

The Heights Happenings

Thursday 10 May 2018



MOUNT WAVERLEY
HEIGHTS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates to remember

TERM TWO 2018

Friday 11th May

MWHPS School Lap-a-thon
Mothers' Day Event Prep-Year 2

Tuesday 15th May

Year 5/6 Camp Payment 2 due
Naplan

Wednesday 16th May

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Thursday 17th May

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Friday 18th May

SDSSA Cross Country Jells Park
Year 1/2 Excursion – Melbourne Zoo
Move Night

Monday 21st May

Grandparents / Special Person Morning Tea
School Assembly 2:45pm

Tuesday 22nd May

Youth Concert Hamer Hall 7:30pm

Friday 25th May

SDSSA Winter Sport R3

Monday 28th May

Year 3&4 Walking Excursion - Scotchman's Creek

Tuesday 29th May

Year 5/6 Camp Payment 3 due

Thursday 31st May

School Photos

Friday 1st June

SDSSA Winter Sport R4

Monday 4th June

School Assembly 2:45pm

Friday 8th June

SDSSA Winter Sport R5



Refer to the website for Notices

<http://mountwaverleyheightsps.vic.edu.au/parent-information/>

BUILDING WORKS

Construction is well underway for our new building. On Tuesday we were informed that parts of the building would be delivered next week. However, yesterday we were informed that next week's delivery has been cancelled and it is likely to be in the week beginning May 21 (week 6). A flyer will be distributed tomorrow outlining car parking options, entrance to the school and safety management. Due to access requirements the front brick fence and signage will need to be removed. A temporary fence will be installed until all components of the modular build have been brought onsite.

CURRICULUM DAY

Thank you to Mrs Georgia Despotellis and the English Professional Learning Team for organising and running a fantastic Curriculum Day on Monday. Our focus was learning about the 'Organisation' and 'Voice' traits. Staff also had an opportunity to work in teams to identify and select activities for Term 2 and 3. It was a great day exploring our whole school approach to writing.

LAP-A-THON – THIS FRIDAY



Students' will need to bring water bottles and wear their runners for the lap-a-thon on Friday. It might be a good idea to pack an extra uniform. Year 3/4 students need to return their permission forms which allows them to run around the block.

Fundraising efforts will go towards library shelving and furniture.

SCHOOL CROSSING

We have recently been in contact with Monash Council in regards to safety concerns for those using the pedestrian crossing on Solomon St. You may have noticed the electronic speed sign placed at the end of Solomon St this week. Council are investigating our concerns and I encourage everyone to please use the crossing as much as possible over the coming weeks. In the past, we have not had enough traffic (nor pedestrian traffic) to qualify for a lollipop person. The more people that use the crossing the greater chance we have for the crossing to be manned.



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MOTHERS DAY!

Thank you to all the mums who assisted in running the Mother's Day stall this morning. I know our mums will be thrilled to unwrap their gifts on Sunday. Thank you to Charmaine Bacon for organising all the gifts.



Don't forget to attend tomorrow morning's Mother's Day Breakfast for P-2 mums. The event begins at 8.15am outside the PAC.

'Why is your mum the best mum in the world?' Here are some prep students responses....

Akira – "because she loves me and she cooks everyday for me"

Mateya - "because she loves me"

Jake – "She lets me go to the shops. She helps me learn my words. She buys me lollipops and bubble gum"

Cooper – "She looks after me when I get hurt. Sometimes she lets me have chocolate"

Emma – "She gives me hugs. She loves me a lot"

Jada – "She is my best friend"

Aliyana – "I love her and she gives me the best food like beef stroganoff"

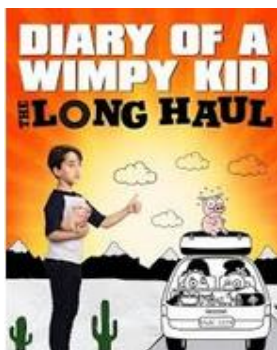
Dhruthi – "My mum loves me so much"

NAPLAN - May 15-17

NAPLAN testing will take place next Tuesday to Thursday. Please ensure that your child is at school on time.

The best way to help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program and to urge them to simply do their very best. NAPLAN results will not reflect all their skill sets nor is it a predictor of future success.

MOVIE NIGHT



Student Movie Night – Friday 18th May

To assist with catering, all orders must be prepaid and returned to the office no later than **Friday 11th May 2018**.
No late orders can be accepted.

EDUCATION WEEK – MAY 21-25

Celebrating 'The Arts' is the theme for this year's Education Week.



WHAT'S ON?

Monday May 21	9.15 -10.00	Join your grandchild's class for a special activity.
	10.00 – 10.20	Over to the PAC – Choir performing + a message from our School Captains.
	10.20 - 11	Morning tea Grandparents have always played an important role in family life, but over the last twenty years, many have had increased responsibility for their grandchildren due to changes in life and work commitments in families and society in general. It will be wonderful to invite them to school and to recognise their importance in our student's lives.
Tuesday May 22	7.30pm	Senior School Choir performing at Hamer Hall.
Wednesday May 23	2.45-3.30 Student viewing and voting!	Family Art Challenge: An A3 piece of cartridge paper was sent home last week for families to design a piece of artwork. Any medium may be used. The most popular artwork (voted by our students and parents) will be framed and hung in our new building. Works of art are due by <u>Friday May 18</u> to put on display for Education Week.

We are encouraging all families to participate in the Art Challenge and look forward to viewing your creative efforts.

Tours for perspective parents will be conducted throughout the week! If you know someone ready for Prep in 2019, please encourage them to book a tour to see how we connect, challenge and inspire our students.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Movie Night – Friday May 18

Education Week – May 21-24.

Grandparents Day - Monday May 21

SCHOOL PHOTOS – Thursday May 31

Let's celebrate...

- A wonderful performance from our choir at Tuesday's assembly.

Until next week,

Sharon



Curriculum Update

Did you know that the month of May is the National Family Reading Month! Research tell us that students perform better in reading if they read for just 10 minutes per day. The best way to encourage your child's love of reading is to provide a wide variety of books. Include fiction, nonfiction books, give your child choice in what they read, and time to practice reading. When we provide a wide variety of books, children want to read more. All that practice helps children become better readers!

The scholastic website has some great tips for parents looking to encourage their child to read.

http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/competitions/assets/pdfs/nfrm18_readingtips.pdf



This week's eSmart focus is from the Australian Federal Police, Think U Know website. It is important we teach our children to protect their personal information when online. An easy way to start is by discussing with your child what personal information is. The following fact sheet outlines ways you can protect your information.

Fact sheet
Protecting your information

Personal information is anything that identifies you. This might include your first and last name, address, date of birth, work place or financial details.

Why is it important to protect personal information?

It is important because it can be easy for someone to use it to pretend to be you. This is called identity theft.

Personal information can be revealed in images and videos as well as text.

How can I protect my information?

- Privacy settings**
Check the 'help guide' for the website or app you are using to change privacy settings.
- Know how to spot a scam**
Criminals may try to steal money or personal details using scams. Visit www.scamwatch.gov.au to learn more about how to spot a scam.
- Location settings**
Avoid sharing location information. Turn the GPS off on your device if you don't need to use it.
- Only shop on secure websites**
A secure website will have "https" or a padlock symbol at the start of the web address.
- Use a strong password**
Use upper and lower case letters, numbers and keyboard symbols.

ThinkUKnow's top tips for protecting your personal information

- Read the terms and conditions carefully before agreeing to anything.
- Be careful not to click on links in suspicious emails – delete them straight away.
- Don't give out your email address or phone number unless you know how that information will be used.
- Make sure you use a strong password.
- Remember – if it looks too good to be true, it probably is!

Visit www.thinkuknow.org.au for more information and tips!

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Thanks

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Assistant Principal

Class	Class award	HOB Taking Responsible Risks
1/2A	Eleni S – For always being a helpful class member and always trying to improve in all areas of her learning. Well Done Eleni!	Zoe A – For being able to apply her vast general knowledge to all areas of the curriculum and teach us all, more about the world we live in. Well Done Zoe!
1/2B	Tiare T - For helping students in the classroom and using his initiative when he is stuck.	Hudson P - For applying feedback to his work especially in writing by taking his time.
1/2T	Dion S – For working very hard in the writing block and producing a fantastic recount about the aquarium.	Jisan P – For applying his knowledge on punctuation to his reading and recognising how punctuation assists with fluency and comprehension.
3/4G	Trinity M – For always trying her best and presenting her work beautifully.	Mariah K – For telling the class lots of interesting information she knows about different topics.
3/4S	Lazaros K – For his contributions and ideas to group discussions.	Jessica G – For making links or connections to her new learning and prior knowledge.
5/6D	Jake G – For using a variety of strategies to answer multiple choice questions.	Kieran P – For using various known maths strategies to solve new problems.
5/6H	Kezia L – For writing an extremely detailed plan for her persuasive writing.	Maggie N – for applying her new knowledge to class discussions.

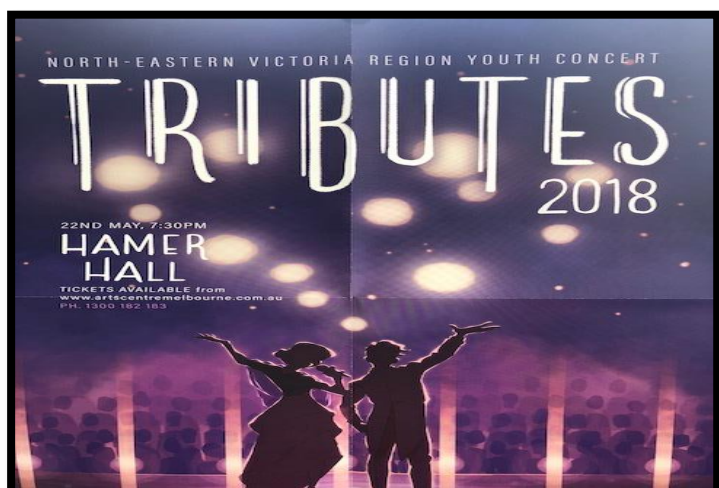
Award	Student	Reason
Specialist Art	Natasha S – 3/4 S	For always working hard in visual arts and helping others
Specialist Music	Shreya P – 5/6 H	For great participation in all music tasks
Specialist Japanese	Lauren K – 1/2 A	For always working hard in Japanese

Artist of the week

The Grade 5/6 classes are this week's artist of the week. They are almost finished creating their wave sculptures which are looking amazing! Here are 3 of the finished ones! Well done Grade 5/6!



Big Science Little Scientists experience May 9th 2018





Dear Students and Parents,

If anyone needs to confirm their login or password details for the Premiers' Reading Challenge, please see your teacher or one of the PRC Coordinators.

Students, if you have read an amazing book that you would like to share with the school community, let us know. We will compile a list to publish in the school newsletter.

Remember the link to check reading challenge books is:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx>

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask!

PRC Coordinators

Mrs. Amy Morris and Louise Berry.

Mother's Day



Dear Prep – Year 2 Mums,
You are cordially invited to a very special Mother's Day
Celebration and Breakfast

When: Friday 11th May

Where: Performing Arts Centre

Time: 8:15am – 9am

The children are looking forward to
sharing breakfast and performing for you

Mrs. Despotellis, Mrs. Morris, Miss Bolton, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Apostolopoulos

Flyers have been distributed to all Prep – Year 2 students



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Help Fight the Hidden Hunger in your community FOOD DRIVE MAY 1 - JUNE 30 2018 supporting



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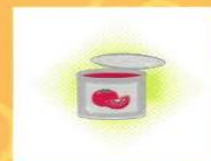
DROP OFF PACK PENNE PASTA OR
PLAIN FLOUR OR TIN TOMATOES
AT THE COLLECTION POINT AT
YOUR SCHOOL



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50 CENTS = 1 MEAL



In 2018 the Feed Melbourne Appeal is celebrating 10 years of helping people struggling to feed themselves & their families. More than 600,000 people per month rely on food charities!

This is the 2nd year the school has participated. Last year it was a huge success with a lot of donated food.

This year they are specifically asking for donations of -

- # penne pasta
- # plain flour
- # tinned tomatoes

The food drive will be **open until the 1st June** so please bring in a couple of items to donate & leave in the box in the school office. Thank-you



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Extend OSHC at Mount Waverley Heights Primary School

Kid tested, Parent approved

Hi everyone!

We had such a fun week at Extend last week. We made zucchini slice - an absolute favourite here at Extend. The children are so helpful with measuring out all the ingredients and mixing it all together. Cooking is one of our favourite activities.

"It was really yummy and delicious and I really liked the Zucchini slice. It's not even hard to make!" - Ariana A

We were also busy with science last week, creating different cradles for our egg drop challenge. One of our science activities didn't work out, so we adapted and created an egg drop challenge. The children have so much fun designing and building their own creation to hold an egg. Even though some didn't quite save our eggs, it is always so much fun seeing what creations people think of.

"It was great fun, and such a cracking time." - Cooper S

We looked forward to all the fun we can have next week.

This term we have changed around our specialist activities to ensure all children have the chance to participate. This term they are running:

Monday: Specialist Art Club with Jayde

Wednesday: Cooking

Thursday: Science

Coming up next week:

Monday: **Specialist Activity: DIY letters,** Sports Clinic by Jake G

Tuesday: Imagination creation, ball sports

Wednesday: Cooking: Healthy Chunky Muffins, Group games

Thursday: Science: Plaster Moulds, Down ball

Friday: Yoga with Jocelyn, Playground

AND OUR EXTEND SUPER-STAR OF THE WEEK IS.....

Cooper S 5/6 H

For always being so positive and creative at Extend. Cooper always comes in every afternoon with a big smile on his face and a positive attitude towards everybody. Keep up the awesome work!

From Caitlin and the kids at Extend :)



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7.30pm Mondays
Mt Waverley Heights Primary School
36 Solomon Street
Mount Waverley



A big thank-you to Bunnings Notting Hill for the emergency donation of some bubble wrap for the Mothers' Day Stall.




HEATHERTON Open Day

You and your family are kindly invited to our Heatherton Open Day

We'd love to take you for a tour, anytime between 10am and 1pm on Saturday, 12 May 2018

We are located at 67 Corporate Drive, Heatherton

Please call 9558 0655 to let us know you are coming
www.preciouscargoeducation.com.au