



Thursday 7th May 2026

TERM 2 WEEK 3

KEY DATES 2026

May

Fri 8th - District Cross Country - Select Students
Fri 8th - Mother's Day Stall (PFA)
Fri 8th - Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (PFA)
Fri 15th - Nazareth Taster Day - Gr 5
Mon 18th-Fri 22nd - Education Week!
Wed 20th - Open Day Afternoon - 2.30-3.30pm
Fri 22nd - Winter Interschool Sports - Gr 5 & 6
Fri 22nd - Walk to School Day
Thurs 28th - VSSS Mass Dance Rehearsal
Fri 29th - Winter Interschool Sports - Gr 5 & 6

June

Thur 4th - Puberty Education - Gr 4 & 5
Fri 5th - CURRICULUM DAY - No School
Mon 8th - King's Birthday - Public Holiday
Thurs 11th - Puberty Education - Gr 4 & 5
Thurs 18th - Puberty Education - Gr 5
Thurs 18th - VSSS Choir Hub Rehearsal
Fri 26th - Last Day of Term 2 - 2.30pm Dismissal

We wish all mothers and
grandmothers a very
special Mother's Day
this weekend!



DATES AND TIMES TO REMEMBER:

TERM DATES 2026

Term 1 - Tues 27th Jan - Thur 2nd April
Term 2 - Mon 20th April - Fri 26th June
Term 3 - Mon 13th July - Fri 18th Sept
Term 4 - Mon 5th Oct - Fri 18th Dec

CURRICULUM DAYS 2026

Tuesday 27th January
Friday 5th June
Friday 4th September (TBC)
Monday 2nd November

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAYS 2026

Tuesday 15th December (TBC)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2026

Monday 9th March - Labour Day
Friday 3rd April - Good Friday
Sunday 5th April - Easter Sunday
Saturday 25th April - Anzac Day
Monday 8th June - King's Birthday
Friday 25th September - AFL Grand Final
Tuesday 3rd November Melbourne Cup

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

Happy Mother's Day

Wishing all MPS mums a happy Mother's Day this Sunday. To celebrate, we look forward to hosting all the mothers who have booked for the Mother's Day afternoon tea from 3pm this Friday. We will start in the stadium, and students will join the celebration from 3:30pm. There's also a Mother's Day stall, but it's a secret!!! My thanks to the PFA for organising both the stall and the afternoon tea.

District Cross Country

Best wishes to our athletes who will be representing the school at the District Cross Country carnival tomorrow. Due to the unavailability of Norton's Park, we have the added bonus of hosting the event, which will start at the school and wind its way through Gladeswood reserve next door. I'm sure we will be cheering our team on as they represent the school.

Education Support Staff Day

Next week we celebrate Education Support Staff Day on 16th May. Education Support Staff are a vital part of the education workforce, as they contribute to creating and sustaining a school culture where learning takes place. They cover a wide range of professional, administrative, technical, and general staff working as teaching assistants, Integration Aides, Student administration and more. We at MPS would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful work our ES staff do. Thank you so much to Suzy, Viki, Anna, Marina, You Meng, Vicki, Jacque, Sue and Jacob for keeping our school running and supporting our students to learn, our teachers to teach, and engaging our community in our wonderful school. Your efforts are very much appreciated!

Education Week May 18-22

Education Week is on the horizon and we have much to celebrate at MPS. Our main event is the open day on Wednesday May 20 from 2:30-3:30pm where families are invited to visit their child's classroom and check out our new Library and STEM centre if you have not already done so. The week will conclude with Walk to School Day on Friday May 22nd. Please see the flyer attached to the newsletter for more information.

STEM Space Grant

Congratulations to Mr. McIlwraith on being awarded the "Kids in Space" sponsorship, which will provide \$7499 in resources for the school and enable our Year 5 & 6 students to participate in the program. Mr. Mc, Ms. Matthews and Mrs. Cutting have all recently attended the training and will be commencing the program with the senior students from next week. The program offers real world learning opportunities and access to Australia's growing space industry. As part of the grant, the school has also received a 3D printer and a starting supply of print filament. At the completion of the program, schools will be invited to showcase their work, with the winning team from Victoria to be flown to Adelaide for the national showcase at the Australian Space Discovery Centre (teams will consist of 4-6 students). This is an exciting opportunity and a great chance to put our new STEM centre to the test.

Early Arrivals

Recently we have seen a spike in students coming to school well before 8:45am. Whilst we generally open the gates around 8:30am, the school grounds are not supervised until 8:45am and students should not be entering through the car park or jumping the fence. Students arriving early should be booked in to before school care via Camp Australia. It is free to register, and fees vary depending on available childcare rebates.

Provisional NAPLAN Data

Last week we received the provisional NAPLAN results from the 2026 testing. Although at this stage we do not have any comparative data, the results look positive, particularly in Numeracy, as well as Grammar & Punctuation, which bodes well for another strong result in Writing, however the Writing results are not available until we receive the full results later this term. Well done to students, staff and families and a reminder that individual student reports will be arriving in Term 3.

I would remind all families that success in NAPLAN can be aided through regular reading at home. The school expects students to read every day, so there's never an excuse for a child to claim they don't have any homework!

Prep Enrolments

A quick reminder that enrolments are now open and can be completed online for 2027. The sooner our current families can enrol their children, the easier it is for us to plan ahead for next year. Of course, we would also appreciate it if families could spread the word at their local kinders, particularly given the increase in the school's capacity as we head into 2027.

2026 Parent Payments Reminder

Thank you to all the families who have paid the 2026 Curriculum Contributions. Your support is greatly appreciated! Curriculum Contributions provide payment for your child's stationery items, Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Music, English, Maths, Spanish and Physical Education resources, plus photocopying and learning materials, and also contribute to the provision of IT devices. If you have not yet contributed, you are still able to do so via the Qkr! App or by visiting the office to pay over the counter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Business Manager, Suzy Shaw.

Charles Spicer,

Principal



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GOLD COIN ENTRY GOES TO MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUPER TALENT

Congratulations to Jana who faced her fears to sing, "That's So True" by Gracie Abrams at our assembly on Friday. Jana demonstrated her beautiful singing voice in what was her first ever solo performance. We can't wait to see what she can do in the future!

Mrs Sally Bush
Performing Arts



MPS House Cross Country

Last Friday 1st of May, students from grades 3-6 took part in the House Cross Country. It was a great effort by all with Gold House taking out the overall win. Congratulations to Gold House!

4th Place with 399 points - Red House

3rd Place with 478 points - Green House

2nd Place with 515 points - Blue House

1st Place with 517 points - Gold House!!



Congratulations also to the students who have made it through to the District Cross Country which will be held here at Mulgrave PS tomorrow. We will all be cheering you on!

VSSS Rehearsals

Last Thursday, the students participating in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular Mass Choir had their first interschool rehearsal. VSSS Music Associate, Clare, visited our school and led us and another 55 students from Albany Rise and Silverton primary schools through all the tricky parts of the songs we will be singing. We also enjoyed some singing warm-ups and games, with two magpies visiting the stadium and singing along too.

On the same day, the students in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular Mass Dance had their second interschool rehearsal at Oakleigh South Primary School. This was led by the very talented Hara, from the VSSS and the students had a great time learning their dance moves. It was also exciting that they received some of their costumes and materials to make props for the show.

The Victorian State Schools Spectacular will be held on Saturday 29th August. The students perform in two shows on the day at John Cain Arena. Tickets will be on sale in July – it is truly a spectacular show and well worth watching. The VSSS will also be broadcast on channel 7 and 7 Plus in December. MPS participate in the VSSS every two years, with a limited number of students from grades 4 – 6.



SAVE THE DATE



Friday 22 May 2026
National Walk Safely to School Day

National Walk Safely to School Day 2026 is on **Friday, 22 May 2026**. This annual Australian event promotes healthier habits, reduced car dependency, and improved road safety for primary school children. Families are encouraged to walk, scoot, or ride to school, with a focus on building lifelong active travel habits.





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MAY 18TH-22ND

EDUCATION WEEK



EXPLORE!



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- ✓ Parents welcome from 2:30pm
- ✓ Student work on display
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Walk to School Day



FRIDAY, 22ND MAY



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TERM 2 WEEK 2 STUDENT AWARDS 2026

Class	Name	Category	Reason
6M	Maddie D	Literacy	Maddie - for her incredibly detailed and well-thought-out reading responses in our Reading lessons. You consistently think deeply about texts and use strong evidence to support your ideas. Keep up the great work Maddie. I am so proud of how much you have improved!
	Michelle C	Literacy	Michelle - for her efforts in researching and drafting her information report. Michelle, your writing is sophisticated and detailed, and you have met your Writing goal to embed relevant research data into your report. Well done! I cannot wait to read the finished piece!
	Ondria F	Numeracy	Ondria – for her perseverance in our maths lessons and working hard to be able to solve problems involving fractions, decimal and percentages. Even though it has been challenging Ondria, you have persevered and are now finding success. I am so proud of you! You’ve got this!
6HD	Paula A	Motivation	For a fantastic effort in her Topic planning research. You worked so hard in finding sustainable ideas to add to your sustainable city. Keep up the great work Paula!
6G	Troy G	Numeracy	For showing tremendous growth in this Automatic Recall of division facts!
	Tayla N	Numeracy	For working hard in Numeracy lessons and showing wonderful development in her work on division and fractions!
5CD	Havishaa J	Literacy	For diligently researching information about her chosen renewable energy source.
5K	Ranidi B	Literacy	For showing progress in her paraphrasing.
3/4 JH	Valanti P	Numeracy	For sharing his mathematical thinking and strategies so clearly and confidently with his peers to help build everyone's understanding.
	Callum T	Numeracy	For showing strategic thinking when exploring addition strategies throughout the week.
	Adrian A	Numeracy	For taking an active role in our maths lessons and explaining his understanding of decimal numbers so clearly.
3/4 W	Vincent C	Literacy	For his great focus and effort when completing reading and writing tasks.
	Anastasia M	Numeracy	For being actively engaged in Maths lessons and trying her best when applying different addition strategies.
3/4K	Miles G	Literacy	For consistently doing your best in all reading and writing tasks. Well done!
	Athena T	Literacy	For consistently sharing good ideas and insights during class discussions. Keep it up! Well done!
3/4 M	Alice W	Motivation	For working hard in all subjects and always participating in class discussions. Well done!
	Viaan C	Literacy	For working attentively to complete the procedure text and following the instructions carefully. Well done!
3/4 G	Alec R	Motivation	For showing great initiative and independence when learning. Your hard work and dedication to complete work to a high level has been fantastic! Keep up the great work!
	Aaryan T	Literacy	For demonstrating imaginative ideas and engaging word choice in his narrative. Your well-crafted sentences shine with detail and description. There is a bright future ahead for a talented writer like you!
2H	Mikayil W	Motivation	For putting in consistent effort into activities in class, as well as his homework. Keep it up!
	Louis B	Numeracy	For staying focused in our Maths lessons and being an excellent partner in fluency games. Well done!
2NP	Peter S	Literacy	For showing enthusiastic participation in our Phonics lessons this week. Fantastic effort Peter!
	Altan S	Motivation	For always trying your best in everything you do, and always using amazing manners, setting a great example for others. You are a superstar Altan!
2TR	Ari C	Persistence	For persisting when he found a task challenging and growing his megabrain!
	Ashton K	Persistence	Showing persistence when struggling to find words in the dictionary and building his understanding!
1BL	Sofia M	Literacy	For consistently challenging herself, ensuring her writing includes interesting adjectives suitable to the chosen writing topic. Fabulous effort!
	Abby W	Literacy	For always contributing such interesting thoughts and answers to our class discussions. We love hearing what you have to share!
1K	Sam V	Numeracy	For trying so hard to use different strategies when working out your Maths problems. Keep up the great work!
1E	Phoenix Y	Numeracy	For demonstrating excellent thinking skills and confidence in solving place value problems.
Prep L	Azlaan W	Numeracy	For his fantastic understanding of place value. He confidently built ten towers and explained how many ones were in each group.
Prep B	Charlie G	Motivation	For being a wonderful classroom helper, supporting classmates with their tasks and helping to keep our classroom neat and tidy. Keep it up!
	Zariaan K	Motivation	For being brave and sharing your Show and Tell in front of the class. I know that wasn't easy, and you did such a great job. Keep shining!

TERM 2 SPECIALIST AWARDS 2026

Focus: SUCCESS	Junior	Middle	Senior
Art	Athena K - 2TR For thoughtfully sharing creative ideas and consistently applying strong effort in the art room.	Declan S - 3/4JH For his outstanding creativity and focus in producing his rectangular loom woven artwork.	Evie T - 6HD For embracing feedback and working with persistence to strengthen her artwork.
PE	Yusuf K - PL For putting in lots of effort, trying your best always and learning that winning isn't always coming first.	Nicholas K - 3/4G For being engaged and working well with others. You did a particularly great job during our karate clinic.	Hayden S - 5K For always being engaged, inquisitive, and asking great questions to better his learning.
Performing Arts	Ruben S - 2TR For your fantastic understanding of the instrument families and your technical knowledge of how instruments make their sound. Well done!	Katya K - 3/4JH For her enthusiastic and hardworking approach to every performing arts class, and for the positive energy she brings to the classroom.	Kasim U - 5K For your hard work, engagement and dedication to composing your own soundtrack for a short film. Well done!
Science	Maleya B - 2H For her keen interest and focus during our work so far on weather. Well done Maleya.	Swara P - 3/4G For her eager work during STEM so far this term as we have started looking at weather and climate and what they are. Nicely done Swara.	Indigo T - 6G For being an active and eager participant in STEM, and showing keen interest as we start looking at natural hazards and natural disasters. Great work Indigo.
Spanish	Zaarian K - PB For showing a great attitude when guessing colours and numbers, participating enthusiastically and being a great example to others. Excelente, Zaarian!	Monica S - 3/4K For always wanting to build new sentences in Spanish using new vocabulary and for showing a strong interest in learning more and more. You are a wonderful Spanish helper. Sigue así, Monica!	Athan Prappas - 6HD For your fantastic attitude towards Spanish, for showing great interest, listening carefully and taking notes during class, and for participating and being a great example to others. Muy bien, Athan!

Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

07/05/2026

Mulgrave Primary School



Your
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Mother's Day in After School Care



8 May

Book now

Dear Families

We warmly invite all our wonderful mums to join us for our Mother's Day Breakfast on Friday, 8 May, from 7:30am to 8:30am at the BER OSHC. We look forward to celebrating this special occasion together.

Over the past few weeks, the children have engaged in meaningful learning experiences. We commemorate our war veterans through ANZAC day activities such as poppy flower art, soldier salute crafts, quiz, and also baking Anzac cookies, the children gained a deeper understanding of the significance of this important national day. Another highlight of our program has been our Mother's Day craft activities. The children showed great enthusiasm in creating personalised gifts, thoughtfully designed to express their love, care, and appreciation for their mums.

We are also pleased to announce the return of our Big Art Friday Comp for Term 2. This initiative provides children with a platform to showcase their creativity and talent. We encourage families to join us on Fridays to participate and enjoy the opportunity to win exciting prizes.

As part of our community engagement program, we will be hosting a police officer visit on 9 June. This session will focus on promoting children's safety and wellbeing, and families are warmly invited to attend and learn alongside the children.

Mulgrave Primary School will be holding a Pupil-Free Day (PFD) on Friday, 5th of June 2026. Please refer to the attached flyer for details. Bookings are required by 11 May 2026. A friendly reminder to all Families to please book your children in advance to avoid any disappointment.

Activities coming up Family week

- Stick family craft
- Italian style scones
- Family tree art
- Sports trick shots

Make a booking

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Newsletter

Pupil Free Day



Date: 05-Jun-2026



Time: 07:00 to 18:00



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Location: The Before and After School Care Room at Mulgrave Primary School



Register for Your OSHC

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