour Fun Run.
6L	Amelia B	For being a wonderful hard working and supportive classmate.
6P	Natashar D	For working hard to problem solve and continually improve her maths skills.



The KidsMatter awards are given to students who show courage in situations of adversity, show leadership skills in different ways around the school and show kindness and empathy towards all members of the Mulgrave Primary School Community.

Level	Name	Reason
Kids Matter Awards - Term 3, Week 8		
Junior School	Melanie D	For being a kind and caring friend during the Colour Fun Run.
Senior School	Theo E	For being friendly and helpful to younger students daunted by the Colour Fun Run.

TERM 4 - AWARDS

Specialist Awards - September 2017

Level	Name	Reason
Scientist of the Month		
Junior School	George F	For your hard work in science. You have worked well and have dealt with all challenges. Well-done and great job.
Middle School	Dean B	For your hard work and effort in science since you joined the class. Well-done and great job.
Senior School	Alex V	For always working hard in class and being a great member of science. Thanks for your help and work in class.
Artist of the Month		
Junior School	Yasmin D	For continuing to develop her painting skills and creating an outstanding self-portrait using her own colours and tones.
Middle School	Isabelle A	For creating a fantastic Picasso clay face and for understanding the cubism style.
Senior School	Josh K	For creating a fantastic miniature house and for his consistent and hard working attitude in Art class.
Performing Artist of the Month		
Junior School	Kobie P	For his energetic approach to every activity in Performing Arts, and his amusing weekly football predictions during the finals.
Middle School	Aliyah K	For her ability consistently step up and shine during every activity in Performing Arts.
Senior School	Mitchell K	For his thoughtful reflection on the production which stated that he learnt "you should get up and do what you love".

SCHOOL NEWS

Sick Bay Linen Roster - Term 4

Term 4 - 2017	
10TH NOVEMBER	HOLLY OAKES - 2F
17TH NOVEMBER	ANNE MCNEE - 1S
24TH NOVEMBER	LOUISE CZSOSNEK - 4T

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OUR SCHOOL FUNDRAISER...

Until now, bags for school lunch orders at the canteen have consisted of a paper bag that is generally used once and thrown away; contributing a considerable amount of paper waste into the environment.

In fact, a school with a population of 500 students will dispose of approximately 11,000 paper bags each year from the school canteen/tuck shop. Paper bags have no provision for money, are unstable and are prone to tearing when wet.

Say goodbye to paper lunch order bags.
We have the solution with our Reusable Lunch Order Bags!!

THE LUNCH WALLET... Available in 8 funky coloured edgings including an orange allergy alert edging



- Holds more food than brown paper bags.
- Sturdy flat base makes them easy to pack and stack.
- Dimensions: 23cm (height) x 18cm (width) x 10cm (depth).

- Folds conveniently to fit in every child's school bag.
- Extremely easy to wipe clean with a damp cloth.
- Hygienic zipper pocket to separate money from contact with food.

- Velcro tab secures Lunch Wallet in a closed position.
- Transparent pocket displays name and class.
- Clear pocket with zipper for money and written lunch order.

THE ALL ROUNDER... Available in 3 funky coloured edging



- Environmentally friendly and re-usable; contributing to a reduction in canteen paper waste.
- Like the Lunch Wallet, the All Rounder is also extremely easy to wipe clean with a damp cloth.
- Hygienic zipper pocket secures and separates money from contact with food.
- Clear pocket to display name and class.
- Insulated PEVA lining which keeps food and drinks cold and/or warm.
- The All Rounder has been designed for children to use everyday, whether they order their lunch from the canteen or bring it from home.



Let's get behind this exciting new way of ordering from the School canteen or bring lunch from home; the environmentally friendly way!!

Keep watch for your order form to be sent home soon.

You can visit the Stickybeaks website for more information and to print off your FREE name/class and order tags:

You can pick up a order form from the office.

School News

Mulgrave Primary School Shopping Trip Fundraiser 2017



Our 2017 Shopping Trip Fundraiser was held on Saturday the 28th October.

It was another successful day for the school. This year there were 29 shoppers who boarded the bus at 7am at the front of the school. Over the course of the day we visited 11 outlets and spent over \$12 000! Outlets included - Toys, Clothes, Shoes, Linen, Giftware, Kitchenware, Skin Care & Make Up and Nuts & Lollies.

Lunch this year was at a new location and we all enjoyed a sit down 2-course meal with a glass of wine.

The annual raffle held on the bus raised \$157. This in conjunction with the sales on the day has raised approximately \$1300 for the school.

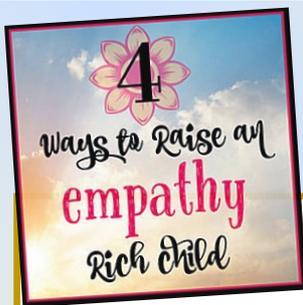
Thanks to all those who have supported the shopping trip fundraisers over the past few years.



A Huge THANK YOU to Julie Piening who has organised the shopping tour as an annual fundraiser for Mulgrave Primary School since 2012.

Over this time the event has raised approximately \$7000.00 for the school!

This was Julie's final year of organising the shopping trip and we would like to sincerely thank her for making such a valuable contribution to our fundraising over the past 6 years.



Foster empathy with these four strategies:

1. Validate a range of emotions.

If kids are to care about the feelings of others, they need to achieve self-awareness of their own feelings. Too often parents run in to fix things so that kids don't have to experience negative emotions, but this is a mistake. Negative emotions are part of life at every age and stage. Kids need to learn how to process and cope with *all* of their emotions, not just the good ones.

It's never too late to build an emotional vocabulary. I can't tell you how many adolescents flop down on my couch and struggle to process any emotions beyond mad, sad and happy. Life is full of ups and downs and one million shades of grey – discover and discuss every emotion that people encounter as often as possible. In validating a range of emotions, you help your child view others through a new lens.

2. Talk; don't shield.

The world can be a scary place and it's no big secret that the landscape of fear has changed for parents over time. School shootings, food allergies and cyberbullying are just a few things that worry parents these days. As a result, we tend to shield kids from sad stories as much as possible to preserve their Innocence.

The truth is that talking to kids about global issues and tragic stories actually opens the door to empathic thinking. When we hide the truth, we send the message that these things don't matter. When we engage in meaningful (and age appropriate) conversation, we plant the seeds of empathy.

3. Demonstrate empathy.

Sounds easy, right? The problem is that in this culture of busy, it's difficult to slow down and focus on things like kindness and empathy. When we are always on the go, and probably sleep deprived to some degree, we are short on time and patience.

The key to raising empathic kids is to show empathy in your parenting and out in the world. Stay calm when you encounter a frustrating parenting moment. Take the time to process your emotions and triggers before you react to model emotional regulation to your kids. Consider their triggers before you respond in anger.

Demonstrating empathy in our day-to-day lives helps kids develop an internal sense of right and wrong.

4. Take action.

As difficult as it can feel to take on one more thing, volunteering to help others is a great way to instill empathy in your children. Think small. Help carry groceries or rake leaves for an elderly neighbor, for example. Building community connections and providing first person help encourages kids to become change makers.

Last week an envelope containing two dollars with the words "pay it forward" came home in Riley's homework packet. The goal was to give money to someone in need and then write about how it felt to help someone. She chose to pay it forward to a homeless man who often greets us near our grocery store. With a huge smile she walked right up to him, chatted for a few moments and then returned to me. "Let's do that again", she whispered, as she buckled her booster seat.

The man approached me as I returned the grocery cart. "Your daughter put a smile on my face today," he said, "You have one kind little girl."

Score one for empathy.

ARTICLE BY - Katie Hurley



Extend OSHC at MGPS

Hi Everyone,

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable extra-long weekend!

Over the last couple of weeks the children participated in several activities to excel their developmental skills. In art and craft, we made a beautiful picture of Koi Japanese fish, which are now displayed, on our office wall. We also made colourful flowers with tissue paper. In another art activity, we learnt to do spiral embroidery. We also made Magical Spheres and butterflies with clay. For Halloween we made haunted house and our sensory pots were full of surprises, everyone enjoyed sleuthing them. Our master chef made yummy pasta salad with colourful vegies. In science, our detectives made every possible safe move to cross the secret maze. On Friday, we learnt Hindi alphabet during our specialist language session, this will be held every Friday to provide children an opportunity to learn another language.

Beside these activities we played several physically active games including: Marco polo, long jump challenge, dooms and dishes, touch the cone challenge, camouflage dodge ball, farmer Sam and many more.

Kind regards

Meena

Our Extend Superstar are:

Matthew H

For remembering Hindi Alphabet, well done Matthew!

The Program activities for next week are:

Monday 13th of November : Cooking: Bruschetta

Tuesday 14th of November : Messy art

Wednesday 15th of November: Theme Park

Thursday 16th of November: High Jump Challenge

Friday 17th of November: Hindi Language/ Badminton challenge

Share Kindness Project

We have some exciting news, during the month of November all Extend services across Australia will participate in the Share Kindness Project.

The Share Kindness Project encourages children, their families and the school community to perform acts of kindness. It is based on individual, family-based and also community-based acts of kindness (proven with a photos).

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'Kindness Credits' are raised according to the below scale:

INDIVIDUAL acts = 1 kindness credit

FAMILY-based acts = 5 kindness credits

COMMUNITY-based acts = 10 kindness credits

The Extend program that raises the most Kindness Credits (measured against service attendances) will win \$1000 towards their chosen charity!

If you are carrying out any of the above, please take photos and send them to the service email so your service can receive kindness credits.

For more information visit Extend's website: extend.com.au

To check out the daily schedule, visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal.

January Holiday Program Starts From **Monday 8 January - Thursday 25 January 2018**

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Girls can join the fun and play cricket with their friends in an active and competitive environment.

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Girls of all ages interested in giving cricket a go, we are having a COME AND TRY day, where you can play some games and learn basic skills.

Mulgrave Cricket Club
Mulgrave Reserve, Garnett Road, Mulgrave
Friday 24th Nov, 2017 starting 5.30pm followed by a FREE BBQ.
RSVP your attendance by email to mulgravejcc@mail.com

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To commence lessons for your child in 2017, please complete our enrolment form online at www.wonnies.com.au or contact our office.



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