

Mornington Primary School

School Vision

Inspiring a passion for learning and personal excellence, whilst preparing students to become globally responsible citizens.



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SCHNAPPER POINT SNIPPETS

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

MAY

Friday 12th	Mother's Day Stall 9—11am Mod 4 Winter Sports vs Balcombe
Monday 15th	District Cross Country \$13 at Penbank School Council 5.30pm
Thursday 18th	Red Shield Appeal Day Dress up in red clothes
Friday 19th	Payment due for Mod 2 excursion Payment due for Mod 4 Excursion
Monday 22nd	Education Week— Parent Information Night 6pm Education Expo 7—8pm 8pm Dance, Choir and Band performance in the Hall
22nd—26th	Mod 3 Camp at Golden Valley Lodge
Tuesday 23rd	School Tours: 9.30am & 11.30am bookings essential
Thursday 25th	School Tours: 9.30am & 11.30am bookings essential
Friday 26th	Big Brekkie 8.15—8.45am Mod 4 Dandenong Market Parent Forum IB 9.30am

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Prep/STAR Enrolments, 2018:

Enrolments for 2018 will commence during Education Week. School tours will also begin and will continue over the coming weeks. Please call the school office to book a tour.

Clubs and Activities @ MPS

Lunchtimes are great times at MPS with many clubs and activities available for the students. Clubs can be initiated either by adults or children. Clubs and activities give our students the chance to interact with other students with similar interests through involvement in organised activities at lunchtimes and other times. Clubs and activities include gardening, Lego, dance, running, guitar jammers, junior playground activities, Science, school band, choir, instrumental music and recorder. More recent clubs include yoga and coding. The library is also open at lunchtimes and at various times before and after school.

Clubs are also a venue for students who may feel lonely in the playground and who wish to make new friends.

Whenever students come up with an idea to establish a club, I ask them to write to me formally and develop a strategy that will help them make the club successful. I ask them, 'Who will your club involve? Where will it be held? What equipment will you need? Which staff member can you approach to help supervise the activity? How will you promote your club?' Asking students to consider these questions helps them to develop organisational and

communication skills that will hopefully empower them to be more active citizens in the longer term and instill in them the idea that they can improve things and make a difference.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Parent Forum:

Want to know more about the Primary Years Programme (PYP) of the IB? Well come along to our parent forum on Friday 26th May, 9.30am—10.30am in the staffroom. Shortly after the big brekkie.

Mrs. Mattingley will explain the importance of the PYP to our school and how you can assist your child in developing the attributes and attitudes that will develop the knowledge and skills they will need to be active, positive and successful citizens.

All parents are invited to attend.

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**Silvio Vitale
Principal**

*Mornington Primary School is
A great place to educate!*

PRODUCTION MAIN CAST UPDATE

Well, after two weeks of auditions before the school holidays and two weeks of callback auditions after the holidays, we now have our main cast selected and approved for Cinderella and Rockerfella! Please congratulate them if you see them around and ask them how they are going with their lines over the next ten weeks or so before our whole school production! *Charlotte Bradley, Sean Fife, Evan Parker, Juma Johns, Leo Hill, Hayden Bowes, Ella Thompson, Erin Walsh, Valery Popko, Rhianna Petterson, Lorelai Bradshaw, Alice McKellar, Ruby Hellier, Max McKellar, Alannah Casey, Nas Ouzounis, Poppy Howarth, Oscar Hutchison, Nina McGovern, Jess Conroy, Amelia Barrette, Boston Gyorosi, Daniel Eason, Caitlyn Green, Jayden Marufu, Eamon Rolls, Megan Bale, Ysabella Mendoza, Ethan Corcoran, Kate Marshall, Layla Purcell, Jess Colman, Jimmy Davis, Joshua Pearce and Annabelle Bowyer-Smyth!*

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Education Week Activities @ MPS

Monday 22nd May:

- ◆ 9.30—10.30am, **Narrated play** for pre-school and current Prep children.
- ◆ 6.00pm – 7.00pm, **Parent Information Forum:** *'Life-long Learning and Thriving in the 21st Century'* (for parents of Prep students commencing in 2017)
- ◆ 7.00pm – 8.00pm, **Education Expo** featuring open classrooms, Physical Education, French language & Culture, Art and Science.
- ◆ 8.00pm, **Dance, Choir & Band Performances** in the school hall

Tuesday 23rd May:

- ◆ 9.30—10.30am, **Narrated play** for pre-school and current Prep children.
- ◆ **School Tours:** 9.30am & 11.30am bookings essential

Wednesday 24th May:

- ◆ Writers Workshop, Years 3 - 6

Thursday 25th May:

- ◆ **School Tours:** 9.30am & 11.30am bookings essential

Friday 26th May:

- ◆ **MPS Big Brekkie**, 8.15am – 8.45am—All welcome
- ◆ 9.30am – 10.30am, **International Baccalaureate – Primary Years Programme, Parent Forum** (for new and existing parents)

Education is for everyone, so please get involved.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Just a reminder to families that if your child is away sick and you notify the school office please advise them to cancel After Care.

As we have waiting lists for every day could you please let us know in advance if you do not require either Before or After Care.

WEAR RED DAY



'Wear Red Day' will be held on Thursday 18th May. Students are encouraged to wear something red on this day to support the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal. The student leaders are asking for students to donate long life food on this day. Each class will then measure the total length of their items for a chance to win a prize.

VICTORIAN PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

We have so many students challenging themselves with their reading that this week we had two awards. Jessica Conroy from MTO and Cooper Ridgway from MTS received a Scholastic Book Club and school canteen voucher for their reading effort. To be eligible for the weekly draw make sure you mark your books as read once you have finished. Please see Mrs Garlick in the Junior Library each morning before school if you require any assistance with the Reading Challenge.

LOOKING FOR AN AQUARIUM

It has become quite obvious to us the yabbies, are not going to eat the fish and the turtle is not going to eat the yabbies. As the yabbies are growing extremely fast they are going to need to be rehoused, so if you have an aquarium you no longer need we would love to put our five yabbies into it. Please contact Anne Garlick or leave a message at the school office if you can help out.

COW COMPETITION

The winners of our counting the cow competition in the Scholastic Book Club will be announced at next week's assembly. Winners will be able to choose from, cow balloons, movie tickets, toys, book, EBGames and school canteen vouchers.



NOMINATE A BOOK FOR THE SCHOOL LIBRARIES

Another great choice this week for the school libraries is the book 'Once Upon Your Dream a Twisted Tale' by the author Liz Braswell, nominated by Jessica Colman from STW. Jess will receive a \$10 Scholastic Book Club voucher. If you would like to enter a book

to be purchased for the library the forms are available from the senior library and outside the school office.

ANIMAL FAMILY – PART FOUR

First there was one (Helena) then there were 5 (Ron, Hermoine, Harry, and Dumbledore), then 8 (Sirius, Dobby and Voldemort) and now we are 9 (Christmas Spirit) who was very kindly donated last week by our prep student Samantha and family. We like big families because when you all go home to bed we



come out and party. We eat and swim and drink and then we sleep all day! Unfortunately we cannot tell you which one is Christmas Spirit because overnight it slipped into another shell. Over the holidays we got a whole new bed of sand. It's lovely and fresh and nice and deep. Then our climbing frames were rearranged around the enclosure to make it a new adventure for us. Whilst we were waiting for our enclosure to be cleaned we were taken out one by one and photographed then placed in a plastic tub filled with sand beside the heater to keep us all nice and warm. We are looking forward to seeing you all on Monday 22nd May at Education night.

The Hermit Crabs

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The 2017 school photos have arrived and are now being issued. If your child is part of the student leadership team and you wish to order one of these photos they are on display in the office. Please see the office for more information.

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SHOOTING STAR AWARDS

PTF : Liliana Devic for being principled and knowledgeable by practising her golden words every day and learning to read them all.

PTB : Carter Harvey for being an open minded risk taker by showing enthusiasm when trying new things on our excursion.

PTC : Noah Sang for being an inquirer by asking lots of clever questions on our excursion.

PTS : Anthony Tabet for being a thinker by asking interesting, pertinent questions related to our inquiry at our excursion.

JTB : Pre Mallard for being caring and considerate by always looking out for and after her classmates.

JTC : Gordon Xu for being principled by showing great commitment and enthusiasm towards his learning.

JTH : Georgia Copley for being principled by making the effort to read at home improving her understanding of a range of text types.

JTK : Isabella Lamonica for being a risk taker and open minded by showing enthusiasm for writing and by experimenting with different types of punctuation.

JTM : Kai Kellett for being a thinker and communicator by creating some fantastic writing and then thinking about the best ways he can improve as a writer.

JTS : Sienna Taylor for being a communicator by showing a growing amount of confidence to share her thinking during class discussions.

MTE : Jesse Hopkins for being caring by showing respect to all; by always looking out for others.

MTF : Izzy Birnie for being balanced and caring by being Ms Foster's little helper this week and showing that she not only works hard but also knows when to relax too.

MTO : Jacinta Moresco for showing determination by working hard in developing her skills in writing persuasive and narrative texts.

MTS : Kyah Rolls for being balanced and reflective by working hard during all learning tasks and thinking about her learning.

MTW : Ethan van Wyngaardt for being knowledgeable by writing with a strong 'voice' and making a topic sound very exciting.

STB : Jess Randall for being principled by getting all her I Can Maths completed.

STF : Ned Lockens for being reflective and principled by always putting in his best effort and seeking advice to improve his learning.

STS : Nathan Flenley for being a determined risk taker by committing himself whole heartedly to his work this week to achieve his goals.

STW : Amelia Bate for being principled by working hard to make huge improvements in spelling and Maths.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION PROGRAM DESIGN COMPETITION



Do you think you can come up with an awesome design for our School Production Program? Create your design for our Production Program and put it in the box at the office for the chance to have YOUR design printed on the programs used on the night. Your design has to include the words:

MPS Presents

Cinderella and Rockerfella

School Production 2017

Don't forget to include your name and grade on the back of your design! Good luck!



WIN MOVIE TICKETS FOR MOTHERS DAY!



Thanks to our friends at Parmalat, we have two tickets to the movies to give away for Mother's Day. Make mum's day by sending her to see a movie (and maybe she'll take you too!).

To enter, simply order an OAK MILK on your lunch order for FRIDAY 12th MAY and you will go into the draw!

The winner will be drawn on Friday 12th May and called to the Canteen to collect their prize.

You can order online via the online ordering system at My School Connect or submit a written lunch order by Thursday, as per normal.

Good luck!

SCHOOL PHONE NUMBERS

Please note our telephone numbers are OFFICE - 5976 5500

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