

Thursday 28th April 2016

Diary dates

April 26-29Year 5/6 CampWed May 4Mothers' Day StallThu May 4Graffiti program Yrs 5 & 6May 10-12NAPLAN Years 3 & 5Mon May 16Extend ASC Curric Day close off dateTue May 17UNSW Digital Technology TestingMon May 23Curriculum Day

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Tue May 31	UNSW Science Testing
Thu June 2	School Tour 2017 preps 9.15am

Term Dates 2016

T2 ends 24th June T3 begins 11th July T3 ends 16th September T4 begins 3rd October T4 ends 20th December

Curriculum Day – Monday 23rd May

Principal News

Hopefully everyone has enjoyed a beautiful long weekend. The weather was excellent for outdoor activities. We waved our campers off on the buses as they left for school camp on Tuesday. There was much excitement. Students will be participating in a wide range of terrific activities whilst away but most of all, they will learn skills of independence and how to take responsibility for themselves and interact with their peers. We often notice a huge difference in how individual students have developed once they return from camp. Thank you to staff members who are working 24/7 during the four camp days. We appreciate their commitment and giving up of their personal family time.

NO ASSEMBLY ON FRIDAY 29TH APRIL – Please note that there will be no assembly tomorrow due to our campers arriving back at this time.

NAPLAN ASSESSMENT- Our year 3 and year 5 students will be participating in the annual NAPLAN assessments on May 10th, 11th and 12th.

SCHOOL SECURITY AND STUDENT SAFETY – Following a recent incident at a Blackburn primary school, the Department of Education distributed a letter to all parents which we forwarded on to you last week. Parents should be assured that student safety is of the utmost importance to us. Although we have sound processes already in place, we are continuing to evaluate these and further improve procedures where possible. Unfortunately, gates cannot be closed during the day, as we have a continual stream of couriers, deliveries and parents coming and going all day. All visitors must sign in and out at the office. All classroom helpers, presenters, cleaners etc. have a registered Working With Children Check. School leadership teams will be sharing ideas and strategies with each other, to ensure that we maximise the level of precautions that we take in our schools.

GRAFFITI EDUCATION PROGRAM – Our year 5 and 6 students have been lucky enough to be offered a free graffiti education program sponsored by the City of Monash. Students will participate in this session on Thursday 5th May. The session will inform students of this highly destructive problem which affects the entire community. It has damaging economic, social and environmental consequences and costs many millions of dollars each year to police and clean up.

Did you know?

- Marking property without an owner's consent carries a jail term of up to 2 years and a fine of up to \$34,646
- Carrying a spray can while on or near public transport property carries a fine of up to \$3,609 or an on-the-spot fine of up to \$722

We look forward to learning much more about graffiti prevention in our local environment.

SCHOOL CARPARKS AND PARKING OFFICERS – The majority of parents and visitors to our school adhere to the strict car parking restrictions that we have in place and we thank you for this. Unfortunately, we still have some parents driving into the car parks, parking across the entries and dropping children off at car park gates which requires them to walk through the car park. Parents must drop children off in a safe spot, enabling them to walk to and enter one of our four pedestrian gates. We do not have a 'drop-off' zone within our school grounds. Our staff and visiting personnel are entering and leaving throughout the day. Parents who continue to disregard our school policy may receive a letter from School Council as we are



currently monitoring the situation to ensure our students are safe at all times. Monash Council parking officers have been regularly patrolling the streets around the school and have been issuing fines to parents for speeding, making U-turns outside of the school and inappropriate parking.

SCHOOL TOUR Thursday 28th April – Today we had a large group of interested parents visit our school for a school tour. Enrolment trends are still on the increase with lots of families keen to enrol or transfer into our school community. This is testament to the great work being done in the school, as well as the positive community environment that you as parents create. Enrolments are now being taken for 2017. If you have a child due to start school next year, please collect an enrolment pack from the school office.

MOTHERS' DAY STALL – WEDNESDAY 4TH MAY – Our annual Mother's Day stall will be held on Wednesday 4th May. We have been able to source a wide range of gifts to offer students this year. Presents will generally be in the range of \$1 to \$5. Students might like to save their pocket money for the stall next week!

CURRICULUM DAY – EXTEND SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM – SUBJECT TO MINIMUM NUMBERS - Please note there will be a Pupil Free Day on Monday 23rd May at Mulgrave Primary School. Extend will offer a full day service on this day subject to minimum bookings of 12.

Operating hours: 7:00 AM-6:00 PM

Fees: \$60.00

After child care entitlements are applied, including the non-income tested 50% Child Care Rebate you pay between \$8.95-\$30.00. If you would like to book in for this full day service, please book online at <u>extend.com.au</u>. As minimum bookings are required for the service to run, there are strictly no refunds or cancellations on Pupil Free Day bookings.

Booking close: Monday 16 May - Parents who book in will be notified by EXTEND on this day by close of business.

Liz Watkins – Principal Having an enjoyable weekend everyone!

PRINCIPAL PROBLEM SOLVER

A creative challenge for you this week!! Design a Mother's Day card that includes a nice message. Please hand this into the school office. Happy designing!!

Congratulations to: Samson T - ANZAC acronym means Australia and New Zealand Army Corps



CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

\$125 for primary school students

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

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Extend OSHC at MPS

Hello everyone,



Over the last couple of weeks the children have been engaged in many exciting activities to enhance their skills in all their developmental areas. During art and craft many children participated in leaf art and created lots of beautiful pieces of work, which has displayed in the middle room.

Story time with Lillian from Wheelers Hill library was both educational and entertaining. Lillian read an assortment of books relating to emotions and social skills. Our master chefs made yummy milk cake (Indian delight) that everyone loved. Many children also participated in designing facial expression on fresh fruit. Our puzzle contest was fantastic. We worked in 4 groups, all groups worked collaboratively and did an outstanding job in solving the puzzles within the time frame. Our scavenger hunt activity gave them the opportunity to learn to read a map accurately. Molly's and Faiza's fashion show was great and really well organised. The girls made sure everyone has ticket to enter the venue and the sitting arrangement varied according to the ticket pricing. The girls did a fantastic job with modelling and designing French style trendy dresses for different occasions. Well done girls for organizing such a fantastic show!

Apart these activities we enjoyed many other physical activities such as; pinball, number soccer, cops and robbers, line tiggy, parachute games, dodge ball, cricket, 40-40 and outdoor play. We also enjoyed building with magnetic blocks, play dough exploring, drawing and building with lego, uno and heads down thumb up were also popular games.

Kind Regards Meena

Our Extend Superstar is... Jerzey W for doing her best at the activities and also being a really good listener. We loved getting to know you!

Our Extend superstar is... CJ for always being helpful and respectful towards others. Well done CJ, keep up the good work!

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The Program activities for next week are:

Monday 2nd May Art and craft: Mothers' Day craft

Tuesday 3rd May Savoury muffins

Wednesday 4th May Cricket

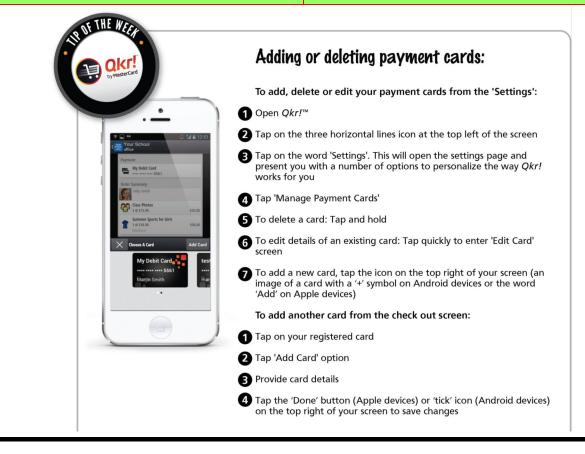
Thursday 5th May Soccer

Friday 6th May Map drawing

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Sarah Munnings
Joy Singh
Louise Czosnek
Yeva Manukyan
Joanna Tartaglia
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