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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 or the Melton South Primary School Skoolbag App.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 13th March	Ride 2 School Day
Monday 16th March	ASSEMBLY Grades 3-6 from 2.30-3.00pm Uniform Shop open 2.30—3.45pm
Tuesday 17th March	House Cross Country Breakfast Club
Wednesday 18th March	Uniform Shop open 2.30—3.45pm
Thursday 19th March	Harmony Day Uniform Shop open 8.30—9.00am Breakfast Club
Friday 20th March	Last day to order Grade 6 Polo tops Payment due for Grade 4 Swimming 5/6 Summer Lightning Cup Grade 3/4 Camp deposit due
Thursday 26th March	Grade 3—6 Silly Hat Parade 9.10am
Friday 27th March	Grade P—2 Silly Hat Parade 9.10am Last day for Canberra Camp payments Last day of School for Term 1 — Early Dismissal 2.15pm
Monday 13th April	Easter Monday Public Holiday — NO SCHOOL



Curriculum Day — NO SCHOOL

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

Our school song which the students sing at assembly each week incorporates our key values:

We are the kids from Melton South.
We are the best without a doubt.
We love to learn, run and play,
School is great in a special way.

There's **tolerance, care and honesty,**
Fairness, respect and responsibility.
Co-operation and when the day is done
Fulfilment through learning is really **fun.**

CORONAVIRUS: Just a reminder to staff, families and children that everyone can protect against infections by practicing good hand hygiene and respiratory hygiene. Here are some tips that everyone at our school can follow:

- * Cover your mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing with a tissue, or cough into your elbow
- * Dispose of the tissue into a bin and then wash your hands afterwards
- * Wash your hands regularly, after using the toilet, and before eating.

It is very important that children do not attend school if they are unwell.

ASSEMBLY: Our next assembly will be on Monday 16th March for **grades 3 to 6** in the school gymnasium.

EARLY ARRIVALS: We have had too many incidents of children arriving at school from 7:15am. Staff are often here early but are in their classrooms preparing for the day or attending meetings. We will be discussing with the School Council at our next meeting whether we need to keep the gates locked until later in the morning.

BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE: I have been asked again why Melton South Primary does not operate a before/after school program. To run a program they need a location with access to toilets, kitchen and inside play areas. We do not have any available space at all that the workers would need to access after the start of the day and before the end of the school day to prepare snacks, set up activities etc. We are so fortunate that St. Anthony's agree to have our children participate in their program.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS: We still have 2 parent vacancies, if the number of nominations exceed the number of vacancies we will need to have an election. If you want to know more about the role of school Council members please collect an information sheet from the office.

SCHOOL HATS: It is compulsory for all students to wear a school hat until the end of April. We are an accredited Sun Smart school so if students are not wearing a hat they need to stay in undercover areas during recess and lunchtime.

EXTERNAL AGENCIES: We have been inundated with parents requesting therapy sessions from external agencies to be held in school time. These include weekly Occupational Therapy, Speech Pathology, Play Therapy and Behavioural Therapy. Unfortunately we can no longer accommodate this at school as our increased enrolments mean we no longer have any available space for these sessions to take place. To enable parents and Therapists time to make alternative arrangements, this change will take place from week 1, term 2.

PERSONAL PROPERTY: Personal property is often brought to school by staff, students and visitors. This may include mobile phones, iPads, bicycles, scooters, electronic games, toys, sporting games, equipment and musical instruments. The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to school and it has no capacity to pay for the loss or

Students are encouraged to wear something that symbolises their culture or wear orange as this is the colour that represents harmony.



Grade 3-6 House Cross Country

On Tuesday 17th March our students will be competing in our school house cross country event. Students in the 8-10 age group will run 2KM and 11-12-13 age group will run 3Km. Students can wear house colour t-shirts. Parents and friends are welcome to come to the event to support their child. The top 4 students male and female from each age group will go on to represent out school at the MPSSA cross country event. The first event will start at 9:30am and conclude at 1.00pm with presentation to follow. Students will break for recess.



Divisional swimming

Congratulations to Goldmyer Hamilton, Sahej Bhangu, Khinezar Ye Lwin and Spencer Davies who competed at divisional swimming on Tuesday 10th March. Spencer Davies finished second in breaststroke and will represent out school at the regional competition. A big thanks you to Jemma Davies for helping out as time keeper.

5/6 Lightning Cup

Good luck to the students who have been selected to represent our school at the interschool Lightning Premierchip cup on Friday 20th March. Parents are welcome to come and watch their child on the day. All games commence at 10am and are held at the following venues:

- Hot Shots Tennis-Wedge Park PS
- Volleyball-Melton PS
- Cricket Blast-Arnolds Creek Reserve

SILLY HAT PARADE

To celebrate the end of term 1, we will be holding a Silly Hat Parade.

Due to our schools large numbers, we will be splitting the silly hat parade over two days.

The 3-6 Parade will be on Thursday the 26th of March at 9:10.

The P-2 parade will be on Friday the 27th of March at 9:10am.

Both parades will start at 9:10am.

Students are encouraged to make a 'Crazy/Silly' hat at home and bring it to school on the day—use your imagination!

Parents are welcome to attend this parade.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Parents are able to purchase uniform from the shop which is located in the corridor near room 2.

Cash and EFTPOS facilities are available. The shop will be open every;

Monday afternoon 2.30pm to 3.45pm,

Wednesday afternoon from 2.30pm—3.45pm and

Thursday morning from 8.30am to 9.00am.

If you are unable to attend during these times, orders can be placed and we can fill these and send the items home with students.

Order forms are available from the notice stand located at the front of the school office.



child, requesting that you present your Health Care Card to the office.

IF YOU FAIL TO PRESENT YOUR CARD, YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE CANCELLED AS CENTRELINK IS UNABLE TO VERIFY YOUR DETAILS.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you have a valid concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. This allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursion or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$125 for primary school students. CSEF application forms were sent home with students last week. Please ensure that forms are fully and correctly completed in legible writing, incomplete applications may not be processed.



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

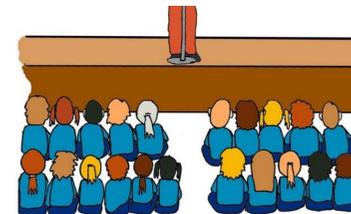
2020 SCHOOL LEVEL PAYMENT CHARGES

If you have not already done so, please pay the school level charges as soon as possible. The cost is \$185 (Prep) or \$175 (Grades 1-6) which includes an essential student learning items package. A full list of what this includes is available from the office. If you are experiencing difficulty paying these charges please make an appointment to see one of our Assistant Principals to arrange a payment plan. Parents may choose to provide your child with their own individual stationery pack, however you will still need to pay for the other items, such as French workbook, Handwriting book, Athletics, etc. If you are providing your own stationery please obtain a list from the office to ensure you supply everything on the list and equivalent items.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Due to the large number of enrolments this year, we have changed the format of our school Assembly, which will now held bi weekly; Due to the Public Holiday on Monday, the next assembly will be for 3 to 6 on Monday 16th March from 2.30pm to 3.00pm.

[All parents are welcome to attend.](#)



GRADE	STUDENT	REASON FOR AWARD
3B	Nienke Dionte	For consistently respecting everyone's right to learn. For demonstrating a growth mindset when renaming numbers.
3C	Aiden Nina	For displaying the school value of showing respect to his peers. For writing great persuasive arguments about why dogs are the best pets with supporting evidence.
3E	Carlos Tihana	For showing a growth mindset during writing. For demonstrating her understanding of remaining 4 digit numbers using MAB.
4A	Temperance Jahaan	For always contributing your ideas during class discussions. For writing a descriptive introduction on 'whether dogs are friendlier than cats?'.
4B	Tyrhys	For demonstrating a growth mindset when undertaking his writing tasks.
4D	Tahni	For writing a great opening paragraph for a persuasive text.
5A	Chris	For demonstrating a growth mindset across all subjects.
5B	Titus	For demonstrating growth mindset in all aspects of his learning.
5C	Hatua Oceana	For setting in at MSPS and following our school values of Respect, Safety and Learning. For your creative ideas planned for your narrative.
5D	Samantha Elijah	For demonstrating maturity and compassion during class discussions and circle time. For demonstrating perseverance during collaborative tasks.
5E	TJ	For demonstrating a growth mindset during Maths!
6A	Cherise Timothy	For using supporting arguments when writing her persuasive text. For writing an effective introduction for his persuasive text.
6B	Conty Karina	For encouraging his teammates, setting a high standard and responding when necessary. For setting an example through her maturity and care and showing outstanding commitment toward her learning.
6C	Eva Nate	For a great use of paragraph structure to construct a persuasive text. For consistently challenging himself during numeracy.
6D	Nathanael Nate	For using a topic sentence and matching arguments in a persuasive text. For using a topic sentence and supportive arguments in a persuasive text.
P.E.	Ezra Lily Jayda	For extending himself and refining his long jump technique. For demonstrating a proficient triple jump technique. For listening to discuss feedback and applying it to get a stronger throw.

Enrolling into Secondary School

State Secondary Schools in Melton work closely together to provide each and every student in our schools with an enriched and positive experience. We pride ourselves in the quality education we provide.

All government schools are bound by the Department of Education Neighbourhood Schools Policy to guide enrolments. For families seeking enrolment of their children into a state secondary school, the following guiding principles underpin the policy, enrolment process and requirements.

The Neighbourhood Schools Policy seeks:



2020 Secondary School Transition Information Evening
Tuesday 17 March 2020



KURUNJANG SECONDARY COLLEGE

Kurunjang Secondary College's vision of achieving success for our community through respect, responsibility and collaboration encapsulates the essence of the 21st Century of instilling in students the need to constantly evaluate new knowledge, work innovatively with peers, think flexibly in an international setting, and value diversity.

Our culture of Learn, Grow, and Achieve Together ensures our students demonstrate our values of Respect, Achievement and Responsibility.

The AVID (Advancement Via Individual

MELTON SECONDARY COLLEGE

Melton Secondary College STARR Values, Success, Teamwork, Ambition, Respect and Responsibility are visible in every classroom and wherever students are learning.

A strong focus on literacy and numeracy and a broad range of programs in Science, the Arts and Sport, ensures that every student is deeply engaged in their learning. Our STARR Connect pastoral program ensures that every student is known and supported as they develop the critical skills for learning and living.

Melton Secondary College, Academic Excellence

STAUGHTON COLLEGE

At Staughton we foster a culture where ambition meets excellence. This is a culture where students develop academically, socially and personally to become the best versions of themselves, through a focus on teaching about effort, learning and respect. Students are actively engaged in their passions and interests, both inside and outside the classroom.

Our Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) program, as part of The Academy Of Accredited SEAL Schools, is available to cater for our gifted, talented and high achieving students.

PREP	<p>LI: Good Readers point to each word as they read to keep track of where they are reading.</p> <p>SC: I can keep track of the words I am reading.</p> <p>I can point to each word as I read.</p> <p>I can use return sweep when reading.</p>	<p>LI: Good writers know the correct way to write their name.</p> <p>SC: I can write my name using a capital letter at the start.</p> <p>I can write my name using lower case letters.</p> <p>I can hold my pencil correctly. I can label my picture.</p>	<p>LI: Good mathematicians make patterns.</p> <p>SC: I know that a pattern repeats</p> <p>I can make my own pattern using two colours.</p>
1	<p>LI: Good readers understand reading doesn't make sense.</p> <p>SC: I can notice when my reading doesn't make sense.</p> <p>I can notice when my reading doesn't SOUND right.</p>	<p>LI: Good writers order events in a recount using sequencing words.</p> <p>SC: I can use first, next, then, finally.</p>	<p>LI: Good mathematicians are able to count forwards.</p> <p>SC: I can count forwards from different starting points.</p>
2	<p>LI: Good readers understand the features of a recount text.</p> <p>SC: I can identify the sequence of events.</p> <p>I can identify past tense words.</p> <p>I can identify the time connectives.</p>	<p>LI: Good writers understand that a recount is a text written about something that has happened in the past.</p> <p>SC: I can use a graphic organiser to plan my writing.</p>	<p>LI: Good mathematicians recognise numbers are made up of hundreds, tens and ones.</p> <p>SC: I can use a think board to make and show my number in different ways.</p>
3	<p>LI: Good readers summarise the text they are reading to build understanding.</p> <p>SC: I can summarise the main ideas in order of when they happened in the text.</p>	<p>LI: Good writers draft a conclusion to restate their point of view.</p> <p>SC: I can include in my paragraph:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - My point of view. - A summary of my two arguments. - A final statement to convince the audience. 	<p>LI: Good mathematicians are able to rename numbers to build their understanding of the place value system.</p> <p>SC: I can rename a number using concrete materials.</p>
4	<p>LI: Good readers are able to make text to text connections while reading to improve their understanding.</p> <p>SC: I can explain what a text to text connection is.</p> <p>I can record my text to text connection.</p>	<p>LI: Good writers can understand the purpose and parts of a persuasive text.</p> <p>SC: I can write an opening paragraph to introduce my persuasive text.</p> <p>I can summarise my argument.</p>	<p>LI: Good mathematicians understand that numbers have different properties, and knowing the properties of odd and even numbers can help us to check answers for accuracy.</p> <p>SC: I know the rule to determine an odd number.</p> <p>I know the rule to determine an even number.</p>
5	<p>LI: Good readers understand how authors use vocabulary to manipulate their audience.</p> <p>SC: I can identify if an author has used a thinking or feeling emotive word.</p> <p>I can explain how an author has used emotive language to manipulate the audience.</p>	<p>LI: Good writers know how to add detail to a simple sentence to engage their audience.</p> <p>SC: I can add details about time (when).</p> <p>I can add details about place (where).</p> <p>I can add details about manner (how).</p>	<p>LI: Good mathematicians choose appropriate units of measurement for length.</p> <p>SC: I can estimate and reason the length of 8 objects (2 for each unit).</p> <p>SC: I can measure the objects accurately.</p>
6	<p>LI: Good readers use text to world connections.</p> <p>SC: I can answer questions about the</p>	<p>LI: Good writers can draft a paragraph which includes a relevant topic sentence .</p> <p>SC: I can write a paragraph</p>	<p>LI: Good mathematicians categorise numbers in different ways.</p> <p>SC: I can categorise numbers as prime,</p>

Come join us!

Holiday PROGRAMS

Children are required to bring snacks, lunch, a hat and a drink bottle
 ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE SELECT FOOTY CARDS AND AN ALBUM.

Tuesday 31st March – Princes Park, Maryborough
 Thursday 2nd April – Frontier Recreation Reserve, Aintree
 Monday 6th April – Clarke Oval, Sunbury
 Wednesday 8th April - Western Oval, Ballarat

REGISTER NOW

FREE EVENTS FOR DADS & CHILDREN

BOTANICA SPRINGS CHILDREN'S & COMMUNITY CENTRE
 249 Clarkes Road, Brookfield, 3338

Fathers, grandfathers and male caregivers are invited to join us with their children aged 3-13 years, at a variety of fun-filled evenings provided in partnership with The Salvation Army.

PLEASE TURN OVER

SCHOOL BANKING IS EVERY THURSDAY AT MELTON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	TIME
WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH 2020		
Games Night	Join us for a fun evening of giant games, outdoor games, card games and more before sharing a snack with other families.	5pm – 7pm
WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2020		
Learn to Cook Healthy Burgers	Share a night in the kitchen learning to make meat and vegetarian burgers that will keep your heart happy. Share your meal with other dads and their children.	5pm – 7pm
SATURDAY 4 APRIL 2020		
Movie Night: Happy Feet (G)	Sit back and relax with your children and enjoy the family friendly flick Happy Feet. The film follows Mumble the penguin who cannot sing but can tap dance like no other!	5pm – 7pm
WEDNESDAY 6 MAY 2020		
Hair Workshop	Learn from a local hairdresser how to put your child's hair in a pony tail, plait or simply how to groom and style your child's hair ready for another day.	5pm – 7pm
WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE 2020		
Robotics Workshop	Learn with your child about how to make our Ozobots and Beebots do different things with simple coding! Share the excitement of learning something with your children.	5pm – 7pm
WEDNESDAY 1 JULY 2020		
Indigenous Hip Hop Dance Workshop	Celebrate Naidoc Week with us by learning Indigenous Hip Hop dance! Explore Australia's heritage by telling a story with your newly learned moves.	5pm – 7pm