



# Melton South Primary School

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## OUR MISSION:

Melton South Primary School is a progressive community who lead the way.

Together we create motivated, respectful learners who achieve excellence.

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

November 4<sup>th</sup> 2022

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday November 14<sup>th</sup>  
 Monday Nov 28<sup>th</sup>- Wednesday Nov 30<sup>th</sup>  
 Wednesday Nov 30<sup>th</sup>- Thursday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Thursday Dec 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Friday December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Monday December 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Tuesday December 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Tuesday December 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>  
 Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup>

Session 1: Prep Orientation 9.30-10.30am  
 GRADE 3&4 CAMP CAMPASPE DOWNS ADVENTURE PARK  
 GRADE 2 CAMP LADY NORTHCOTE  
 GRADE 1 CAMP LADY NORTHCOTE  
 Session 2: Prep Orientation 9.30-10.30  
 Grade 6 GRADUATION  
**PUPIL FREE DAY**  
 Session 3: Prep Orientation 9.15-10.30  
 Grade 6 Orientation Day at 2023 Secondary school  
 Reports available via COMPASS  
 Last day of school – Finishing at 1.15pm

**Everyone has the right to be SAFE**  
**Everyone has the right to be RESPECTED**  
**Everyone has the right to LEARN**

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

GRP-2	NAME	REASON FOR AWARD	GRP-6	NAME	REASON FOR AWARD
PA	Avah	Displaying leadership skills during group activities.	3E	Charlotte	For writing an informative and engaging explanation text on the Fur Seal.
PB	Marla	Fantastic commitment to her take home reading nights.	6D	Brett	For his use of Tier 3 language to enhance his explanation about tsunamis.
2A	Zephaniah Kai	For his excellent growth in reading. For an excellent brochure on Explosions Bowling Centre.	6D	Miracle	For her use of editing and revising to improve her explanation about floods.

# What are the students currently learning?

## **Prep: Investigation Unit – Author Study Pamela Allen**

**Students will learn...** about Pamela Allen and her work. They will learn how to respond to the books written by Pamela Allen, focusing on the themes and characters. They will learn about the author's life and how it impacts on her work.

## **Grade 1: Investigation Unit – Living Things Adapt**

**Students will learn...** that living things (plant/animals) adapt in order to survive. These adaptations may include features, behaviours, diet, habitat.

## **Grade 2: Investigation Unit – Our Place**

**Students will learn...** about the geography and history of their local area. They will become familiar with the purpose and use of globes and maps to identify a hierarchy of locations and the connections people have to them. Students will learn about their local area and the special connection that the Aboriginal community has to it. They will learn about the people and places of historical interest in the local community and the significance of particular sites today.

## **Grade 3: Investigation Unit – Living Things**

**Students will learn...** about living things and once-living things. They will investigate and describe living things - mammals i.e live births, reptiles i.e. egg laying, marsupials, monotremes, birds. Students will investigate Australian animals that have become extinct and describe how other Australian animals are on the Endangered Species list. They will understand how the actions of people can affect animals, and the efforts being made to help endangered species..

## **Grade 4: Investigation Unit – Australia's Place in the World: Sustainability**

**Students will explore** conservation and sustainability issues in Australia and around the World. They will investigate the role of vegetation around the world and the impact of habitat destruction due to land clearing and mining. Students will also investigate how humans can make a difference to the environment by reducing, recycling and reusing materials.

## **Grade 5: Investigation Unit – Civics and Citizenship**

**Students will...** explore the Nine Values for Australian Schools and the values and attitudes expected of an Australian citizen. They will understand the process to become an Australian citizen and the rights and responsibilities of that citizenship. Students will investigate how people with shared beliefs and values work together for the benefit of the community. They will understand the concept of being a global citizen through the investigation of a global issue and the Australian government and other governments responses to that issue.

## **Grade 6: Investigation Unit – What a Disaster!**

**Students will learn...** how environmental characteristics such as climate and landforms influence the human characteristics of places, and how human actions influence the environmental characteristics of places. They will relate this to how some climates produce hazards such as bushfires and floods that threaten the safety of places and gain an understanding of the application of the principles of prevention, mitigation and preparedness as ways of reducing the effects of these hazards. The students will explore how decisions and actions influence the way spaces within places are organised and managed. They will be able to explain the types of natural disasters and how they are managed around the world, with those that occur in Australia. The students will identify the purpose and usefulness of information gained from primary and secondary sources such as fieldwork, maps, plans, photographs, satellite images, statistical sources and reports.

## **Grade 1 and 2 Camp - Lady Northcote**

Just a reminder:

All camp forms are due back to your classroom teacher by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of November.

All payments must be made by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of November unless otherwise discussed with the Principal.



# Djerriwarrh Festival

**‘Celebrate today, imagine the future’**

The Djerriwarrh Festival is this weekend. Melton South Primary School will be participating in the annual Djerriwarrh Festival Parade with a walking float #12, to celebrate MSPS diversity and togetherness.

The parade is on **Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of November**. It will commence at 11:00 am at Station Road, travel east down High Street and conclude on the corner of Smith and McKenzie Street.

*If you have volunteered for this event you will need to meet at 9:45am on High Street between Station Street and Coburns Road (please refer to Djerriwarrh Festival Event Information, sent home with your child for more information).*

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact Ms Mendez (Prep E, Room 6), Ms Richards (5B, Room 54) or Ms Spencer (French, Room 57)

It's going to be a fantastic day, we hope to see you there!

**Check  
it out!**

*Did you know that Melton South has  
a new school website and it can be  
translated?*



*Stay up to date with what is happening in  
the school, just click here!*

# STEAM FUN!



Grade 6 Makayla, Cruz, Tahni and Francisco show off their fabulous robotic inventions.

## Crack the Code. (Just for fun.)

*An algorithm is a set of steps that can be followed to complete a task. Have fun trying to create a code of instructions using the arrows below.*



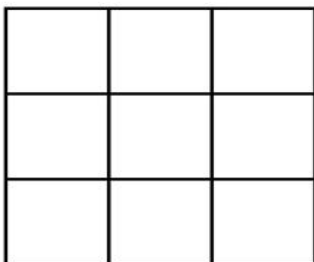
Using arrows, write an algorithm to colour the squares for the following grid. Once completed, swap with a family member who will follow the instructions to see if they are correct.

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*The STEAM team*