



**Thursday
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MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Diary dates

Fri 16th October	Loud Shirt Day
Thur 22nd October	Step Into Prep Session 11.30am-12.30
Sat 24th Oct	Shopping Tour Fundraiser
Tues 3rd Nov	Public Holiday
Tue 10th Nov	House Sports
Thu 12th Nov	Step Into Prep 11.30am—12.30

Mon 16th Nov	Curriculum Day
Wed 18th Nov	2016 Prep Information Session for parents 6.30pm
Wed 25th Nov	Prep Zoo Excursion
Tue 8th Dec	Step Into Prep 9.30-12noon
Fri 18th Dec	End of Term 4
Thu 28th Jan	School begins for 2016

Principal News

Welcome back to term four everyone. I hope children are well rested and ready for the last term of the school year. I thoroughly enjoyed my holiday with family in Scotland but am very happy to be back with the school community at Mulgrave Primary. The school is looking fantastic. Thanks to those involved in establishing our recent new garden beds. We will continue with our beautification program and complete some other areas this term.

A huge thank you is extended to Mr. Stuart Hattwell who performed the Principal role while I was on holiday. Stuart has done an excellent job and has been able to gain new experiences and challenges in the many facets of the role during this time.



Term four tends to be one of the busiest and quickest terms of the school year. We will be finalising our new Prep student enrolments for 2016 and farewelling our year 6 students as they move on to the next phase of their education. To assist us with our planning for 2016, we encourage parents to inform us if they intend to transfer out of the school for any reason. We are aware of a couple of families who will be moving house out of the area and out of Australia. Our enrolment growth over the past seven years has been steady and will continue in 2016. It's important that we are able to plan the school structure for next year as accurately as we can, to ensure a smooth start to the school year in January 2016.

Listed below are some dates for next year that you may like to have –

2016 Victorian School Term Dates (correct at time of publication)

Term One – Thursday 28th January to Thursday 24th March

Term Two – Monday 11th April to Friday 24th June

Term Three – Monday 11th July to Friday 16th September

Term Four – Monday 3rd October to Tuesday 20th December

Public Holidays

Labour Day – Monday 7th March

ANZAC Day – Monday 25th April

Queen's Birthday holiday – Monday 13th June

Melbourne Cup Day – Tuesday 1st November



***School Curriculum days have not yet been set. The first date is Wednesday 27th January when **only teachers attend school**. A further 3 dates will be set based on the school and professional needs of teachers and Department of Education priorities and initiatives.

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VICTORIA – THE EDUCATION STATE - There have been some recent government initiatives announced which are intended to improve student access to the best educational opportunities possible. At the end of September, the Victorian government made a commitment to establishing Victoria as the 'Education State'. This 'public guarantee' intends to improve outcomes for every student, in every classroom, in every school and in all communities. Included in the framework recently launched, are new targets relating to literacy, numeracy and scientific literacy and extend also to cover excellence in the arts, critical and creative thinking, physical activity and resilience, as well as more adequately supporting disadvantaged students. There is an undertaking to provide more support for schools and strengthened regional support for Principals and teaching staff. The school funding model has been

revised and many schools, particularly secondary colleges, have attracted a substantial increase in their budget to support students who are behind their peer group educationally. Mulgrave Primary School will receive a moderate amount of additional funding only, similar to our current budget. School Principals have been requested to attend a series of briefings in the next couple of weeks to provide us with more information on the new framework for next year. Parents are invited to read much more about The Education State and funding by visiting www.education.vic.edu.au.



HATS HATS HATS - Parents are reminded that hats are compulsory for all students in terms one and four in line with our Sunsmart Policy. Please assist us in keeping children protected by ensuring that your child has a 'named' hat at school each day.

Parent Spot – Lunches - Today's Parent Spot provides a very good link to some great ideas and tips for your child's lunch box now that the weather is improving.

- <https://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au> (You can follow the hyperlinks on your electronic copy of the newsletter!)

Tips for you when preparing lunches for children -



Be creative!

A healthy lunch keeps active kids alert and focused and gives them the nutrition they need every day. But no matter how healthy your child's lunch box is, it won't provide any nutritional value if it doesn't get eaten!

Choose from a variety of food types: fruit and vegetables, starchy food, protein and dairy - [What to put in the lunch box.](#)

Don't forget the **WATER!**

Practical ideas to keep your lunch box not only tasty but safe. Click [here](#) for details.

Check out these great lunch box recipes and ideas -

[our own Kid-Friendly recipes](#)

[Mum's United Lunchbox Lifesavers](#)

[Packing a healthy lunchbox](#)

[Easy lunch and snack ideas](#)

[Lunch box tips](#)

And some tips for [when it just isn't working.](#)

Source: adapted from Lunch box tips, Better Health Channel, Victoria (see links below).

Have a terrific weekend everyone and hopefully the great weather will continue!

Liz Watkins – Principal

PRINCIPAL PROBLEM SOLVER

Which team won the 2015 AFL Grand Final and what was the name of the team's Coach?

Answer is: _____

Student's Name: _____



WANTED FOR THE ART ROOM

If you have any spare egg cartons can you please drop them off at the art room. Thank you to everyone who has dropped off newspapers, we currently have enough stock.



Student of the Week Awards – Week 9

Class	Name	Reason
PA	Isaak D	For improving his concentration during work time.
1WB	Sienna R	For always working hard and achieving excellent results in reading, writing and maths.
2W	Harley I	For his improved work in writing.
3/ 4 H	Hannah R	For trying new things at the Venomous Creatures Incursion.
3/ 4 L	Aria M	For demonstrating a more responsible approach to his school work.
3/4S	Delphi M	For sharing her experience and knowledge about her pet lizard with the class.
5T	Filip K	For his efforts in writing and Maths probability activities.
6M	Christian F	For maintaining a strong work ethic when working with others.
6L	MeiLing H	For working hard in writing and producing great quality work.



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
Kids Matter Awards – Term 3, Week 9	
Junior School	Levi T
Senior School	Christopher H

**A MESSAGE REGARDING CANTEEN LUNCH
ORDERS
MEAT LOVERS PIZZAS ARE NO LONGER
AVAILABLE AS THE ITEM HAS BEEN
DISCONTINUED.**



Parent Update

Extend OSHC at

Mulgrave Primary School

Hello everyone

I can't believe we are already in term 4! I hope everyone had a nice rejuvenating break and ready for the busy term ahead. Over the coming weeks we have packed in many exciting activities, starting this week with wax painting, a science experiment, physical games and a police visit on Tuesday; where the constable will discuss safety with children.

Our next week planned activities are:

Next week's activities

Monday: 12th of October:

Spoon Race

Tuesday: 13th of October:

Orienteering

Wednesday: 14th of October:

Flower making/ Science experiment

Thursday: 15th of October:

Cooking Rainbow cup cakes

Friday: 17th of October:

Hang man and other games

Kind Regards

Meena

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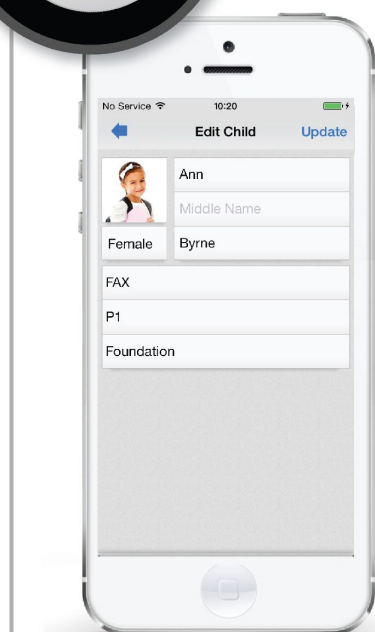
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TERM FOUR

Friday, October 16	Rachael Kasap
Friday, October 23	Julie Piening
Friday, October 30	Sarah Munnings
Friday, November 6	Louise Czosnek
Friday, November 13	Maria Ulas
Friday, November 20	Victoria McIvor
Friday, November 27	Janet Pillai
Friday, December 4	Joy Singh
Friday, December 11	Sharon Krause
Friday, December 18	Joanna Tartaglia



How do I add or update a photo of my child on the Qkr! app?

If you wish to add a photo of your child or if you have previously added a photo of your child and now wish to replace it with a different photo:

- 1 Sign into your Qkr!™ account and select any school menu
- 2 You will see a screen displaying your child's details and asking you to 'Select a Child'. Tap on the icon on the top right of your screen (three vertical dots on Android devices or a box with an arrow on Apple devices)
- 3 Tap 'Manage Children'
- 4 Tap the child whose details you wish to edit
- 5 You can either select an existing photo from the gallery then tap DONE, or take a photo on your phone then tap DONE.
- 6 Tap the 'Done' button (Apple devices) or 'tick' icon (Android devices) on the top right of your screen to save changes

Loud Shirt School Fundraiser

Friday 16th October 2015

Loud Shirt Day is a positive fundraising campaign that will help the First Voice Centres give deaf children sound and speech. Our support will open doors to better educate hearing impaired children, improve social integration with the hearing world and the chance to contribute to their community.

On Friday 16th October, students are invited to wear their loudest shirt. It could be stripes, florals, polka dots or paisley pattern, as long as your clothes have colour and pizzazz, it will be perfect for Loud Shirt Day.

A one dollar donation is required on the day.

Coordinated by our
Junior School Council
Mulgrave Primary School



PARENTING ADOLESCENTS 10 - 15 YEARS

Parenting Adolescents is a program for parents of young people aged 10-15 years of age. Over 5 weeks the program will cover a number of topics including:

- Understanding adolescent development
- Setting boundaries & limits
- Consequences
- Strategies to deal with adolescent behaviours
- Respectful communication
- Problem solving
- Anger
- Self care

In addition to these topic areas, the program will give parents the opportunity to share their experiences and learn from each other.

When:

5, 12, 19, 26 November & 3 December 2015

Time:

Thursdays 7pm - 9.30pm

Where:

Monash Youth and Family Services
14 Bogong Avenue,
Glen Waverley.

There is no fee but bookings are essential as places are limited. To book call Libby or Emily at MYFS on 9518 3900



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