

The Heights Happenings

Thursday 31 May 2018



MOUNT WAVERLEY
HEIGHTS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates to remember

Principal's Report

TERM TWO 2018

Friday 1st June

SDSSA Winter Sport R4
Year 1-4 Water Incursion

Monday 4th June

School Assembly 2:45pm
GKR Karate Lunchtime demonstration

Wednesday 6th June

Year 5/6 Zoo Excursion

Friday 8th June

SDSSA Winter Sport R5

Monday 11th June

QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Tuesday 12th June

Year 5/6 Camp

Friday 15th June

Piece Together Prep – Session Two

Monday 18th June

School Assembly 2:45pm

Wednesday 20th June

School Council Meeting 6pm
PB BBQ

Monday 25th June

End of Term Assembly 9-10am

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

Thursday 26th July

Parent Teacher Interviews

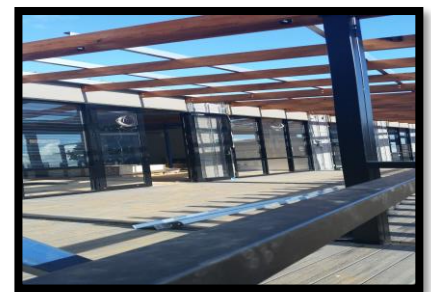


Refer to the website for Notices

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

FULL STEAM AHEAD!

It was exciting for all of us - students, staff and parents to watch our new building come together last week. It really is an engineering feat! The builders are working tirelessly to build the deck, cover the walkways and fit out the building. The building will have a 'natural' feel with timbers and green highlights.



NATIONAL SORRY DAY & RECONCILIATION WEEK

This month we recognise three significant anniversaries in Australia's reconciliation journey:

- National Sorry Day was first recognised on 26 May 1998, one year after the *Bringing them Home* report was tabled in parliament. It serves to remember and commemorate the mistreatment of the indigenous population and relates in particular to Stolen Generations survivors.
- The outcome of the 27 May 1967 referendum brought change to the Australian Constitution, with more than 90 per cent of Australian people voting to count Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the census.
- And lastly, 3 June commemorates the Mabo decision – the 1992 legal case where Eddie Mabo challenged the Australian legal system for the recognition of traditional owners land rights.

Together, these three dates in May represent National Reconciliation Week. During this week we reflect on our national identity and the place of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and rights in our nation's story.



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NEVR PRINCIPAL CONFERENCE

Carolyn and I will be off to NEVR Principal Conference next Monday and Tuesday. Here are some of the sessions on offer which will help us improve our leadership practices.

How do we stem a decline in literacy outcomes? It's time for ambitious teaching

– Misty Adoniou

Leading Teaching Learning: How to support overloaded educators to continually enhance their expertise

– Simon Breakspear/Ryan Dunn

What works best in teaching and what do quality teachers do? The importance of evidence and collegial approaches to improving teacher quality and student outcomes

– Stephen Dinham

Leading coherence making in complex times

– Michael Fullan and Joanne Quinn

Meaningful evidence – significant growth for learners

– Judy Halbert and Linda Kaser

Make it count! How to reduce change and increase improvement

– Viviane Robinson

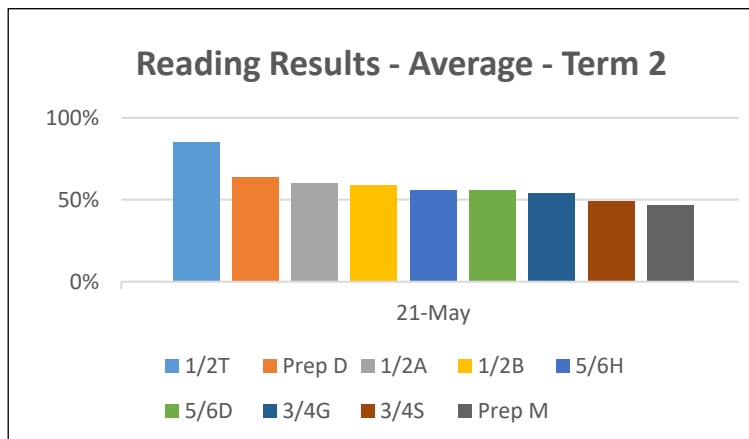
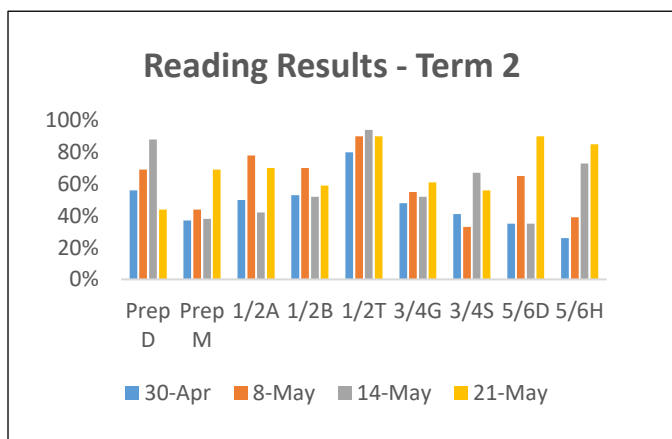
Shifting the mathematical mindset of students: Enhancing engagement

– Wee Tiong Seah

Please see Mrs. Georgia Despotellis if you have anything pressing. She will be Acting Principal in our absence.

READING – PB BBQ

Congratulations to all classes. We have seen a significant increase in students reading – up to 90%! Here are the updated results....



FUNDING FOR NEW FOOTBALL TOPS – VOTING OPEN

We recently applied for a local grant to cover the costs of new football tops for our Yr 5/6 team. We have been selected as a finalist! This means that our project is eligible for the Voting Stage which began at 9am Monday May 28 2018 and finishes at 5pm Friday June 8 2018.

The most votes in each category wins \$1,000 to fund their project. You can help by voting at <http://www.leaderlocalgrants.com.au>

You may vote up to ten times from each email address!



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Can parents please check their child's jumpers and jackets. It has been brought to my attention that many students have been unable to find their lost items. Any tops that are handed in at the office are returned to the student's class if they can be identified. Unlabeled items are placed in our lost property.

There is a small amount of second hand items for sale in our uniform shop. Prices are \$10 per garment. These items are handy to have in reserve if your child does misplace a piece of their uniform. Monies from the sale of second hand items contribute to keeping our new uniform costs at a reasonable price. If any families have uniform items that are no longer required, please consider donating them to our second hand uniform shop.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday 11th June Queens Birthday public holiday – no school
- Friday 25th June – Last day of Term Two
- Monday 16th July – First day of Term Three

Let's celebrate....

- Our new building is well underway!
- First day of winter Friday 1st June

Until next week,

Sharon

Sharon Reiss-Stone



Curriculum Update

This term we have been continuing to strengthen our wonderful relationship with Nara preschool. We have had a visit from the kinder where the kinder students had an opportunity to experience primary school life. They did some literacy activities, art classes and a physical education session. Thank you to Mrs Despotellis, Mrs Morris, Mrs Black and Helen for all their wonderful work with the kinder students.



This week's eSmart focus is from iParent. With so much multimedia around us parents need to make decisions about what is suitable for their children. This link will provide you with some advice about movies, games and television content.



<https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent/multimedia-reviews>

Thanks

Carolyn

Carolyn Datson
Assistant Principal

This weeks' artist of the week is award to the Year 1/2s for their amazing start to their butterflies! These are their wings - just waiting for their bodies and bling next week!

They will be amazing!

Claire Furlong
Art and Music Coordinator



NEVR Concert

Last Tuesday the 22nd May, our choir had the privilege of performing at Hamer Hall which is all the way in the city! Last year we did it and we got to do it again! We sang with so many other primary schools and had Mark O'Leary teaching us everything! The primary choir sang four songs:

- The Unicorn
- Let go the long white sails
- Joshua fought the battle of Jericho
- Lachlan tigers

It was mind-blowing while on stage, there were so many lights and people to smile at. The primary choir got to sit in the balcony which was an amazing view!

Our primary choir shirts were purple with 'Tributes' printed on the front and 'NEVR' printed on the back. We also got to be on the massive screen which made it easier for the audience to see if they weren't positioned in the best spot.

We would all like to give a big thanks to Mrs. Furlong who organised it all! I am certain the choir had a fantastic night.

Kezia L
School Captain



GKR KARATE
STRONG • HUMBLE • BRAVE

GKR Karate will be visiting Mount Waverley Heights Primary Monday 4th June to provide a free karate lesson at lunchtime.

Interested students wishing to attend please leave your name at the office.

School banking day is FRIDAY

Please note that we only have limited stock of the **Secret Scratch Pad** reward item from Term 1.

Once all the stock is depleted it will be removed from the Portal.

The other reward items currently available are:

- * Sparkle Glitter Pens – Term 2
- * Glow Light Torch – Term 2
- * Twister Power Handball – Term 1
- * Cyber Handball – 2017
- * Colour change Markers – 2017
- * Tablet Case – 2017
- * Pencil + Tech Case – 2017
- * Smiley Emoji Keyring – 2017
- * Epic Earphones - 2017



Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at
MOUNT WAVERLEY HEIGHTS.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Safe Lace School Fundraiser

For the next THREE weeks Safe Laces will be available for purchase via

<https://www.safelacefundraising.com/active-fundraisers/mount-waverley-heights-primary-school/>

Monies raised from the fundraising effort will go towards new shelving for the Library.

Students please remember when purchasing that only the black Safe Laces are to be worn with school shoes.



Dear Students and Parents,

Students please remember to enter the books you have read for the Premiers' reading challenge on-line for these to be verified as being read. Remember all your reading for the PB BBQ counts towards the reading challenge too!

If you require assistance to enter your books or need to check your login details please see Louise at the office.

There are many great books out there – if you have an absolute favourite or there was a book that surprised you, let us know by sending along a mini book review!

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

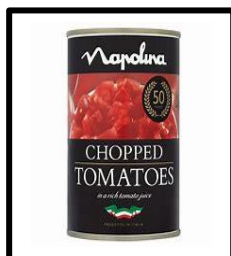
Mrs. Amy Morris and Louise Berry.

Parents Association

A reminder to donate to the Feed Melbourne Appeal during **May 1st to June 30th**.

There is a box for donations of penne pasta, plain flour or tin tomatoes at the school office.

Thank-you
Alison Thornton



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

FEED MELBOURNE APPEAL
10 years of helping to fight hidden hunger

#feedmelbourneappeal

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

 TAKE A PHOTO WITH YOUR DONATION OR AT OUR STREET POSTER AND #FEEDMELBOURNEAPPEAL

 MAKE A SMALL DONATION @ FEEDMELBOURNE.ORG.AU OR INSTORE AT WOOLWORTHS 50 CENTS = 1 MEAL

Extend OSHC at Mount Waverley Heights Primary School Kid tested, Parent approved

Last week we had a fun filled week at Extend!! We have been loving our creative Monday afternoons and last week we made woven paper bags! They were so bright, colourful and fun to make.

On Wednesday we donned our aprons and enjoyed cooking! In the morning the children loved making their fruit smoothies. Each week they like to try a different combination of fruit, and even try new fruits they haven't tasted before! The children have loved the addition of dragon fruit and passion fruit pulp in their smoothies.

Wednesday afternoon we made rice paper rolls filled with cucumber, carrot, avocado, capsicum and spring onion. Many of the children had never had rice paper rolls before, and they loved trying something new!! We all had fun getting our hands messy as we tried to roll them up!

On Thursday afternoon we made our own mini green houses. We are so excited to watch the beans grow. Science is one of our favourite activities at Extend!!

VACTION CARE:

Our awesome holiday program timetable has now been published! Check it out at www.extend.com or come into see us and grab a flyer! These holidays are jam packed with awesome activities and heaps of fun, we look forward to seeing you there.

Coming up next week:

Monday: Specialist Activity: Pet Rocks. Sports Clinic by Jake G

Tuesday: Imagination creation, ball sports

Wednesday: Cooking: Baked Potatoes, Group games

Thursday: Science: Grass Heads, Domes and Dishes

Friday: Yoga with Jocelyn, Playground

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

Zoe A ½ T

For always coming in with a big smile on your face and a positive attitude. You are always so kind and polite to your peers and are so creative with all the art you make! Keep up the great work!

From Caitlin and the kids at Extend. :)



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Class times/

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Saturday 10.45 – 1.15pm

JUNIORS

13 years and under
Wednesday 5pm – 8pm

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AND

DRINK HOT CHOCOLATE

ONLY \$2 EACH CUP

Where: Canteen
When: First half of lunch
Tuesday and Wednesday,
29/05-5/06

Hot Chocolate

Year Six students will be selling Hot Chocolate Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtimes from 29th May through to 6th June.

Monies raised from the sale will go towards the Year Six end of year excursion.



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Student Representative Council

The Great Toy Give Away!

Across the school we have been learning about sustainability and the 4Rs – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rethink

Please help us sustain our environment and reduce the amount of waste going to landfill.

We are seeking donations of pre-loved toys to be distributed to charities and toy libraries around Melbourne.

When: Wednesday 20th June, 2018

Dress Up: Favourite Toy or Game Character

Donation: Pre-loved toys, games, puzzles and sports equipment in excellent condition or gold coin

No soft toys thank you



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