

Dates To Remember

TERM FOUR 2021

Friday 26th November
Prep Transition 2

Monday 29th November
Assembly 2.45pm

Friday 3rd December
Prep Transition 3

Monday 6th December
Final Whole School Assembly
9.15am

Monday 6th December
Internal Transition 3 - 2.30pm

Wednesday 8th December
Meet 2022 classes 11.30 - 12pm

Wednesday 8th December
Prep Information Night 5.30pm -
6.30pm

Thursday 9th December
Grade 6 Graduation Night

Friday 10th December
Prep Transition 4 - Orientation
Morning 9.30am - 12.30pm

Monday 13th December
Year 5-6 Camp Gundiwindi

Tuesday 14th December
Year 1 RACV Road Safety

Wednesday 15th December
Year 3-4 Camp Gundiwindi
Year 5-6 return from camp

Thursday 25th November, 2021

Principal's Report

STUDENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS 2022

Last Thursday, Carolyn and I had the opportunity to listen to our Year 5 students' present their leadership speeches to their peers. It was great to have so many students apply for the highly sought after roles. Next year we will be having two School Captains and two representatives for each House. Congratulations to the following students who were shortlisted for the School Captain position. These students were selected by their peers in Years 3-6. Well done to Stephanie, Roopy, Sophia, Eleni, Lucas, Haruki, Bradley and Samuel P. These students presented to the teaching staff on Tuesday and each of them did an incredible job. Announcement of the leadership positions for 2022 will be held at the final assembly on Monday December 6th at 9.15am.

INTERNAL TRANSITION

As part of our preparations for the new school year, students have been participating in a series of internal transition sessions. These sessions assist in easing any discomfort associated with change and give the students something to look forward to about the coming year. Our second internal transition session took place on Monday. Students completed an activity about themselves that they can share with their 2022 teacher. Students will meet their 2022 teachers on Wednesday 8th December.

STAFFING 2022

There are a range of reasons why teachers move to different year levels or new schools. Reasons could range from - needing a different challenge to having moved house. Just like other industries a change can be career enhancing, building teachers' abilities, skills and knowledge across the sector. In December, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Sarah Kua and Miss Melanie Jones. Both have found schools closer to home. I would like to acknowledge and thank both Sarah and Mel for their dedication, kindness and exceptional

learning environment they have provided to many students in our school. I know that you will join me in wishing them both the very best of luck!

As Mrs Amy Morris has taken maternity leave, Mrs Alicia Geddes will be stepping into the tutoring role for 2022. Alicia knows the students well and will be brilliant at providing intervention strategies and programs. Mrs Julianne Marshall will be teaching full time next year. We are thrilled to have Julianne, on a full time basis. Due to the school growing again next year, we will be adding Simone Kyoong (who has worked as a CRT at our school and had many years teaching prep) and Kiara Gervasi to our prep team. Jenna Davis will join our Year 2 team. Jenna currently teaches at Mount Waverley Primary School as a Year 2 teacher. Jodie Koudmani will lead our Year 4 team. Jodie currently teaches at Oatlands Primary School and has many years of experience.

I would also like to congratulate Miss Elizabeth Spurling and Mrs Sandra Douglas who will be stepping into a 'Learning Specialist' role next year. They will have additional release time, alongside their classroom teaching time, to support teachers across the school.

Teachers in bold are our level leaders (coordinators)

Prep Teachers	Melanie Johnson Simone Kyoong Kiara Gervasi
Year 1s	Elizabeth Spurling Tracy Jom Luke Morris
Year 2s	Julianne Marshall Lee-Ean Teoh Jenna Davis
Year 3s	Scott DeMarchi Luke Marrone
Year 4s	Jodie Koudmani Caitlin Jamieson
Year 5/6s	Sandra Douglas Kiralee Molnar Callum Marini
Specialists	Laura Weston (Art P-4) Claire Furlong (Music/Art 5-6) Masa Yamazaki (Japanese) Kate Black (PE)
	Emma, Elizabeth and Sandra - Learning Specialist

PREP TRANSITION SESSION 2 - FRIDAY NOV 26 (2.30-3.15pm)

Our second session for our new preps will be held this Friday. Our new preps settled beautifully last week. Well done to all families. At this week's parent session, we will discuss milestones and language acquisitions. It will also be a time to get to know each other.

TUTORING LEARNING INITIATIVE

The government has recently released information regarding the 'Tutoring Learning Initiative'. The Tutor Learning Initiative has been designed to support students whose learning has been disrupted through remote and flexible learning in 2020/21. The government has provided funds to all government schools (based on socio economic background of families) to employ tutors for 6-12 months of the 2022 school year.

We are currently in the process of identifying students who would benefit from additional support, through the extensive assessment our teachers are currently undertaking. Parents will be notified in 2022, if their child will be participating in this program. Once we have identified the number of students needing intervention, we will then be able to provide details of the program e.g. number of sessions, etc.

Both literacy and numeracy tuition will be provided. We are very excited to have these additional funds to further target and support our students' learning needs.

SCHOOL LEVIES

Over the past few weeks, we have been busy analysing our financial records and determining fees for 2022. Please note that whilst all fees are voluntary, without parent support we wouldn't be able to provide the programs - intervention, extension and our digital learning opportunities that we currently run. School Council have decided that the fee payments will be similar to 2020 (prior to covid) with only a minimal increase between \$2-\$8.

What has changed?

Due to the global pandemic we will be asking parents to '**pay as you go**' for extra curricular activities for the 2022 school year. This will avoid the school needing to pay back the cost of cancelled incursions/excursions or sporting events. In 2022, payments and permissions for extra curricular items and activities will be done through Sentral.

Levy forms will be distributed shortly. Parents will have the option to transfer any monies in credit to the 2022 school year, donate the money to the school or ask for a refund. As every family will be different (depending on 2021 payments, cancelled events, etc) Louise has an enormous task in working out credit notes specific to each family. These options will come out with the new 2022 fees.

SPORTS UNIFORM YEARS 3-6

We have decided to expand the sports uniform to Year 3/4 levels from 2022 onwards. P-2 will follow the following year. It will be far more comfortable for students during Physical Education lessons if they are dressed in appropriate wear.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

A huge thank you to all our school councillors (despite the challenges) who have ensured that financial and governance decisions were made in the best interest of our students and families. Our final meeting for the year was held last week. We look forward to extending upon initiatives and ideas in the coming year.

CAN YOU HELP?

Are you or someone you know a builder? Would you be interested in doing some work around the school over the January period? Please contact the office if you are interested or able to help.

LOST PROPERTY

We currently have a lot of school jackets and containers in lost property with no names on them. Please come and have a look through to see if any might belong to your child. We will also have items on display at the final assembly on Monday 6th December and on the last day of term.

WHAT AM I GRATEFUL FOR?

My positive for this week...

- Surviving last week - I'm not sure about other people, but it seemed crazier than normal!
- Attending a winery last weekend for high tea - yes, very posh!
- Finally some nice weather!

Let's celebrate...

- Our Year 5's for writing brilliant speeches and stepping out of their comfort zone to speak in front of all our Years 3-5. Great job everyone!
- A terrific (first) Prep Transition Session last Friday
- The DET's change in guidelines, which will allow our unvaccinated 12 year olds to participate in excursions, camps and graduation! Woo hooo! Our events are back on!

Sharon Reiss-Stone

Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS.....FOR PARENTS!

Most of you would be familiar with our school expectations - Be Responsible, Be Respectful and Be Inclusive and I am sure your children know them off by heart! I am asking all parents to remember our expectations whilst in the school grounds and especially in the car park.

We have a number of new families and now our 2022 families are coming onsite for transition. This means that our car park is getting quite busy. Please follow all school rules whilst onsite. We all have the same goal, getting our children to and from school safely. P - 2 parents are to use the Solomon street entrance and the 3 - 6 families use the Huntingdale road entrance. We also recommend utilising the surrounding streets and walking in. Leave yourself enough time so that you are not in a rush to get to school!

WELLBEING

The students have returned from lockdown and are getting use to playing with each other in the yard again. Your child's friendship's can often change. Sometimes your child will argue with their friends. Not all arguments are bad. They are an important part of growing up. It is the quality of friends that your child has that is important, not the number. Whether your child has one special friend or many friends isn't the issue. As long as they are happy and content they'll do fine. Sometimes friends do things that upset us. This doesn't mean the friendship has to end. Understanding that everyone makes mistakes is an important lesson to learn. Some children find it easy to make friends. Others find it difficult. You know your child best.

If you know your child is nervous or shy and finds making friends difficult, you can encourage them to:

- say hello and smile
- look for another child who seems shy and talk to them
- ask questions to start a conversation like, what school did you go to last year or do you like maths, music, running?
- listen to other children when they are talking and find out if they have things in common.

You can also support your child's interests and get them involved in clubs or groups. This means they can make friends with children outside of school too.

Talk to your child about:

- what things they like to do with their friends
- the things they like about their friends
- the ways your child could show their friends how much they mean to them
- how their friendships are going. If there are problems this gives your child a chance to talk to you about them.

Listen to your child and use open-ended questions. These are questions that can't be answered with a simple yes or no.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/child-development/Pages/making-keeping-friends.aspx>

Carolyn Datson

Assistant Principal

Zooper Doopers
will be sold on
Wednesday/Friday
at lunch time for \$1
each at the
canteen.

Fundraising for Year Six
Celebrations.

Extend News



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MOUNT WAVERLEY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 20 December
Thursday 23 December





8.00am – 6.00pm

Session Fee \$78.00*
Pay from \$11.81 after CCS
* Early Bird Rate – Book 14 days in advance.



2021 SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM - DECEMBER

DISCOVER. LEARN. PLAY. SUMMER
EXTEND SQUAD
FANTABULOUS school holiday experiences!

20 Monday	21 Tuesday	22 Wednesday	23 Thursday
Textured Paintings & Tennis Go on a scavenger hunt around the service to locate all things natural. Upon return create a stunning textured painting.	Construction & Dodgeball Build a tower, build a bridge, what will you design and build with your friends at Extend?	Party Games & Buttermilk Pancakes Time to party with your friends! Join us in a day filled with games, laughter, and fun.	Float a Boat & Confetti Biscuits Can you make a boat that can float? Test your skills in this fun and creative experiment.
 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee Only



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Monday 10 January
Friday 28 December

8.00am – 6.00pm









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Inclusion Excursion Activity



2022 SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM - JANUARY

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EXTEND SQUAD
FANTABULOUS school holiday experiences!

10 Monday	11 Tuesday	12 Wednesday	13 Thursday	14 Friday
Hip Hop Get down with the latest move that encourage expression, creativity, and improvisation! Drop off by 8am.	Eureka Skydeck Explore the Eureka Skydeck with a guided tour, identify landmarks and see Melbourne from the world's only glass cube!	Plant People & Tacos The children will decorate a cup filled with soil and grass-seed then water it and see it grow.	Treasure Hunt & Honey Cakes X marks the spot! Join us in the best Treasure Hunt and find some wonderful little treasures along the way.	Pop Up Card & Multi Sports Challenge your craft skills, by making a cool 3D character card for your friend.
 Session Fee + \$20	 Session Fee + \$33	 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee Only
17 Monday	18 Tuesday	19 Wednesday	20 Thursday	21 Friday
Dream City What will you be when you grow up? Be inspired as you explore a range of different occupations!	Portrait Painting & Outdoor Games 2 Draw your friend, a still life scene, or from your imagination.	Handprint Flowers & Ball Sports Get a bit messy with us and make beautiful art with your hands. Will you be the next Van Gogh?	Splashtastic fun Cool down these school holidays at your Vacation Care program with Proactivity's Splashtastic Fun day! Drop off by 8am.	Volcanoes & Beading Volcanos are fascinating so let's learn about them as we explore the afternoon away!
 Session Fee + \$49	 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee Only	 Session Fee + \$20	 Session Fee Only



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24 Monday	25 Tuesday	26 Wednesday	27 Thursday	28 Friday
<p>Indicator Blues & Drama Games and Activities</p> <p>What is an acid and what is a base? Explore chemistry with colour changing solutions!</p>  <p>Session Fee Only</p>	<p>Lamingtons & Mini Experiments</p> <p>You might have had lamingtons before, but this will be the best you've ever tasted. Why? Because we'll use a secret recipe.</p>  <p>Session Fee Only</p>	<p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</p>	<p>Cricket & Bookworm Bookmark</p> <p>Create your own back to school bookmark.</p>  <p>Session Fee Only</p>	<p>Pinata & ZappyZoomer</p> <p>Uno, dos, tres, vamos! Let's have fun with a Spanish tradition and get some sweet treats in the process.</p>  <p>Session Fee Only</p>



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SPORTS ACADEMY INFORMATION EVENING

If you're currently researching secondary school options for your son, come along to our Sports Academy Information Evening to learn more about our Sports Academy, important enrolment guidelines and how your son can apply for our 2024 Sports Academy class.

Date: Monday 21 February 2022, 7pm to 8pm

Location: 10 Bosco St Chadstone 3148

Register: via trybooking.com/BTJLQ

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**Waverley Community Learning Centre
invites local parents and carers to
register in for a free child car
restraint fitting or safety check!**

WHERE 5 Fleet Street, Mount Waverley

WHEN Saturday 11 December 2021 between 9.00am and 1.00pm

HOW Parents and carers (including grandparents!) are invited to book online for a free child car restraint fitting or check by registering via:
<https://safeseatssafekids.com.au/events/mount-waverley-11-december-2021/>

WHY 70% of child car restraints are incorrectly installed or used, posing a serious safety risk to children travelling in those restraints. For peace of mind, have a professional fitter check your restraints so you know your child is safe. For more information about the program, please visit
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