

Dates To Remember

TERM ONE 2023

Monday 20th February

Assembly 2.45pm

List of candidates and nominations posted for School Council

Tuesday 21st February

Parent Teacher Chat 3.40pm - 7.30pm

Wednesday 22nd February

Parent Teacher Chat 3.40pm - 5.30pm

Friday 24th February

SDSSA Summer Sport Round Robin Year 6 & selected Year 5's

Tuesday 28th February

School Nurse Forms due - Prep

Wednesday 1st March

Year 4 Ceres excursion

Wednesday 1st March

School Council - 7pm

Thursday 2nd March

Prep & Year 1 Responsible Pet incursion

Monday 6th March

Assembly - 2.40pm

Wednesday 8th March

Sports Day at the Track - Whole School

Monday 13th March

Labour Day Public Holiday - No School

Wednesday 15th - Friday 17th March

Naplan Years 3 and 5

Thursday 16 February, 2023

Principal's Report

HAPPY HEARTS DAY! - Tuesday 14th February

Thank you to everyone who wore red and brought in a gold coin donation on Tuesday. For a little while now, we have wanted to purchase an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) for our school community. Mrs Marshall came up with a great idea - using Valentine's Day as the day to begin our fundraising efforts. We managed to raise \$407. A great start! Through contacts, we have been able to source a Defib for \$1800. We will be trying to gain support from major banks and further fundraising efforts to raise the complete amount.



ATTENDANCE

We are doing a big promotion on being at school on time. As of Wednesday, we have the following classes in the lead...

1st place - 3J (10 points)

2nd place - 6M & PM (8 points)

Thursday and Friday results are yet to be tallied. It is still anyone's game!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thank you to

- Anna Burke
- Adam Graham
- Prue Wilford
- Parul Srivistava

who have all successfully been elected to School Council for 2023. Our current school council members will reside at our first meeting on Wed March 1st. Our meeting on Wed April 5th will be with all the new members of council.

PARENT - TEACHER CHAT

On **Tuesday February 21 & Wednesday 22** we will be offering parents an opportunity to meet with their child's classroom teacher to share vital information about their child's learning requirements and provide parents with an opportunity to discuss any concerns regarding their child's academic, social and emotional development.

Online meetings can be arranged for those parents who are unable to make it in person. Please contact your child's classroom teacher (through Sentral) should you require a meeting link.

CLASSROOM CONTACT LISTS

Julie is busy updating our class contact lists. Class contact lists allow families to easily get in contact with one another to arrange catch ups, birthdays etc. Parents' details are only included if you have filled in the form and ticked 'yes' to being listed. This agreement is in place for as long as your child is at MWHPS. All prep and new families received information on Monday on how to join. If you did not receive an email and would like your details included, please use the following link - [Prep and New family contact details](#)

If you are a current parent who did not take up this offer last year, but would now like to be included or your details have changed, please let Julie know ASAP.

CLASSROOM REPRESENTATIVE ROLE:

Mount Waverley Heights Primary School encourages the active involvement of parents and guardians in the functioning of the school through a Class Representative Program.

The primary role of the Class Representative involves:

- **Organising social functions e.g. morning teas and dinners for the parents, class play dates for the children.**

Here are some minor role requirements:

- Supporting the class teacher when and if required.
- Providing administrative support through coordination, facilitation and communication to the class parent group.

- Where requested by teachers, organising parent helpers for class activities and programs like camp, reading, sports events etc.
- Encouraging and supporting the members of the class group to get involved in school community activities and events.
- Supporting and organising others to assist with school events. Your details will be shared with the PA President so that they can directly link into different year levels.
- Welcoming new families to the class and arranging appropriate introductions with other parents of the class.
- Meeting with the Principal online 1 - 2 times a Semester to discuss how things are going.

If you would like to be a classroom rep please let Julie know ASAP.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

If you would like to assist with fundraising and want to get to know others within our community, then why not join the Parents Association. They are holding their first meeting @ 2:45pm, Thursday 23rd Feb. All parents are welcome. Details are included on page 8.

SWIMMING

Congratulations to our Year 2-6s for getting through our two week intensive swimming program. Mrs Datson and myself managed to get down to the pool today, to see our Year 4 and Year 3s in action. It ran like clockwork. It was also wonderful to receive such positive feedback regarding our students behaviour and manners from Monash Uni staff. I am always exceptionally proud of how our students represent our school.



ASSEMBLY – Monday Feb 20

Our first assembly for the school year will be held on Monday February 20 from 2.45-3.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. We also send out a meeting link, so people may view the assembly from home/work. You will receive a Sentral message if your child is receiving an award at the upcoming assembly.

SPORTS UNIFORM YEARS P-6

We have expanded the sports uniform for all students this year. It will be far more comfortable for students during Physical Education lessons if they are dressed in appropriate wear. Items can be purchased from the PSW shop in Glen Waverley.

Let's celebrate...

- A great swimming program - thank you to Mrs Molnar for organising this program
- Everyone dressing in red and supporting our Defib fundraiser!

Sharon Reiss-Stone

Principal

Assistant Principal's Report

INFORMATION NIGHT FEEDBACK

Thank you to the parents who attended our information sessions last week. We hope that you found them helpful and we answered any questions. We know that everyone is busy so we would like to get your feedback on how we can improve the sessions and really tailor them to your needs.

Please complete the following form to provide us with valuable feedback on the sessions:

[Prep Feedback form](#)

[Year 1 & 2 Feedback form](#)

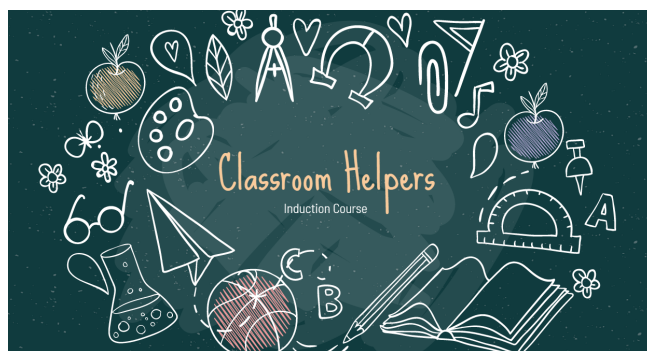
[Year 3 & 4 Feedback form](#)

[Year 5 & 6 Feedback form](#)

CLASSROOM HELPERS

Thank you to the parents that attended the course today, and thank you to Mrs Thomas and Mrs Deylen for taking the parents through the course and the requirements for volunteering at school.

If you were unable to attend the Classroom Helpers Course, we will make the slides available from next week. There is also paperwork that needs to be completed if you would like to volunteer in the classroom and/or attend an excursion or camp.



Please see the office for more information.

Carolyn Datson

Assistant Principal

Department of Education and Training



School Nursing Program

Your VISITING PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSE is

Hayley Beeston

Mobile No: 0412 161 473

Hayley.Beeston@education.vic.gov.au

The School Nursing Program will continue to provide:

- Distribution of a confidential **School Entrant Health Questionnaire (SEHQ)** to all parents of **prep** children. (The questionnaire provides parents/guardians with the opportunity to raise any concerns they may have about their child's health and development with the school nurse.)
- Response to parents/guardians concerns as identified in the SEHQ.
- Assessment of children in Grades 1-6 whom have been **referred by teachers** to the school nurse.
- Assessment of children who are **newly arrived from overseas**.
- **Follow-up of children** where school nurse intervention is required.

The prep SEHQ continues to cover general health and development, dental, speech, hearing, vision, behaviour, emotional wellbeing and family stress. It provides a clinical tool to assist nurses to prioritise those children who may require further assessment and support early in the school year, and enables teachers and nurses to work collaboratively with families to improve outcomes for children.

Referral forms for Grade 1-6 and newly arrived from overseas students are available from the school office and online:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/documents/school/teachers/health/psnpreferallform.pdf>

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me via email Hayley.Beeston@education.vic.gov.au or mobile 0412 161 473.



JMSS - Science Challenge Program

This Wednesday we had our first visit to John Monash Science School. It was amazing.

First of all, we were brainstorming what topics come underneath science, for example, astronomy. Then after we did that, we had to make a design of a parachute careful enough to keep an egg intact from a 10 metre drop. There were a few items we could use to make our parachute and each school was given 1000 JMSS dollars. You might have thought it would be easy, with 1000 dollars, but the cheapest price was \$50! We named our egg Fiona, but unfortunately, she didn't make the drop. Most schools' eggs broke from impact, but one school survived, and then broke on the second round. Fiona's death was tragic, dying from being too loose!

By Angel and Junsu



PE News

PE Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Years involved</u>
February 6th - 16th	Swimming Program	Year 2-6
February 24th	Summer Sport Round Robin	Year 5, Year 6
March 8th	Athletics Sports	Whole School
March 29th	Twilight Sports	Community Event
March 31st	District Athletics	Selected Year 3-6
April 28th	Cross Country	Whole School
May 19th	District Cross Country	Selected Year 3-6
June 2nd	Winter Sport Round Robin	Year 5, Year 6
September 8th	Basketball Round Robin	Year 5, Year 6
September 15th	Footy Day	Whole School
October 2-12th	Swimming Program	Prep and Year 1
November 10th	Summer Sport Round Robin	Year 5, Year 6

In week 1 of Term 2 will be our Whole school House Cross County. We have just started working on our running stamina.

If your child enjoys running and you would like to do some training the distance that we are working towards are:

10 Year olds - 2km

11/12 Year olds - 3kms

If you are able to help out on any of the above events can you please complete the google form

[PE Parent Helpers Form](#)

PA News

Welcome to 2023! The Parent's Association (PA) is looking for this year's group of volunteers to assist with the coordination of events for our students. If you have a little time to spare, we meet about twice a term to review the calendar of upcoming events and make sure there are some fun activities planned for our little ones! You don't need to participate in all events or meetings, and we will open up volunteering at events to the wider school community when events are on. The PA is simply our core organising group.

Events coming up this year include:

- Twilight Sports BBQ
- Easter Raffle
- Mother's/Father's Day stalls
- Bunnings BBQ
- School Disco
- Movie Night
- Anything else we come up with!

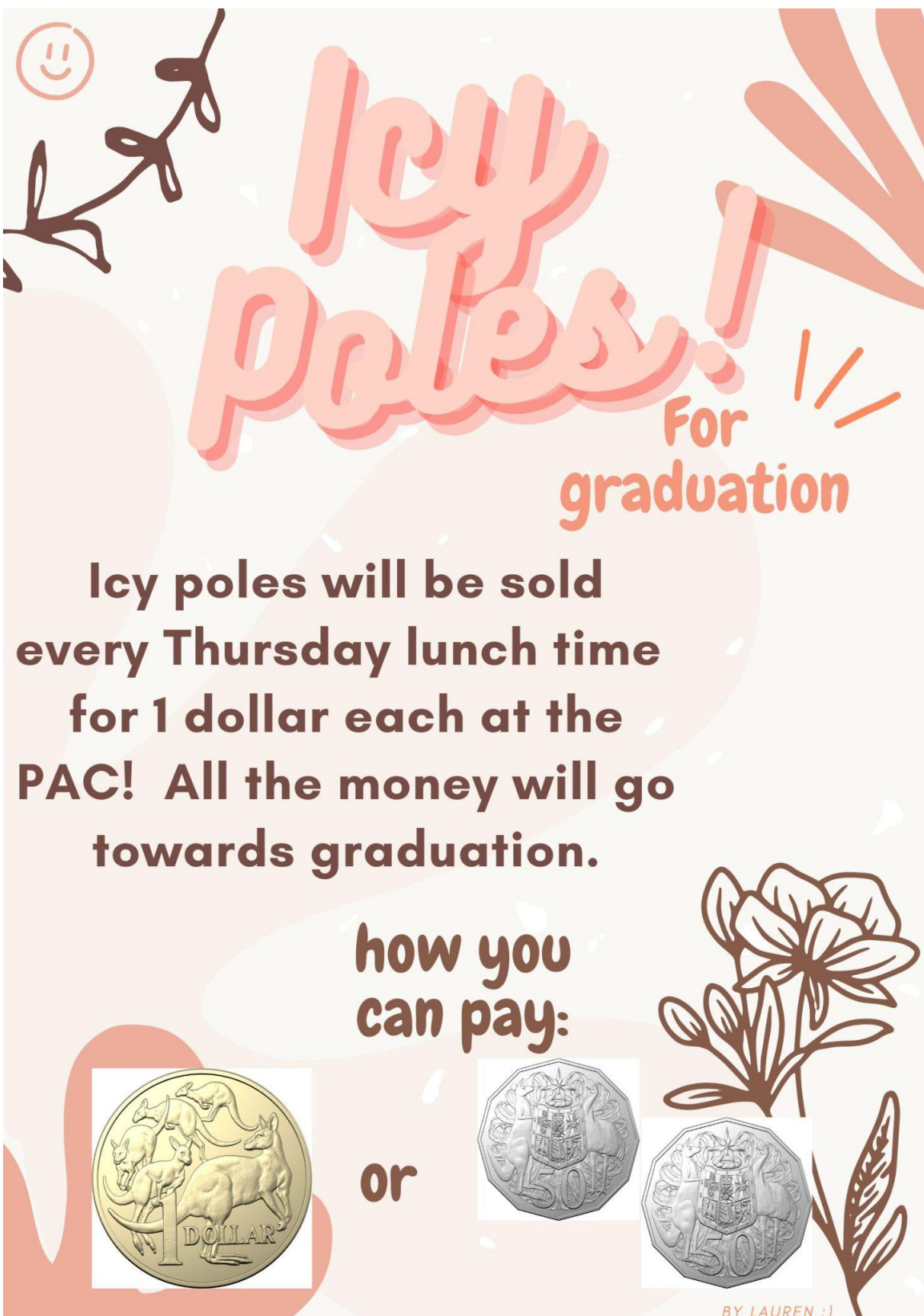
The PA is a great way to be involved in school life, meet other parents and help support the school by raising funds. If you'd like to come and help, we'd love you to join us at the **first PA meeting of the year at 2:45pm, Thursday 23rd Feb**, in the school conference room. Please email Lisa Wong (PA Secretary) on itslisawong@gmail.com to express your interest, or talk to Lisa or me in the yard after school.

Have a great week and a wonderful 2023!

Kind regards,

Bec Rangas

PA President




Icy Poles!


For graduation


Icy poles will be sold every Thursday lunch time for 1 dollar each at the PAC! All the money will go towards graduation.

how you can pay:



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BY LAUREN :)

Extend News

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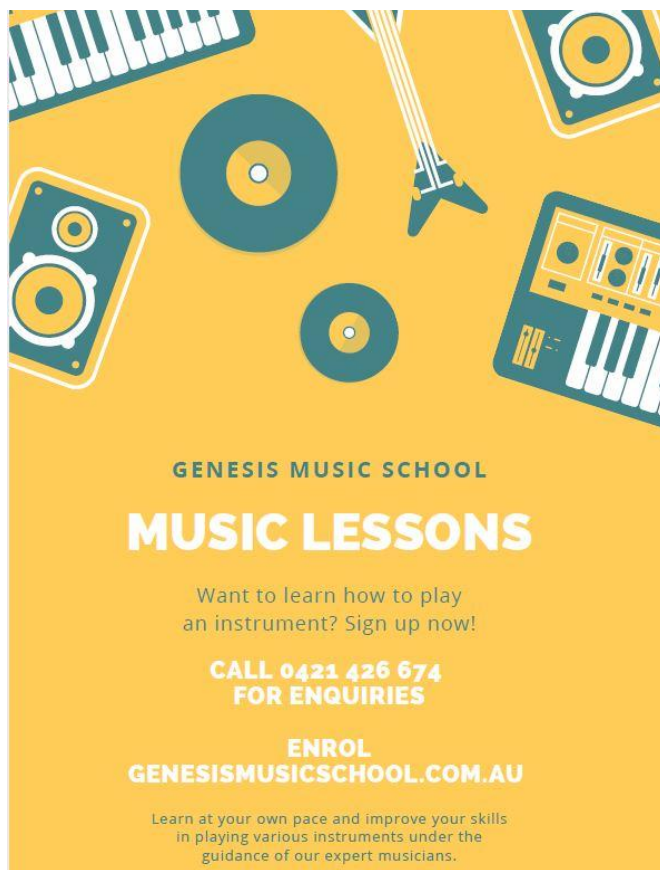


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2nd /7th WEST WAVERLEY SCOUT GROUP

You are invited to come and join the fun,
vacancies now.

Joey Scouts: Monday 6.30 to 7.30pm. Enrolled at school to 7.6 or 8
years.

Cub Scouts: Wednesday 7pm to 8.30pm. Age 7.6 years to 11 years.

Scouts: Thursday 7.30 to 9pm. Age 11 years to 15 years.

Venturers and Rover positions also available.

Join the Scouting Adventure. Activities encouraging teamwork and
friendship in a fun filled program. You are welcome to give it a try.

Scout Hall: laneway access Salisbury Road, Ashwood (between houses 22 and
24). Contact: Glenys mobile 0425825725

TWILIGHT

CARNIVAL

2023

SATURDAY 4TH MARCH
2PM-9PM
 Malvern Valley Primary School
 Abbotsford Ave, Malvern East

FEATURING

RIDES | MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT
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