NEWSLETTER

Thursday 16th March 2023

TERM 1 WEEK 8

KEY DATES 2023

MARCH

Fri 17th - NAPLAN Reading - Gr 5 Fri 17th - Getting to Know you BBQ Prep Families - 3.45pm Mon 20th - NAPLAN Language

Conventions - Gr 3
Tues 21st - NAPLAN Language
Conventions - Gr 5

Wed 22nd - NAPLAN Maths - Gr 3 Thurs 23rd - NAPLAN Maths - Gr 5

Fri 24th - Harmony Day Celebration (Wear Orange/Cultural Dress)

Wed 29th - Prep Induction - PC & PK - 2.30pm Thurs 30th - Prep Induction - PB - 2.30pm Fri 31st - Summer Inter School Sport

APRIL

Thurs 6th - Term 1 Ends 2.30pm Finish

Fri 7th - Good Friday

Easter Hat Parade Thursday 6th April 9.15am

(see inside for details)



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 2nd Bell - Roll Marked

 Recess
 11.00 - 11.30am

 Lunch
 1.40 - 2.30pm

School Finishes 3.30pm

Message From The Principal

Prep Getting to Know You BBQ

A final reminder that tomorrow afternoon the PFA welcomes all prep families to a welcome BBQ from 3:45pm in the courtyard. The BBQ is an opportunity to meet new families and chat in a relaxed atmosphere. BBQ sausages (including plant based sausages) will be available, along with some cool drinks. We look forward to seeing as many families as possible.

School Crossing Rules

Late last week our crossing supervisor was unable to attend for one afternoon. Unfortunately a replacement was unable to be sourced, so the crossing was not attended to. Due to an ongoing tug-of-war between the Monash Council and the state government over who is responsible for funding crossing supervisors, schools have been advised to not provide staff in the event a supervisor cannot be present. It is not the role of school staff to cover the crossing, but we are concerned about the safety of all students and their families. The VicRoads website is very clear about the rules of school crossings:

"When the flags are displayed at a children's crossing, you must stop for pedestrians who are waiting to cross or who have started crossing. You must remain stopped until the crossing is clear. These rules apply even if there is no crossing supervisor."

I have also attached a parent information sheet that outlines the best ways to make sure children are safe when crossing.

Of course, last week one of our school councillors* and I observed the crossing and whilst doing so we again witnessed some very poor choices by far too many drivers. Double parking, parking in the no standing areas either side of the crossing, parking across driveways, doing illegal u-turns across the unbroken line, failing to give way at the crossing, failing to give way to other drivers and not indicating when pulling out of a parking space were just some of the low lights. My thanks to the drivers who did follow the rules.

Please, I implore all families to drive safely and to allow an extra minute or two at pick up and drop offs.

* Please refer to the piece attached outlining the perspectives of one of our school parents.

Additional Car Parking

Whilst the school works with the government and council to create a second car park that will include a drop off and pick up zone. I would remind families that there is parking at the tennis club and kinder areas of Gladeswood Reserve. Both of these spaces are easily accessible and provide a safe alternative for pick up and drop off.

NAPLAN

Families may have noted that NAPLAN is changing this year. Instead of the old 10 band system used previously, students will now receive one of 4 ratings for each test area. The new ratings are:

Exceeding – A child has met the proficiency standard

Strong - A child has met the proficiency standard

Developing – A child has not met the proficiency standard

Needs additional support - A child has not met the proficiency standard

The new standards are designed to provide a clearer understanding of your child's achievement levels. As is always the case at MPS, we use the information from NAPLAN and all of our testing to inform planning and cater to the point of need of each of our students. The NAPLAN tests will provide information as to what areas our Year 3 and 5 students need to focus on next. NAPLAN provides each student with a snapshot of their learning and this information is integrated with school based assessments to provide a rounded view of each child's progress. This then allows the school to provide extension or intervention on that needs basis. From that, we always set our sights on achieving 18 months learning growth in a calendar year. Whilst I acknowledge that learning peaks and plateaus along the way, if we can hit our target 2 or 3 times over the 7 years of primary schooling, our students will be very well prepared for entering secondary school.

Harmony Day

A reminder that on Friday March 24th, MPS will be celebrating Harmony Day. Students are encouraged to wear the traditional clothing of their heritage or the colour orange. Stay tuned for more information next week.

End of Term

An early heads up that Term 1 ends on Thursday April 6th at 2:30pm.



Principal

Easter Hat Parade Thursday 6th April—9.15am

Dear Parents and Guardians.

We will be having an Easter Hat Parade on Thursday April 6th (last day of term) at 9:15am.

Parents are invited to join us for this special event, which will be held on the basketball court (or stadium depending on the weather).

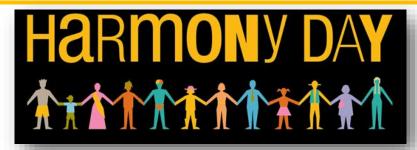
All children are being asked to make a bright and colourful Easter hat **at home** with some help from mum and dad.

**Keep an eye out on Seesaw where your child's teacher will send through some more information!

Kind Regards

Nicola Weerakoon

Acting Assistant Principal



This year we will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday 24th March.

The students will be involved in some classroom-based activities.

Students can wear: Free dress with the colour **orange** represented.

We encourage students to dress in their traditional cultural clothing as well.

No gold coin donation is needed for this event.

Earth Hour Saturday 25th March 2023 8.30pm until 9.30pm





Creating Futures Together

MARCH 28, 2023 BOOK A TOUR & PRESENTATION



BOOK A TOUR & PRESENTATION

TERM 1 WEEK 7 STUDENT AWARDS 2023

Class	Name	Reason		
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6G	Grace H	For completing excellent work in all areas! Keep it up, you're a star!		
6Т	Thomas J	For making others feel like they fit in and feel included.		
5G	Devmi UBH	For writing a brilliant persuasive text and always being patient when supporting others. Keep up the great work!		
5)	Maddy B	For making valuable contributions during our class discussions and for being such a happy and friendly student who brightens up our class! Keep up the fabulous work Maddy!		
5M	Srijith R	For making an improved effort in his reading responses by including lots of detail about his thinking. I am so proud of you Srijith. Keep up the good work.		
4W	Yihan Z	For continuously demonstrating the value of responsibility by helping her classmates and		
		encouraging the class to work as a team.		
4H	Andrew K	For working collaboratively with his peers to enhance his learning.		
4H	Aydin O	For working together with his peers to improve his learning.		
4S	Tiffany Z	For your fantastic effort making connections during reading.		
ЗМ	Cohen S	For being persistent and never giving up, even when things are challenging. Don't stop being amazing!		
3H	Zayn L	For always listening during floor time and participating well in partner and group work.		
3S	Ahmad H	For always working really hard in class and having great ideas! We will miss you buddy.		
20	Moksh S	For working hard and showing great enthusiasm in maths. Fantastic effort Moksh!		
2N	Zaky L	For his amazing efforts in reading, writing and maths this week!		
2E	Dane B	For his enthusiasm and effort when sounding out words during reading.		
1M	Max L	For demonstrating excellent listening skills during our tennis clinic. Fantastic effort Max!		
1L	Leviticus V	For drawing a five star picture for his zoo recount.		
1B	Attikos H	For contributing great ideas in class discussions. Keep up the great work!		
Prep B	Heath M	For participating in our tennis lesson and playing to his best. Amazing work!		
Prep C	Shanaya C	For working hard to sound out words when writing. So proud of you Shanaya!		
Prep K	Liam J	For consistently modelling the desired behaviour in class. Well done!		

	TERM 1 SPECIALIST AWARDS 2023				
Focus					
Focus: MOTIVATED	Junior	Middle	Senior		
Art	Miles G - 1L	Eli C - 3M	Ayla O - 6G		
	For a wonderful start to his art lessons this semester especially in his drawing skills. He tried his best to create an accurate self-portrait and was a motivated learner during this project. Keep it up Miles!	For drawing a wonderful self- portrait using great detail on his hair. He demonstrated a motivated attitude towards his learning and was the first to get his drawing completed. A great start to the year in art! Well done Eli!	For demonstrating superb drawing skills in her mini self-portrait. She worked with focus on this project and showed the school value of 'motivation' in her approach, putting in 100% effort. Fabulous work Ayla!		
PE	Orlando F - PK	Alyssa C - 4W	Erin L- 5J		
	For bringing a motivated attitude to every PE lesson, you have made an amazing start to PE, keep it up!	For your outstanding commitment and motivated approach in our basketball clinics! Your enthusiasm for the clinics and eagerness to learn have not gone unnoticed. Keep up the excellent work!	For your motivated approach in our basketball clinics! Your enthusiasm for the lessons, your dedication to improving your skills and pushing yourself to new levels is truly inspiring. I look forward to seeing your continual improvement on the court.		
Performing	April M - 2E	Alexis K - 3S	Zeina B - 6T		
Arts	For the fantastic attitude you bring to performing arts class each and every week when learning songs for the production and practising rhythm. Your motivation sets a great example for your peers.	For the fantastic attitude you bring to performing arts class each and every week, from learning songs for the production to composing your own song. Your motivation sets a great example for your peers.	For the fantastic attitude you bring to performing arts class each and every week, from learning songs for the production to participating in drama games. Your motivation sets a great example for your peers.		
Science	Alexa K - 2N	Zephyro H - 4H	Kaan T - 6T		
	For showing great enthusiasm as we began learning about living things in STEM and showing motivation in her efforts to increase her knowledge and understanding. Awesome job Alexa.	For showing great focus and showing a motivated attitude to improving his understanding and knowledge of food chains and how they work. Excellent work Zephy.	For his eagerness and motivated approach to expanding his knowledge and understanding of space and our Solar System. Great work Kaan!		
Spanish	Angelina G - PK	Hamza E - 4W	Giuliano R - 5J		
	For practicing saying Hola with confidence and with a big smile.	For always being polite during Spanish class, including using his manners in Spanish.	For always being ready to help others in class, especially when learning new words and phrases.		

Ali's Corner - Parents Spot



The Emotional Needs of a Child: Tips for Parents

By: Author Tanja Mcilroy

All too often, we put the focus on our children's intellectual and physical development, while their **emotional and social development** is just as important, if not more.

Children need emotional stability, in order to feel happy and safe. It is also a prerequisite for learning.

Here are the basic emotional needs of children and 24 tips to ensure your children grow up to be emotionally well adjusted. They are all based on the fantastic book "Language and School Readiness", written by Martie Pieterse.

6 Emotional Needs of a Child

What are the basic emotional needs of children? Here is a summary.

1. Safety and Security

Children need to feel secure and safe, in order to thrive and develop emotionally.

Tiny babies are completely dependent on their parents but need to be able to explore their surroundings to learn. When they feel loved and safe, they find the courage to start discovering the world and this is how they grow and learn.

Young children also learn best when their family and home life are predictable and safe.

2. Routine

Children who have daily routines feel more secure because their days are predictable. They find it comforting to know what to expect in a day. Their routines for sleeping, eating, bathing and other activities give their day structure.

If there was no predictability to the day, they would easily become overwhelmed and unsettled, and home would not feel like a safe haven.

Children who follow routines at home also settle much easier into school routines.

3. Discipline and Consistency

Children need discipline in order to learn about socially acceptable behaviour and norms. They need to learn how to live respectfully amongst others.

The more they learn to navigate the world appropriately, the better their sense of self-confidence and motivation. They also form better friendships and relationships.

Discipline should be fair and consistent, so your children always know what is expected of them and what their limits are. Inconsistent or harsh disciplinary styles do not result in children who learn self-control and self-discipline, as they are fear based.

Children need time to learn about being accountable for their actions and how their actions result in consequences. A fair and calm style of discipline in the home will aid this process.

4. Love

Unconditional love and a strong bond with parents, are absolutely vital for a good foundation in life. Feeling loved is the most important emotional need of a child.

Children need lots of hugs and kisses and they also need to be told that they are loved. This gives them emotional security.

5. Uniqueness

In order to reach their full potential, children must be allowed to be themselves. They need a relaxed and safe environment within which to develop their own talents and aptitudes and become people in their own right.

Don't underestimate them, but don't push them unrealistically towards your own vision for them either.

6. Acceptance, Recognition and Approval

When children receive unconditional love it shows them that they are accepted as they are. This builds their self-confidence which is the best gift you can give a child for their journey through school.

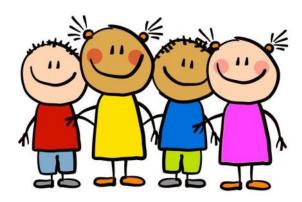
Acceptance and approval should never be conditional if your child is to learn to feel worthy. This should be automatic and not related to how they behave.

Learn to <u>praise your children</u> constructively and recognize their actions and efforts. This becomes a strong motivator for them.

I hope this helps and Part 2 will be in the next newsletter. Until then...

Live well and laugh often!

AliWellbeing Officer





Dear Families

This week's handball championship is going well, the children are excited and giving it their all! Good luck to all of our competitors!

The Easter holidays are approaching fast and our Rocketeers IX has launched with various thrilling missions, projects and adventures. Racers get ready to experience Grand Prix at our Missions take off IX. Some more exciting missions are Hoop and Bounce, Sandwich Master Chef, Reptiles Rebels, and the handball championship, which could give you a ticket for the regional championship. For more information on full days programs and booking, visit the Camp Australia website. Hurry, places are limited!

Highlights of the last couple of weeks' programs are in art and craft. Our circle and string painting art looked magnificent with the beautiful colour combination. In another art activity, we designed cute elephant with newspaper. We learned to make cool paper rockets in science and created giant bouncy bubbles. In the kitchen we made healthy bliss ball, Indian bread chapati, tortillas, banana choc bread, and cinnamon banana pancakes and fruit scones for breakfast. Some other popular experiences were fashion show, slime, pencil and bottle flip, puzzle challenge, restaurant dramatic play, designing bracelet and many more.

We'd like to thank Darren, Logan and Harley's father, for taking part in the programme with a fantastic magic show. The kids had a great time watching the show. We value your participation in the program, which helps us partner with families in the quality area.

Please pack extra hats in your child's bag for outside activities!











Activities coming up

- Bird House
- Easter craft
- Harmony day art
- Mini Yoga



What's on the Menu

- Veg Sushi
- Rice paper rolls
- Vegemite and jam pita rolls
- Toasties



It's free to register

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11 Apr

Mission: Takeoff IX

Calling all racers! Get ready to rev up your engine and get into the Grand Prix spirit. Build your own racing track puzzle and a friction race car - and there's also a car photo booth for fullyloaded fun! Will you be our next race champion?

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



12 Apr

Operation: Rock-Out Fest

Get your groove on for a day of festival fun and colour with our Rock-Out Fest! In celebration of International Dance Day (29 April), help your Base Camp transform into an awesome music festival. Let's sing, dance and rock out to the

Full Fee \$65.83 | After Max. CCS* \$9.87



13 Apr

Adventure: The Great Rocketeers Challenge

This one is for thrill seekers and fearless warriors! From team building games, a giant obstacle course and rock climbing to Gladiatorstyle battle challenges, do you have what it takes to be the next Rocketeers Survivor?

Full Fee \$108.83 | After Max. CCS* \$16.32



14 Apr

Operation: Handball Championships

Get pumped! Our Handball Championships have begun! Do you have what it takes to become our next Handball champion? Winners will be off to the Regional Championships to compete with the best!

Full Fee \$75.83 | After Max. CCS* \$11.37



Base Camp Day

Mon 17 Apr

Project: Hoop & Bounce

Bring your A-game to our Base Camp! Decorate your own basketball hoop and dunk if you dare. Then make your own bouncing ball using crystals and water! Want more? Our in-house arcade basketball game will wrap up your day in slam dunkin' style!

Full Fee \$85.33 | After Max. CCS* \$12.80



Experience Takeover: 18 Apr Reptile Rebels

They may be cold blooded, but some reptiles just warm your heart. Get up close to some of Australia's wonderful and unique fauna. We're calling all reptile rangers and insect inspectors to join our wildlife galore!

Full Fee \$87.83 | After Max. CCS* \$13.17



Wed 19 Apr

Operation: Giggles & Laughs

LOL (laugh out loud) with a day filled with exciting games, crafts and much more! It's all about adding giggles to your day with the International Moment of Laughter Day on 14 April. Remember, laughter is contagious - so let's spread it around

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Thu 20 Apr Project: Sandwich Master Class

Become a Sandwich Master and show off your delicious creation! Using healthy ingredients with shaped cutters, it's all hands-on fun. You'll make your own custom chef's hat and an eco-friendly sandwich keeper you can use for school and beyond

Full Fee \$85.33 | After Max. CCS* \$12.80



Fπ 21 Apr

Operation: It's Fun to Dress Up!

Who will you be today? Come dressed as your favourite character and let your imagination run wild. Whoever you want to be today, join us and explore the fun where anything is possible!

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Starting dates

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- · Friday 21st April

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Juru Lizard' by Holy Saviour Primary School

Youth Art for Reconciliation 2023

An exhibition of artwork by students in the City of Monash

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