



Wednesday 20th - Carols & Mini Fete

Thursday, 7th December 2017

TERM 4

WEEK 9

KEY DATES

DECEMBER

Fri 8 Start Smart G 1-6
Tue 12 Gd 6 Orientation Day for
Transitioning into high school
Tue 12 2018 Preps - Meet your
Teacher, 9.15 - 9.45am
Fri 15 9am Assembly
Daniel Andrews MP will be
presenting our new leaders
with their badges

DECEMBER

Mon 18 Grade 6 Graduation
Wed 20 Mini Fete, 30th Anniversary
& Carols
Thu 21 Meet your teacher &
Reports come out

Friday 22 - Term 4 Ends

1.30pm Dismissal



TERM DATES 2018

Term 1: 30 January to 29 March
Term 2: 16 April to 29 June
Term 3: 16 July to 21 September
Term 4: 9 October to 21 December

TIMETABLE

School commences 9.00am
Recess 11.00 - 11.30
Lunch 1.40 - 2.30
School Finishes 3.30pm
Last day of term Dismissal - 1.30pm

Principal's News

Mini-Fete & Christmas Carols Night

The end of the year will soon be upon us and we are looking forward to celebrating the festive season with our students and families. Our Mini-Fete and Carols night are less than two weeks away and we will start the afternoon/evening with the fete from 4pm. The stalls will be many and varied so we hope that as many families can visit as possible. At 5:30pm, we will wrap up the mini-fete, but the BBQ, ice-cream and drinks will continue on as we roll into the carols beginning at 6pm. Our students have worked hard on their carols routines and I'm sure they will be eager to impress. For the parents, it's a chance to bring a deck chair or a picnic blanket (there will be designated areas for both) and sit back and enjoy the evening with your friends as well as your children. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Food Prices:

Sausage in bread \$2.00
Egg & Bacon Roll \$4.00
Popcorn \$1.00
Ice-cream (Dixie Cups) \$3.00
Soft Drinks \$1.00

Parents and Families Association

The school council and I invite all interested parents to an interim meeting of the newly formed Parents and Families Association on Thursday Dec 14th at 9am in the staff room. The focus of the meeting will be to explore ideas for 2018 and the roles that can be played within the PFA. We are seeking to establish a classroom representative for each grade in 2018 to form the initial structure, with the PFA meeting on a monthly basis to plan activities, make recommendations to school council and support the school through in class rosters and fundraising. Everything is on the table, so if you have an idea, we are happy to hear it, as the PFA should act as a voice of the parent community. 2018 will be a year of collaboration at MPS on all levels and the new PFA will hopefully be a great opportunity to include our parent community.

Principal's message continues pg 2:

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Desk

The school currently has a corner desk that is surplus to our needs. It measures 1800w x 1800d x 720h and has a desk surface depth of 750mm. We are looking to find it a good home and thought that perhaps one of our families might like to take possession for a small donation to the school. If you're interested, please contact the office.

2018 Term Dates

- ☉Term 1: 29 January (school teachers start) to 29 March (Thursday) *
- ☉Term 2: 16 April to 29 June
- ☉Term 3: 16 July to 21 September
- ☉Term 4: 8 October to 21 December

*Please note that the first day of school in 2018 for all Mulgrave Primary School students will be **Tuesday 30th January**.

Staffing 1

As is often the case towards the end of a school year, staffing changes begin to occur. Whilst we will remain fairly stable in 2018, the growth in enrolments, combined with an easing of budget pressures has enabled us to welcome 5 new staff members for 2018. Mr. Tim O'Neill and Mr. Tom Boyle will be joining us as classroom and Leading Teachers respectively and we also welcome Mrs. Viki Ali to our Education Support team. In addition, we will soon be appointing a new PE teacher and a graduate teacher to round out the team for 2018. I am looking forward to being joined by each of these new staff members and we also look forward to the return of Mrs Sarah Murray from Family Leave on a part time basis.

Off-setting this is the departure of Ms Marika Evans, who has been successful in obtaining a new position at Ormond Primary School. Marika's contribution to MPS has been highly valued and whilst we are sorry to see her go, we recognise the new opportunity is one that she cannot pass up. We wish Marika well in her new role.

Staffing 2

A full list of classroom teachers will be provided in our final newsletter of the year in a fortnight's time, however the grade structure for 2018 will be as follows:

Foundation - Mrs Melnyk, Mrs Batt, Ms Ly & Miss Shaw

Year 1 – 3 classes

Year 2 – 3 classes

Year 3 – 2 classes

Year 4 – 2 classes

Year 5 – 2 classes

Year 6 – 2 classes

Specialists – Performing Arts (Mrs Bush), Visual Arts (Miss Peel), STEM (Mr McIlwraith), LOTE (Miss Chin) &

Physical Education - TBC

Traffic Management

We have recently had calls from several of our neighbours complaining about the drop off and pick up traffic around the school. Most complaints are in relation to people parking in No parking zones, across driveways and in the wrong direction/wrong side of the road. I am under the impression that the Monash Council has also been contacted, so I would recommend that families take extra care over the coming weeks and are mindful of our neighbours. First and foremost though, is the safety of our students. The No Parking zones are there to create a line of sight for traffic flow and if cars are stopping in these areas, then it raises the likelihood of another driver not seeing a child stepping into traffic. We are all aware of the limited peripheral vision of children, so I would urge families to park in the designated spaces, respect the unbroken line down the centre of Gladeswood Drive and consider parking a little further away if necessary to ensure the safety of everyone.

Charles Spicer – Principal



TERM 4 - WEEK 6 AWARDS

Student of the Week Awards

Class	Name	Reason
PL	Michael T	For a fantastic and neatly presented letter to Santa.
PL	Aras O	For working hard to improve his handwriting and storytelling.
2F	Dave S	For his excellent skills in Maths Extension classes.
3B	Demi L	For always offering a helping hand and being an all-round superstar.
3J	Dylan M	For reading beautifully in library.
4E	Anna B	For her excellent ability to lead a team
4T	Victoria T	For always being a great helper in the classroom. Great work Victoria!
5H	Kara D	For her hard work helping others with the Earn & Learn activities.
6L	Stephanie P	For demonstrating a consistent approach to her school work.

TERM 4 - WEEK 8 AWARDS



Class	Name	Reason
PL	Joshua M	For showing his outstanding mathematics skills this week.
1S	Ruby S	For making a huge improvement in her behaviour. Well done!
2F	Gian F	For his excellent listening skills.
3B	Jeriah P	For being a great friend to his peers.
4E	Luke C	For his excellent contribution during class discussion that encourage conversation among his peers.
4E	Kiran S	For his excellent communication skills while working as a team.
4T	Chris G	For always putting fantastic effort into his maths work. Well done!
4T	Zac M	For working hard during writing this week and creating some great poems.
5H	Vilara K	For her excellent writing during our newspaper articles.
6L	Sebastiano T	For demonstrating a mature approach to Graduation practises.
6P	Angela L	For excellent work on preparing her graduation work. Well done.

School News

ATHLETICS SPORTS DAY

FINAL RESULTS

1 st	- GREEN	- 1225 points
2 nd	- GOLD	- 1035 points
3 rd	- RED	- 995 points
4 th	- BLUE	- 965 points



School News

Congratulations 2017 Maths Olympiads

Congratulations to the following students who took part in the 2017 Maths Olympiad Program. Throughout the year they worked hard to build on their problem solving and maths skills, and participated in 5 special competitions with students from across the whole of Australia.



Zach T, David N, Will M, Tamara S, Jasmine L, Ava G, Hannah R, Emma S, Kristina D, Carleta R, CJ F, Nicholas D, Zachary K, Mamoon S, Amelia K, Aisha D, Andrew H, Faiza K (absent)

I would like to give a special mention to Jasmine L for scoring in the top 40% and Faiza K for scoring in the top 20% of **all** competitors who took part across the country.

Mulgrave Primary School 2017 Mini Fete

Come and join in the fun on the 20th December at 4.00 - 5.30.

This year all purchases from the stalls will be by tickets only (no cash) apart from the chocolate toss. Tickets will be \$1.00 each.

You can pre purchase your tickets via Qkr! (tickets will be sent home with students) OR from the office on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th, also available on the day at the mini fete.

BBQ – Sausages, Bacon & egg rolls, drinks, Ice creams,

Hooky, Chocolate toss, Face painting, GUESS THE LOLLIES

Lucky throws, Ice bucket challenge, Photo booth,

30 SECOND SELF-PORTRAITS, Nail painting

Robot challenge

And Lots More...



CONGRATULATIONS to our HOTSHOTS Tennis Team who came 3rd out of all of Victoria.
 George G, Jasmine L, Alex V, Theo E, Amelia K, Jayden N, Ava G, Mamoon, & Tamara S who was part of the team but absent in the grand final.



SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!

Book 14 days in advance to receive early bird rates.

Get creative with a variety of art and craft projects, participate in delicious cooking activities, carry out a bunch of fun science experiments, and loads more!

Check out the daily schedule at extend.com.au and enrol and book with our brand new platform, **LookedAfter**.

To check out what's on 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

<https://www.lookedafter.com/>



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Extend OSHC at Mulgrave Primary School

Hi Everyone,

Time seems to be flying; I can't believe we are only a few weeks away from Christmas! The children look very excited and are already in festive mood!

Over the past couple of weeks, the children were engaged in many activities, which kept them busy and entertained. In art and craft, we explored many interesting activities such as: stained glass feathers, family trees, wax painting and colourful bookmarks. In another art activity we used a leaf print on clay to make a beautiful leafy décor and also made awesome Emoji's which looked fantastic!

Our master chefs made delicious Jelly Mosaics, Choc Chip Cookies, Oat Meal Cookies and Yogurt Berry Pops. Many children took Engineering challenge and did their best to make edifice out of Popsicle and pegs. Last Tuesday we had an incursion with Cliff from "Caydam Self Defence & Fitness". This was fun and educational. Our Hindi language class on Friday is progressing well; children are showing keen interest in speaking and writing skills.

Apart from these activities, we enjoyed playing Frisbee golf, handball, table tennis, number soccer, badminton, capture the flag, dodge ball, scavenger hunt and many more.



Kind regards

Meena

Our Extend Superstars are:

Amelia S and Tiana T For being great helpers at breakfast club. Well done girls keep up the good work!

The Program activities for next week are:

Monday 11th of December: Christmas Candles

Tuesday 12th of December: Hurdles

Wednesday 13th of December : 3D Paper Raindeer

Thursday 14th of December : Cooking: Ginger bread cookies

Friday 15th of December : Hindi language/ Uno Challenge



Exciting News from Extend Head Office:

We are delighted to announce the launch of a brand new and exciting platform for families.

The Parent Portal will cease to operate at the conclusion of Term 4 Before and After School Care will be replaced with a reliable, flexible, and user-friendly platform named **LookedAfter**.

All families requiring bookings for the **Summer Holiday Program and/or 2018 Before School Care and After School Care (existing and new families) must create a new account with LookedAfter.**

<https://www.lookedafter.com/>

Sick Bay Linen Roster - Term 4

School News

Term 4 - 2017	
15TH DECEMBER	LUCY MESZAROS - 2F
	THANK-YOU



THE TRIED AND TESTED WAY TO HELP YOUR CHILD PROCESS THEIR EMOTIONS

Some children – *and probably a lot of adults too* – need a way to unload their emotions. If your child is upset or angry, and is unable to talk about it, ask them to write their feelings down on paper or in a journal. They can express themselves through words or drawings.

If they choose to share it (and don't automatically assume they will), tell them they can post what they've written like a letter by popping it under your pillow, and that you will write back. You can see what is going on – or their perspective on it, anyway – and you can post back your expression of love and support.

Here's the thing – don't be surprised if they don't 'post the letter' to you. Like I discovered in an old diary of mine from decades ago, the mere act of writing it all out might be all the processing they need to do. Could they text to you instead of writing? I suppose so, but something romantic in me still likes the idea of the emotion flowing onto paper and being captured there. And you never know – they may read it again in 40 years' time and smile - like I did.

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for your incredible
support in 2017.
We wish you a safe
and enjoyable holiday.
See you in 2018!

HAPPY NEW YEAR

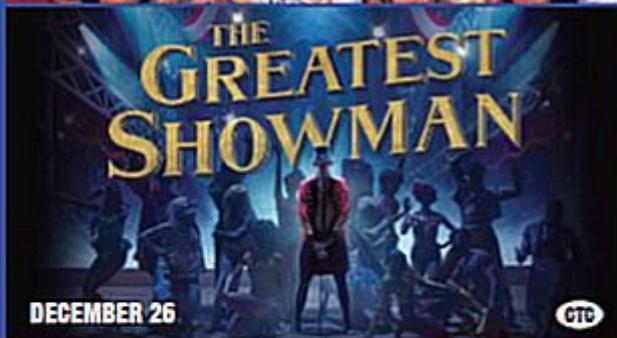
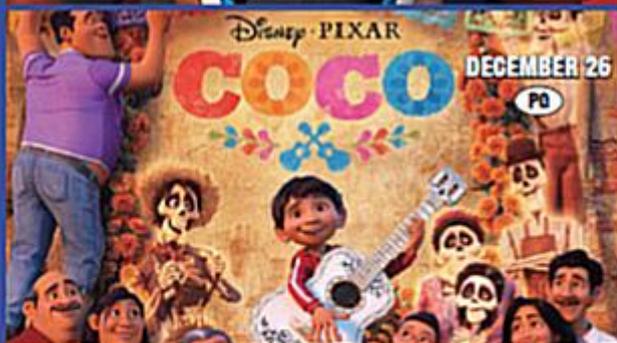
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