NEWSLETTER

Thursday 25th April 2024

TERM 2 WEEK 2

KEY DATES 2024

APRIL

Thurs 25th - ANZAC Day - PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 26th - CURRICULUM DAY (Students not required)

Mon 6th - District Cross Country - Select students

MAY

Fri 3rd - Environment Green Day Gold coin donation

Thurs 9th - The "Lead It" Incursion - Gr 6

Fri 10th - Mother's Day Stall - 9.30am-1.30pm Fri 10th - Walk Safely to School Day Mon 13th - Education Week Commences Thurs 16th - VSSS Mass Dance Rehearsal Tues 21st - World of Maths Incursion - Gr P-4 Tues 21st - VSSS Mass Choir Rehearsal

Wed 22nd - World of Maths Incursion - Gr 5-6

JUNE

Fri 7th - Winter School Sport - Round 1 - Gr 4-6 Mon 10th - King's Birthday - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Thurs 13th - VSSS Mass Dance Rehearsal Fri 14th - Winter Interschool Sport - Round 2 Mon 17th - Pizza Day - PFA

Wed 19th - Fire Education Session - Preps **Tues 25th - Parent/Teacher Conferences** Wed 26th - Fire Education Session - Preps **Fri 28th - Last Day of Term 2 - 2.30pm Finish**

DATES AND TIMES TO REMEMBER:

TERM DATES 2024

Term 1 - Tues 30th Jan - Thurs 28th March

Term 2 - Mon 15th April - Fri 28th June

Term 3 - Mon 15th July - Fri 20th September

Term 4 - Mon 7th Oct - Fri 20th December

CURRICULUM DAYS 2024

Friday 26th April – Numeracy Monday 4th Nov – Assessment and Reporting

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE. DAYS 2024

Thursday 12th December 2024

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2024

Monday 10th June - King's Birthday Friday 27th Sept - AFL Grand Final Holiday Tuesday 5th November Melbourne Cup

<u>TIMETABLE</u>

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

Welcome back to Term 2. We trust that all of our students have had a good chance to recharge and judging by the start to the term so far, it would seem that everyone is putting their best foot forward around the school. Term 2 is an excellent time to dive deep into learning as routines are established. The next couple of months provides students with an opportunity to really demonstrate learning growth. Part of this is ensuring that every child is reading on a nightly basis. Each year level will have slightly different expectations regarding follow up activities and the length of time a student reads, but the evidence is very clear – daily reading underpins success in school and in life. If your child ever claims that they do not have any homework, it is worth reminding them that reading is an every day task, even if they are not required to do a follow up activity on that particular day.

We are really looking forward to the second term of the year after such a great start in Term 1. It promises to be busy and exciting for everyone at Mulgrave Primary School, including:

- ♦ Curriculum Day Pupil Free Day, Friday, April 26th
- ♦ Environment Day (Green Day), Friday May 3rd
- ♦ District Cross Country, Monday May 6th
- ♦ Grade 6 Mini Boss Leadership Incursion, Thursday May 9th
- ♦ Mother's Day Stall, Friday May 10th
- ♦ National Walk to School Day, Friday May 10th
- State School Spectacular Mass Dance Local Rehearsal, Thursday May 16th
- State School Spectacular Choir rehearsal, Tuesday May 21st
- ♦ World of Maths Incursion (P-4), Tuesday May 21st
- ♦ World of Maths Incursion (5-6), Wednesday May 22nd
- ♦ Winter Sports -Round 1, Friday June 7th
- ♦ King's Birthday Public Holiday Monday, June 10th
- ♦ State School Spectacular Mass Dance Local Rehearsal, Thursday June 13th
- ♦ Winter Sports Round 2, Friday June 14th
- Prep Fire Ed Session 1, Tuesday 19th June
- ♦ Reports live in Xuno Friday, June 21st
- Parent teacher interviews Tuesday June 25th
- ♦ Prep Fire Ed Session 2, Tuesday 26th June
- ♦ Last Day of Term 2, early dismissal at 2:30pm, Friday June 28th

Teaching our children about Anzac Day

Yesterday, ANZAC Day, saw many ways that parents could get their children involved in the Anzac Day experience to enable them to gain an understanding of the important place Anzac holds in Australia's history.



Firstly, historical knowledge is important and there are many high quality, child friendly accounts of the Anzac story, and the Anzac characteristics that resonate with Australians. Many of these books are available at local libraries; they are also available through the Department of Veterans' Affairs free of charge. These books make it clear that Anzac Day is not an event glorifying war, but exactly the opposite. It is a time of reflection and remembrance. Endurance, resourcefulness, courage, teamwork, loyalty and mateship are key attributes. These are virtues to be encouraged and emulated at any time and are a part of our national story we can focus on around Anzac Day.

There is also of course the experience of taking your children to a Dawn Service March or other commemorative activities on Anzac Day. All this will be more meaningful and educational if some of the previous reading and discussion has occurred. In any event, the questions that come from watching a march, studying a war memorial or experiencing the emotional stillness of the minute's silence and bugle call are opportunities to talk about the impact of war on Australia and the significance of the Anzac Story.

Curriculum Day - Student Free Day

During today, Friday 26th April (Curriculum Day), our staff undertook Professional Learning with a focus on Numeracy. Mrs Turner and the Maths Association of Victoria ran the day to assist us as we transition to the new Mathematics 2.0 curriculum.

Library, Art & STEM Centre

Over the school holidays the school was advised that our project would be put on hold until the state budget is delivered on May 7th. We have taken the planning as far as we can to date, with the next step being to go to tender, if and when we receive the funding to commence construction in the budget. Given MPS is at its current student capacity, this project is essential to delivering the best possible learning outcomes across a range of curriculum areas. The Principal Design Consultants, on behalf of the Victorian School Building Authority, presented the completed design modelling to School Council last term who, in turn, approved the drawings to enable the project to move to the tender stage. All costings have been completed subject to this timeline, so we have our fingers crossed that we will be able to continue the project without delay following the handing down of the budget. Stay tuned.

Excursion and Incursions

During the year students will have the opportunity to participate in extra activities, such as excursions and incursions, that enhance their learning.



These activities are optional and not part of the standard curricular offering. If you would like your child to participate, it is important that the permission form is returned, and payment made, by the due date given in the notice provided to families.

All permissions and payments are generally due two weeks prior to an activity, this is to allow time for us to confirm numbers with providers and to organise groups and staffing as required.

We have been quite lenient in the past and continued to follow up with families if either a permission form or payment had not been received by the cut-off date, sometimes we have still been doing this on the day of the activity which is not ideal. We will now be implementing a stricter policy whereby **if a permission form and/or payment have both not been received or paid a week prior to the activity, the student will not be able to participate.**

We appreciate your understanding and of course as always if you have special reasons for not making payment, please contact our Business Manager – Suzy Shaw who will be able to advise you of any assistance that may be available. We have included a link to our Camps & Excursions Policy for your reference, this policy can also be found on our website, under the "Parents" tab.

Camps and Excursions Policy



Mother's Day Stall

A reminder that the annual Mother's Day stall will be held on **Friday 10th May**. Students will be given the opportunity to purchase a range of items that we hope our mum's will love.

Education Week - Spotlight on STEM!

Education Week is an annual celebration of education in Victoria. In 2024, Victoria will celebrate Education Week from Monday 13 May to Friday 17 May. The theme will be *Spotlight on STEM*, a chance for schools to celebrate and share how they bring science, technology, engineering, and maths to life in the classroom.



Throughout the week students will engage in STEM activities to celebrate hands on active learning in the curriculum. MPS has a strong commitment to STEM and have been providing specialist classes in this area for almost a decade. In addition, the previously mentioned Library, Arts and STEM centre will be a wonderful step forward in how we deliver the program, with a purpose built space dedicated to improving learning outcomes.

Foundation (Prep) Enrolment

The Department of Education, just prior to the break, released its Statewide Enrolment Procedures for children transitioning into Foundation (Prep) in 2025.

For any current families who have a child starting Foundation in 2025 please go to the following website to enrol your child at Mulgrave for 2025. Visit: Home (educationapps.vic.gov.au). We have included key dates to remember.



Principal

Key Dates for Future Foundation Enrolments

Terms 1 and 2, 2024	Primary schools conduct tours and other activities with the recommendation that all tours are completed by the end of term 2 .	
End of Term 1, 2024	School zones for the 2025 school year go live on www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au	
From Monday April 15, 2024, onwards	Enrolment applications open – parents/carers may submit their completed 'Application to Enrol in a Victorian Government School' (application form) to a government primary school from this date. To enrol please go to this website Home (educationapps.vic.gov.au)	
By Friday July 26, 2024	Enrolment applications due – parents/carers submit their completed application form to a government primary school by this date.	
By Friday August 9, 2024	Primary schools provide parents/carers with written notification of Foundation (Prep) enrolment outcomes The Foundation (Prep) Appeal Form should be included with unsuccessful application letters.	
By Friday August 23, 2024	Parents/carers sent a letter of offer return the completed enrolment form by this date, to indicate acceptance of their child's enrolment offer. Closing date for parents/carers to lodge a written appeal with primary school.	
By Friday September 6, 2024	September 6, 2024 Primary schools notify all parents/carers, in writing, of the outcome of appeals by this date.	
During Term 4, 2024	Primary schools host transition sessions. (Mulgrave Primary School Foundation Transition sessions will commence on Wednesday, 16th October).	

TERM 2 WEEK 1 STUDENT AWARDS 2024

Class	Name	Reason	
6CH	Akshat. T	For adding a lot of discussion points in our classroom around character traits.	
6G	Viktor B	For showing great improvement in your automatic response and for working hard during learning tasks!	
60	Onella F & Aabha H	For being legends at lunch time and helping others around the school.	
5G	Alyssa C	For always being persistent and determined when approaching learning tasks. Your enthusiasm and effort are recognised and admired in our class. Keep being amazing!	
5MP	Zan U	For his wonderful contributions in class, especially during math. Amazing work Zan.	
5M	James B	For his positive attitude to learning and working to be his best in maths, and for improving his division knowledge by 41 in his automatic response assessment. Superstar effort James!	
4Н	Adeeb R	For such an enthusiastic start to the term, including working hard on multiplication strategies to share with the class. Keep it up!	
	Malkit S	For demonstrating the school values in class and having an awesome start to term two. You're a star!	
4L	Andrew P Riley D	For showing passion and enthusiasm in your learning. Especially during maths! Keep aiming high and you will achieve great things! For returning to school with much more focus and dedication. It's highly enjoyable to watch you use your incredible imagination to write and be proud of your achievements. Awesome work!	
4B	Liam D	For always listening carefully to instructions and taking pride in his work.	
3HD	Braxston S	For doing excellent learning this week in the classroom. Keep striving to be the best learner you can be Braxston. We believe in you.	
3Н	Aleko T	For using his initiative to help his peers around the classroom and putting fabulous effort into Writing tasks. Well Done!	
20	Jana M	For her positive attitude to learning and willingness to help others in the class.	
2P	Zayn M	For being enthusiastic and positive about his learning. You always put in an impressive amount of effort into our classroom activities. Keep up the great work!	
2E	Eva J	For her creative rhyming sentences, well done Eva!	
	Michael L	For his positive attitude towards difficult mathematics tasks, well done Michael!	
1M	Rose S	For writing creative rhyming sentences and eagerly sharing them with the class. Fantastic work Rose!	
	Ryan W	For his positive attitude towards learning and willingness to always try his best. Keep up the amazing work Ryan!	
117	Vincent C	For his persistence during writing lessons where he has created wonderful sentences using his knowledge of rhyming words.	
1B	Liam J	For being a diligent and dedicated student who readily contributes to all class activities. You're a superstar!	
	Athena T	For her creativity during our writing lessons where she produced creative rhyming sentences. Awesome work Athena!	
Prep K	Nefeli H	For working hard at home to improve your learning. Keep it up. Well done!	
Prep N	Maya D	For completing some fantastic writing about the sensory garden. Amazing effort!	
Prep B	Mikayil W	For working to his best in Maths when exploring the different ways to make 10. Amazing work!	
	Bronson N	For working to his best to speak clearly while sharing the time he went to Cirque Du Soleil - Luzia in the holidays during Show and Tell. Keep it up!	

TERM 2 SPECIALIST AWARDS 2024

Art	Harlow N -1B For her impressive printmaking skills when creating the patterns for her brick house and roof. She demonstrated skill in printing with neat and evenly spaced spaces. Fabulous work!	Abbey F P-3H For following all the steps to create some amazing radial symmetry prints with her own handmade stamp. Awesome work!	Hiya M - 6G For the painting skills she demonstrated when creating her Romero Britto inspired artwork. Your focus and dedication on this project has been impressive. Well done!
PE	Jake L - 1T For always putting in a great effort in our games and treating his classmates well at all times.	Alexandra T - 4H For always having a great attitude to sports, working hard to improve her skills, and showing kindness to her peers.	Harrison M - 6CH For being an enthusiastic member of PE class, and for always going the extra mile for his peers and teacher.
Performing Arts	Massie H - 20 For his fantastic effort in identifying instrument families, character themes and pitch in the music of Peter and the Wolf.	Adeeb R - 4H For his enthusiastic approach to making his DJ Presentation on Michael Jackson. Keep up the great work!	Mylah K, Milla H & Ella M - 60 For their enthusiastic approach to their Movies in Music project. It's great to see a good plot enhanced with appropriate music and sound effects. I can't wait to see the finished product.
Science	Zyra C - 1M	Shanmukha S - 4L	Sohaliyaa J - 5M
	For always being an active participant in class, as well as working hard during our activities on weather, especially during the efforts to make the rain cycle in a jar. Nice work Zyra.	For your excellent work during our learning about computers, especially when using Google Docs and Slides. Fantastic job Shanmukha.	For demonstrating great skills and focus while participating in different experiments and activities to learn about the properties of Solids, Liquids and Gasses. Well done Sohaliyaa.
Spanish	Sophia H - PB	Amelia W - 4L	Amelia L - 60
	For participating actively in all lessons and always having a go at saying the new words and phrases. You are setting a great example with your positive attitude towards saying the different feelings in Spanish. Keep it up!	For showing great writing skills and vocabulary knowledge. You consistently used the correct noun-adjective agreement when describing objects in Spanish. Well done!	For showing a positive attitude towards learning new words and phrases during our food unit. Your active participation sets a great example for our class. Well done!

Environment Day!

Mulgrave Primary School will be holding **Environment Day** on

Friday 3rd May 2024

Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite **vegetables**, **fruits** or **flowers**. This can be on a T-shirt or you can wear flowers in your hair.

Students can also wear the colour **GREEN**.

Please bring a GOLD COIN donation.
All donations will go towards resources for our school garden.







National Walk Safely to School Day - Friday 10th May

Dear Parents and Guardians,

National walk school day will be on Friday 10th of May.

National walk to school day encourages all primary school children, their parents, and carers to walk safely to school.

It is important for children to be active each day. Walking to school is a great way to keep fit and support healthy development.

How can you get involved?

Walk to school on Friday May 10th

If you must use a car, try leaving it a good distance from the school and walk the rest of the way.

At each gate once you have finished your walk, we will have some fresh fruit for you.

We will also have some stickers and stick on tattoos to hand out.

The student voice team will be having a colouring competition that will run within the school.



PFA Fundraising News

The Parents and Families Association (PFA) held their first meeting of 2024 in Term 1. We reflected on the incredible support we received from our parent community last year and we're thrilled to share some highlights of how your contributions have made a tangible difference in our school.

Line Markings around the School - Thanks to your generosity, the children can now play on the new games, such as snakes and ladders and hopscotch.

GaGa Ball Pit - A new GaGa Ball Pit has been installed and with a brand new surface fitted these holidays. The Pit is already much-loved addition to our playground.

Welcome Prep BBQ - Funds were raised to host a BBQ welcoming our newest students and their families to MPS.

Laptop Repairs/Maintenance - Your contributions have been instrumental in ensuring our students have access to functional laptops for their educational needs. As laptop repairs and maintenance can be costly, your support has relieved a significant financial burden and helped keep our technology resources up and running.

Sustainable Shop Membership Fee - Funds were used for an annual school membership fee for our Sustainable School Shop. This platform allows parents to buy and sell second hand uniforms. There are currently 21 items for listed on the site for sale. http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/stocktake/mulgrave-primary-school

Air Conditioning for the Stadium - After four years of fundraising, we're thrilled to announce that we'll finally be able to install air conditioning in the stadium this year! Your unwavering support has made this long-awaited improvement a reality, ensuring greater comfort for our students during physical education classes and school events.

While we celebrate these achievements, we also want to address an important matter regarding voluntary contributions. We understand that times may be challenging for some families, and we appreciate those who have been able to contribute. However, it's essential to note that voluntary contributions play a crucial role in providing essential resources for our students.

The Department of Education (DE) does not provide funding for miscellaneous expenses beyond basic instruction and maintenance of the school. As voluntary contributions remain low, we rely on extra fundraising efforts to ensure that all students have access to necessary stationery, equipment, books, and laptops/computers for their learning needs.

Your continued support and generosity are deeply appreciated, and we're grateful for the positive impact you've made on our school community.

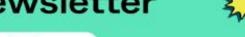
Warm regards,

Laura Cain PFA President



Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter





Your OSHC.



24/04/2024

Mulgrave Primary School

ANZAC Day in After School Care



22-26 April

Book now

A message from your Coordinator

A very warm welcome back to all students and families in term 2. I hope you all had a good relaxing break catching up with families and friends and collecting some Easter goodies!

We are continuing with our Creative Big Art Friday Competition powered by Lego this term. It represents a thrilling chance to win the transformation of your Lego creation from a drawing to a real-life Brickman model. Big Art Comp: Powered by LEGO® now accepting entries for the competition.

We will be celebrating Mother's Day, Reconciliation Week, National Yoga Day and Earth Day this term with exciting experiences.

This week's program theme is Anzac Day. We pay our tribute and commemorate war veterans through several experiences, including Anzac cookies, ANZAC Soldier Silhouette, and word search DIY hanging poppy.

This Friday is Mulgrave primary is having a curriculum day. Camp Australia is running full day program 7am to 6pm. For booking, please go the camp australia com au.





Activities coming up

- Star Fish collage
- 30 years three-legged race
- Fruit juice jelly

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

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 Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

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Hey

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- ★ Painting, sculpting, creative writing and more!
- ★ LEGO® Play and building challenges!
- ★ Fun games and activities inspired by art!
- ★ And so much more....

When: Every Friday at Your OSHC After School Care

To find out more about Big Art Fridays, ask an adult to scan the QR code below!



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