

The Heights Happenings

Thursday 19 July 2018



MOUNT WAVERLEY
HEIGHTS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates to remember

Principal's Report

TERM THREE 2018

Friday 20 July

GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW BUILDING 2.30pm

Monday 23rd July

School Assembly 2:45pm

Wednesday 25th July

Parent Teacher Interviews till 5:15pm

Thursday 26th July

Parent Teacher Interviews till 7:30pm

Wednesday 1st August

School Council Meeting 6pm

Friday 3rd August

Piece Together Prep Session 3 (Art/Music)

Prep Excursion – Casey Road Safety Village

Monday 6th August

School Assembly 2:45pm

Friday 10th August

SDSSA Winter Sport Lightning Premiership (Yr 5/6)

Sunday 12th August

Bunnings BBQ 8-4pm

Monday 20th August

School Assembly 2:45pm

Wednesday 22nd August

Book Week Parade

Thursday 23rd August

Book Week Incursion Prep – Year 2 9am-10am

Friday 24th August

Inclusivity Day 11:30am-1:30pm

Friday 30th August

Fathers' Day Stall

Monday 3rd September

School Assembly 2:45pm

Wednesday 5th September

School Council Meeting 6pm

Friday 7th September

Piece Together Prep Session 4 (Science/ICT)

Monday 10th – Thursday 13th September

School Swimming Program



Refer to the website for Notices

<http://mountwaverleyheightsps.vic.edu.au>

WELCOME BACK!

It is great to be back for Term 3 and it sounds like the students have had a terrific holiday with many families being able to escape the cold winter weather. I am very envious of all the families who were lucky enough to head up north or overseas! Many students I spoke to went to the movies, visited friends or made special trips to see various sights (The Zoo, Phillip Island, Museum, Play Centres, etc). A great way to develop student's curiosity and wonderment for learning. I spent the first week away and enjoyed spending time with my family.

BUILDING WORKS - IT'S FINISHED!

Not only is it finished - but it looks amazing! Grand Opening is this Friday from 2.30pm! We are extending an invite to all our families...



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WE NEED SOME HELP!

If you are able to help with any of the following jobs, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

- Painting the brick piers at the front of the school. The fence has been rendered and we now need to paint it!
- Locksmith – we have a few locks that need changing over to our school key.
- Cabinet maker – we need some shelving made up.

SCHOOL BANKING

Thank you to Brett Arthur who volunteered to take over the student-banking role for Semester Two.

NEW ICT TECHNICIAN

Last term we said goodbye to Brendan Ariens after 19 years of service at our school. I would like to welcome Logan McIntosh who is an experienced and highly regarded technician. Logan will be at our school on a Wednesday to sort out any computer and networking issues, provide purchasing guidance and help support staff in their curriculum delivery.



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INTERVENTION PROGRAMS FOR TERM 3

Additional support has been offered via the following programs this Term:

- **STA** (Speech Therapy Assistance Program): The STA program trains Speech Therapy Assistants (our ES staff) to deliver therapy programs under the supervision of our Speech Pathologist. Students receive two therapy sessions per week, which results in more rapid progress towards speech-language goals.
- **Small Group Literacy Intervention** – Focus is on reading, spelling and grammar
- **EAL** – English as Another Language
- **Bridges** – Reading program designed to build students comprehension skills

ONLINE INTERVIEW BOOKING SYSTEM

Unfortunately due to the power being switched off for the new building, our server for Sentral crashed, preventing parents and teachers from logging onto Sentral. Apologies for any inconvenience. It was repaired during the first week of the holidays. Please see Carolyn or Lynn if you have any issues logging on.

Please book a time to see your child's class teacher using the online system. If you would like to book a time with a specialist teacher, please contact the school office or the teacher directly. Please remember that **parent/teacher interviews are for 10 minutes for P-2 and 15 minute for 3-6 only**. If you need more time please arrange an appointment with your child's classroom teacher for another day.

Students in Years 3-6 are required to be part of the conference to share their learning and future goals. Students in **Yr 3/4 will be required for the first 5 minutes** of the interviews to discuss their achievement and learning goals while the **Yr 5/6 students are usually present for the entire interview**. At MWHPS, our aim is to encourage students to understand their achievements and to be able to identify their next point of learning. Sharing the report and the conference with your child is a vital step in enabling them to feel valued and in control of their own learning.

If you or someone you know may need an interpreter, please don't hesitate to let me know. This can be easily organised through the DET (Department of Education and Training).

PIECE TOGETHER PREP PROGRAM

Just a reminder that our third school readiness session will be held on Friday August 3 at 2.15pm. The focus for this session is 'The Arts'. These sessions are open to all preschool parents and children – no need to be enrolled.

Let's celebrate....

- Our beautiful new building!
- Ricky H 3/4 who competed at the State Cross Country Championships at Bundoora Park today. A fantastic achievement!!

Until next week,

Sharon

Curriculum Update

Welcome back everyone! We have many exciting things happening this term from literacy to maths, sports to music! Plus the most exciting part... moving into our new building!



This term is also our swimming program and we are encouraging all families to participate. Australia has more than 30,000 km of coastline making the ability to be safe in the water and swim an important life skill. With backyard pools, lakes, streams and rivers all a part of our environment in Australia most of us will come across water at some point in our lives. The Victorian Government initiative, the Victorian Water Safety certificate reflects the level of competency recommended by the swimming and water safety industry for students exiting primary school. Swimming is also a part of the Physical Education curriculum from prep to year 6 and beyond. Even if you already do swimming lessons outside school and are a competent swimmer, our program incorporates valuable independence skills such as organisational skills and being responsible for their belongings, self-care skills for example getting dressed and community involvement skills such as catching a bus and walking to and from destinations.

If you have any questions about the program, please see Kate Black, Sharon or myself.




This week's eSmart focus is from the Raising Children: the Australian parenting website.

The following link will take you to the 'school-aged' page. It contains all great links to articles with information on topics such as behaviour, safety, sleep, development and health and daily care.

http://raisingchildren.net.au/school_age/school_age.html

Congratulations to our Family Art Challenge winners – voted by the students. Their beautiful pieces of artwork will be framed and hung in our new building!

FREE BEGINNER BASKETBALL CLINICS

- ★ Perfect for beginner boys / girls 6-12 years who are keen to start playing basketball with a local club
- ★ Bring your friends and also make new friends
- ★ Introduction to the basics & fundamental skills
- ★ Fun learning & safe indoor environment with experienced coaches
- ★ Building confidence and stay active!

Tuesday 24th / 31st July and 7th / 14th August
4.10 - 5.00pm @ Oakleigh Recreational Centre

Limited spots available - registrations are required via our website
 Please wear suitable sports clothing and shoes and bring your drink bottle

 Register ONLINE to book your spot
www.FrogsBasketball.com.au
 Click on the 'Clinics' page for more information



To a child a book is not just a book; it's a journey to wherever their imagination wants to take them. The Lions Club of Wheelers Hill invites you, as parents, to take your children on a journey of excitement to their

Book Sale at Blackflat Community Centre – Cnr. Waverley and Springvale Roads in Glen Waverley

on 28th and 29th of July 2018

There will be 100's & 100's of books for children of all ages, from infants through to teenagers.

Prices for these books range from \$0.50 to \$2.50 and the doors will open at

8.00am on Saturday and at 9.00am on Sunday.

Oh yes, we also have 1000's & 1000's of books for adults as well.

Extend OSHC at Mount Waverley Heights Primary School

Hi everyone! Welcome back to Term 3!

We had so much fun over holiday program we don't even know where to begin! We had two amazing incursions, made our own soap and candles, searched for dinosaur fossils, created some amazing works of art, stayed active with some new exciting sports games and just had heaps of fun hanging out with our friends at Extend!



We are excited to be back at for Term 3! We have had a great start to term and have enjoyed seeing some new faces! This term we have our Extends Kids competition, which all children at Extend can enter, and there is awesome individual prizes up for grabs, as well as a service prize. We can't wait to get started next week creating some awesome entries! Our topic is to create a gecko best friend for our mascot Gilbert the Gecko! It will be great to see what amazing creations we can come up with!

Next week is going to be full on fun!

We have changed our special activity days again this term, so everybody gets a chance to participate in the awesome activities we have at Extend. Our days are now:

Sports Clinics- Monday
Science- Tuesday
Art with Jayde- Wednesday
Cooking- Thursday
Yoga with Friends- Friday

Coming up next week:

Monday: Imagination Creation, Sports Clinic by Jake G

Tuesday: Science: Extend Garden, Ball sports

Wednesday: Specialist Activity: Extend Kids Competition, Group games

Thursday: Cooking: Zucchini Slice, Camouflage

Friday: Yoga with Friends, Playground

From Caitlin and the kids at Extend. :)



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SAVE THE DATE!!!! - BUNNINGS BBQ
SUNDAY AUGUST 12TH 8-4PM

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Parents Association's Bunnings BBQ is held every year & usually raises over \$1000 for the school. This can only happen with quite a few volunteers so "Save the date", come along & support your child's school.

Year 4-6 students can come with their parent/s & help on the stall (not cooking).
There will be a "SIGN UP" online form – details to come!

Thank you

Any queries to Alison 0411 653 541



School Lunch Orders

As of Term Three the school lunch order days will change to **MONDAYS** and **THURSDAYS**.

The ordering process will remain the



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**LUNCHTIME
SPORTS PROGRAMS**

LUNCHTIME SPORTS PROGRAM FROM 1.35PM TO 2.30PM

FREE BALL TO KEEP FOR ALL SOCCER & BASKETBALL PARTICIPANTS

BASKETBALL: STARTING WEDNESDAY AUGUST 1

SOCCER: STARTING TUESDAY JULY 31 & THURSDAY AUGUST 2

\$110 FOR 7 WEEK PROGRAM WITH FAMILY DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

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Mount Waverley Heights Primary School - Year Planner Term 3, 2018

Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
1	Jul 16 Think Tank	Jul 17 Deakin Uni Students – Literacy Project	Jul 18	Jul 19	Jul 20 GRAND OPENING OF BUILDING	Jul 21/22
2	Jul 23 Assembly	Jul 24 Deakin Uni Students – Literacy Project	Jul 25 Parent/Teacher interviews (until 5:15pm)	Jul 26 Parent/Teacher interviews (until 7:30pm)	Jul 27	Jul 28/29
3	Jul 30 Nara Visit 11.30-12.30 – Yr 4 Think Tank	Jul 31 ICAS – English test	Aug 1 School Council - 6pm	Aug 2 Nara Visit 12.30 – 1.30 – Yr 4	Aug 3 Piece Together Prep (3) (Art/Music) ➤ Prep Excursion – Casey Rd Safety Village ➤ Year1/2 Excursion - Ceres	Aug 4/5
4	Aug 6 Nara Visit 11.30-12.30 – Yr 4 Assembly	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9 Nara Visit 12.30 – 1.30 – Yr 4	Aug 10 SDSSA Winter Sport lightening premiership (all Yr5/6s)	Aug 11/12 Bunnings BBQ
5	Aug 13 Nara Visit 11.30-12.30 – Yr 4 Think Tank	Aug 14 ICAS – Maths	Aug 15 Yr 7 – Parents notified of SC placement	Aug 16 Nara Visit 12.30 – 1.30 – Yr 4	Aug 17 School Disco	Aug 18/19
6	Aug 20 Nara Visit 11.30-12.30 – Yr 4 Assembly BOOK WEEK	Aug 21 Deakin Uni Students – Literacy Project	Aug 22 Book Week Parade	Aug 23 Nara Visit 12.30 – 1.30 – Yr 4 Book Week Incursion P-2 (9-10)	Aug 24 INCLUSIVITY DAY (11.30-1.30)	Aug 25/26
7	Aug 27 Think Tank	Aug 28 Deakin Uni Students – Literacy Project	Aug 29	Aug 30 Father's Day Stall PA	Aug 31 P-2 Father's Day School Event	Sep 1/2
8	Sep 3 Assembly	Sep 4 Deakin Uni Students – Literacy Project	Sep 5 School Council 6pm	Sep 6 PB BBQ	Sep 7 Piece Together Prep (4) (Science/ICT)	Sep 8/9
9	Sep 10 Swimming Mon – Thur Planning Week Think Tank	Sep 11	Sep 12	Sep 13 NARA NIGHT (TBC)	Sep 14 SDSSA Bball round robin	Sep 15/16
10	Sep 17 Swimming Mon-Thur End of Term assembly (9-10)	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20	Sep 21 Footy Day	Sep 22/23

The Drama Club

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am very excited to offer students from Mount Waverley Heights Primary School the opportunity to join *The Drama Club*. Classes are open to students from Year 1 to Year 6. The club will be held once a week, on Monday, starting Monday July 23rd in the Art Portable from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

During these classes children will gain a good insight into all genres of theater. We will be using a unique mix of drama, dance and singing specially formulated to bring out every child's true potential. We'll focus on your child's enthusiasm and engagement in the activities rather than their precision and be with them every step of the way to guide, inspire and encourage.

As well as having fun in these classes, your child will enjoy the [benefits](#) of greater [confidence](#), improved [concentration](#) and an increased awareness of what they can achieve.

During the year students will also have the opportunity to showcase what they have learnt.

Club Aims:

- **The 4 Cs** ([confidence](#), [concentration](#), [coordination](#) and [communication](#))
- **Encourage [speaking confidently and fluently](#).**
The performing arts are well known for helping children to speak more clearly, listen more attentively and develop a wider vocabulary.
- **Improve [reading and creative writing skills](#)**
They will learn to create images in their minds while reading, and develop their imagination. Helping improve their creative writing.
- **Develop [coordination, agility and poise](#)**
Motor skills, balance, coordination and sense of rhythm will all be enhanced by dance.
- **Build a [colorful imagination](#)**
Imagination is vital in giving your child the ability to deal with everyday feelings and problems.
- **Social Skills**
In addition to the dance and drama, this club will focus on strong values. Commitment to sessions and pre-productions rehearsals, working together as a group to achieve a final product, all build towards individual and collective self-esteem. The club's aim is to add value to the already diverse curriculum to ensure that students receive a well-rounded educational experience. It is also the perfect environment for lasting friendships to flourish.

Each child will have one class per week. Term fees for 2018 are \$125 per term. Please note that the fees are paid per term and that each term varies in the number of lessons.

If you are interested in your child joining *The Drama Club* please email me your completed enrolment form to celia@planet359.com.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me. I look forward to working with the talented children of Mount Waverley Heights Primary School.

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