

# The Heights Happenings

Thursday 6 September 2018



MOUNT WAVERLEY  
HEIGHTS  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Dates to remember*

*Principal's Report*

## **TERM THREE 2018**

### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

SDSSA Basketball Round Robin  
Prep Market Fresh Incursion  
Piece Together Prep Session 4 (Science/ICT) – 2:15pm

### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

School Swimming Program

### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Nara Presentation Night

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

School Swimming Program

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

End of Term Assembly 9-10am – Prep D

### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

Footy Day / Subway Lunch  
Reading Data Movie morning 9:30-11am  
Last day of Term Three – 2:30pm finish

## **TERM FOUR 2018**

### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

First day of Term Four

### **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

Monash Waverley Athletics (Year 4-6)



Refer to the website for Notices

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

## **SAVE THE DATE:**

***Launching our  
technology partnership  
October 17!***

## **FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST**

We hope all our dads had a wonderful Father's Day last Sunday. Thank you to everyone who came to our special P-2 breakfast. Particular thanks to all the dads that assisted when we ran in to a spot of trouble with the BBQ. Your efforts and assistance was much appreciated.

The students loved having their dads at school and presented a special poem (accompanied by sign language) to their audience. It was a lovely celebration. Thank you to the P-2 teachers for organising this event.



## **PB BBQ**

A glorious day for our PB BBQ. Congratulations to all the students who earned 4 or more PBs. Our top award winner this term was Abbigail O from 5/6H who had 10 PBs. Congratulations!



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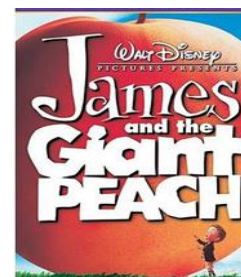
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## READING DATA

On Friday 21 September we will be inviting those students, who have consistently read 5 nights a week over the term, to a movie presentation (9:30-11am). As we are celebrating reading, we have decided to pick a classic novel which has been turned into a movie. We will be watching James and Giant Peach which is rated PG. Notices will be sent home next week.



## PIECE TOGETHER PREP TOMORROW – 2.15-3.00pm

Our final 'Piece Together Prep' session will take place tomorrow with a focus on Science and Technology. Students do not need to be enrolled to attend.

Our formal transition session for our enrolled 2019 preps will begin next term! We have two full classes of preps for 2019!

## SWIMMING WEEK

Here is the swimming timetable for the next fortnight. Students will be swimming at Huntingtower Sports and Aquatic Centre.

Grade	Departure from School	Swimming Lesson	Departure from Pool	Arrival at School
5/6D & 5/6H	11:30am	12:00 – 12:45pm	1:15pm	1:30pm
3/4G & 3/4S	12:15pm	12:45 – 1:30pm	1:45pm	2:00pm
Prep D & Prep M	1:00pm	1:30 – 2:00pm	2:15pm	2:30pm
1/2A & ½ of 1/2T	1:30pm	2:00 – 2:30pm	2:45pm	3:00pm
½ 1/2T & 1/2B	2:00pm	2:30 – 3:00pm	3:15pm	3:30pm

## REMINDER:

Dates for swimming: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September (not Friday)  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September (8 days in total).

We would appreciate parent helpers to assist the children in the change rooms after their lesson. Please note, you must have a current **Volunteer** Working with Children's Check (WWCC) and a signed Child Safe policy, in order to assist. If you are coming down to the pool to watch or help for the day **no photos or video** are to be taken at the pool.

## What to bring in a backpack or additional bag:

- Bathers (students should wear their bathers to school)
- Underwear (packed in bag – include a plastic bag to take home wet clothing/towels)
- Thongs/sandals or Crocs (these must not be worn to school, however **can be worn to and from** the pool)
- Goggles
- Towel
- Swimming cap (will be provided at their first lesson)

### **NARA VISITS**

Over the past four weeks students in Year 4 have been participating in a community writing project where they have been working with preschool students at Nara. Not only are we building our relationship with our closest kinder, but our Year 4 students have loved being a buddy to the preschool children, as they work on co-writing a story together. In celebrating their achievements, we will be hosting a writing showcase on Thursday September 13 from 5-5.45pm. We hope that all our Year 4 children and their families can attend, so that we can showcase their published stories to both communities.

### **EVACUATION PRACTICE – Wednesday September 5**

Our students participated in an Emergency Evacuation Drill on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Student safety is our main priority and by conducting these practice drills at regular intervals, reinforces to students what they need to do if such an event was to occur. This was the first one the school has held at lunchtime and it was great to see all students follow the procedure in a safe and timely manner. Well done to all students.

Please note that if there was an emergency where we need to evacuate to our safe zone, Sentral would be used to inform parents. There are still quite a few parents who have not connected to the app. Please do so, so that you can be informed of current events and any emergency situation that arrives. Last week was a good example where many schools were closed because of a factory fire. Be informed, get connected!

### **FOOTY DAY – Friday September 21**

Don't forget to come dressed up in your favourite sporting team colors. If in doubt – just come wearing black and yellow! As we had no parents able to coordinate a lunch, we have decided to do a Subway lunch option for the last day of school. Envelopes to order will be sent home **MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> September** and are due back **FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> September**. Unfortunately no late orders can be accepted.

### **SUN HATS**

In line with our Sunsmart policy all children are required to wear a hat from September 1<sup>st</sup> onwards.

### **EXTEND HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

It is not too late to enrol your child in the holiday program. So many great activities including art and craft activities, Huntingdale Wetlands excursion, Scienceworks, footy clinic and loads more wonderful activities.

### **CURRICULUM DAY**

Our last Curriculum Day for this year will be held on Monday 5 November. No students to attend school on this day.

### **Let's celebrate**

- Our incredible NAPLAN results.
- Our mum's who ran the Father's Day Stall last Thursday. In particular to Charmaine for her organisation.
- A lovely Father's Day breakfast last week. Thanks also to Brett who helped pack up.

Until next week,

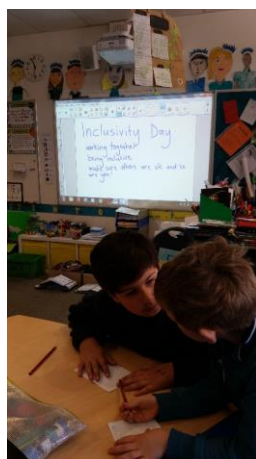
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Sharon Reiss-Stone



## Curriculum Update

Inclusivity Day Photos, what a fantastic day. Thank you to everyone who helped on the day!



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## Kids Teaching Kids

On Tuesday, Issy, Christopher and Anna attended the Kids Teaching Kids Program. The program promotes positive wellbeing and helps build resilience in young people. It raises awareness and drives action on local and global environmental issues, bringing communities together to solve common challenges and help the next generation of leaders who will take collective responsibility for our future. Thank you to Linda for attending with the students and transporting them on the day.



National eSmart Week is 2- 8 September and is held in line with National Child Protection Week. It is a good opportunity for parents, carers, teachers and students to encourage everyone to be smart, safe and responsible when using digital technology.

This week promotes awareness, solutions and ideas on issues of cyber safety, bullying and wellbeing both on and offline. National eSmart Week is an initiative developed by the Alannah & Madeline Foundation, in partnership with the Telstra Foundation.

This is a great opportunity to discuss being safe online with your child and there are many resources available on the eSmart website to help you. The link below takes you to the top 10-cyber safety tips.

<https://www.esmart.org.au/news/top-10-cyber-safety-tips/>

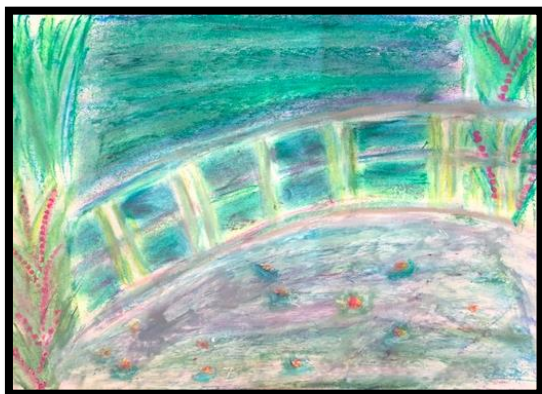
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*Carolyn*

Carolyn Datson  
Assistant Principal

Class	Class award	HOB Thinking Flexibly
Prep M	Jada T – For always being a caring friend to her classmates. Well Done!	Cerise B – For using a range of strategies to try to read words she doesn't know.
1/2A	Nathan P – For fantastic reading and showing great understanding of what he has read	Robert H – For sharing his thoughtful ideas on what we can change to help all class members.
1/2B	Anna A – Applying herself to classroom tasks and persisting when reading challenging texts.	Roopy P – Finding ways to use classroom resources to improve her writing and achieve her writing goal.
1/2T	Sahil S – For working hard and putting in effort to both his writing and reading	Dion S – For creating interesting and meaningful questions to ask during share and chat presentations
3/4G	Derrick – For always working respectfully and responsibly. Well Done!	Edward B – For trying many different ideas when making a cubic metre out of straws!
3/4S	Bourne J – For confidently getting underway with a range of class tasks	Elisabeth O – For respectfully considering other people's points of view when discussing everything from current affairs to literature whilst shaping her own opinion.
5/6H	Tanna S – For being a respectful classmate, working collaboratively and listening to others.	Andrew K – For learning to look at problems from different perspectives.





*This week's artists of the week are Angie N and Shreya P who have produced beautiful pieces of artwork.*

*Well done girls!*

## Furniture Free To Good Home!

*The double portables are being removed over the school holiday break. There is some furniture that we need to re-home. If there are any families who could use adjustable tables, moveable trolleys, desks etc please see the office. We need all furniture removed by **21<sup>st</sup> September.***



## Extend OSHC at Mount Waverley Heights Primary School

We had an awesome week, full of exciting new activities. Our highlight of the week, was the amazing Slime Shop. The children have loved making slime, and began their own initiative when they created their own little shop, to buy and sell slime using bottle caps. The children had so much fun participating and running the store! We tried a new recipe this week in cooking, Banana Pancakes - they were a huge hit, and always fun to top with fresh fruit and honey!

### SLIME PARTY:

Last day of term we are having an awesome slime party. Throughout the term the children have been telling us about all different types of slime. We thought it would be awesome to have an afternoon experimenting and having some sticky fun! Don't miss out on the awesome fun!!

### Coming up next week:

**Monday:** Imagination Creation, **Sports Clinic by Jake G**  
**Tuesday:** **Science: Mentos and Coke (Further investigation)**, Ball Sports  
**Wednesday:** **Specialist Activity: Painting Mugs**, Group Games  
**Thursday:** **Cooking: Pita Chips and quacamole**, Capture the Flag  
**Friday:** **Yoga with Friends**, Playground

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

**Natasha S 3/4S and Caitlin L 3/4S**

For helping out last week when we had a really crazy afternoon! You saw that the educators needed help and stopped what you were doing and assisted in setting up the room ready for the afternoon. Awesome work!

From Caitlin and the kids at Extend. :)

### \*\*\*\*Spring Extend Squad - Fantabulous school holiday experiences \*\*\*\*

Extend's school holiday programs are a fantastic opportunity for your child to do fun and engaging activities with friends.

Book 14 days in advance to receive the early bird rate.

Bookings now open!

Find your local Extend Squad: [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au)

### KIDS CLUB COMPETITION TOP 3 ENTRIES -VOTE NOW

Congratulations to our Top 3 entries in the Junior and

Senior categories. Vote online today at [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au)



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## LOST PROPERTY

There are numerous items of clothing, lunch boxes, and drink bottles in lost property.

If you have misplaced an item or lost something of value please see the office for further information.



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## Monash – Oakleigh Community Support Food Drive

MWHPS are collecting non-perishable food items (tinned food, pasta, cereals etc.) to support Monash-Oakleigh Community Support Service.

Donations can be left at the office till the end of term.

Thank-you!



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## Computer Programming Club

In a world where technology touches every aspect of our lives, it is crucial that our children understand how it works. To accomplish this objective, there is an exciting **Computer Programming** club running at the school.

The aim of the club is to provide students with exposure to fundamental of computer science concepts. Run by external consultants from Digimaker, this program will:

- Build games, animations, stories utilizing pupil's creative thinking
- Develop logical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Express ideas & boost confidence working in a collaborative environment
- Enable the grasp of computational thinking which combines math and logic

For details on the course, visit <http://www.digimaker.com.au/courses/>

The club will run for 8 to 10 weeks each term (depending on the length of the term) and is charged on a per-term basis. Students will work on school laptop during the session.

Program for Term 4 2018 is as follows:

**Term 4 :** Every Tuesday, 09<sup>th</sup> Oct to 18<sup>th</sup> Dec (**10 weeks** – Public Holiday on 06<sup>th</sup> Nov)  
**Time :** 3:30pm – 4:30pm  
**Room :** School classroom  
**Grades :** 3 to 6  
**Fee :** \$190

If you are interested in your child being considered for the programming club, please \*fill the form online @ [www.digimaker.com.au/contactus/](http://www.digimaker.com.au/contactus/) or at the bottom of this letter and **return it to Office by Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018**. Digimaker will confirm your child's spot via email.

\*Existing students need not fill the form

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**Mount Waverley Heights Primary School**

**Please do not send payment with this form**

I want to enrol my child (full name)..... for the course in Term 4, 2018