

The Heights Happenings

Thursday 2 May 2019



MOUNT WAVERLEY
HEIGHTS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates to remember

TERM TWO 2019

Friday 3rd May

SDSSA Winter Sport Round 1

Wednesday 8th May

School Council 7pm

Thursday 9th May

Mothers Day Stall

Friday 10th May

SDSSA Winter Sport Round 2

Mothers Day Breakfast before school

Monday 13th May

Assembly 2:45pm

Tuesday 14th/15th/16th May

NAPLAN Language/Reading/Numeracy

Friday 17th May

SDSSA Cross Country Jells Park (Year 4-6)

Piece Together Prep Session 1

Thursday 23rd May

Open Night 6-7:30pm

Friday 24th May

School Colour Fun Run!

SDSSA Winter Sport Round 3

Monday 27th May

Assembly 2:45pm

Friday 31st May

SDSSA Winter Sport Round 4

Friday 7th June

SDSSA Winter Sport Round 5 - BYE

Dragon Boat Festival Day

Monday 10th June

QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Friday 14th June

Prep Excursion - Chesterfield Farm

Monday 17th June - Friday 21st June

Year 5/6 Canberra Camp



Refer to the website for Notices

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

Principal's Report

CULTURAL CELEBRATIONS!

We had a fun Friday afternoon celebrating Greek Easter. At assembly today our Year 6 students compared Greek and Serbian Orthodox celebrations. It was wonderful to hear the similarities and differences from the two cultures. Well done Anna and Mia

PIECE TOGETHER PREP SESSION - MAY 17

On Friday May 11 we will be holding our first Piece together Prep Session - 'Story Time' session from 2:00-3:00pm for any 4 year olds. Invite a friend and come along with your pre-schooler!

SCHOOL ENROLMENT 2020

Our two prep classes are quickly filling up. Please ensure that we have **sibling enrolment forms by May 17**. This way we can control class numbers.

YEAR 6-7 PLACEMENT

The Year 7 enrolment process has changed. Parents should have received an email with the attached documents to be completed. These must be returned to school by **Friday May 17**. The enrolment form may either be printed and sent back to the school or emailed to our school's address. Please note that almost all components of the form must be completed by the parent/guardian. If you are unable to complete this process online, please see Louise up at the office.

MOTHER'S DAY ACTIVITIES

Thursday May 9

Mother's Day Stall

Friday May 10

Mother's Day Breakfast

EDUCATION WEEK - OPEN NIGHT (MAY 23) - WIN YOUR VERY OWN CHROMEBOOK!

We will be celebrating Education Week with an Open Night on Thursday May 23 from 6-7.30pm. We will be showcasing some of the outstanding work students have been involved in alongside technology challenges. On the night we will be **raffling off two brand new chromebooks!** One chromebook will be raffled to new families who tour on the night and the other to existing students who complete the activities! A huge thank you to our Industry partners who have donated the devices.



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NEW BUSINESS MANAGER - WELCOME TRISHA!

As you are aware Lynn has taken long service leave for Term 2. I would like to welcome Trisha Brumbaugh to our staffing profile. Trisha will be working in the office on a Thursday and Friday alongside Louise. I know you will join me in welcoming Trisha to the MWHPS community.

SCHOOL FUN RUN!

We're holding the *School Fun-Run* as our major fundraising event this year! The event will be held on **24th May 2019**. This is a sponsorship based fundraiser, and we're looking to raise at least **\$15,000 for year 1/2 playground equipment**.

Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which were sent home with your child on Monday. Once you have the form, jump online at schoolfundraising.com.au and create a student profile page. Once you do this and raise at least \$1 online, you will be entered into the \$20,000 Ultimate Family Experience! Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward, and the more you help the school!

The *School Fun-Run* is a healthy fundraiser that we hope you'll get behind. The event sends a message to students about having fun while being healthy, all while helping the school raise funds.

We're looking for all students to participate and we're organising a great event for our community, so we'd love everyone to come down to support the kids. You may even wish to start your own page and raise some money :)

Our SRC team will be heavily involved with the design of the course and planning for the day.

We need your old phones AND their charges!

If you have recently upgraded your phone and no longer need your old one, we would love to reuse it as part of our technology upgrade. Donated phones (smart phones) will be used in VR devices and run off our school's network. If you are able to help out, please drop them in at the office. Thank you

A friendly reminder

- If your contact details have changed can you please let the office staff know
- NO right hand turns from the Huntingdale Road Carpark. This is for the safety of students, families and the general community
- Can families of Junior school children (Prep – Year 2) please pack a spare change of clothes. With Winter approaching and wetter conditions in the school yard there may be a need to change. Unfortunately the school doesn't have the resources to supply a change of clothes.
- Any families with an excess supply of plastic bags, the first aid room will gladly accept donations!

Let's celebrate...

- The safe arrival of Mrs Thomas' baby on 18 April.
Welcome to the world Rhys Kevin Thomas!
- Mrs Hannah's wedding in the holidays.
A beautiful and moving ceremony - 3/4H will become 3/4P
- The safe arrival of Damien's (Prep DM) sister – Valerie.
Congratulations to the Yong family.



Until next week,

Sharon

Sharon Reiss-Stone



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Japanese at Nara Preschool

This term Sensei and Helen have begun teaching Nara preschool children Japanese. This is a fantastic program for our school to be involved in as it promotes our wonderful Japanese program and school to the community and it gives the kinder children a cultural and language experience. Thank you Masa and Helen for running these wonderful sessions! Here is a picture of the kinder students making a picture of Flower Viewing Picnic under Sakura (cherry blossoms).



Curriculum Update

This week at assembly grade 1/2G presented how they work on the traits of writing and also sung a song that helps them to remember features of the traits. Our writing approach is the 6 + 1 traits of writing.

We have been developing our trait writing over the last few years based around Ideas, Organization, Voice, Word Choice, Sentence Fluency, Conventions, and Presentation.



The SRC also read The Last Anzac to the school as part of Anzac Day activities.

Carolyn

Carolyn Datson
Assistant Principal

Genesis Music Private Instrumental Lessons Instrumental lessons are going from strength to strength with Genesis Music. I am delighted to announce that we are now offering lessons in the following instruments across 3 days:

Wednesday: Flute, clarinet

Tuesday: violin

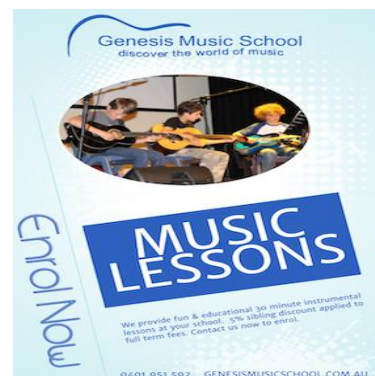
Friday: keyboard, guitar and drums

We still have limited spaces remaining and instruments can be hired from Genesis Music. If you are interested in finding out more or enrolling your child in group or individual lessons, please contact Christine at Genesis Music on (need to find the number for you)

NEVR Choir Concert.

Next Wednesday the Grade 5 and 6 Senior Choir students will be attending the first of the combined rehearsals for the NEVR Primary Choir with 200 students from other Primary Schools in our region. We wish them all the best for the rehearsal days and the Concert at Hamer Hall on Tuesday 28th May.

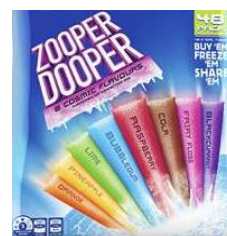
Mrs Claire Furlong
Performing Arts Coordinator



Icy Poles

The SRC will be selling Zooper Dooper icy poles at lunchtime on Monday the 29th April and 6th May.

Cost: 50c Limit of 1 per person



Mothers Day Stall

This year we will be holding our Mothers Day gift stall on Thursday 9th May. Students will have the opportunity to purchase a gift for their Mother/Grandmother/Special person.

Gifts will be between \$1-\$5 and parent helpers are encouraged to come along to assist with wrapping gifts for the children to bring home.

If you have half an hour or so to spare between 8.30 and 1 pm, please text Charmaine on 0419395605.



Mother's Day Breakfast

There will be a Mother's Day breakfast for the Prep - Year 2 Mums before school on Friday 10th May.

Notices will be sent home soon with further details, but for now please save the date.



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SCHOOL FUN RUN

We're three weeks out from our *School Fun-Run*! We hope students are working hard towards their fundraising goals!

Currently we have raised **\$1,454.72** of our **\$15,000**, so there is a way to go and I hope you'll keep supporting us! Remember, the money raised will be going towards **our new playground equipment**.

Did you know that you can WIN a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Experience by setting up your student profile online and raising \$1 online? Just head over to schoolfundraising.com.au. Once you've created your page there are some great things you can do. You can sign up for online fundraising, pick your target prize and even become a fundraising superstar! I hope you'll help us recognise the people that make our school what it is!

If you're having any trouble setting up your student profile or fundraising online, please get in touch with the Fun-Run team on 1800 FUN RUN.

Thanks for supporting us with your fundraising efforts, we look forward to celebrating with an amazing day!



Extend Update

Enrichment Programs!

Did you know every term we provide a range of enrichment programs for your children to broaden their knowledge and skill set? Well that's exactly what we do and this term our two enrichment programs are 'Sports Clinic & Guinea Pig School'.

Sports Clinic is an opportunity for each of our children to trial and learn a range of fun, new indoor/outdoor games and along with that they develop their communication, social and physical skills. Perfect for those children who have endless amounts of energy!

Guinea Pig School allows us not only to get up close and personal with our guinea pigs but to also learn about their diet, anatomy, breeds and how to handle them, just to name a few. What would you like to learn about our lovable furry friends?



The Extend Superstar is...

Emily Collins from 3/4 R for always showcasing to your peers how to confidently yet calmly hold and care for our service guinea pigs. You definitely are a top notch Guinea Pig Guru!

Coming up this Term:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Community: Pen Pal Letter w/ St. Joseph's & Sports Clinic	Bookworms & Cooking: Cauliflower Pizza	Guinea Pig School & Playground	Science: Egg Drop Challenge & Group Games	Fruit Smoothies & Art: Newspaper Fashion

From Jayde & the children.

Enrol and book now: extend.com.au