

## Thursday 15 June, 2023

### Dates To Remember

#### TERM TWO

##### Friday 16th June

Hero Day - come to school dressed as someone who is a hero to you

##### Friday 16th June

SDSSA Soccer Round Robin - Selected students

##### Monday 19th June

End of Term Assembly - 9am

##### Monday 19th June

Reports published on Sentral

##### Tuesday 20th June

Parent Teacher interviews - 3.45pm-7.30pm

##### Wednesday 21st June

Parent Teacher interviews - 2.30pm-5.30pm

##### Friday 23rd June

Beacon School Graduation

##### Friday 23rd June

End of Term 2 - 2.30pm

#### TERM THREE

##### Monday 10th July

Curriculum Day

##### Tuesday 11th July

Term 3 commences 9am

##### Monday 17th July

Assembly - 2.40pm

##### Wednesday 26th - Friday 28th July

Year 5 Narmbool Camp

### SCHOOL REPORTS & INTERVIEWS

Please note that school reports will be published on Sentral, on Monday June 19. Please read these prior to interviews.

**Parent-Teacher interviews** will take place on **June 20th and 21st**. Tuesday's interviews will take place from 3.45-7.30pm. Wednesday's interviews will take place from 2.30pm -5.30pm.

Interviews were able to be booked from **last Thursday**.

Should you wish to do an **online interview**, please book on Sentral and notify your child's classroom teacher. The classroom teacher will send you a meeting link.

### INTERPRETERS FOR INTERVIEWS

Please note that we are able to book an interpreter, should any families require one for the upcoming interviews. If you know a MWHPS family that might be interested, please let them know that this service is available. Please see Julie up at the office to make arrangements.

### END OF TERM AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Just a reminder that our end of term awards assembly will be held this **Monday from 9.15am**. We hope you can join us either in person or online.

### KOALA SANCTUARY VISIT

Last Wednesday, I enjoyed accompanying the Year 2s and our sustainability team to the Koala Sanctuary at Phillip Island. We had the wonderful opportunity of planting eucalyptus trees on their farm which will contribute to securing food for the koalas at the sanctuary. The sustainability team were amazing.

**BEACON SCHOOL GRADUATION**

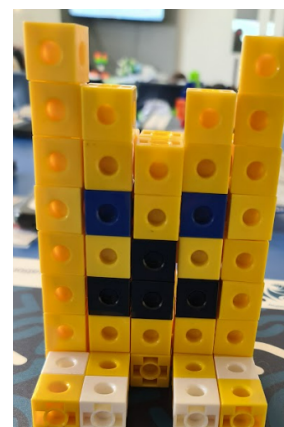
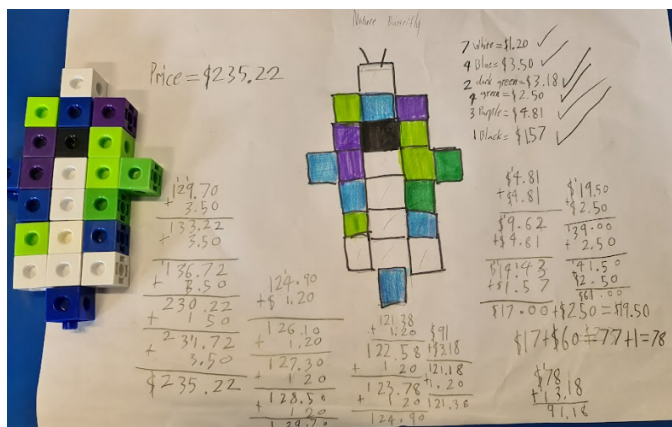
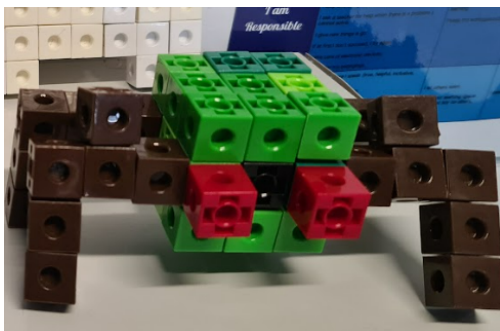
On Friday June 23rd we will be holding a special tech day, which will involve students exploring a range of new programs and applications. Our Industry Partners will be assisting with activities. At 1.30pm we will be hosting a special graduation ceremony. Key leaders within Datacom, Google and Hp will present and we will officially graduate from the program.

Whilst we will still have our Industry partnership and the numerous benefits, our role will shift as we move into more of a support and mentor role for schools across the county.

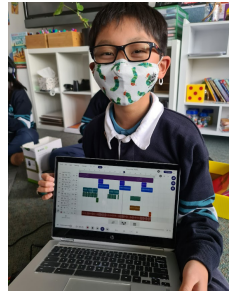
Special guests include: Minister Dimopoulos, Clayton Sturzaker (Acting Regional Director), Alexandra Coates (Datacom Managing Director), John Gowland (Hp), Katherine Binks (Google), Claire and Greg Furlong (Datacom) and Andrew Collins (Datacom).

**CLASSROOM VISITS**

I love spending time in the classrooms. Yesterday, I noticed a great math activity our Year 3s were heavily engaged in. They had to use unifix blocks to create an animal toy that they might sell in a toy shop. However, the coloured blocks cost between 20 cents and \$3.50. Once they created their toy, they then had to draw the shape and work out the cost of their toy. There were some amazing designs and mathematical workings...



I also had the opportunity to visit 6V who were busy writing, singing and using soundtrap to compose their own song. Some of the songs were absolutely amazing! I couldn't believe the quality and professionalism of their end product. I listened to Nam's recording which he wrote and composed himself. He also hired Miss Canning and incorporated her vocal talents into his end product. It was amazing. Well done to all Year 6s!



## **CURRICULUM DAY - JULY 10**

The first day back after the July holidays is a Curriculum Day. We have booked Dr James Russo who will work with staff around developing students' critical thinking, problem solving and reasoning skills in mathematics.

## **SIBLING ENROLMENTS**

If you have a younger sibling who is due to start school next year, or know of any families who are within our zone and have a child due to start school, we ask that you submit an enrolment form as soon as possible. Our numbers are nearing capacity and we would hate for any existing families to miss out. Please speak with Louise or Julie in the office and collect an enrolment form.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

We currently have a lot of unnamed jackets and containers in our lost property. Please have a look through these, as anything not collected will be disposed of, or donated to charity at the end of term.



## **Let's celebrate...**

- Our sustainability team who did a great job planting eucalyptus trees last week to assist koalas at Phillip Island. It was cold and wet and yet not one student complained!

**Sharon Reiss-Stone**

Principal

# Sustainability News

Each Term, in Week 8, the Sustainability Team will be selling Caramello Koalas. Funds raised will go towards supporting our adopted koala 'Paddington' from the Koala Conservation Reserve in Phillip Island.

Small Caramello Koalas will be sold at \$1 each.  
 Large Caramello Koalas will be sold at \$2 each.



Koalas will be for sale during lunchtime this Friday 16th June, outside the PAC.

Please remember to bring along a gold coin to support Paddington.

# Lunch time Clubs

Activity	Day	Time
Basketball Club Year 3 - 4	Monday	recess
Art room for Art club all years	Monday	1st half lunch
Chess - run by Kids unlimited	Monday	lunchtime
Basketball Club Year 5 -6	Tuesday	recess
Music Club Years 4 - 6	Tuesday	1st half lunch
Taiko - Year 5 & 6	Wednesday	1st half lunch
SRC	Thursday	1st half lunch
Sustainability	Friday	1st half lunch



# SRC News



**HERO DAY!** **HERO 4 HEARTKIDS**

Every day 8 children are born with a heart defect - that is a family every 3 hours whose life will change in a heartbeat. Four lives are tragically lost each week. CHD is one of these heart conditions that are lifelong and has no cure.

This June, help us raise awareness for the real heroes, the children and families who are impacted by congenital or childhood acquired heart disease. Hero for HeartKids Day is a fun initiative whereby various communities dress up as heroes to raise funds to support children with heart disease and their families.

On **Friday the 16th June**, bring a gold coin donation and come to school dressed up as someone who is a hero to you! You may like to dress up as a nurse, a superhero, or a person who you admire/love.

We look forward to seeing all your awesome costumes!

For more information, visit [www.hero4heartkids.org.au/](http://www.hero4heartkids.org.au/)

Watch the clip below to see who some heroes might be - [MWHPS Heroes](#)

## Reconciliation Week



We hope you have been able to catch a glimpse of our 'Seas of Hands' around the school, showing our support for Reconciliation Week last week. The classes did a fantastic job designing their 'hands' to show what Reconciliation Week means to them.

# PE News

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## WINTER ROUND ROBIN:

### Netball

On Friday the 2nd of June, we went to Parkhill and played girls netball against the Knox School, Pinewood, St Lukes and Glen Waverley.

We had lots of fun and in the end, we came 5th out of 8 Schools which was a massive achievement.

The 1st game we played was against The Knox School where we lost 20-1

In the 2nd game we played, we versed St Lukes where we won 25 - 16.

Next we played Pinewood where we lost 3-13

The next games we played were constellation games to decide the places of all the Schools. In this game we versed Glen Waverley where we dominated. 16 - 3.

And finally, the last game we played was against St Lukes again. It was a really tight game but in the end, we won. 23 - 17.

There were some tough match ups with a few falls but we didn't give up and we all finished with a smile and were all so proud of our big achievements.

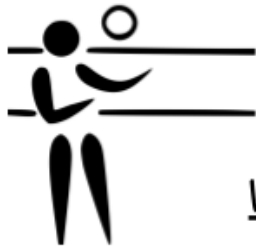
### AFL

In the winter round robin we played Footy. Overall we had one victory and lost the other 4. Everyone had so much fun, and we all tried our hardest and we never gave up. There were many great tackles, challenges, contests and goals. We all showed great sportsmanship and teamwork. Overall we ended up coming 6th out of eight schools.

### Regional Cross Country

Congratulations to Nela 6M for competing in the Regional Cross Country on Tuesday at the Yarra Glen Race track. She said that it was a tough race with some very fast runners. It is a great achievement Nela.





# PE NEWS

## WINTER ROUND ROBIN:



### Volleystars

For S.D.S.S.A. Round Robin, my team and I played Volleystars. Before I dive in on what happened on the day, I might as well state how we prepared and how we felt during training.

Dig, Set and Spike. These are the essentials, but when we started training for the big day, we were lacking knowledge and were not very confident. But as we went along, confidence was growing with each training session. Our team got more social and developed more self-esteem in our Volleystar skills, which helped us with concentrating and also giving everyone a go.

The big day arrived. Everyone was nervous and pumped with adrenaline! Luckily, we had the legendary Miss Vujovic that lifted our spirits and used our adrenaline for good! We arrived at Parkhill Primary School's gym and started setting up the nets since there would be a lot of teams playing. We checked the timetable, and here is who we were playing against;

**The Knox School, Pinewood PS 1, Syndal South PS ,Pinewood PS 2**

For our first match, our team played against **giants**, as they were so tall! We tried our best and served and spiked really well, it was a hard match, but we persevered! We ended up winning no sets in this match, but later we won against Pinewood PS 2 and even won a set against Syndal South PS. We were elated and jumping with joy!

My highlight from the day was when Junsu set the ball for me, I spiked it and it accidentally hit the net but Anahita saved the day and caught the ball on the rebound. I would definitely choose Volleystars again!

-Nam, 6V



### Thank you

A very big thank you to the parents who gave up their time to help us out on the day and also to the teachers for all their hard work throughout the term helping the students to prepare for the day.



# Premiers' Reading Challenge

Our school is excited to be once again participating in the Premiers' Reading Challenge this year. The Challenge is open to all Victorian children in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 8th September 2023.

Students from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or experience 30 books, including at least 20 books that are classified as Challenge books. Students from Year 3 to Year 6 need to read 15 books, including at least 10 Challenge books. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To log in, go to the website [vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au](http://vprc.eduweb.vic.gov.au). Click 'Sign In' then click 'VPRC login'. Each child has been sent home with their unique username and passcode. This will take you to your child's challenge dashboard. Here students will be able to search for and add books that they have read and track their progress.



Happy reading!

*Penny Fathers*

Reading Challenge Coordinator



# ICAS - Years 2 - 6

## ICAS Reminder

Last term students in Years 2-6 received a Sentral notice about ICAS (The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools). This is a skill-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. Our school is offering testing in English, Mathematics, Digital Technologies and Science for students in Years 2-6. The tests will be completed at school towards the end of Term 3.



The competitions are optional and there is a cost involved. If you wish for your child to participate you will need to **pay via the online parent system by Friday 21st July.**  
**ICAS forms with information are still available through Sentral.**

Please pay via the website <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

Type in the school's access code **XCH180**

*Callum Marini*

ICAS Coordinator

## *Around the Classes*

### **Grade Three Melbourne Zoo Excursion**

To further investigate our Inquiry Topic of 'Life on Land: how to curb the Extinction rate' the Grade 3's visited the zoo last week. The students participated in an environmental education session run by Zookeeper Geraint, who spoke about the importance of protecting endangered animals and their habitats.

For this Inquiry project, students are working on developing a big question and looking at how they can take action in the form of invention, innovation or campaigning to help curb the extinction rate of an at risk animal. During our trip to the zoo, many of the students got to see and observe the endangered animals that they have selected to complete their project on. We were very lucky with the weather and the activity levels of the animals on display. It was a fantastic experience for all of the students!



# Year 2 Excursion

## KOALA CONSERVATION RESERVE

### WHO

The Year 2s, Year 3-6 Sustainability Team, Year 2 teachers, Mrs Kyoong, Miss Macpherson and Mrs Reiss Stone.



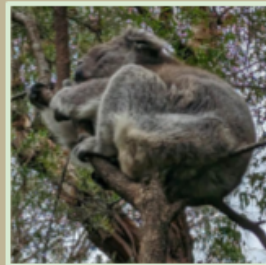
### WHEN & WHERE

On Wednesday 7th June, we went to Phillip Island to visit the Koala Conservation Reserve. We learnt about how the rangers help and save koalas.



### BOARDWALK

While on the boardwalk, we saw some koalas. One was hanging on a big tree. Some were very close. Some were very far.



### VISITOR CENTER

We went inside the koala visitor center to learn facts about koalas. There we saw koala poop, a guess 'Who Am I' game, koalas fur, preserved koalas, echidna and snake.





# Year 2 Excursion

KOALA CONSERVATION RESERVE



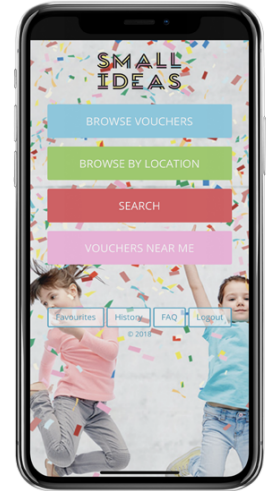


# PA News

## SMALL IDEAS – HUGE FAMILY SAVINGS

Small Ideas is the best way for you and your family to have hours of FUN and ADVENTURE all year long.

For just \$34.95 you can get hundreds of discount vouchers to use at venues, for activities and products and services all over Melbourne, making eating out, birthday parties, school holidays, sport/art classes and other Melbourne attractions affordable for everyone. Some of the vouchers include discounts for Village Cinema, 3 Park Theme park pass on the Gold Coast, Funfields, Gumbuya World, Lollipops, Boost Juice, and plenty more.



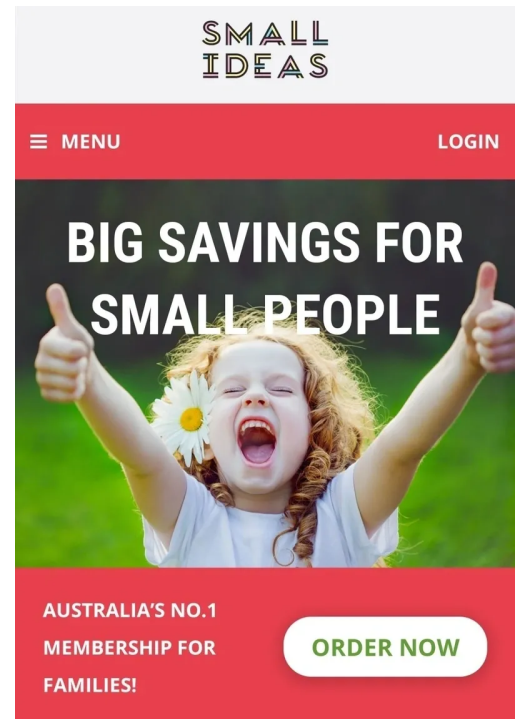
Have you got a trip planned to Bali? Small ideas have got you covered!!!

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<https://smallideas.com.au/fundraisers/support/?id=30493>

Thank you for helping us raise money and supporting local business'.



# Recycle your Bread bags!!

There are only a few weeks to go, so keep sending in your bread bags!!

Send in your empty bread bags and place them in our Wonder Pink collection box. The more we collect, the more points we earn to redeem new sports equipment! We have a Pink box collection point in the office and one with Extend.



**RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY**

**Our school<sup>®</sup> is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.**

Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school<sup>®</sup> with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school<sup>®</sup> earns!

**Collections close 7th July.**

**Tip for collecting:**  
Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

**Did you know?**  
Last year, schools collected over **10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the weight of an elephant!

**LET'S GET COLLECTING!**

Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.

Tag [@wonder.australia](#) [#wonderrecyclingrewards](#) to share all your recycling champion stories!

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**LET'S KEEP COLLECTING!**

**Wonder Recycling Rewards for schools**

**BREAD BAG COLLECTION BOX**

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# Extend News

**MOUNT WAVERLEY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Monday 26 June to Friday 7 July  
8.00am – 6.00pm  
Session Fee \$90.95\*  
Pay from \$13.64 after CCS.  
\*Early Bird Rate – Book 14 days in advance.





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### SPACE EXPLORERS



**MONDAY 26 JUNE**

**Build Your Own Space Helmet & Rocket Launcher**

Do you want to be an Astronaut? Let's build your very own space helmet so you can go to the moon!

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**MONDAY 3 JULY**

**Blubber Experiment & Balloon Tennis**

Learn how animals with blubber stay warm even in the icy ocean water, using a simple science experiment!

\*Session Fee Only



**TUESDAY 27 JUNE**

**Trivia Gameshow**

With real-life buzzers, a game wheel to spin and ridiculous minute to win it challenges the kids will be belly-laughing on the floor screaming for more!

\*Session Fee + \$20



**TUESDAY 4 JULY**

**Sunscreen Handprints & Indoor Hopscotch**

We can't see ultraviolet light with our eyes, but with this experiment you can see it in action!

\*Session Fee Only



**WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE**

**Plunge Painting & Newspaper Towers**

Take a plunge into painting! Smock up, it'll get messy.

\*Session Fee Only



**WEDNESDAY 5 JULY**

**Bounce**

Bounce is the perfect playground to develop your freestyle tricks these school holidays!

\*Session Fee + \$44



**THURSDAY 29 JUNE**

**Laser Tag**

Gather your friends and put on your high-tech gear. Get ready to tag your opponents in a game of laser tag and then head to the arcade for even more fun!

\*Session Fee + \$48



**THURSDAY 6 JULY**

**Make A Galaxy Pinwheel & Protect The Kingdom**

Hold the entire milky way in your hands by building a galaxy pinwheel!

\*Session Fee Only



**FRIDAY 30 JUNE**

**Skip To The Moon & Dancing Raisins**

Do you have what it takes to become an Astronaut? Put your endurance to the test!

\*Session Fee Only



**FRIDAY 7 JULY**

**Space BrickWorks**

Aim for the stars as you build a space station, moon buggy or rocket!

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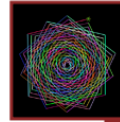
**COMPUTER PROGRAMMING CLUB!**  
 @ Mount Waverley Heights Primary School

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 coding club running at the school.



**DEVELOP SKILLS**

- Creativity
- Logical thinking
- Problem solving



**LEARN**

- Computer Science Concepts
- Fundamentals of programming  
 Loops, Events, Randomness and more

**PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES**

- Scratch
- Python
- Javascript
- ... and many more



**MAKE**

- Games
- Web pages
- Apps

Digimaker structured program runs each term and is charged on a per-term basis. Students will use school computer during the lesson.

**9 WEEK TERM PROGRAM**

Program for **Term 3 2023** is as follows: **Year levels:** 2 to 6 **Term Fee:** \$210 excl GST

AFTER SCHOOL	BATCH 1
3:40pm – 4:40pm	Tuesdays 11 <sup>th</sup> Jul to 5 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2023
AFTER SCHOOL	BATCH 2
3:40pm – 4:40pm	Wednesdays 12 <sup>th</sup> Jul to 6 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2023

Fill out the form online by **Thursday 22nd Jun 2023**



[www.digimaker.com.au/enrol](http://www.digimaker.com.au/enrol)

Digimaker will confirm your child's spot via email\*\*

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