

The Heights Happenings

Thursday 21 June 2018



MOUNT WAVERLEY
HEIGHTS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates to remember

Principal's Report

TERM TWO 2018

Friday 22nd June

SDSSA Soccer Round Robin

Monday 25th June

End of Term Assembly 9-10am

Bookings open for Parent Teacher/Student Led Conferences

Tuesday 26th June

Year 3/4 Excursion Edendale Farm

Friday 29th June

End of Term Two – School finishes at 2:30pm

TERM THREE 2018

Monday 16th July

First day of Term Three

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

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

Friday 24th August

Inclusivity Day

Friday 30th August

Fathers' Day Stall



Refer to the website for Notices

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

YEAR 5/6 CAMP TO NARMBOOL

A huge thank you to our parent helpers Dean Woods and Cristina Parastadis for accompanying the teachers and assisting on camp. They did a wonderful job supervising groups of students, joining in on the activities planned, being a confidante to many and assisting all in overcoming challenges. Parent helpers are an essential aspect of our camp program. Without them, we would be unable to provide such a wonderful experience for our students.

I would also like to acknowledge the work in organising such a camp. Thank you Miss Lindsay Hannah for your preparations and additional time dedicated to ensuring that the camp was successful for all. Thank you also to Mrs Sandra Douglas for assisting with camp preparations and for all your hard work whilst on camp. And my final thank you, to Mrs Helen Davis – medic extraordinaire and mum to all! Camps are extremely exhausting and we thank you all for your efforts!

LUNCH ORDERS

Term Three lunch order days will be Monday and Thursday's.

PREP CHESTERFIELD FARM EXCURSION



Preps went on their first ever excursion to Chesterfield Farm today. We hope they had a wonderful day and have lots of great stories to share about their experience.

EASTERN METROPOLITAN REGION CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday 19th of June Ricky H competed in The Eastern Metropolitan Region Cross Country Comp at Yarra Glen. He came 8th in the 9-10 year old boys 2000m - which means he will now represent our school at the upcoming State Cross Country Championships. A great effort in a very tough field of competitors.



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INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in Term Three, Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th July at the following times:

Wednesday 3:45pm – 5:15pm Thursday 3:45pm – 7:30pm

You will be able to make a booking as of Monday 25th June. If you or someone you know may need a translator, please speak to Carolyn or myself, as this can be easily organised so that all parents can participate in the student led conferences or parent/teacher interviews.

OUR BIGGEST PB BBQ EVER!

Congratulations to 1/2T AND 5/6H who were invited to our special BBQ on Wednesday as a result of winning the reading challenge this term. They joined the other 60 students from around the school who earned four or more PBs. Well done to all the following students: Christopher S, Elisabeth O, Natasha S, Angela S, Ryiah S, Abigail O, Vicky P, Mia P, Hyuga W, Jayden B, Isabella B, Ameer B, Kezia L, Emma McG, Bethany O, Denis Q, Zoe A, Sophie E, Isaac G, Jessica G, Jemma H, Zac HD, Deanne H, Robert H, Mia J, Anna K, Kalara-Rose McL, Ronit P, Hudson P, Eleni S, Christopher S, Isabelle W, Haruki Y, Thomas A, Zoe A, Zoe-Ann B, Harry B, Madeline C, Sylvie G, Jake G, Dai G, Tomas H, William H, Billie H, Ricky H, Annabelle H, Aadi J, Nela J, Ruby K, Geonui K, Jayden K, Nicholas K, Lauren K, Caitlin L, Alrazza M Maggie N, Jaap P, Reet S, Tiare T, William T, Yui W and Ramy Y.

REPORTS AND PORTFOLIOS

Student reports and portfolios (Prep – Year 2) will be sent home on Thursday June 28. Year 3-6 portfolios will remain at school for the Student Lead Conferences. The teachers and students alike have put a lot of effort into these to ensure they provide you with a full account of your child's learning this semester. Looking through the portfolio with your child, is a great way to discuss the progress they have made and share their learning. Additional reports are sent home by post on Friday for those families requiring an additional copy. Please contact the office or your child's class teacher if you do not receive your child's report.

Information regarding how you can support your child's learning in English and Maths is provided through additional information provided within the report envelope.

END OF TERM AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Just a reminder that our special end of term assembly will be held on Monday June 25 at 9am.

EARLY FINISH ON LAST DAY OF TERM

Just a reminder that school will finish at 2.30pm on Friday June 29. A brief assembly will take place at 2:20pm on Friday.

Let's celebrate....

- Our wonderful staff and parents who attended and survived camp last week!
- That our building works are still on schedule!
- Ricky's achievement at Eastern Metropolitan Region Cross Country!
- Biggest ever PB BBQ!
- The Prep's first excursion!
- The 'Great Toy Give Away' run by the SRC!

Until next week,

Sharon

Sharon Reiss-Stone



Curriculum Update

Piece Together Prep

Last Friday we had our Physical Education session for Piece Together Prep. We had lots of kinder children in attendance to experience primary school life. We played games and participated in tabloid sports, boy did we have fun! I would really like to thank my wonderful year 3/4 helpers who jumped in to help while the 5/6 students were at camp.



2019 Prep Enrolments

We are currently taking prep enrolments for 2019. If you have a child that you intend to start in 2019, please make sure you have completed our enrolment form and handed it to the office as we are currently in the process of forming classes. We have had lots of enquiries about our school, so if you know any families looking for prep placements in 2019 please encourage them to come and have a look at our school and experience our community feel. Word of mouth is a wonderful way to spread the word about how fantastic it is to be a part of our school!

Assembly

This week at assembly 1/2A presented their persuasive writing techniques and gave us some very convincing arguments as to why they like each season. Persuasive writing gives students an opportunity to develop specific reasons to support their opinions when writing. They begin to understand how marketing uses persuasive techniques and how this type of writing can influence how people feel about a topic. Well done 1/2A, you convinced me!



Well done to the year 3/4 students for taking on the role of running the assembly in the absence of year 5/6 students. It was fabulous to see our 3/4 students stepping up and doing a wonderful job at presenting.

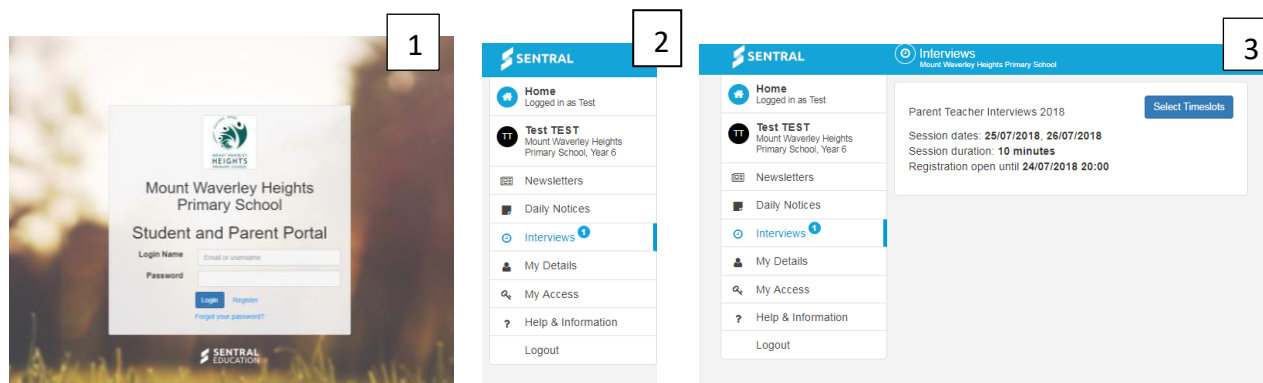


Interviews

Interviews are coming up next term. As Sharon mentioned last week, please let us know if you or someone you know requires a translator. We would like to see all parents attend an interview as it is a wonderful way to exchange information with your child's class teacher.

Bookings for interviews open online on Monday June 25. To book your interview you will need to use a PC to log onto the Sentral Parent Portal. It is very user friendly and you can do it in 4 easy steps. Using your PC:

1. Log onto the Parent Portal. The URL for continued access to the portal is:
<https://sentral.mountwaverleyheightsps.vic.edu.au/portal>
2. Using the menu on the left hand side of the page, click INTERVIEWS (The interviews tab will have a 1 against it to signify you have a task to complete). Please don't book interviews back-to-back for siblings (this gives you time to comfortably get to the next teacher).
3. Select a timeslot and save your booking. The booking page will time out from inactivity, so make sure you confirm your selection before leaving the page.



4. All done! If you have any problems please see our office.

Thanks

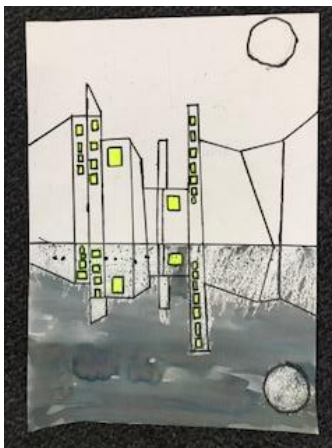
Carolyn

Carolyn Datson
Assistant Principal

Class	Class award	HOB Working Interdependently
Prep D	Akira Y – For the excellent effort you put into your work. You are listening to teacher feedback to improve your work even further.	Ravish S – For working well in small learning groups and being a good role model to others.
Prep M	Milton S – For making good learning choices and improving his listening skills. Well Done!	Maddie C – For working well with others and being an encouraging group member.
1/2A	Aadi J – For taking on constructive feedback and making great progress with his reading this semester.	Abdulmalik A – For sharing his excellent knowledge of Australian coins with his classmates and working well together to complete a money task.
1/2B	Haley J – For being motivated and willing to learn and engaging and not opting out during class discussions	Roopy P – Being confident when sharing her writing and accepting and giving areas of improvement and feedback.
1/2T	Mikaela M – For working responsibly when researching your animal on the laptops	Vivaan C – For assisting his partner with math concepts when playing math games.
3/4G	Geonui K – For always staying focussed and completing work to the best of his ability. Well done!	Yun W – For always working well with others, displaying active listening skills.
3/4S	Ronit P – For steadily assisting with class responsibilities.	Ricky H – For readily working with a range of people during group tasks.

Award	Student	Reason
Specialist Art	Eleni S	For always being focused and being a superstar helper in the art room.
Specialist P.E	Maheer S	For improving his skills during the golf clinic.
Specialist Music	Aliyana R	For always trying her best and completing all tasks with a smile.
Specialist Japanese	Shreya P	For working to her best ability at all times in Japanese.

This week's artists of the week are from 5/6H. They have been working hard on drawing a city skyline and it's reflection in the water. There are still some finishing touches to be added but they already look amazing!



Calling for volunteers – we need your help!

Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help. Our current Volunteer, is unable to continue as at the end of this term.

The program requires two volunteer School Banking Co-ordinators' to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. This only takes a small amount of your time, approximately **1 hour a week** and the Commonwealth Bank will provide support in how to run the program. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising. The banking day can be changed to suit availability of the volunteers.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please see the ladies at the office.

Student Representative Council

The Great Toy Give Away!



WOW! Students looked amazing in their toy and game costumes!

Well Done SRC members for reading 'Too Many Toys' to students across the school.

Many thanks to all our families for your generous toy and gold coin donations and for supporting our environment and local charities. A total of \$111 was raised to help to support our local charities!

Waverley Heights Primary School

We had buckets full of fun at Extend last week! It was just a short week due to the Queens' Birthday Public Holiday, but we still managed to pack it full of fun and exciting activities.

The highlight of our week was making home-made pancakes! The children are such a huge help during cooking activities and they all love taking turns to measure out and mix the ingredients. We had a range of different toppings for our pancakes including, strawberries, kiwi fruit, oranges, butter and honey. We've already had requests to have pancakes again!!

We enjoyed our science challenge this week, trying to make our own car that would move using only recycled materials. It was great to see the children experiment with different techniques to see how they could get their wheels to move. We had some amazing inventions. We will definitely be trying some new science challenges in the future!

VACATION CARE:

We would love to see you at Extend these holidays and share all our fun and exciting activities with you, including two amazing incursions and trips to the movies and inflatable world!! Check out the Extend website and book via LookedAfter.com!! We can't wait to see you over the school holidays!!!

Coming up next week:

Monday: Specialist Activity: Sun Catchers Sports Clinic by Jake G

Tuesday: Imagination creation, ball sports

Wednesday: Cooking: Oatmeal Cookies, Group games

Thursday: Science: DIY bath bombs, Capture the flag

Friday: Yoga with Jocelyn, Playground

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

Dhruthi Prep M

For always being a caring and kind friend to everyone at extend! You always have a smile on your face and we love to see you helping your friends out and making sure they're okay if they fall down. Keep up the amazing work!

From Caitlin and the kids at Extend. :)



"From Up Ship Creek Down to Distillery Creek – Paintings from tracks less travelled."*



Paintings by Greg Footit : Exhibition Dates: June 20th - July 1st 2018

Opening: Wednesday evening, June 20th from 7pm.

Public Hours: 11am to 4pm Monday – Saturdays, 12 – 4pm Sundays.
(Extended hours for this Exhibition)

The Highway Gallery: 14 The Highway, Mount Waverley. (Mel 70 E2)

Contact Details for Artist: 0408 526 833 or gafootit@bigpond.com

*All proceeds from this exhibition (less gallery expenses) will support the 2018 GWAC "Investing in God's Kingdom Appeal."



School Lunch Orders

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

The ordering process will remain the same.



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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, at school, directly after school.

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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