

# Melton South Primary School

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THURSDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2018

## Melton South Primary School Mission:

Melton South Primary School is a progressive community who lead the way. Together we create motivated, respectful learners who achieve excellence.

This newsletter is available from our school website [www.meltonsouthps.vic.edu.au](http://www.meltonsouthps.vic.edu.au) or the Melton South Primary School Skoolbag App.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 23rd February	Grade 5/6 Round 2 Summer Sports
Tuesday 27th February	MPSSA Swimming Carnival
Friday 2nd March	Grade 5/6 Round 3 Summer Sports
Monday 12th March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 13th March	Grade 6 Excursion to Immigration Museum
Thursday 15th March	Grade 3 to 6 Family Twilight Bat Tennis Competition (5.00pm start)
Thursday 22nd March	Last day of After School Sports
Friday 23rd March	Ride2School Day
Thursday 29th March	House Cross Country (back up day 28/3/18)
Monday 16th April	Last day of School for Term 1—school finishes at 2.15pm
Wednesday 2nd May	Term 2 commences today
	School Photo Day

### GRADE 6 IMMIGRATION MUSEUM

On Tuesday 13th March all grade 6 students will be going on an excursion to the Immigration Museum in Melbourne as part of the inquiry unit 'Australia as a Nation'. Payment of \$20.00 per student must be received by Tuesday 6th March.



### ROUND 2 SUMMER SPORT

Good Luck to all students playing in round 2 of 5/6 Summer Sport tomorrow. This week we are having an away game against Melton Christian College. Parents and friends are encouraged to come and support our students.

Time: 11.45am -1.15pm

Where: **Volleyball** and **Hot Shots Tennis** will be played at MCC-152-156 Brooklyn Rd –Brookfield  
**Cricket**—Blackwood Drive Reserve



**BAT TENNIS—THERE ARE NO MORE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR THE TWILIGHT BAT TENNIS COMPETITION ON THURSDAY 15TH MARCH.**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**STAFF, STUDENTS, PARENTS AND CARERS ALL HAVE THE SAME RIGHTS AT MELTON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.**

EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO BE SAFE    EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO BE RESPECTED  
EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO LEARN

**SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS PROGRAM:** For every \$10 spent at Coles you receive one voucher. If you are shopping at the local Coles at Melton South we have a collection box near the checkouts. If you shop at Woodgrove Coles we do not have a collection box there. Please bring those vouchers to school, we have a collection box in the foyer. We will be able to order sports equipment at the end of the program to the value of the vouchers we have collected.

**DOGS POLICY:** Melton South Primary School has a dog policy. **Dogs are not permitted on school grounds** at all with the exception of specially trained dogs to enhance mobility or disability. We do promote the Responsible Pet Ownership Program to educate students in the knowledge and understanding needed for responsible pet ownership and animal care.



**GLASSES FOR KIDS PROGRAM:** Our school has been selected to be part of the Glasses for Kids program. All students in years prep to grade 3 will be able to have a free eye assessment and will also receive glasses at no cost if required. **If parents do not return the consent form their children will not be involved in the program.**

**The tests will take place on Thursday the 28th of February and Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March.**

**SCHOOL COUNCIL:** School Council nominations closed on Monday the 19th of February at 4:00pm. There were 5 parent vacancies, and we received four nominations. I would like to welcome back to School Council, Wanda McDonald, Kellie Ferguson, Lisa van Dijk and new member Maria Saunders. Our first meeting will be held in March.

**EARLY ARRIVALS:** I have noticed that many students are arriving at school before 8:00am. There is no supervision for these children at this time of the day. **If this continues School Council may have to look at whether we do not open the school gates until staff are on duty as is the process in many other schools.** We have staff on yard duty from 8.35am, students should not be arriving at school before this time. Even though our teaching staff are here before 8.00am they are in the classroom preparing for the day. Many of our students attend the before and after school care program at St. Anthony's across the road. The students are brought to the office in the morning to be signed in and meet under the canteen after school by OSHClub staff.

*OSHClub details—[www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) and then search for St. Anthony's OSHClub, Melton South*



**SMOKING BANNED ON SCHOOL GROUNDS AND AT SCHOOL ENTRANCES:** Just a reminder that smoking is not permitted on school grounds or within 4 metres of an entrance to any school ground. The smoking ban applies to anyone present on school premises during school and before/after school hours, including students, teachers, contractors, parents/guardians or the wider community, such as sporting groups. We seek your co-operation in this matter.

**PERSONAL PROPERTY:** is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, bicycles, scooters, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. We advise that should your child bring their bike or scooter to school it is advisable to also send a lock with them as we have unfortunately had things stolen from the bike shed.

*Marilyn Costigan*

**Mrs Marilyn Costigan, Principal**

## WHOLE SCHOOL LEARNING INTENTIONS

Year	Reading	Writing	Maths
Prep	Good readers point to each word as they read.	Good writers can draw a picture of how a story matches their experiences	Good mathematicians can count collections accurately.
Year 1	Good readers can retell a story.	Good writers can write recounts about familiar events.	Good mathematicians can read two digit numbers.
Year 2	Good readers make connections between the text and their own experiences.	Good writers are able to use different types of sentences.	Good Mathematicians will be able to understand how to use a number line.
Year 3	Good readers are able to infer character's feelings.	Good writers edit and revise their writing.	Good mathematicians are able to rename numbers.
Year 4	Good Readers know the purpose of a classroom library and how it is organised.	Good writers can write simple and compound sentences.	Good Mathematicians can use knowledge of Place Value to read and create numbers.
Year 5	Good readers use their schema and textual information to make inferences and predictions.	Good Writers can understand and identify different aspects of a persuasive piece.	Good Mathematicians round appropriately to make accurate estimations
Year 6	Good readers can check for understanding through INFERRING.	Good writers complete a text graphic organiser to plan a recount on a personal experience about facing a challenge.	Good mathematicians identify triangular numbers.

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## SCHOOL BANKING IS EVERY THURSDAY AT MELTON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2018 are:

Twister Power Handball

Secret Scratch Pad

Sparkle Glitter Pens

Glow Light

Mighty Boom Handball

Heat Reactor Pencils

Slushie Maker Cup

Zoom Flying Disc



**Getting involved in School Banking is easy!** All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

**1. Online** Visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

**2. In branch** Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please see your classroom teacher for an information pack or visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)



## *STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS*

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards this week. These awards are made to students in recognition of achievement and will be presented at school assembly on Monday 26th February at 2.30pm in the school gymnasium.

GRADE	STUDENT	REASON FOR AWARD
PA	Layla Webb	Her great start to school
PB	Seerat Uppal	Being a great friend and helper in the classroom.
PC	Ranvir Singh	Always trying his best during independent activities.
PD	Jezreel Batungwanayo	For being a great helper and friend to others.
PE	Mua Su'a	Always trying to do her best work at her table.
PG	Mason Atanasov	For his great counting up to 20.
1A	Chloe Grey	For always using beautiful manners and being a great classroom helper.
1B	Tyler Batten	Consistently displaying the school values, particularly responsibility and honesty.
1C	Jordan Flynn	For consistently showing whole body listening and raising his hand to speak.
1D	Reet Mann	For consistently following our school value of everyone has the right to be respected.
1E	Rylan Whitfield	For consistently showing whole body listening and a positive attitude to his learning.
2A	Samar Ludher	For consistently demonstrating our school values.
2B	Aizah Ali	Writing a descriptive personal narrative about making playdough.
2C	Athena Sunga	For writing a recount about chocolate truffles, using her graphic organiser.
2D	Temperance Klaebe	Excellent knowledge of the number 130.
2E	Rose U Rai	For using the counting on strategy to solve addition equations.
3A	Hunter Rowe	For challenging himself when successfully renaming numbers using place value.
3B	Adam Waderton	For demonstrating improvement in his growth mindset knowledge.
3C	Ajay Gibbs	For demonstrating a growth mindset when given a challenging task in mathematics.
3D	Kalahni Wright	For challenging herself by successfully renaming numbers using place value.
4A	Sawant Chaudhary	For persisting and challenging himself when working on a place value problem solving task in mathematics.
4B	Sian Wasuka	Effectively using time connectiveness and paragraphs to write a recount.
4C	Teah Borg	For writing an excellent 'Growth Mindset' recount.
4D	Shaniya Daniels	For showing a great understanding of the value of each digit when working with six digit numbers.
5A	Rhayn Tearoa	For a fantastic job making connections during reading to deepen her comprehension.
5B	Angelique Deag	For spending all her pocket money on some lovely gifts for her prep buddy. What a beautiful act of kindness.
5C	Luke Rollinson	Fabulous expression in his reading. Well done!
5D	Micah Nebab	For applying herself to all tasks and showing a growth mindset.
6A	Xavier Evans	Showing a responsible and caring attitude towards his Prep buddy.
6B	Jeanette Ndayisenga	Her positive attitude towards learning and strong mindset.
6C	Pa Sawm Lyhym	Using reliable strategies to decode unknown words when reading.
6D	Janet Olamijulo	Always following the values of our school.
Physical Educ.	Bethany Seter Ruci Waqavonovono	Following the Success Criteria and demonstrating a great shotput technique. Providing feedback to her peers in the skill development of shot put.



## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

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### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit  
[www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

### HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

### NEW FOR 2018!

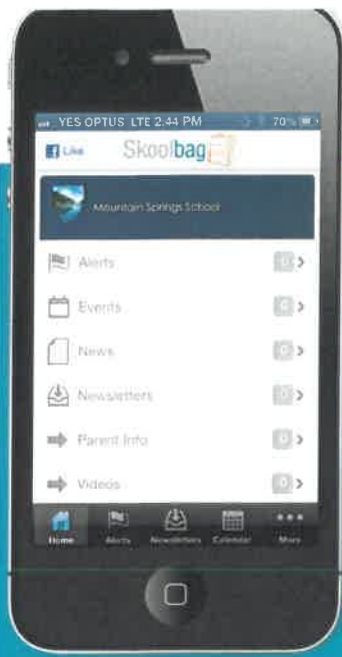
If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2017, you do not need to complete an application form in 2018 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2018 or you did not apply in 2017.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2018.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

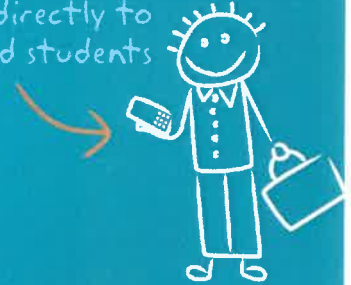




Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

*Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students*



## How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

### iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install"
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install"
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



### Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device)
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
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