



Thursday 15th December 2022

TERM 4 WEEK 11

KEY DATES 2022

DECEMBER

Thurs 15 - Carols Night - 5.30-7.30pm

Fri 16 - Gr 6 Long Lunch

Fri 16 - All library books due back

Mon 19 - Gr 6 Fun Day - Gumbuya World

Tues 20 - FINAL DAY OF SCHOOL

1.30pm Dismissal

2023

JANUARY

Fri 27th - Staff resume (no students)

Mon 30th - All students commence school for term 1



DATES AND TIMES TO REMEMBER:

TERM DATES 2023

Term 1: 30 January – 6 April

Term 2: 24 April – 23 June

Term 3: 10 July – 15 September

Term 4: 2 October – 20 December

CURRICULUM DAYS 2023

Fri 27th Jan, Fri 17th Feb, Wed 26th April, Mon 6th Nov

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE. DAYS 2023

Tues 13th June & Thurs 14th December

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2023 - Term 1

Mon 13 March - Labour Day

Fri 7th April - Good Friday

TIMETABLE

Commence	8.58 Line-up Bell-Music 9am 2 nd Bell - Roll Marked
Recess	11.00 - 11.30am
Lunch	1.40 - 2.30pm
School Finishes	3.30pm

Message From The Principal

Another massive year is coming to a close. It has been a long year in so far as it is the first full year back at school after two years of on again/off again remote learning. I think it's fair to say that all of us have had our "match fitness" tested as the year has progressed, but our students have remained focused and have achieved some great results along the way. It has been so nice to be able to reintroduce all of our usual activities and we hope that that continues to grow next year.

Carols

As I write this it is bucketing down outside. It is likely that we will have to move our Carols evening into the stadium. Classes have been busily practising their songs for the night and we look forward to a wonderful evening, so we will find a way! This year, we will be selling drinks and icy-poles, however there will not be a BBQ, so please consider bringing a picnic feed for the evening. If we are in the stadium, I would ask families to be mindful of the floor, as it will still be used for basketball competition the following weekend.

Graduation

Last Monday saw our 2022 Year 6 students celebrate their Graduation. It was a wonderful evening and I would like to thank all of our parent volunteers for their efforts, as well as Mrs. Turner, Mr. Giles and Mr. Geer for their work in organising a sensational event. It is always a great time for families to share their child's achievements and Monday was no different, with our Year 6's doing themselves proud. Lots of smiles, more than a few tears and a great night had by all.

Uniforms in 2023

All students are required to attend in school uniform and whilst the end of the year often sees families "stretching the life out of items" or using non-uniform clothing, we would remind families that full uniform is required for the start of the new school year.

Whilst it may seem trivial, signing up to attend MPS includes agreeing to uphold our uniform standards. As we move into 2023 the only uniform that is acceptable to wear each day is listed on the PSW website, with the exception of shoes where we recognise the importance of choosing the appropriate active footwear for your child's growing feet. I strongly urge all families to follow up on school uniform over the summer break, including the school bag. Having a consistent uniform is a mark of respect and also an important aspect of student discipline and behavioural standards. It also becomes an important visual aid for when we leave the school grounds and are representing the school in the broader community. In the end, it says I attend Mulgrave Primary School and builds pride in our school community.

Social Media and Age Appropriate Viewing Habits

Recently we have seen a growing number of students referring to Netflix, Tik Tok and other platforms in relation to content that is well beyond their capacity for understanding. Children move through developmental stages where their brains become better equipped to interpret themes in the broader world. The Australian rating system is based on these milestones and are a good guide for what your children should be exposed to. We have heard students discussing plot details of shows designed for adults. Some of these themes are particularly violent and simply not fit for our younger students, as it can leave them with disturbing images that they do not have the capacity to process. With the holidays approaching and screen time on the rise, your cooperation in ensuring your child is viewing and discussing appropriate content is appreciated.

Reading

I know I say it every year, but the best way to improve academic outcomes for your child is to make sure they continue to develop a love of reading over the holidays. If they can read daily, it gives them a distinct advantage over their peers in the long run. Bed time is a great time to curl up with a good book and a great habit to get into. We also know that students who do not read over the holidays will go backwards in terms of their academic progress, so it really pays to read, read, read!

Dates for 2023

Please note the following dates for your diary for the start of 2023.

- Friday January 27 2023- Staff Resume for 2023 – preparation and planning day.
- Monday January 30 2023 – All students in Prep to Year 6 start school for 2023.

End of Year

This year we will run two end of year assemblies. The first of which will be held on Friday December 16th which will see our student leaders for 2023 presented with their badges by the Premier of Victoria, the Honourable Daniel Andrews MP. This assembly will commence at 9:30am and will be a huge one, with lots of student awards and a chance for some special performances.

On Tuesday the 20th, we will farewell the graduating class of 2022. We will commence at 1:00pm, with Year 6 students dismissed at the end of assembly. Prep to Year 5 students will return to their classrooms to collect their bags and will be dismissed at **1:30pm**.

Holiday Works

There will be several projects being completed around the school over the holidays. I'm sure when we head back to school in January it will be looking a picture.

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We love knowing that our families can enjoy our school grounds over the holidays and a community presence is always a great deterrent for those who may not value the facilities as much as we do. That said, if you do see any suspicious behaviour over the holidays, please contact 000 to let them know.

Please be advised that as per usual, students must be collected by parents and guardians 15 mins after the bell signalling the end of the day. Teachers will be on Yard Duty until 1.45pm. Camp Australia will be providing care from 1:30pm onwards and we ask that all students are collected on time. With that in mind, **could I please ask families to put a reminder in their phones for the 1:30pm finish time on Tuesday December 20th.**

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday season and a Merry Christmas to those who enjoy the day. My thanks to the entire school community for your support throughout 2022 and I look forward to an exciting year ahead in 2023.

Charles Spicer
Principal





4 Ways to Make Holidays Better for Kids

It's easy for children to be smitten with the magic of the holidays. Fun presents. Extra sweets. A vacation from school—there's a lot to like. But with the freedom and excess of the season, sometimes kids can get a [little carried away](#). For most families, there will be a point when the kids get overtired and cranky, or greedy about presents, or would [rather play a video game](#) than talk to Grandma. Here are some tips to keep kids happy and ready to enjoy whatever the season brings.

1. Gifts, gifts, gifts: Getting presents is a high point of the holidays for any kid, but they shouldn't be the only focus. As adults we know that giving presents can be just as rewarding as getting them, and we shouldn't wait to [teach that lesson to our children](#).

Even when kids are too young to buy a present, they can still make one, or help you pick out something. Some of my best holiday memories are of helping my father look for the perfect gift for Mom, or combing the mall to look for presents with my siblings as we got older.

Volunteering, participating in a local toy drive, or giving each of your kids a little money to give to a charity of their choice are all great ideas for getting children in a more generous mood.

Also, remember that the [best gifts](#) that you give your children probably won't be the material ones. Taking time for the whole family to get together to play a game, watch a movie, or decorate sugar cookies—these are the things that kids remember as they get older.

2. Let them help out: There's a lot of extra work to do around the holidays — putting up decorations, cooking big dinners, throwing parties. The Martha Stewart in all of us can take over, but it's important to take a step back and make sure our kids are included, too.

Children can help set the table, decorate the house, and wrap presents. If they're too young to wrap, they can help by holding down the paper or getting the tape ready — there's always something kids can do. And at holiday time, the preparations are often as fun and as meaningful as the end product. Plus, this way kids won't feel left out — or be glued to the iPad for hours.

3. Keep routines: We love the holidays because they give us a break from the everyday, but that can also make them stressful, especially for kids who find routine comforting. Try to keep some things constant. Kids still need snack time, they still need special attention from you, and they still need a chance to unwind before [bedtime](#).

At [family gatherings](#) when they notice the kids are "getting antsy," psychologist Rachel Busman says she and her sister give them their baths, get them into pyjamas, and turn on a movie. "We know when they need to wind down, and no one judges us for excusing ourselves from the table to do these things," she says. "In fact, my sister and I enjoy some great conversations during this time."

4. Remember they're kids: Some holiday traditions depend on kids being on their best behaviour: [lengthy services](#), [parties with lots of strangers](#), [elaborate meals](#) that may not appeal to [picky eaters](#). Try to keep those to a minimum and customize festivities for your kids' frustration level. Don't schedule more than one demanding event in a day, and make sure to include physical activity and plenty of downtime. Your kids will be grateful — and so will you.

<https://childmind.org>

MERRY XMAS TO YOU ALL AND HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY.

Live well, laugh often

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Newsletter

A message from your Coordinator

Dear Families

Summer holidays are approaching very fast! Camp Australia Rocketeers VIII looks good with various exciting missions, adventures and projects to keep your child entertained throughout these holidays. For bookings and details on the daily program, please visit campaustalia.com.au. Hurry, places are limited!

Hats off to our Graduates! We would like to congratulate all year six students, especially George, Jerzey, Heidi, Thasith, Tiana, Riley, Tarun, Eishan, Sussanna and James, for being part of the OSHC program.

It has been an honour to be part of your primary years of education. We have built a trustworthy relationship where we have seen you learn and grow. We will treasure every memory and lesson we learned together. We wish you all the best for your next milestone in life. We will miss you all!

We wish all families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2023. We hope to see you all in the new year!



Activities coming up

- Christmas craft
- Christmas cookies
- Party games



What's on the Menu

- Vegemite scrolls
- Mini pizzas
- Popcorns



It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustalia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



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



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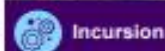
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

**Tue
03 Jan**

Mission: Takeoff VIII

Hey there, world travellers! Join us for this important mission to explore food, cultures and amazing places. You'll do puzzles, maps and a DIY colouring bag. Get your map and your passport, let's go to the exotic places you've always dreamed of!

Full Fee \$77.83 | After Max. CCS* \$11.67



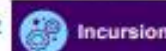
Incursion

**Wed
04 Jan**

Project: Brazilian Carnival

It's the holidays, so let's celebrate! In Brazil, Carnival is a big celebration of everything that's joyful - and that's exactly what this Rocketeers adventure is all about. You can expect music, games and crafts that are fun fun fun!

Full Fee \$84.83 | After Max. CCS* \$12.72



Incursion

**Thu
05 Jan**

Adventure: Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile at Village Cinemas

THERE'S A CROCODILE IN THE HOUSE! Join Josh Primm and his family as they navigate their new home in New York City with their new friend, Lyle, a singing crocodile that loves baths, caviar and great music!

Full Fee \$103.83 | After Max. CCS* \$15.57



Excursion

**Fri
06 Jan**

Operation: Aussie Aussie Aussie

Australia truly shines in summer. Tell us what you know and find out about the unique landmarks, animals and cultures that make Australia the place to be. We'll also be making an Aussie Bag Tag to take home!

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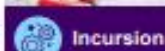
Base Camp Day

**Mon
09 Jan**

Project: Putt and Throw

Ready, set...go! Let's head outside for some totally fun times. Show us your skills and challenge yourself to outdo your personal best while you play mini-golf, croquet, Mikado and Molkky - a Finnish throwing game! You'll get your own frisbee too!

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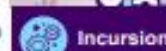
Incursion

**Tue
10 Jan**

Experience Takeover: Take Me To Basecamp

This. Is. Massive! We've got a new song 'Take me to Basecamp' and a new dance 'The Pop & Rock'. Be the very first to hear this track and learn the moves with a world-class choreographer!

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**Wed
11 Jan**

Operation: Race Around The World

Strap on your comfy shoes, because we're going to run around the world at your Base Camp on this fun-filled day!

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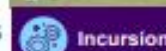
Base Camp Day

**Thu
12 Jan**

Project: Journey To Korea

It's time to cook, craft and play your way into Korean culture! We'll explore the food that Koreans love best, make kites that are sure to bring you heaps of good luck, and have a ball playing traditional games.

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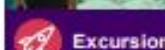
Incursion

**Fri
13 Jan**

Adventure: Air Soccer at St Kilda Football Club and Inflatables

Calling all bouncers and sliders. You'll be bouncing off the walls with a bunch of football activities where you'll test your brawn and brain with some fun games, inflatables, a quiz and more.

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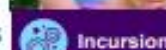
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**Mon
16 Jan**

Experience Takeover: Have A Water Blast!

Water bombs at the ready! Come along and be prepared to get very, very wet while you have fun and laugh with your friends during our Rocketeers water play day.

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Tue 17 Jan	Operation: Invention Attention		Wed 18 Jan	Project: Oh Canada	
<p>Do you have a bright idea? Bring it with you for Kid Inventors' Day, as we get creative together with some intriguing inventions! We want to see what you think is a great invention that the world needs - whether it's practical or just plain silly.</p>		<p>Base Camp Day</p>	<p>Passports at the ready: we're off to Canada! Learn about Indigenous North American cultures, history and stories, explore Canada's native wildlife, and cook a scrumptious chocolate animal-themed treat.</p>		<p>Incursion</p>
<p>Full Fee \$65.83 After Max. CCS* \$9.87</p>			<p>Full Fee \$84.33 After Max. CCS* \$12.65</p>		
Thu 19 Jan	Operation: Holidays Galore!		Fri 20 Jan	Adventure: Genius Creation at Maker Space	
<p>Holidays! Celebrate! Every culture celebrates different holidays, and you'll discover what they are on this fun-filled day or maybe let us know how you celebrate!</p>		<p>Base Camp Day</p>	<p>It's time to bring out the inventor in you because we are making our very own Water Filter and Pizza Box Solar Oven!</p>		<p>Excursion</p>
<p>Full Fee \$65.83 After Max. CCS* \$9.87</p>			<p>Full Fee \$106.83 After Max. CCS* \$16.02</p>		
Mon 23 Jan	Project: Exploring Egypt		Tue 24 Jan	Operation: Turn Up The Tunes!	
<p>Prepare to head to ancient Egypt! Discover lost treasures, build an Egyptian magic box for all your valuable goodies, and learn all about top secret languages in this ancient experience of a lifetime.</p>		<p>Incursion</p>	<p>One, two, three, four! Every culture has different music traditions, do you know an instrument or a song from a different country? Today we'll have fun with music!</p>		<p>Base Camp Day</p>
<p>Full Fee \$84.83 After Max. CCS* \$12.72</p>			<p>Full Fee \$65.83 After Max. CCS* \$9.87</p>		
Wed 25 Jan	Project: Back 2 School		Fri 27 Jan	Operation: Wild Safari	
<p>It's time to get ready to start the year - and we're going to do it with Batik art and colour! You'll decorate your own pencil case and backpack, so be prepared to let all your creative juices flow freely.</p>		<p>Incursion</p>	<p>It used to be Base Camp, but today it's a Safari Camp! Get ready to let out your inner wild creature in our animal themed games and craft activities.</p>		<p>Base Camp Day</p>
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TERM PROGRAM

Program for **Term 1 2023** is as follows:

Year levels: 3 to 6

Term Fee: \$165 excl GST

LUNCH TIME

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Sunday 22nd January
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