## **NEWSLETTER**

## Thursday 11th August 2022

**TERM 3 WEEK 5** 

#### **KEY DATES 2022**

#### **AUGUST**

Fri 12 - Hoop Time - Grade 5/6

Wed 17 - Mass Choir Rehearsal No 2

Wed 17 - Puberty Ed Grade 5

Thur 18 - Gould League Excursion Gr 1/2 - 9am-3pm

Fri 19 - Book Week Parade - 9.15am

Mon 22 - CURRICULUM DAY!

Wed 24 - Puberty Ed Grade 5

Wed 24 - Puberty Ed Parent Info Night 7.30pm

Thur 25 - District Athletics

Wed 31 - Puberty Ed Grade 5

### **SEPTEMBER**

Thur 1st - Father's Day Stall

Sun 4th - Father's Day

Tues 6th - Scientist Dress Up Day (TBC)

Wed 7th - Professional Practice Day

Thur & Fri 8-9 - Vic State School Spec Rehearsal 9am-5pm

Sat 10th - Vic State School Spec

Performance

Mon 12 - Wed 14 - Gr 3/4 Camp

Wed 14 - Healesville Sanctuary
Prep Excursion

Fri 16th - End of Term 3

(2.30pm Dismissal)

#### DATES AND TIMES TO REMEMBER:

#### **TERM DATES 2022**

Term 1: 31 January – 8 April

Term 2: 26 April – 24 June

Term 3: 11 July – 16 September
Term 4: 3 October – 20 December

## **CURRICULUM DAYS 2022**

Mon Aug 22nd & Mon Oct 31st

## **PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAYS 2022**

Wed Sept 7th & Wed Dec 14th

## **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2022**

Tue, 1 Nov 2022 Melbourne Cup

#### <u>TIMETABLE</u>

Commence 8.58 Line-up Bell-Music

9am 2<sup>nd</sup> Bell

Recess 11.00 - 11.30am Lunch 1.40 - 2.30pm School Finishes 3.30pm

## **Message From The Principal**

## A Return to Straight Grades in 2023

As parents may recall, last year we made the hard choice to run multi-age classes in Years 3 & 4 for this school year. This was a difficult decision, but the school council agreed that our current 2022 Year 2's had had such an interrupted start to their education due to ongoing lockdowns, that it was essential that we maintained smaller classes in this area for another year. With school life returning to some sense of normality this year, we can now return to our preferred model of straight classes across all year levels for 2023 and hopefully beyond.

As it stands, we will most likely run 3 straight grades at all year levels from Prep-Year 5 and 2 grades at Year 6. Come 2024, we expect to settle on 3 straight grades at every level for the foreseeable future.

#### **Enrolment Restrictions**

As a result of the strong interest in MPS and our continued growth, the Department of Education and Training have now officially placed enrolment restrictions on our school. In short, the school will be restricted to accepting in zone and sibling applications for future prep cohorts. We will still be able to accept out of zone applications for students in Years 1 to 6, should there be places available. Towards the end of the enrolment process, we may be able to offer a handful of places to out of zone applicants in order to ensure our three classes are full and we can avoid a multi-age prep class. Over the medium term, it is likely that MPS will grow by one more class in 2024, when we will likely settle on 3 classes per year level.

### **2023 Confirmation of Enrolments**

Over the last month or so, Viki has been busy finalising enrolments for our 2023 Foundation cohort. We have again confirmed places for 3 classes after receiving an enormous amount of applications. Final confirmation for the remaining places will be completed over the next fortnight, so if you know of anyone who lives in our zone and wishes to enrol for 2023, please ask them to contact us as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, due to capacity limits, we are unable to accommodate all enrolment applications, as we simply do not have the additional classrooms to put them in! In the coming weeks, Miss Hickleton will be in touch with families of our 2023 preps to outline the transition program and provide parents with information about getting ready for next year. All current families with a sibling claim will have received a place, however if you are yet to enrol your child, now is the time to do so.

#### Parent Requests for 2023

It's that time of the year again when we seek parent requests for 2023 grade placements. Firstly a reminder that requests must be based on educational grounds and the school cannot guarantee every request due to the complexity of the process, however every effort will be made to cater to the needs of each individual student. Attached to this newsletter is the 2023 request form. The forms are **due by 4pm on Monday September 5th** and can be emailed to me directly via <a href="Charles.spicer@education.vic.gov.au">Charles.spicer@education.vic.gov.au</a>. I would remind parents that requests for individual teachers are not practical and that no late requests can be accepted. Parents will be advised of the 2023 classes in early December, in time for our students to commence their end of year transition process. Again, I would remind families that we set up these classes with a view to trialling them over the last three weeks of the school year to reduce any anxiety over the holidays. This has been an extremely effective model due to the great work of the teachers in getting the balance right and the support of parents in allowing the classes time to settle via the transition program. Please note that the school will put the needs of students first at all times and that whilst we endeavour to meet all requests, on occasion, some requests may not be possible.

#### **Future Works**

Unfortunately we have been set back quite some time in terms of creating the shade structure in front of the Year 3/4 classrooms. We are hopeful that we are now very close, but as has been the case over the last few years, supply chains have been interrupted and staff shortages are hurting the timeline.

Looking ahead, MPS will soon explore the possibility of putting a permanent wall in the old library to create a better classroom flow. Finally, we have been advised that a new portable is not going to be delivered for 2023, however we will continue to work with the regional provision and planning team for a possible portable delivery for 2024, when we will almost certainly move up to 21 classes (3 straight grades at every level).

#### **Parent Opinion Survey**

The Parent Opinion Survey is issued annually by the Department of Education and Training and is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at every school in Victoria. This year, approximately 120 of our families will be invited to participate. All responses to the survey are anonymous. The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement and the teaching and learning programs. Our school will use the results to inform school planning and improvement strategies.

Selected families will be provided with a link through which the online survey is accessed. The survey is open from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September. If you are selected to participate in the survey, please provide open and honest feedback and above all, please ensure that you do respond to the survey as we very much value your input. Results will be sent back to our school at the end of September.

The survey will only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at your convenience on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

#### Reading

I know I push high expectations for reading every day, but reading remains as important as ever as we continue to bounce back from the negative social and psychological effects of the pandemic. Every student should be reading every day, including the weekend. For our youngest, 15 minutes of decoding words and then hearing an older sibling or parent read a story aloud is ideal. For our older students, you should be reading independently for at least 30 minutes per day. This should be a text you enjoy. It can be a comic, a novel, a newspaper or even the instructions to a video game. Just getting your eyes on text is the key. Reading allows people the chance to have some "me" time and to take the opportunity to enjoy some quiet, calming time. It allows us to get away from the pressures of the world for a little while and above all else, by reading every day, we guarantee ourselves better life outcomes. When it comes to reading every day, it's all upside!

#### Drop Off and Pick Up at the Tennis Club

When using the northern carpark at Gladeswood Reserve, it would appear that we are running into some issues regarding student safety outside of the school grounds. Whilst this is the jurisdiction of the Monash Council, might I offer a suggestion whereby cars follow a "reverse P" traffic flow Upon entering the car park.

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The main driveway is one entry in and out, with a looped area for parking. As you enter, turn left and follow the loop around towards the kinder and then back to the school end, where cars would then turn right to head to the road again. Just as cars turn right, students can then jump out of the left passenger side of the car and they would be on the school side, reducing issues with students moving between cars moving in different directions, or getting out on the wrong side of the vehicle. Please refer to the proposed traffic flow image below for greater clarity.

#### Road Safety on Gladeswood Drive

Whilst I'm on road safety, I would again remind families that it is illegal to do a U-turn in front of the school. This is for the safety of all students and families. There have been many near misses reported and observed and we would hate for a traffic collision to occur and risk the safety of anybody. Furthermore, parking either side of the crossing in the no-standing zones is also illegal. This happens almost every day and it obscures the line of sight of the crossing supervisor. These are basic safety practices that are being wilfully ignored by some drivers. Clearly we know the signs are there. Please, can I ask all drivers to have consideration for other road users and pedestrians and make the safe choice.

## Charles Spicer

## **Principal**





## MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## **Class List Information For 2023**

CHILD'S NAME						
CURRENT CLASS (e.g. 2E)		2022 YEAR LEVEL				
PARENT'S NAME(S)		PHONE				
REASONS FOR REQUEST (complete information as appropriate – you do not need to complete each section.)						
EDUCATIONAL						
000111						
SOCIAL						
OTHER						

Charles Spicer Principal



MULGRAVE

PRIMARY SCHOOL

GLADESWOOD DRIVE, MULGRAVE 3170

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Values: Motivated - Persistent - Successful Est. 1879

## **TERM 3 WEEK 4 STUDENT AWARDS 2022**

Class	Name	Reason	
6G	Logan I	For demonstrating his mathematical thinking and providing reasons for his answers. Well done!	
6J	Andrew P	For showing his mathematical thinking and helping others in math class!	
6T	Heidi F	Staying focussed in class, listening respectfully, and working hard in Specialists.	
5H	Lama Al H	For her great work ethic and the kindness she shows to everyone in the class.	
5N	Emily T	For being a supportive friend and confidently performing her creative writing task as a song! You're a superstar!	
3/4K	Kiara P	For consistently making great choices in class and always demonstrating a positive attitude to learning. Well done!	
3/4C	Bryce S	For settling into MPS and 3/4C so well. Bryce has consistently demonstrated a positive attitude to all things mathematical. Well done!	
3/4M	Smayan R Mariah H	For always demonstrating a positive attitude to learning and showing persistence when faced with challenging mathematic tasks. Well done!  For being a kind and thoughtful member of our class and always demonstrating a positive attitude to learning. Keep smiling Mariah!	
3/4L	Winston L Andrew K	For neat, detailed and well thought out entries in his reading diary every single week. Incredible effort Winston! Keep up the good work. For his timeline on Anh Do that included exceptional levels of detail in chronological order and was very well presented. Well done Andrew!	
3/4\$	Devmi U	For working so hard on the heads and legs challenge, and for writing an excellent imaginative recount on David Attenborough's encounter with the mountain gorillas.	
2B	Angelo G	For making some great text-to-self connections in Reading. Keep it up!	
2E	Logan S	For using great convincing vocabulary in your persuasive writing. Well done!	
2L	Sam L	For convincing his audience by giving sound reasons and examples, for why students should go to school four days a week.	
2M	Emmanuel D	For elaborating and adding details to his reasons in his persuasive writing about why students should learn from home. Well done!	
1M	Ansh P	For explaining his thinking when solving problems. Fantastic work Ansh!	
1P	Cleo M	For showing resilience and being adaptable to changing situations. Well done Cleo!	
1E	Jasper T	For always being such a happy and bubbly member of our classroom. Your smile lights up the room. Keep it up!	
Prep K	Leo Y S	For settling so beautifully into Prep K and Mulgrave Primary School. Leo, you are an absolute pleasure to teach!	
Prep C	Reema A Harley S	For being such a respectful and hardworking member of our class. Keep it up Reema! For challenging himself with his maths problem solving this week. Well done superstar!	
Prep H	Logan S Ella A	For working so hard to sound out words he sees anywhere and everywhere. Keep it up! For being such a diligent learner and working so hard all lessons.  Page 5	

## **TERM 2 SPECIALIST AWARDS 2022**

	Junior	Middle	Senior		
Art	Amelia W - 2E For being a fantastic learner in the art room. You consistently display the MPS school values and rules and put so much effort into your artwork. Keep it up!	James T - 3/4 C For his hard work and focus when working on his collagraph board during his printmaking project. Keep up the awesome work!	Yasmin D - 5N For displaying excellent skills in modelling and moulding clay to create a wonderful bobble head pet. Nice work!		
PE	Sheridan N -2M For using persistence, when trying to conduct a two handed strike. Your persistence through errors lead to you becoming an expert in no time.	Daniella T - 3/4M For an amazing effort in our Athletics Unit. There really wasn't an event you struggled at and I look forward to seeing your results at District Athletics in a few weeks!	Annabella W-Z- 6G For an amazing effort in our Athletics Unit. You have dominated all the jumping events and I look forward to seeing your results at District Athletics in a few weeks!		
Performing	Ritvi B- Prep C	Alexander P - 3/4S	Audrey M - 6T		
Arts	For your wonderful attitude towards the performing arts. You try everything and always give one hundred percent. Keep up the super work!	For your humungous improvement in playing the recorder this year. I am so impressed with your determination to further develop your skills. Well done for being such a great musician!	For your terrific attitude towards performing arts class. You always give one hundred percent to every task and you are a pleasure to have in the classroom. Well done!		
Science	Max L - PK	Danilo C - 3/4K	Tesha S - 6J		
	For always being an eager and enthusiastic participant in STEM, as well as being an active part of the class as we have been learning about animals. Good job Max.	For hard work as we have begun looking at forces during STEM. Well done during the Paper Helicopter experiment. Well done Danilo.	For your excellent work so far during our study of biology. Very nice work identifying adaptations for your chosen animal and why it would help it survive. Nice work Tesha.		
Spanish	Loretta T - 2E	Emily K - 3/4S	Emma O - 5H		
	For participating actively in all lessons and always having a go at saying and writing the new words and phrases and using the language beyond the Spanish classroom.	For her outstanding work in the project about countries, going above and beyond, by using Spanish independently to write the information about the chosen country.	For her great attitude towards learning new words and phrases and her active participation in the Spanish lessons during the unit about the house.		
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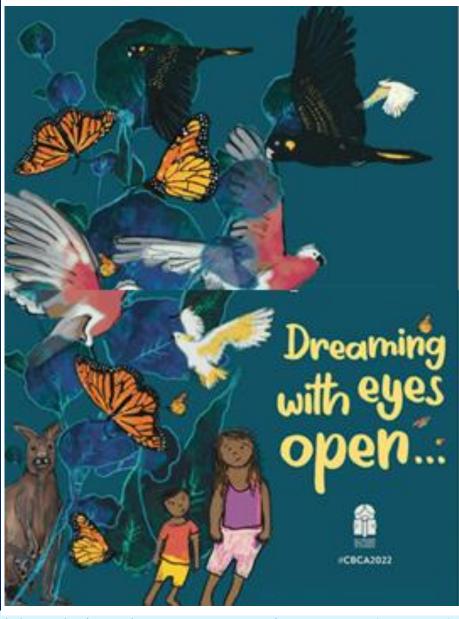
## Book Week 2022

# Week 6 Monday August 15th - Friday August 19th

## Book Week Parade

Friday August 19th
Students can dress up as their favourite
book character.

BE CREATIVE!!!









## Newsletter



## A message from your Coordinator Dear Families

Firstly, a friendly reminder for the upcoming curriculum day on Monday 22nd of August. We will run the full-day program, 7 am till 6 pm, with loads of fun experiences. Please go to the parents' portal for bookings.

The program's highlight is our gardening project; children have taken a massive interest in setting up the garden bed next to the BER. We have taken one step towards sustainable practices. We could not have achieved our goal without the support of Mr Mac, Mr Hattwell, and the helping hand of Mr O'Neil. Our garden bed is looking good, and we can't wait to see fresh produce.

Apart from the garden project, we designed a little art testimonial to say THANK YOU to our principals and to show our gratitude for their excellent work they do to support us!

In other art experiences, we created mythical creatures and nature self-portraits and let our imagination go wild! Our little master chef made delicious hot pot noodles, corn fritters, pancakes, scones and carrot cake. We also enjoyed several team games such as Ball Tiggy with Medic, Guards and Soldiers, basketball, memory tag, Detectives, and ball games!

Kind Regards

Meena



## Activities coming up

- Science week: Paper rocket
- Defying gravity with magnets
- Straw bridge



## What's on the menu

- Bake beans toasties
- Pizza platter
- Singapore Noodles









## It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at

pp. campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on







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New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

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## MISSION VII PROGRAM



Mulgrave Primary School

Address: 23-31 Gladeswood Dr MULGRAVE VIC 3170

Phone: 0404 397 389 Program Times: 07:00 am - 06:00 pm

Mon 19 Sep

Mission: Takeoff VII

What better time than AFL Season to celebrate the Athletic Spirit? Join us today as we turn Base Camp into our very own Rocketeers Stadium! You'll play Pica Pair Sports and cheer on your favourite team with your own DIY Cheerer Stick!

Full Fee \$72.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$10.94



Tue 20 Sep Adventure: Walking on Air at Inflatable World

Calling all bouncers and sliders. You'll be bouncing off the walls with obstacle courses, slides and more. Get ready to jump, jump, jump!

Full Fee \$100.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$15.14



Wed 21 Sep Rocketeers Film Festival: The Sequel

Design, Camera, Action. Get into teams and make your very own stop motion animation film! Plus, all films will be entered into our national film competition. More info on our website.

Full Fee \$85.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$12.89



Thu 22 Sep

Operation: My Hero!

Today we're celebrating both National Hero Day and World Card Day! Come dressed as your personal hero or let them know how much you appreciate them with a beautiful card!

Full Fee \$60.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$9.14



Base Camp Day

Mon 26 Sep Operation: Tropical Escape

Aloha! Welcome and make yourselves feel at home as we use everything at hand to turn our Base Camp into our own version of a Tropical leland!

Full Fee \$60.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$9.14



Tue 27 Sep Project: The Greatest Puppet Show

Today is all about exploring the magical world of 3D Puppetry! With the help of customisable props and unlimited imagination, Base Camp transforms into Rocketeers theatre. Design your very own 3D paper hand puppet and put on a mesmerizing show!

Full Fee \$79.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$11.99



Wed 28 Sep Adventure: DC League of Super-Pets at Village Cinemas

Join us at the movies as we watch Superman's best mate, Krypto, use his superpowers and convince other animals to team up and rescue the Justice League team to keep Metropolis safe. The DC League of Super-Pets is unleashed for maximum entertainment! Plus, get

Full Fee \$97.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$14.69



Thu 29 Sep

Project: Picnic Bears

Let's celebrate the return of the sunshine by organising a Picnic: Rocketeers style! Stuff, customise your bear-y own DIY Teddy and prepare delicious cinammon scrolls for an beautiful day out and about!

Full Fee \$80.45 | After Max. CCS\* \$12.07

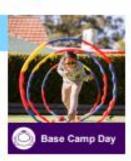


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Fri 30 Sep Operation: Obstacle Spectacle

Team up, strategise, and GO! Who can design the best obstacle course, or complete it the quickest, or cheer the loudest? Today, test your mettle and see what you can do!

Full Fee \$60.95 | After Max. CCS\* \$9.14



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## Ali's Corner - Parents Spot



## Hello everyone

How are you going with your parenting??

I know parenting is the hardest job on planet earth but I really hope you are taking time to enjoy your children and their wonderful gifts and talents because quality time produces quality moments.

This article is from Justin Coulson (https://www.happyfamilies.com.au/) and I encourage you to visit his website for some great material and courses to help your parenting journey. I know I need all the help I can get!! I have embraced the love of learning and the time taken to invest in myself has been soooo worth it. I hope this article helps....Live well, laugh often..... *Ali* 



Focus on the decision, not the outcome."

Need more context? The upshot is basically this...

Your parenting decisions need to be directed by your guiding values. NOT by the way your child responds.

You don't exhibit patience, kindness, and gentleness because it ultimately gets your child to comply and behave in the way you want them to. You make those decisions because that is the type of parent and person you want to be.

Justin talks frequently about how parenting is actually not about your kids at all, otherwise it would be called "childrening". Parenting is about YOU. It's about becoming the kind of person you ultimately want to be.

Focus on the decision, not the outcome.

Support your child's autonomy. Gently guide.

Hopefully, in time, your child will arrive at the outcomes you want for them, but whether they do or not, your success as a parent will be determined by the kind of person YOU become.

—the Happy Families team

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# ADVERTISTING

## Children's Readers at Monash Libraries

The Children's Reader collection consists of levelled readers that assist children to develop and improve their literacy skills.

Designed to bridge the skills gap between picture and chapter books, these books are colour coded to guide children through each level.

Library members can reserve online, or browse the junior literacy collection available at each branch.

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# DVERTISTING



## 9 AUG - 6 SEP 2022

## TUESDAYS (10am - 12pm)

## **CABENA CHILD & FAMILY CENTRE**

22 Cabena Crescent, Chadstone

Bringing Up Great Kids (BUGK) is a 5-week program for parents/carers of children aged 2-10.

The program aims to build strong, positive and respectful relationship between parents/carers and their children.

BUGK is open to families residing in or connected with the City of Monash.

**Monash Family Services** FREE PROGRAM • Bookings essential

For enquiries or to book: FamilyServices@monash.vic.gov.au

Learn about children's brain development

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**Understand the meaning** of children's behaviour

> Reflect on your parenting approach

Explore ways to be a more effective parent

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# Autism Family Swim Night

It's a private event so the pools all ours!

BBQ dinner included in the entry price

Events may be claimed on NDIS plans if applicable

Knox Leisureworks 35 Tormore Rd, Boronia, Vic



## DATES

August 7th
September 4th
October 2nd
November 6th
December 4th

Book Online www.differentjourneysautism.com /new-events/

Further Enquiries differentjourneys@gmail.com

#### SUPPORTERS













The Autism Family Swim Night has been supported by a grant from the Knox City Council Community Development Fund

# ADVERTISTING







## **OAKLEIGH TEENS**

## Autism Peer Support Social Event

## COST

**\$15pp** - food & drinks at own cost

**TIME** 6pm - 8:30pm

## WHEN

**First Wednesday** of the Month

WHERE: Oakleigh Carnegie RSL, 95-97 Drummond St, Oakleigh, VIC 3166

## CONTACT

differentjourneys@gmail.com 0490 774 068

## BOOKING

**Trybooking** - which is released monthly a week before each event

## **NEW EVENT**

Different Journeys provides peer support and social connections in a safe and supported environment for Autistic teens and their families. Our teen events cater to ages 13 - 18 years. Families welcome.

Our events are created for, by and with the Autistic community.

Parents/carers must be in attendance to support and supervise your teen at all times. We don't provide 1:1 support.











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