



**Thursday
17th March 2016**

MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Diary dates

Mar 15-24 Swimming program Prep - Yr 4
Mon Mar 21—UNSW assessment entries due
Wed Mar 23 Easter Raffle Drawn
Wed Mar 23 Easter Hat Parade 2.30pm
Thu March 24 Term 1 ends
Mon April 11 Term 2 begins

April 26-29
Thu Apr 28

Year 5/6 Camp
School Tour 2017 preps 9.15am



Don't forget to return your raffle tickets and donations for our hampers by Tuesday 22nd March, the raffle will be drawn on 23rd March at our Easter Hat Parade.

**Last day of term one
Thursday 24th March—2.30pm finish**

Acting Principal News

First term is quickly coming to a close and hopefully there are still a few good weeks of weather left for families to enjoy over the term break. It has been a busy, but productive term with teachers and students working hard to establish routines, develop learning goals and work on core curriculum content as well as lots of social and emotional learning. Thank you to all our parent helpers who have assisted in the school this term. Your input is most valuable.

School Photos

Our school photo day was most successful and we are in the process of finalizing the details for the printers. It is anticipated that your child's photos will be sent home early next term. If you would like to place any late orders, please contact the photographers directly on 9570 9311.

Student Banking Sign up

We had a number of new families sign up for the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program for students last week. The School Banking program provides children with an opportunity to deposit money into their Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week.

To encourage regular savings behaviour, the program offers an exciting Rewards Program. Every deposit earns your child a Dollarmite token, and once they've collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child, but were unable to attend the sign up day, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from the school office.

Swimming

The school swimming program is progressing well with students enjoying a range of activities to further both their swimming abilities and also their knowledge of water safety. Thank you for the support of all our families who are involved in this valuable program.

Staff News

We are very happy to share the news that Mrs Lauren Hay announced the arrival of her new baby daughter - Arianne Grace Hay on Friday the 4th of March. Lauren, Daniel, big sister Tahlia and Arianne are now enjoying some quality family time while Lauren is on leave.



Over the long weekend, Miss Louise Mills was married to her partner Stephen Jarvis in what was a beautiful ceremony and a wonderful celebration of the start of their new married life together. We wish them every happiness.

2016-2017 Prep Transition Program – Currently we are already showing a number of families around the school with a view to enrolling at Mulgrave Primary School in 2017. If you would like to participate in this program or know some friends or relatives who have children coming to school next year, the following dates may be of interest to you :-

SCHOOL TOUR DATES in 2016– Thursday 28th April, Thursday 2nd June, Thursday 21st July

“Step Into Prep” Transition visits for prep students coming to school in 2017 –

- Wednesday 27th July 9.15 – 10.15
- Wednesday 24th August – 9.15 – 10.15
- Wednesday 12th October – 9.15 – 10.15
- Wednesday 9th November 9.15 – 11.00

Free Dental Checkup

Link Health and Community will be providing free dental checkups to Mulgrave Primary students in Term 2 from Monday 11th April. If you would like your child to receive this free checkup please ensure you have handed in the consent form that was sent home (spare forms are available at the office). Additional information was provided in our previous newsletter.

Easter Hat Parade

Our annual Easter Hat Parade will be held next Wednesday, March 23rd at 2.30pm. Our Easter raffle will also be drawn at the parade. Please ensure that you have returned your tickets before this time. Please come along and enjoy the parade and the many wonderful creations that will be on display.

Last day of term

Thursday the 24th of March is the last day of term. School will finish at 2.30pm, After School Care is available for those in need but bookings are essential. Please contact Extend to book.

Due to the early finish, there will be no assembly this day.

Students will have an early lunch at 1.00pm and lunch orders will still be available.

Term 2 commences on Monday April 11th.

We wish all our families a safe and Happy Easter!

Stuart Hattwell
Acting Principal

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

We would like to remind all parents about the process for students taking medication whilst at school.

The School Council Medications policy is available on the “About Us” page on the school website and all parents are encouraged to read through the policy to become familiar with the content.

Individual medical management plans and medication should be provided to the office, for students who have an ongoing medical condition or illness such as asthma. All medication is to be stored in the office and administered by staff when required.

If your child requires medication such as antibiotics for an illness, a medication permission form needs to be completed by a parent and the medication given to office staff. This medication will be kept at the office or in the staff room fridge and administered by office staff according to the directions provided on the permission form. Permission forms are available at the office or on our website. (“About Us” page under the “other documents” tab).

To ensure medications are administered appropriately and to ensure safety of all students, we would ask all families to follow the directions above. Please do not store your child’s medication in their school bags or lunch boxes.

Please contact the school office should you have any questions.





Student of the Week Awards - Term 1 Week 5



Class	Name	Reason
PA	Audrey M	For her happy go-lucky attitude and being helpful.
PJ	Eishan S	For consistently making good choices and being a kind and caring friend.
PM	Chloe K	For always completing her school work neatly and carefully.
PT	Isla R	For trying so hard to write stories.
1WB	Adam C	For always taking pride in his work.
2L	Jimmy P	For his tremendous effort and detailed writing of his recount.
2W	Kira M	For her persistence in maths this week.
3P	Vanessa P	For a terrific piece of persuasive writing on 'The Best Pet'.
3S	Anna K	For her wonderful persuasive writing.
4L	Daniel R	For writing a fabulous detailed recount of his weekend activity.
4M	Dimitri G	For always coming to class with a smile on his face and positive attitude.
5E	Stephanie P	For her outstanding maths work.
6M	Ella D	For always showing kindness and caring attitude to her peers



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 1, Week 5	
Junior School	Melanie D
Senior School	Natasha W

Student of the Week Awards - Term 1 Week 6

Class	Name	Reason
PA	Caitlin N	For trying her best.
PJ	Abbey S	For being so responsible and a great friend.
PT	Sussanna M	For being a great classroom helper.
1L	Lily B	For her great listening skills and her contributions to class discussions.
1WB	Charli-Jo B	For always being helpful to her teachers and friends. Well done!
2L	Levi T	For putting 100% effort in all areas of the curriculum.
2W	Alexis S	For her great start in creative writing this week.
3P	Gabrielle T	For using feedback wisely to improve her work.
3S	Amanda S	For reading with wonderful expression.
4L	Christopher H	For displaying enthusiasm with his writing process.
4M	Joshua J	For being helpful and kind to his peers.
5T	George G	For helping in all areas, especially tennis, class clean up and lunch orders.
6M	Arsh H	For being polite and kind in the classroom.

Student of the Week Awards - Term 1 Week 7

Class	Name	Reason
PA	Alira H	For being helpful in the classroom.
PJ	Oscar M	For such terrific writing this week.
PM	Mikayla B	For always being kind to others.
PT	Areyana S	For having good manners.
1L	Isabella M	For being such a kind hearted and helpful friend.
1WB	Alexandra S	For her terrific behaviour in class and her high standard of work.
2L	Aaya E	For being an active participant in group discussion and her 'magical' creative writing.
2W	Sienna H	For being able to independently find unknown words in the dictionary.
3P	Sarah P	For setting such a positive example for all others. What a role model. Well done.
3S	Jack C	For being a superstar worker across all learning areas.
4L	Samantha M	For her 'down to business' approach to all schoolwork and her smile which lights up the room.
4M	Isabella T	For always trying her best and spreading her positive attitude.
5E	Carleta R	For her caring positive nature and making a great start to the school year.
5T	Kiara T	For her excellent progress in learning English.
6M	Iris H	For excellent effort in all areas.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

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
- \$225 for secondary school students.

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



SICK BAY ROSTER

TERM ONE

Friday, Mar 18	Julie Piening
Thu, Mar 24	Anne McNee

TERM TWO

Friday, April 15	Lucy Meszaros
Friday, April 22	Victoria McIvor
Friday, April 29	Melinda Collard
Friday, May 6	Rachael Kasap
Friday, May 13	Sharon Krause
Friday, May 20	Sarah Munnings
Friday, May 27	Joy Singh
Friday, June 3	Louise Czosnek
Friday, June 10	Yeva Manukyan
Friday, June 17	Joanna Tartaglia
Friday, June 24	Maria Ulas
Friday, July 15	Julie Piening

TERM THREE

Friday, July 22	Anne McNee
Friday, July 29	Lucy Meszaros
Friday, Aug 5	Victoria McIvor
Friday, Aug 12	Melinda Collard
Friday, Aug 19	Rachael Kasap
Friday, Aug 26	Sharon Krause

REMINDER

Our preferred method of payment for all items including parent payments for excursions, camps, sport, UNSW Assessments or special food days is via the Qkr! App. If you would like assistance with downloading the app please call or visit Suzy in the office.

Qkr! makes life easier for staff, volunteers and parents!

Preferred Payment Method



Extend OSHC at MGPS



Hello everyone

First of all I would like to congratulate Faiza and Molly on winning the recycling contest; they put a lot of effort into their projects. Faiza's 5 siter top of the range model car and Molly's sensational castle with spunky queen looked great. Well done girls! Beside our contest we loved making Easter eggs with paper mache and painting them using a variety of colours. In addition to this, we made Easter baskets using foam material, which looked awesome. In our science lab our zappy zoomer balloon rocket experiment went well, it was fun watching the balloon rocket speeding down the twine. We designed our favourite facial gestures using yummy skittle and natural lollies and also enjoyed making refreshing milk shakes with fresh strawberries. Last week on Thursday, Gilbert's visit was fantastic. We loved the short play and dancing with Gilbert. On Friday in our dancing contest everyone was a winner with their amazing moves. Physical activity hurdles provided a chance to challenge each other. Apart from these activities we also enjoyed a bubble blowing contest, dramatic play, building with lego, outdoor play, skipping, and many interesting team games. Have a happy and safe Easter everyone! See you in the holiday program here at MGPS.

Kind Regards

Meena

Our Extend Superstar is...Faiza K, for winning the recycling contest. Well done Faiza!

Our Extend superstar is... Molly D, for winning the second prize, in the recycling contest. Well done Molly!

The Program activities for next week are:

Monday 21st of March: Art and craft:
Easter Card making

Tuesday 22nd of March: Bubble painting

Wednesday 23rd of March: Movie with popcorn

Thursday 24th of March:
Easter egg hunt

**AUTUMNHOLIDAY PROGRAM
BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!**

Book by the deadline to take advantage of lower rates!

VIC & QLD booking deadline: Friday 18 March

NSW & SA booking deadline: Friday 1 April

We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and can't wait for you to attend! Create a diorama of the Amazon jungle, mould an autumn leaf dish out of clay, and participate in lots of group games including a time challenge and secret agent maze! Join in on all this and more at Extend's Autumn Holiday Program.

To check out what's on visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal.

EXCITING NEWS!
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM TO BE HELD AT
MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL



TUESDAY 29 MARCH - FRIDAY 8 APRIL

**MULGRAVE PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

LOCATION:

Gladeswood Drive, Mulgrave VIC

HOURS:

8.00am - 6.00pm

Full day fee: \$65

PAY BETWEEN \$14.78 - \$32.50 PER SESSION!

***RECEIVE AT
LEAST 50% OFF
REGARDLESS
OF INCOME!**

BOOKING DEADLINE:

Book by Friday 18 March to avoid a late fee.
Excursions are limited and fill fast!
Book now to avoid disappointment.

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**BEFORE & AFTER
SCHOOL CARE**

BOOK VIA THE PARENT PORTAL AT
extend.com.au

EXTEND HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL (MGPS)



Check out the timetable below and book in via the Parent Portal. Excursions are limited and fill fast so don't delay! *subject to change

Week 1	Monday 28 March	Tuesday 29 March	Wednesday 30 March	Thursday 31 March	Friday 1 April
8.00am - 12.00pm Morning Session	EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Cooking: Finger Sandwiches & About Me Bingo 	EXCURSION! Inflatable World	Science: Little Detectives & Secret Agent Maze 	Treasure Boxes & Kickball
12.00pm - 1.00pm		Lunch		Lunch	Lunch
1.00pm - 6.00pm Afternoon Session		Mr Egg Head & Time Challenge 		INCURSION! Mini Athletics	Party Afternoon! Treasure Hunt
		Other fun stuff too: Indoor games Free arts & crafts Painting		Other fun stuff too: Lego Board Games Team Games	Other fun stuff too: Team Games Painting Indoor Games
Week 2	Monday 4 April	Tuesday 5 April	Wednesday 6 April	Thursday 7 April	Friday 8 April
8.00am - 12.00pm Morning Session	INCURSION! Hula Hoop Dance Party	EXCURSION! Melbourne Zoo	Cooking: Great Extend Cook-off & Crab Soccer 	Nature Canvas & Basketball 	Amazon Jungle & Time Challenge
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Lunch		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1.00pm - 6.00pm Afternoon Session	Leafy Decor & Balloon Volleyball 		Party Afternoon! Picnic Party	Bag Tags & European Handball 	Science: Bridge Works & Ball Tournament
	Other fun stuff too: Free arts & crafts Board games Team Games		Other fun stuff too: Painting Card games Team Games	Other fun stuff too: Lego Board Games Team Games	Other fun stuff too: Team Games Painting Indoor Games

Don't forget to bring your morning snack and lunch (just like a normal school day!)
Check the activity descriptions for further information on what to bring, excursion times, and more.

Fee Relief - The Facts

NUMBER ONE MYTH

"We won't qualify for any child care entitlements. Our income is too high."

DO YOU QUALIFY?

Qualifying criteria for entitlements

- ✓ Your children attend approved care
- ✓ You are an Australian resident or holder of a qualifying visa
- ✓ You are either working, looking for work, training or studying
- ✓ Your children meet government immunisation requirements

FACT #1 The Child Care Rebate (CCR) is NOT income tested!
The CCR offers families a massive 50% reduction in their child care fees, irrespective of their income level.

FACT #2 50% is the minimum reduction you may receive in your fees
Families with an income less than \$152,000 per year will also qualify for CCB as well as CCR, meaning even more savings!

A PARTNERSHIP WITH EXTEND IS

- Easy for schools
- Affordable for families
- Fun for kids

Read further information and try our **Fee Relief Calculator** at extend.com.au

It's all good news!
Want to find out more or apply for these entitlements?
Contact the Department of Human Services on 13 61 50.

Extend After Care Extend After Care

TRANSITION NEWS

Brentwood Secondary College

School Tours

Start Monday 7th March until Friday, 15th April 9.15am & 4.00pm. Bookings essential
8545 0300

Open Day

Thursday 21st April 10.30am Info Session
10.50am School Tour
2.00pm—same format as above

Wellington Secondary College

Open Night

Wednesday, April 27—6.30pm

Whealers Hill Secondary College

Open Night

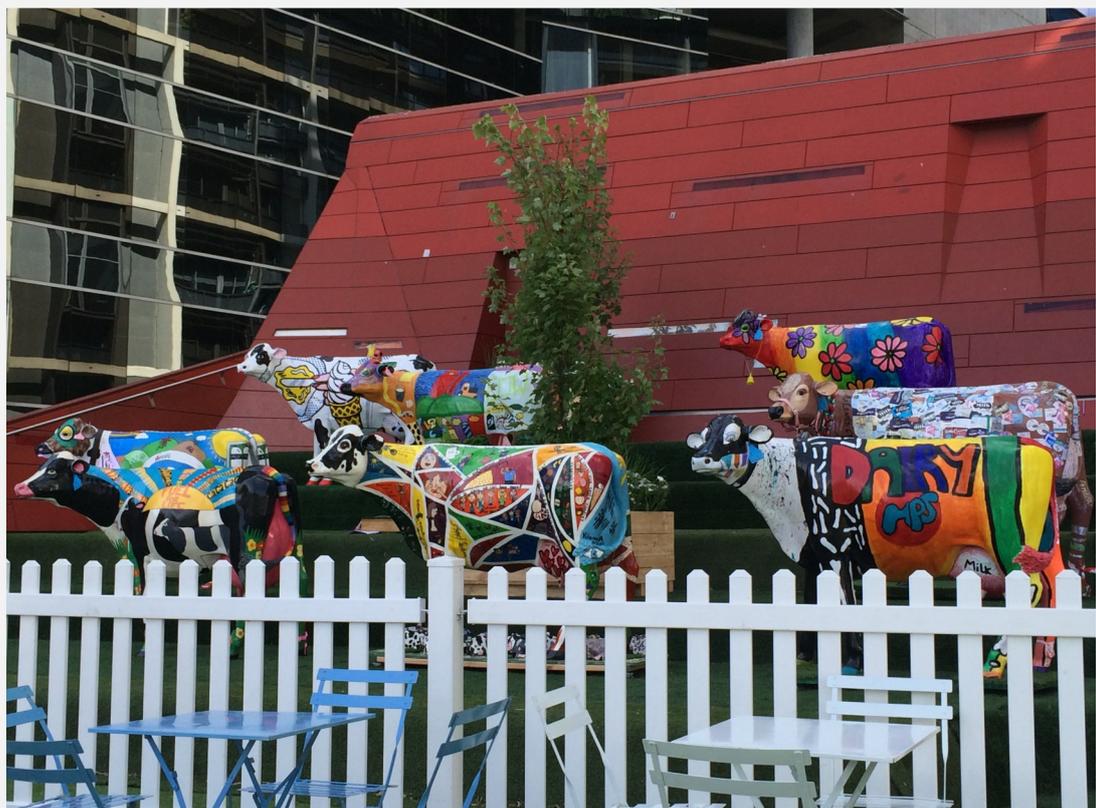
Thursday, April 28—6.00pm

Carwatha College Open Day

Thursday, April 21

Tours leave the main office at 10.00am, 2.00pm and 4.00pm

Information session for Year 7 2017 at 7.00pm in the theatre



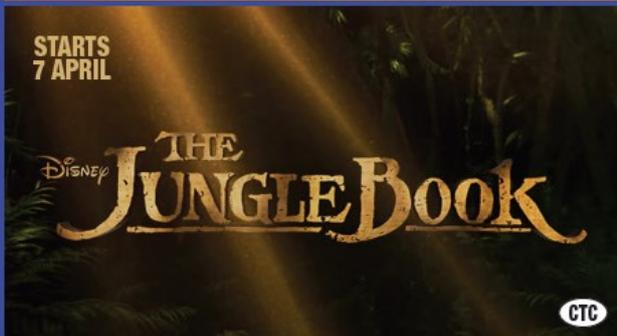
Our cow Milo was on display at Southbank last week. Milo was decorated by our students a few years ago as part of a dairy promotion.

Its great to see that she is still very active!

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Information correct at time of printing. All dates and films are subject to change.

4 YEAR OLD KINDER PLACES AVAILABLE FOR 2016

Waverley Foothills Preschool in Mulgrave has positions available in our 4 year old groups for 2016.



Our program provides:

- Experienced Qualified Staff
- 2 X 4 year old groups operating 3 days a week (15 hours a week)

Turtle Group

Tuesday & Friday 8.30am – 2.30 pm (6hrs) Thursday 12.45pm – 3.45 pm (3hrs)

SEAHORSE GROUP

Mondays & Wednesday 8.30am – 2.30pm (6hrs) Thursday 8.30am – 11.30am (3hrs)

- Stimulating indoor/outdoor activities in a modern setting including our newly renovated playground

We currently have 4 positions available for this year in our 4 year old groups, so if you or anyone you know are on waiting lists for a position in 2016 please call to arrange a visit of our kindergarten.

Preschool Enrolment Forms are available from the kinder or from The City of Monash Website
<http://www.monash.vic.gov.au/community/preschools.htm>

Waverley Foothills Preschool,
Phone 9795 9426 Gladeswood Drive (off Jacksons Road), Mulgrave 3170



9am to 3pm

AFL
VICTORIA

Holiday

PROGRAMS

5-8 YEARS
Footy Fun Day

9-12 YEARS
Skills Battle

Come join us!

SESSION DETAILS

WEDNESDAY 30TH MARCH
BRUNSWICK - GILLON OVAL

THURSDAY 31ST MARCH
MOORABBIN - MOORABIN OVAL

FRIDAY 1ST APRIL
ESSENDON FC - TRUE VALUE SOLAR CENTRE

MONDAY 4TH APRIL
BOX HILL - WHITEHORSE RESERVE

TUESDAY 5TH APRIL
FOOTSCRAY - MERV HUGHES OVAL

REGISTER NOW AT
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