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PRINCIPAL REPORT

We hope everyone enjoyed the extra day off on Monday for Labour Day.

Our new chicken coop was installed last week. It is being fitted out this week and will be ready for our chickens next Monday. Thank you to the Rundle family for donating the coop (it was previously a cubby house) and also to Mark and Jenny Senkaya for organising the crane truck removal & install.

A quick reminder for students to be arrive on time (between 8.45-9am) each day. Hats are still required at break times as per the Sunsmart Policy until the end of April.

This week we have started Foundation 2022 Tours for perspective families joining MPPS. If any siblings will be attending the school in 2022, please complete an enrolment form as soon as possible. These can be collected from Amy and Esther in the school office.

School Photos

Class, individual and sibling photos will be taken at school on Friday 12th March. A gentle reminder for students to be in full school uniform. If the students have PE on this day they are welcome to wear the full sports uniform. Our Whole School photo will be taken on Friday 19th March.

Swimming Sports

Congratulations to the 33 students that represented the school and competed in the District Swimming carnival on the 2nd March. Further results of our school carnival are also included in this newsletter. We are lucky to have 5 students representing the school at the Divisional Swimming carnival next Wednesday 17th March. Good luck to these students for next week!

School Council

We received three nominations for the three positions available for School Council. Congratulations to Paul Italia and Jenny Senkaya who were the successful nominees in the Parent Member category and to Christine Caminiti who was the successful nominee in the School Employee category. The appointments means

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing council members: Scott Cutler, Nicole Stewart and Casey Smith. We appreciate their support of both Council and the School particularly through the challenges of 2020. This means that there is two vacant PA School Council representative positions vacant. Please see details below (Parents Association) if you are interested.

We also acknowledge the contribution of Scott who was the president for many years and has supported our school through the tender processes for both Uniform and Out of School Hours Care providers. Thank-you for your ongoing engagement, support and expertise over the last 7 years.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th March.

2021 Term Dates:

Term 1 - 29th Jan to 1st April
Term 2 - 19th April to 25th June
Term 3 - 12th July to 17th Sept
Term 4 - 4th Oct to 17th Dec

Dates to Note:

March

12th - School Photos
17th - Divisional Swimming
19th - Whole School Photo
24th - School Council AGM
29th - District Tennis
31st - School Cross Country

April

1st - End of Term 1
Pizza Lunch

19th - Curriculum Day / Student Free Day
20th - Start of Term 2
28th - School Athletics Sports

May

7th - Mother's Day Stall

Parent's Association Meetings

2021 - 11th March (AGM)

Access the latest school newsletter through the Compass Newsfeed or through the School Website at: <http://www.mpp.vic.edu.au/our-school/newsletters/>

PRINCIPAL REPORT (continued)

Parents Association- membership and AGM

Another reminder that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held tomorrow at 7pm in the school library (not the SPC foyer). The normal March meeting will occur after the AGM.

To be an active member of the PA you must join up each year.

As per the new DET Constitution parents/carers are asked to join by filling their details. You can access this through the school website (www.mpp.vic.edu.au/school-council/parent-association/) or by clicking on this link: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=N7Ns2Ycaz0S2mzszM0pMH1XmxPczaFlAv5mnVvbNmkJUMjdJMVRINK1DNEIZQjA2UIhEQkEwMVIPOS4u>.

This process must be completed before you attend any meetings. By becoming a member you will receive email correspondence for PA matters.

Matthew Bott
Principal

GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

Working With Children's Check (WWCC)

Just a reminder to all families or parent helpers that you will need to obtain a WWCC before assisting in classes and with events. Any adult who is volunteering in child related work and has direct contact with children (e.g. attending excursions, helping out at sports days or working with small groups of children in the classroom) **must have a Working with Children Check** and present it at the school office. We are asking that if you are planning to help out or volunteer in this capacity in 2021 to apply for a WWCC now at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au. More information can be found in our Visitors and Volunteers Policy: www.mpp.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/MPPS-Visitors-and-Volunteers-policy.pdf

Dropping off and picking up

Please Note: Students may not be in the school grounds before 8:45am or after 3:35pm unless they are attending Before or After School Care. At 3.35pm our last bell rings and students who have still not been collected by their parents must find the yard duty teacher or head to the school office. **Any students in the yard beyond these times MUST be supervised by their parents.**

Developing resilience and independence supports student learning. To assist in this we ask parents to ensure that their child carry their own bags to and from the classroom. Students beyond foundation should take their own bags to the bag rack or locker provided before school and be ready for when the bell rings at the start of the day.

Student Absences

A reminder to parents that if your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

Compass: completing an 'Absence Note' via the app or online. See the brochure on our website for how to complete this- www.mpp.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/ParentBrochure-1.pdf

Telephone: the school office and let the staff know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Email: the school and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

Early Leave

Prep to Year 6 Students are expected to attend for the full day unless permission to leave early is requested. An 'Early Leave' slip must be printed using the Compass Kiosk at the General Office and taken to the class teacher. This is a safety precaution for your children.

Late Arrival

All students who arrive late are required to go directly to the general office to collect a late arrival form from the Compass Kiosk before going to their classroom. They will then give the late arrival slip to the teacher when entering their class. This will ensure the teacher knows the student has been recorded as present and that parents are not sent an absence notification via Compass.

Uniform Shop

A reminder that the school uniform provider is Noone Imagewear. They are available for sales at school (near the administration office) on Thursday afternoons this year (not Tuesdays as it was previously) from 2.30- 4pm. Their shop is located at 541 Keilor Rd, Niddrie where items can also be purchased. Information on the uniform policy and prices can be found on our school website www.mpp.vic.edu.au (remember if you are accessing the parent download section the password is: mpps).

SCHOOL COUNCIL—FEBRUARY UPDATE

The first MPPS School Council meeting for 2021 was held on February 24th – it was fantastic that after 12 months of Webex-only meetings, many of the council were able to meet together on-site.

Correspondence

A number of DET communications were reviewed by council, these updates included the Year 6 -7 transition timeline for 2021 -2022, Transition Learning and Development statements for 2021 for Preps, additional operations guides to support COVID-19 requirements, and an exciting Tutor Learning Initiative that will inject \$250m into Victorian Schools.

Principal's Report

The report included a summary from Matt on the recent Curriculum Day agendas – including an outline on their role and key topics to be held this year with teaching staff.

There was an update provided on new staff (7 in total) to the school who have all transitioned well, and they will be provided ongoing support and mentoring throughout the year.

The upcoming AGM and school council elections were outlined which includes this year a new streamlined process.

MPPS is the MVIMP co-ordinator school this year and an MOU for this role in 2021 was approved. This is a cost neutral program that is shared across four local schools and is running well to provide a strong music program for students.

Finance

All key financial reports for the year ended 31 December 2020 were tabled including Balance Sheet, Operating Statements, Cash Receipts and Payments Summary. All these reports were accepted and ratified by council.

Parents Association

An update was provided on a busy planned year for the PA, including a Family Movie Night. A new school grants team has been established and there will more PA communication updates this year via the newsletter and Facebook.

OHSC – School Care Program

Matt provided an update on OSHClub and positively student numbers are beginning to increase again after the interrupted year in 2020. OSHClub will also be providing the school a \$2000 community grant which will go towards computers.

Education Committee

A number of updated policies were reviewed and approved by council, including the Bpay Policy, Electronic (internet) Banking Policy, Internal Financial Controls Policy, Anaphylaxis Policy, Asthma Policy and Yard Duty & Supervision Policy.

General Business

The next School Council Meeting will be held on March 24th – this includes the AGM.

On behalf of School Council we wish all students and families another rewarding year at MPPS in 2021.

Chris Rundle
MPPS Council Member

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

RIDE2SCHOOL Day

On Friday 19th March 2021 we will be celebrating Ride2School day. This is the day to celebrate using active transport to get to school. You can ride, scoot or walk to school. If you live too far you can even walk part of the way. The house captains will be collecting data to see which class has the most active transporters!

MPPSA Cross Country

It's time to get excited about this year's Cross Country event!

On Wednesday 31st March, the whole school will participate in the annual Cross Country run along the Moonee Ponds Creek Bike Track. Every student will run, jog or walk briskly along their designated distances to earn points for their Sports House! This is the first whole school sporting event for our Foundation students and the emphasis is on participation so we'd love supporters cheering the kids on!

It would be great to have as many parent helpers as possible to help with setting up, course safety marshals, at the start and finish lines and for cheering.

If you are available and interested in helping out in any way you can sign up at the office or email Stef at Stefanie-Marie.Modesti@education.vic.gov.au

Gala Sports Volleyball

On Friday the 26th of February, we played Volleyball on Team A. We played against many primary schools including St. Monica's, Essendon, Niddrie and Aberfeldie Primary. We did really well and the teams we were going against were good. Our team supported each other and we all did our best. Our team worked really hard and made it to Semi Finals. We played against St. Monica's but we lost. Our team didn't make it to the Finals but we are all proud of ourselves and each other. We did our best, we worked hard and we all had a great time. By Aisha Taleb



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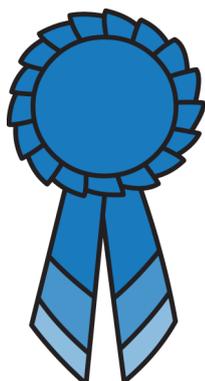
Swimming Carnival 2021

On Wednesday the 10th of February the students in Grades 1 to 6 participated in the annual House Swimming Carnival at Queens Park Pool. The day was a complete success with students getting involved and competing for their houses. It was great to see the level of sportsmanship expressed between all of the houses as it amplified the fun and competitive nature of the day. Well done to our all our house captains and teachers for the huge effort they put in to the day. Also a big thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to help our swimming carnival run so smoothly.

These were the final results.

GRADE 1/2	Chisholm	
AGE GROUP 8/9/10	Banks	
AGE GROUP 11/12/13	Banks	
OVERALL WINNERS	Banks	
BEST OVERALL GIRL WINNER	Claire Haydon and Cassie Biscocho	
BEST OVERALL BOY WINNER	Leo Stivala	
House	Girl Overall Winner	Boy Overall Winner
BANKS	Abby Knight	Nicoli Di Florio
CHISHOLM	Cassie Biscocho Claire Haydon	Eli Megalla
MACARTHUR	Jemima McClelland	Leo Stivala
LAWSON	Eve Rundle Ella Stewart	Henry Smith

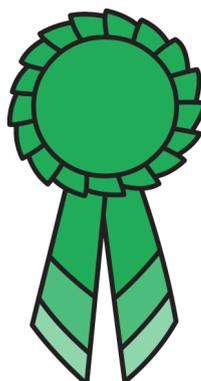
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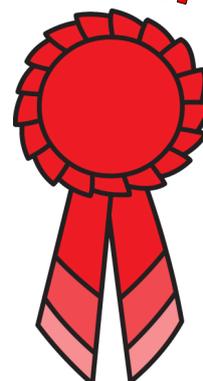
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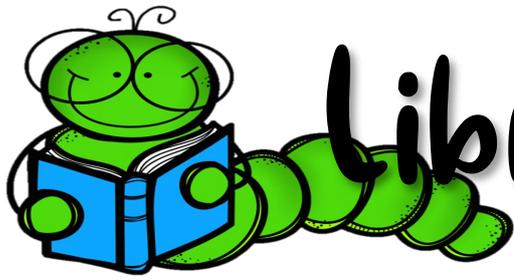


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Library News

We've had a great start to the year in the Library and it has been a pleasure to meet the students as they visit with their classes and share their interests and ideas. The Library Noticeboard is a handy place to view News as well as Student Suggestions, New Books, Life of a Librarian and Teacher Tales.

What's On: New resources have arrived and are available for loan. These include our Books of the Month: "Jetty Jumping" by Andrea Rowe (Picture Story), "Amari and the Night Brothers" by B.B. Alston (Fiction) and "Tupaia, Isaac and Cook" by Mark Wilson (Non-Fiction). See the 'What's New?' displays for more. We have a Puzzle Area with a collaborative puzzle being assembled. The current one is a Map of the Solar System. Every piece helps! The Library is open in the second half of lunchtime for games, craft, study and reading except for Thursday when Chess Club is in full swing.



Borrowing: Thanks for returning your outstanding items. Please let me or your teacher know if you have an overdue book on your account that you can't find or believe you've returned so I can clear it in the system. I love to help people find new books so please keep the questions, suggestions and feedback coming.

Spotlight On: Harmony Day is coming up on March 21st. It is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. There is a range of resources to reflect this in the Display Cabinet in front of the Library. In the Craft Area, you will also find some Harmony Day colouring In, crosswords and craft. Please feel free to get creative and add these to the Display too. The ongoing themes are 'Everyone Belongs' and 'Diversity is our Strength' and the celebratory colour is orange.



Rad Resource: Looking for your child's next favourite read? You've come to the right place. **Bookfinder** will help you discover the very best kids' books: magical mysteries, astonishing adventures and fantastic non-fiction. Simply choose an age range, pick as many themes as you want to search through thousands of book reviews, and get reading. Enjoy!

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/bookfinder/>

I look forward to seeing you in the library soon,
Yvette.



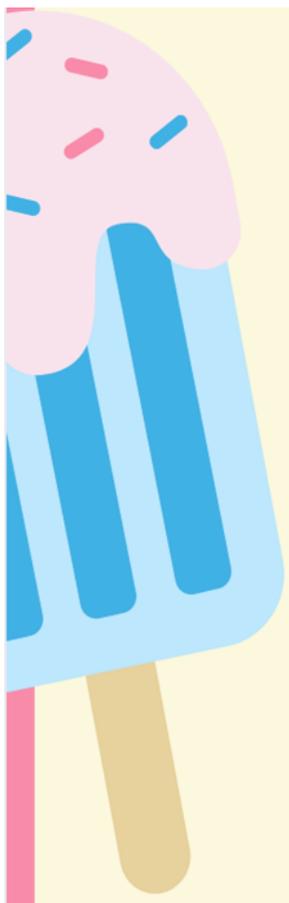
MPPS PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Term 1 – Newsletter 3

Parents Association Annual General Meeting.

Thursday 11th March at 7pm, followed by
monthly PA meeting at 7.30pm.

These meetings will be held onsite at school.



Hello Everyone! Summer is coming to an end; the warm days are getting cooler. *An idea!* You might like to visit the second hand uniform shop to stock up on some spare uniform pieces? Gill Ward will be able to help if you would like to shop up! A BIG thanks to those of you who decided to buy an Icy Pole or two, I hope with luck, during Term 4 we can return to selling the Icy Poles through the SPC window.

Please attend and participate in the Parents Association and make sure that you enrol yourself. There is a form on COMPASS that requires completing and this does need to be done annually. <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=N7Ns2Ycaz0S2mzszM0pMH1XmxPczaFlAv5mnVvbNmkJUMjdJMVRINK1DNEIZQjA2UIhEQkEwMVIPOS4u>

Once this is completed it will ensure that you receive all the agenda and meeting minutes. I would encourage everyone to make time to attend a meeting, this will give you a chance to meet the PA team, approach us with questions, ideas or to volunteer and be involved in the events that we have planned. I will always need help for events, without our parent volunteer's events won't be able to go ahead.

Communication will be important moving forward. I will ensure that I keep the newsletter reports coming out, use Compass and the Parents Facebook page. Get involved and our kids will reap the rewards of our efforts. A sincere thanks to all those who have volunteered to help at the End of Term 1 Lunch, with all those helping hands it will make a big job light work. Take care Sally (President) and the PA team.

Calendar Dates – Term 1

END OF TERM LUNCH
Thursday 1ST April – PIZZAS

Calendar Dates – Term 2

Mother's Day Stall - Friday 7th May
School Disco – Friday 11th June
Pie Drive –Wednesday 2nd June
End of Term Lunch – Friday 25th June

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INSIGHTS

Seven ways to be a positive influence on children and young people



Parents and teachers influence children most during their first twelve years of life. We have less influence over teens as they become increasingly independent and look to their peers for guidance and approval.

The following strategies will help ensure that you have a positive influence on children at any age.

1. Be available

Nothing says “You matter” more than a busy parent giving a child undivided attention. Research has established that children whose parents are emotionally present for their kids have better social, academic, and wellbeing outcomes than those whose parents aren’t available.

2. Be warm

Sometimes we can forget that our children are people too – particularly when they’re irritable, tired and obnoxious. By responding to kids warmly (even when you don’t feel like it), you show that you value them as people. A gentle touch, a smile, or soft words bring warmth to a relationship, and increase the likelihood that you’ll be listened to and be a positive influence on their lives.

3. Listen, but don’t fix

Parents can fix sore knees, broken hearts, messy friendships, and even some difficult homework projects. But kids generally don’t need adults to fix them. They just want us to ‘get’ what they’re going through. When you see the world through their eyes, you are more understanding – and more likely to be listened to when they need us.

4. Set limits

Nothing says “I love you” more than a firm and clear “No!” from mum or dad.

“No, you can’t say that to your sister. How can you make things right?”

“No, it’s not ok for you to stay out until midnight. You’re 14.”

“No, I don’t feel right about you having your smartphone/tablet/laptop in your bedroom. Ever!”

Children and young people will often argue with you, but setting limits means that you are having a positive influence on your children. The trick is to not become too authoritarian or you’ll simply drive unwanted behaviour underground.

5. Play

Playing games and laughing together binds us close to our kids. Through play you build a relationship of trust with that facilitates our ongoing positive influence.

6. Be grateful

Grateful people are happier, healthier, have better relationships, sleep better, have more income, are less materialistic, achieve better academic outcomes and are more energetic. By being grateful you'll be a positive influence in the lives of your children. Say thanks often – and mean it.

7. Love them and show it every day

We're always correcting our kids or telling them what to do. Pick this up, put that away, get off the computer, pack your bag, tidy up your room, and so on... and that's before 7.30 in the morning! Our ratio of negative to positive statements can often be the wrong way round. So find opportunities to tell your kids such things as:

- "You really make a positive difference around here."
- "I am amazed at the exceptional effort you make at..."
- "I love you – no matter what."

Your time with kids is short. By setting a positive example, you can be a positive and lasting influence in your children's lives.



Dr Justin Coulson

Dr Justin Coulson helps families be happier. His Goalcast and TEDx positive parenting videos have been viewed by more than 100 million people. He is the author of 6 books about creating flourishing families and raising resilient children. Justin and his wife, Kylie, are the parents of 6 daughters. Find the Dr Justin Coulson's Happy Families podcast on Apple Podcasts and Spotify. For further details visit www.happyfamilies.com.au

Upcoming Webinar for Parents

Maggie Dent presents: Communicating with teenage boys

Commonly known as the 'queen of common sense', Maggie Dent has become one of Australia's favourite parenting authors and educators, with a particular interest in the early years, adolescence and resilience. She has written seven major books including the bestselling *Mothering Our Boys* and her 2020 release, *From Boys to Men*. Maggie is host of the ABC podcast, *Parental As Anything*. Maggie is the mother of four sons and is a very grateful grandmother.

This school has a membership with Parenting Ideas, one of Australia's most trusted sources of parenting education and support. As part of this membership, all the parents in this school community can attend this webinar at no cost.



 Watch from any device, any location

 See the expert as they speak

 Catch up recording available

Valued at \$39 per person
No charge for our school community



Watch an overview from Maggie Dent

parentingideas.com.au

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About the webinar

Adolescence has a way of transforming children's brains that can make communication challenging, especially with teenage boys who often start articulating in monosyllabic grunts. These brain changes also make them more sensitive, volatile and critical of themselves, making the tween/teen years a high-risk window. In this webinar, Maggie Dent shows how using compassionate, empowering communication with teenage boys can better guide them across the bridge to healthy manhood to a place where they feel worthwhile and engaged in respectful relationships.

Key learning and discussion points include:

- communicating effectively
- giving feedback
- avoiding arguments
- helping teenage boys to problem solve
- letting our sons know we really hear them, and that they matter

The webinar will be held on 24 March 2021 at 8–9 PM AEDT.

Redeem your webinar – it's easy!

To redeem your webinar click or copy and paste this link:

www.parentingideas.com.au/parent-resources/parent-webinars/webinar-communicating-with-teenage-boys

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- Click 'Place Order'

This offer is valid until 24 June 2021. If you're unable to make the broadcast time, just register anyway and you will get access to the recording.

Articles for parents

On the Parenting Ideas website you can also view and receive helpful articles to support your parenting journey.

Read up on topics such as resilience, siblings, bullying, digital and social media, friendships, confidence, behaviour, anxiety, girls, boys, learning and education.

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SECONDARY SCHOOL

Mount Alexander College Open Day - Wednesday 21st April

The Mount Alexander College Open Day includes tours during the day with students and an evening information session. Due to COVID restrictions, our numbers will be capped to ensure social distancing is possible.

The day sessions will begin with an address from Principal Ms Dani Angelico and student leaders followed by a student-led tour of the school. You will be able to see classes in action and there will be plenty of opportunities to ask questions on the tour. Please only book ONE of the day tours: Morning Tour or Afternoon Tour.

In the evening there will be a Welcome Address, Q&A panels with students and staff followed by a tour of the key learning areas of the school where you will be able to talk to teaching staff. The evening session is broken into six (6) sections to enable us to comply with COVID restrictions. Each section will meet in different parts of the school to ensure social distancing is possible.

You may book a day tour in addition to an evening session.; however, you are only able to book for one session per booking. If you do wish to attend a day tour in addition to the evening session, you will need to complete one booking, then go back in to create the other booking.

Please note:

- only book for up to two parents or carers and the child/ren who is/are considering enrolling in the school
- only book for one of the day tours.

BOOKING: <https://compasstix.com/event/cf70ccbd-e468-46a8-94b0-329b44d6adae>

MARIBYRNONG SPORTS ACADEMY

**APPLICATIONS
NOW OPEN**

YEAR 7 - 2022

MSA is a high performance sports program for emerging teenage athletes and is Victoria's only State Government funded specialist sports high school.

Applications Close - 1st April 2021

Go to: <https://sportsacademy.maribsc.vic.edu.au/> for more information and to apply.



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LEARNING STAR AWARDS: 10/03/21



LEARNING Star...	Name	Reason
Foundation A Mae Risson	Felix Mendo	For having a go at his drawing even when he was unsure and finishing in time. Well done!
Foundation B Alice Hargreaves	Eva Smith	For focusing well on independent tasks.
Foundation C Nicola Scott	Grace Han	For always having a 'can do' attitude and trying her best at all her learning tasks!
1/2 A Taylor Reid	Leon Truex	Concentrating on his work and trying his best in all learning tasks.
1/2 B Antony Brock	Ky Minh Doan	For the fantastic effort you always put into your amazing writing.
1/2 C Shannon Radford	Evangeline Skapetis	For working through the writing process and publishing a great piece of writing. Well done Evangeline!
1/2 D Jenny Clark	Oliver Flynn	For trying really hard to do his best writing about Zac and his lunch box.
3/4 A Jess Zach / Nicole Macrae	Rodion Kargopol'tsev	For working hard during all lessons, particularly when learning about place value
3/4 C Meredith Anderson	Sadie Gilbert	For always giving 100% effort in every learning task.
3/4 D Lee Pregnell	Lucy Scott-Young	For the fantastic effort she always puts into all learning activities.
3/4 E Stef Lipoma	Laila Platt	For learning to skip count by 3s.
5/6 A Libby Haigh	Kobe Johnson	For demonstrating some great math problem solving and investigation in your number work.
5/6 B Candice Ryan	Lincoln Atherton	For planning, drafting and publishing a great story during personal writing.
5/6 C Holly Coleman	Elsa MacGregor	For setting out her work neatly and carefully.
Arts Christine Caminiti	Isla Burgess	For showing a positive attitude to her learning and completing all her learning tasks in Performing Arts class.
Italian (LOTE) Nancy Berardone	Aisha Taleb	For being an attentive, focused and organised student. Ottimo!
Physical Education Stef Modesti	Nina Cartwright	For demonstrating great shotput technique by starting low and finishing high.

ROCC STAR AWARDS: 10/03/21



ROCC Star...	Name	Reason
Foundation A Mae Risson	Juliette Mahon	For showing care by doing extra jobs with a positive attitude that help our classroom run smoothly. Well done!
Foundation B Alice Hargreaves	Liana Patel	For showing respect, optimism, care and collaboration in the classroom!
Foundation C Nicola Scott	Shivansh Sharma	For always being kind and helpful to others in the classroom! Go Shivansh!
1/2 A Taylor Reid	Ginger Reid	Ginny has used her Growth Mindset to stay Optimistic and try her best with all classwork this week.
1/2 B Antony Brock	Camilla Ericksen	For always being a kind and thoughtful friend to everyone, and a fantastic helper to others in the classroom.
1/2 C Shannon Radford	Annabel Mezo	For showing optimism in her learning and challenging herself, especially in maths this week. Well done Annabel!
1/2 D Jenny Clark	Aimee Deprisco	For being respectful and always saying thank you at the right time!
3/4 A Jess Zach / Nicole Macrae	Jax Crook	For being a good friend and showing respect in the playground.
3/4 C Meredith Anderson	Oliver Mcrae	For consistently demonstrating respect when in class and modelling our class expectations.
3/4 D Lee Pregnell	Lachlan Browne	For the respectful and focused manner in which he approaches each new learning situation.
3/4 E Stef Lipoma	Rosie Dona-Doni	For her enthusiasm and positive approach to learning.
5/6 A Libby Haigh	Aisha Taleb	For active participation in all class discussions. Thank you for sharing your insights with the class.
5/6 B Candice Ryan	Darcey Thompson	For being an optimistic learner who tackles challenges with a positive attitude!
5/6 C Holly Coleman	Roji Kandel	For being a respectful and caring leader at gala sports.
Arts Christine Caminiti	Chloe Italia	For showing care and support to the younger students in Performing arts class when her class was split.
Italian (LOTE) Nancy Berardone	James Grozos-Wishart	For being a focused learner and a caring member of the class. Bravo!
Physical Education Stef Modesti	Elilta Michael	For demonstrating optimism when tackling new skills. Keep it up!

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TERM 1 2021 CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
March 8 Labour Day Holiday No School	March 9	March 10 No Foundation Classes Newsletter 5/6 MAT Program #3	March 11 Parents Association Meeting & AGM	March 12 School Photos (Class & Individual)
March 15	March 16	March 17 No Foundation Classes Divisional Swimming 5/6 MAT Program #4	March 18 Assembly	March 19 School Photos (Whole School)
March 22 Foundation Students begin Full Time School	March 23	March 24 Newsletter School Council AGM 5/6 MAT Program #5	March 25	March 26
March 29 District Tennis	March 30	March 31 School Cross Country	April 1 End of Term 1 Pizza Lunch Assembly	April 2 Good Friday No School

TERM 2 2021 CALENDAR

April 19 Curriculum Day Student Free Day	April 20 Start of Term 2	April 21	April 22	April 23
April 26	April 27	April 28 School Athletics Sports	April 29	April 30 5/6 Winter Sport #1
May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7 5/6 Winter Sport #2 Mother's Day Stall

Newsletter

The newsletter will be published for the first two weeks in February and then published fortnightly thereafter. The newsletter is the main source of communication from the school and I urge everyone to read it! The newsletter will be sent out to all families via Compass. Families will be able to access the newsletter via Compass and on the school website.

How to access the school newsletter:

1. View it on the COMPASS Newsfeed: <https://mpp-vic.compass.education/>
2. Visit the school website: <http://www.mpp.vic.edu.au/our-school/newsletters/>