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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

Monday 9th November	School Council Meeting
Wednesday 11th November	Prep 2021 Transition 9.30am—10.30am via Webex
Wednesday 25th November	SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Monday 30th November	Second Fee Instalment due
Friday 18th December	Last day of school for 2020
	Early dismissal—1.30pm
Wednesday 30th December	Third Fee Instalment due
2021	
Wednesday 20th January	School fees due today
Thursday 28th January	First day of Term 1 2021
Saturday 30th January	Last day to pay fees by Instalments
Wednesday 3rd February	NO SCHOOL for Prep students
Wednesday 10th February	NO SCHOOL for Prep students
Wednesday 17th February	NO SCHOOL for Prep students
Wednesday 24th February	NO SCHOOL for Prep students
Monday 1st March	Preps commence full time school



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Due to the current stage 4 COVID-19 restrictions, the uniform Shop is still closed.

You can still order school uniform by the SKOOLBAG APP, over the phone or by email to uniform@meltonsthps.vic.edu.au

You can pay over the phone and arrange an appointment to pick up orders.

Should you need to visit the Uniform Shop, please phone the school to make an appointment.

Appointments can be made on:

Monday 2.30pm to 3.45pm

Wednesday 2.30pm to 3.45pm

Thursday 8.30am to 9.00am

Please call 9743 2922 to make an appointment.



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

TUTOR PROGRAM: Yesterday the Leadership team attended a Webex briefing on the **Tutor Program** to operate in 2021. The program is designed to support students whose learning has been disrupted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Melton South Primary has been allocated funding to employ 5 tutors.

2021: At this stage we are planning on establishing another 8 grades next year as our enrolments continue to increase across the school. We are currently organising the grades for 2021. Please note that the deadline for parent requests for 2021 was last week.

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS 2021:

Physical Education - Prep to Grade 6

French –Prep to Grade 6

Art - Prep and Grade 1

STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) - Grades 2 – 6

SCHOOL PHOTOS: Due to changes in the COVID-19 restrictions, we are now allowed to conduct a School Photo day this year. The date has been booked for **Wednesday 25th November**. Miss Mendez has done a wonderful job liaising with the photo company, changing the dates many times.

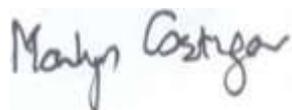
GRADUATION: A note will go home shortly about Graduation for our grade 6 students. It will be different to other years due to COVID restrictions. It will be held at school and we are working hard to ensure that it is a special time for all of the year 6 students.

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS: We are still organising end of year events to replace previous events that cannot be held due to current restrictions. This includes the whole school breakfast. [If you have any ideas on how we can celebrate the end of the year within the COVID restrictions please email me at melton.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au](#) When decisions are made we will advise families.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY: The link to the Parent Opinion Survey was sent home via grade emails. Some parents may have received more than one email, just a reminder that it is only one survey per family to be filled in.

PARKING: Please take care at drop off and pick up times. We have over 1000 students to exit and even with staggered times it is still hectic. We have staff monitoring children at nine entrance /exit points. Melton Council and Police has advised me they are aware of cars parking illegally and other offences. They will continue to do regular patrols.

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.



Mrs Marilyn Costigan,
Principal.

SCHOOL PHOTO'S

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Order forms will be sent home with students soon.

Please be aware that due to the ever changing guidelines on COVID-19, this information could change.



ESSENTIAL LEARNING PACKS 2021

Information regarding the 2021 Essential Student Learning packs and Fee Schedule has been sent home with students.

***Due to the impact of COVID-19 in 2020, we will be subsidising this fee by \$75.00.**

We are requesting parents to pay only \$100 for grades 1-6 and \$110 for grade Prep. Fees must be paid in full by Wednesday 20th January 2021.

This COVID-19 Subsidy will only be available in 2021.

Financial support will be available for families with a range of options for payment plans.

Payment Plan: Pay by as many instalments, which suits your budget. This can be \$5, \$10, \$20, every week or fortnight until paid in full. We encourage you to commence progressive payments early.

Pay by Instalments: Instalment Plan 1 – Pay by 4 instalments of \$25.00. First payment due by 30th October 2020, Second payment due by 30th November 2020.

Third payment due by 30th December 2020 and last payment due by 30th January 2021.

Grade Prep students will need to pay an extra \$10 for the Library bag.

Last week, a financial statement with BPay details was emailed home to all families. If you DID NOT receive this email, please contact the school office to ensure your email address is correct.



PICKING UP STUDENTS EARLY

Please refrain from picking students up prior to dismissal time unless it is an emergency.

Due to COVID-19, we are running a staggered timetable for students breaks, which often makes it impossible to locate a child when they are out in the playground.

If it is unavoidable and you do need to collect your child for an appointment etc. send a note to the child's class teacher so they are aware and can organise for your child to be waiting at the office for you.

Prep—2

Recess 11.00am—11.30am

Lunch 1.30pm— 2.15pm (eat at 1.15pm)

Year 3-6

Recess 10.00am—10.30am

Lunch 12.30pm—1.15pm (eat at 1.15pm)

PREP 2021 ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are now being finalised for 2021.

If you have a child turning 5 on or before the 30th April, 2021, please ensure you have returned your child's completed enrolment form along with the relevant documents.

We have commenced planning for next year and it is vital that we establish student numbers for 2021 as early as possible.

Some of our students have indicated that they may have a sibling starting school next year.

If you are a current family and have

another child commencing school in 2021, please contact the office immediately.



Melton South Primary School PARENT SURVEY:

Last week the link to the Parent Opinion Survey was sent home via grade emails. This is the QR code to access the survey, using this code may make it easier for you to access the survey with your phones and tablets. It should only take 10 minutes to complete the survey and your participation would be greatly appreciated.
The survey closes on Monday 9th November 2020.



REFUNDS FOR CAMPS & SWIMMING

We are currently processing refunds for the grade 1/2 Sunnystones Camp.

Notes to request a refund were sent home to students in grade 1/2 a couple of weeks ago. Please ensure these refund requests are returned to school promptly.

If we do not receive instruction from you regarding your refund, it will be credited back in to your account.

If you paid with CSEF, this will automatically be credited back to your account, you do not need to complete any forms.

Young Communities



Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg

Grade 6s parents and guardians are invited to join an exciting and interactive online session, and hear Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg talk about the "Ten Most Important Things You Should Tell Your Children to Build Resilience and Happiness."

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg is one of Australia's highest profile psychologists, author, broadcaster and specialist in parenting, children, adolescents and mental health. Michael will be sharing about the latest news from the science of positive psychology applied to bringing up children and teenagers.

WHEN	WHERE
Wednesday, 11 November 7pm - 8pm (Log on time 6.45pm) 60 minute session incl. Q&A	Online Forum Link provided upon registration
COST	RSVP
100% Free! Book now and go in the draw to win a prize!	Phone 9747 5373 or email YoungCommunities@melton.vic.gov.au

To find out more information or get in touch with us please visit
melton.vic.gov.au/youngcommunities or
<https://www.facebook.com/cityofmeltonyoungcommunities/>



11 NOV - 9 DEC

OUTDOOR FUTSAL

DEVELOPE NEW SKILLS!

- Learn:
 - Passing
 - Shooting
 - Dribbling

Who: Ages 5-16
Location: Hannah Watts Park, Melton

Message:
0431 368 631

Website:
centralvictorianfutsal.com

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have received awards.

These awards are made to students in recognition of achievement.

GRADE	STUDENT	REASON FOR AWARD
PA	Davina	For showing 5 star whole body listening.
1A	Jayce	For showing determination when writing simple sentences about the past and present.
1C	Harlem	For his excellent whole body listening. Well done!
1E	Madison	For putting effort into writing simple sentences.
1F	Jack H	For showing determination when writing simple sentences.
2A	Elias	For practising his mental calculation skills.
2B	Shantay	For showing a great understanding of arrays.
2D	Sarunjot	For doing a super job working at home and joining class activities through Google Meetings.
2F	Rithika	For the great vocab that she used in persuasive text.
3C	Charlena	For demonstrating increased effort in class.
3E	Samuel	For the great saying verbs he used in his narrative text. Great work!
4A	January	For creating a short story on the Melbourne Cup.
4B	Brigham	For focussing very well on his reading goal during Independent Reading.
4D	Rose	For making a huge effort with all of her work.
4F	Savannah	For continually making contributions to class discussion.
5A	Hayleigh	For making mature contributions to class discussion.
5C	Tracy	For supporting team mates and having a growth mindset during our class basketball match.
5D	Kasimu	For always considering others and supporting his classmates.
5E	Lewisa	For using different strategies to solve multiplication problems.
6A	Daniel	For sharing his understanding of the relationship between volume and capacity.
6B	Elisha	For being attentive and demonstrating an increased effort in class.
6D	Ink	For always demonstrating her best effort when writing narratives.
Art	Arjun	For continuous high achievement in Art.
Design/	Harlem 1C	For listening carefully to instructions and improving his skills in Art.

SCHOOL HATS:

Melton South Primary School is an accredited member of The Australian Cancer Foundation and therefore follows the required regulations in regard to SunSmart behaviour.



As part of our school's SunSmart Policy, all students and staff are required to wear school broad brimmed sunhats from 1st September through to April 30th next year. Hats are available from the school office for \$12.00 each.

CANTEEN

The Canteen is now operating normal hours. Students are able to order their lunch and purchase snacks during recess and lunch time.



Whole School Learning Intentions

Term 4 - Week 5

LI- Learning Intention

SC- Success Criteria

Year	Reading	Writing	Maths
PREP	LI: Good readers decode words during reading so the text makes sense. SC: I can decode words by flipping the vowel sound.	LI: Good writers write sentences for an audience. SC: I can express an idea in a sentence.	LI: Good mathematicians know ordinal numbers. SC: I can order numbers from 1st to 20th using objects.
1	LI: Good readers retell important information to show their understanding of a text. SC: I can retell what is important.	LI: Good writers write simple sentences about the past and the present. SC: I can compare communication devices from the past to the present.	LI: Good mathematicians tell time. SC: I can make time to the hour. I can make time to the half an hour.
2	LI: Good readers can monitor their reading to check for understanding. SC: I can self correct when my reading doesn't make sense.	LI: Good writers understand how to plan a persuasive text. SC: I can use a graphic organiser to plan my writing. I can use dot points.	LI: Good mathematicians are able to share a collection equally. SC: I can show multiple ways to share a collection into equal groups.
3	LI: Good readers summarise the texts they read to build their comprehension. SC: I can use Somebody, Wanted, But, So, Then to record the main points of a story.	LI: Good writers show their understanding of an Explanation Text. SC: I can use the structure of an explanation in my draft.	LI: Good mathematicians explore numbers to build their understanding of the place value system. SC: I can; use my knowledge of place value to organise numbers.
4	LI: Good readers use self-monitoring strategies when reading. SC: I can notice when my reading doesn't make sense. I can re-read if something doesn't make sense.	LI: Good writers can write about the Melbourne Cup. SC: I can write a short story from the perspective of someone involved in the Melbourne Cup.	LI: Good mathematicians identify events where the chance of one will not be affected by the occurrence of the other. SC: I can explore chance by playing a Melbourne Cup game.
5	LI: Good readers understand features of explanation texts. SC: I can identify time connectives used in an explanation text.	LI: Good writers use their own voice to express their ideas. SC: I can identify the tone of my previous writing. I can experiment with the tone in my writing.	LI: Good mathematicians have strategies to estimate and solve multiplication problems. SC: I can partition my numbers. I can multiply two numbers together. I can follow the correct structure of the Lattice method.
6	LI: Good readers recall important information to show their understanding of a text. SC: I can identify important information from a text.	LI: Good writers draft minor complications to build tension in their narrative. SC: I can describe how the character or characters are thinking or feeling.	LI: Good mathematicians can read and analyse data to comparisons. SC: I can create a table of results. I can compare time and distance.