



## 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

Friday May 26th 2023

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday May 28<sup>th</sup>

May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 9<sup>th</sup>

May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 6<sup>th</sup>

Thursday June 1<sup>st</sup>

Thursday June 8<sup>th</sup>

Friday June 9<sup>th</sup>

Monday June 12<sup>th</sup>

Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>

Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>

Wed June 21<sup>st</sup> – Fri June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Thursday June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Divisional Cross Country

SSGs

**Smile Squad Dental Van onsite**

RESP Arts Program 3.30-4.30

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PUPIL FREE DAY

KINGS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Grade 5/6 Soccer

RESP Arts Program 3.30-4.30

Grade 6 CAMP to Valley Homestead Ovens

RESP Arts Program 3.30-4.30

Last day to apply for CSEF

Last day of term 2. Early finish at 2.15pm.

## Message from the Principal

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

**FUNDING:** I received this news from the Hon. Natalie Hutchins MP this week.

I am delighted to confirm that Melton South Primary School will share in the \$24 million School Upgrade Delivery Fund. This will provide funding to begin planning and design work for the election commitment project announced last year of **\$21.3 million to upgrade and modernise** your school including classrooms and staff buildings, main classroom wing and to build a new classroom block.

Planning is the critical first stage of every capital works project and commencing this process now allows you to plan the project ahead of funding for the construction phase being allocated in a future state budget.

**FUNDRAISING FOR EXFORD PRIMARY:** Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of students, families and staff at Melton South Primary we **raised \$2,500** on Tuesday for Exford Primary School. I heard many heart-warming stories of children emptying their money boxes etc.

**LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP:** I know the students from Melton South Primary at the Lightning Premiership today will show great sportsmanship and teamwork in the three sports - football, netball and tee ball.

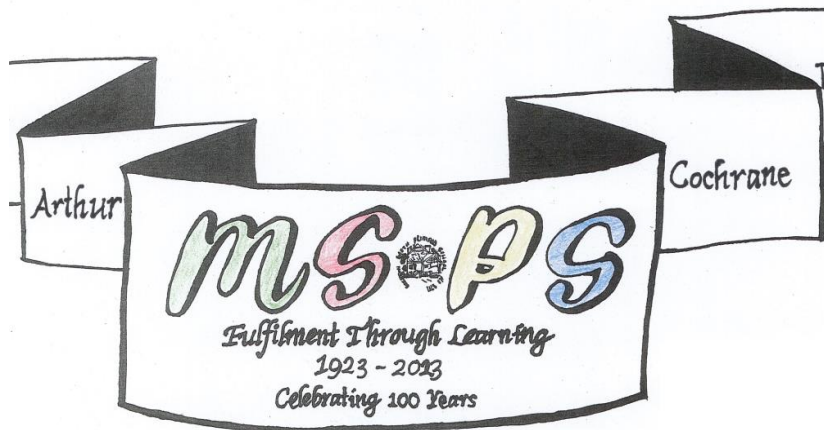
Mrs Costigan



Melton South Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri People as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we learn and play. We value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and culture. We recognise the First People's connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respects to Elders, both past, present and emerging.



May 26th is National Sorry Day. At Melton South Primary school we remember and acknowledge the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were forcibly removed from their families and communities, which we now know as 'The Stolen Generations'. This date carries great significance for the Stolen Generations and other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



#### **CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS UPDATE**

At the Grade 3- 6 assembly this week Mrs Costigan let students know that there will be a big celebration coming up in October for our centenary. Please keep an eye out for our advertising and spread the word for the event close to the date! We are now advertising the Facebook group dedicated to celebrating our Centenary. You can join the group by searching "[Melton South Primary School - Celebrating 100 Years](#)" to share your stories, photos and to be informed of upcoming information. We also have an email dedicated to all Centenary enquiries at: [100Years@meltonsthps.vic.edu.au](mailto:100Years@meltonsthps.vic.edu.au)

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

	NAME	REASON FOR AWARD		NAME	REASON FOR AWARD
<b>PD</b>	Samuel	For writing the sounds that he hears in words. Well done Samuel!	<b>3B</b>	Zoya	For working super hard on her reading and writing and seeing amazing results.
<b>PE</b>	Ben	For working hard at making good choices during class time.	<b>3C</b>	Asui	For always putting care, effort and neatness into her class work.
<b>PF</b>	Sarhid	For working hard to participate in learning.	<b>3D</b>	Harmaheel	Sharing your thoughts and opinions respectfully during class discussions.
<b>1A</b>	Marla	For achieving an amazing 94 nights of reading!	<b>3F</b>	Harry	For using the partitioning strategy when solving addition problems.
<b>1B</b>	Leonardo	For working hard super hard with your high frequency words and achieving all your triangle words.	<b>5A</b>	Inoke	Working super hard in reading. Your growth you have made and the effort you have put in towards your reading goals is super! Well done!
<b>1C</b>	Evie Oliver	For showing resilience in writing her autobiography about her life. For showing 5-star behaviour during class time.	<b>5B</b>	Joshua	For writing an information text with interesting information about Liberia.
<b>1D</b>	Tekaai	For using number lines and diagrams to solve subtraction problems. Great thinking!	<b>5C</b>	Lewis	For showing resilience when faced with difficult situations.
<b>1E</b>	Jyrah	For using mental strategies to solve subtraction problems. Well done!	<b>5E</b>	Thyrone	For his impressive research of countries from around the world.
<b>2A</b>	Ali	For his enthusiasm when practising his letters and sounds every day.	<b>5F</b>	Annalee	For being a role model and assisting others in the classroom.
<b>2B</b>	Alex	For his amazing writing of an information text about hot air balloons.	<b>6E</b>	Samantha	Designing a creative habitat, out of paper, for an endangered animal.
<b>2C</b>	Zaide	For writing an excellent recount about the grade 2 train excursion to Bacchus Marsh.	<b>6E</b>	Harvir	For being able to clearly explain the differences between two forms of government in his compare and contrast essay.
<b>2D</b>	Piula Tyson	For writing an excellent recount about the grade 2 train excursion to Bacchus Marsh. For sharing his thoughts and opinions respectfully during class discussions.	<b>PE</b>	Paige 6D	For collaborating well in her group to create and rehearse her gymnastics routine.
<b>2E</b>	Jackson	For writing an excellent recount about the Grade 2 train excursion To Bacchus Marsh.	<b>PE</b>	Jeanine 2B	For showing improvement when completing static shapes during gymnastics. Well done!
<b>2F</b>	Levi	For showing great improvement in his reading	<b>STEAM</b>	Jack 6D	Congratulations earned for showing a growth mindset with his "Banksy" project.

**MELTON SOUTH  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **PYJAMA DAY FUNDRAISER**

ON TUESDAY, MSPS HELD A SPECIAL PYJAMA DAY TO RAISE FUNDS IN SUPPORT OF OUR EXFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEIGHBOURS. THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF OUR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY, WE RAISED OVER \$2,500!

OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THE STUDENTS, FAMILIES AND STAFF AT EXFORD AS THEY RECOVER AND HEAL.



# **THANK YOU!**

# PE NEWS

## After School Sports

There are still plenty of spots left for After School Sports this term 3:30-4:30 in the gym.

Monday: Lawn Bowls

Thursday: AFL



## Walk Safely to School Day

Congratulations to all those students and families who participated in Walk to School Day on Friday 19th May. Well Done to the following classes who had the most walkers:

1st Place: 6A

2nd Place: 5A

3rd Place: 5C



**JOIN THE JUNIOR PARKRUN FAMILY**  
**WALK, JOG, RUN, VOLUNTEER**  
or simply come and watch – it's up to you!

<b>FAMILY-FRIENDLY 2K EVENTS</b> Every Sunday morning	<b>FOR 4-14 YEAR OLDS</b> Adults can join in with the kids too!
<b>EVERYONE WELCOME</b> Walk, jog, run, hop, skip or jump - it's up to you!	<b>FREE &amp; EASY TO TAKE PART</b> No special kit needed - wear whatever you like!
<b>HAVE FUN BEING ACTIVE</b> Share high fives and big smiles!	<b>MAKE FRIENDS</b> Meet lots of new people!
<b>LEARN NEW SKILLS</b> Kids can volunteer in lots of roles!	<b>FEEL HAPPY AND PROUD</b> Try your best and celebrate your achievements!



*"We all do it together as a family. The volunteers are really nice, it's fun and you can walk if you want to!"*

Register at [parkrun.com.au](http://parkrun.com.au)  
and head down to your local junior parkrun event!

**notes:**  
Eynesbury Heritage Trail junior parkrun - Eynesbury Discovery Centre Carpark  
Every Sunday 8am

## SWPBS BADGE EARNERS

Each day, MSPS students work their way up the learning ladder through following our school values, showing Respect, Kindness, and striving to do their best every day. When they reach the top they are recorded with an Outstanding day on their token acknowledgement chart. When a student reaches a significant milestone of Outstanding days, they earn a badge, here is where we celebrate students who have worked hard to achieve their milestone badges.

	Name, Grade (P,1)	Name, Grade (2,3,4)	Name, Grade (5,6)
			Mehnaz, Levi, Nandar, Ghazala, Ariel, Rose, Thyrone, Jasper, Atif (5E)
		Larissa, Amelia, Flynn, Spencer, Kuea, Manveer, Asui, Boyoris (3C)	Mia 5A



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - Information for Parents

#### APPLICATIONS FOR CSEF CLOSE FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2023.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school camps, excursions and sporting activities ensuring that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

**If you hold a valid means-tested 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, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount is \$125 for primary school students.

**2023 CSEF Application forms are available from the school office or on Compass.**

Please ensure that forms are fully and correctly completed in legible writing, incomplete applications may not be processed. You also need to present your current Health Care Card to the office for photocopying.

For more information about CSEF visit: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

# What are the students currently learning?

## **Prep: Investigation Unit – Traditional Fairy Tales**

**Students will learn...** about the place of traditional tales in cultures and some of their characteristics such as the opening sentence of 'Once upon a time', the 'magical' aspects of the stories and the type of characters in those stories e.g. princesses and princes.

## **Grade 1: Investigation Unit – Author Study: Allison Lester**

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

## **Grade 2: Investigation Unit – Author Study: Jackie French**

**Students will learn...** about the author, Jackie French and her inspiration to write books. They will investigate closely her craft including language choice such as figurative language and sentence fluency. choice of illustrations, common themes across multiple books, and connections to the author's own experience. Students will learn to construct questions with different stems (what, how, when, why) to match a given range of answers, for example retelling a Jackie French story.

## **Grade 3: Investigation Unit – Living Together: Celebrations and Commemorations**

**Students will explore...** the history and diversity of their community and the celebrations and commemorations, symbols and emblems important to aboriginal and non-indigenous communities, including Remembrance Day, ANZAC Day, Mabo day, Reconciliation Week, Sorry day, Djerriwarrh festival (relating the name to reconciliation), Harmony day, NAIDOC Week. Students will think about their own cultural traditions and where they come from. They will reflect on the impact of their own values and cultural practices on intercultural experiences, and build an understanding of the importance of mutual and self-respect.

## **Grade 4: Investigation Unit – First Fleet**

**Students will learn...** about the voyages of discovery and about the factors that influenced Britain's decision to settle Australia. They will learn about the range of crimes and the reasons behind the crimes committed by men, women and children that led to their sentence and deportation. They will read about the experiences of the convicts and marines during the voyage of the first fleet and the hardships experienced during the first years of attempting to settle in Australia's harsh environment. They will consider the perspectives of both the European settlers and Australia's indigenous people during this time. They will consider the influences of the past that have shaped Australia as we know it today.

## **Grade 5: Investigation Unit – Author Study: Gary Crew**

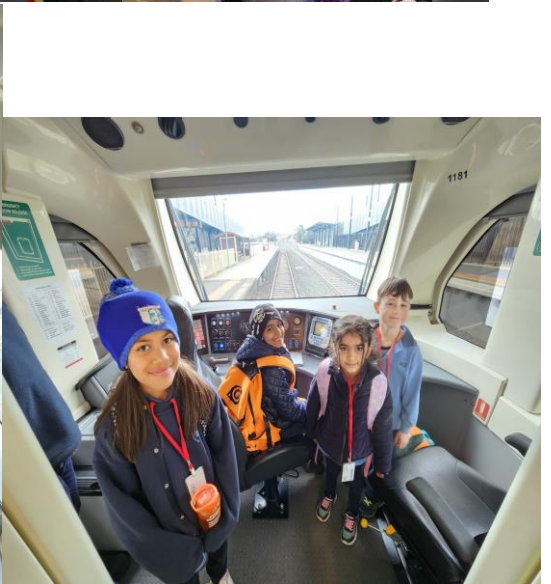
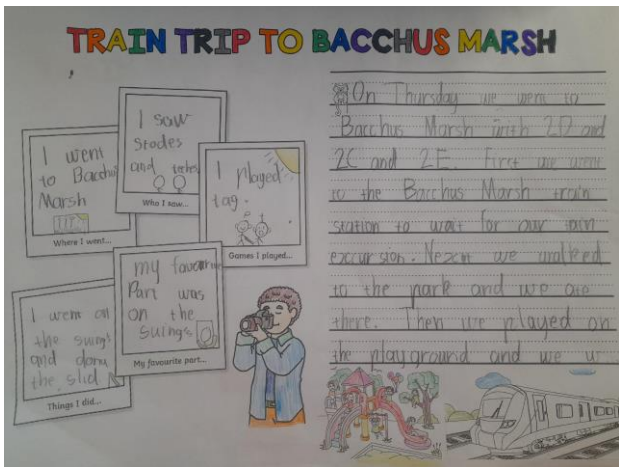
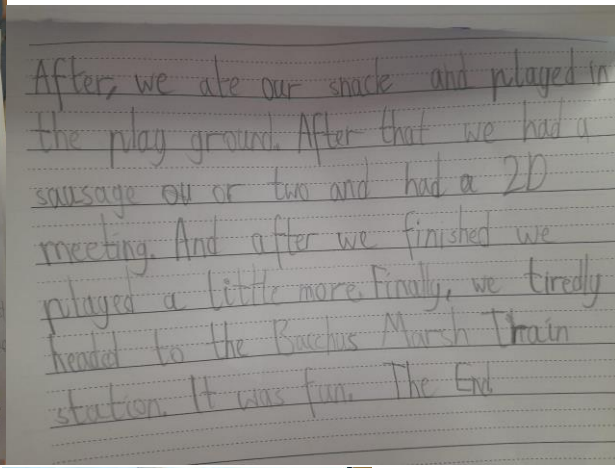
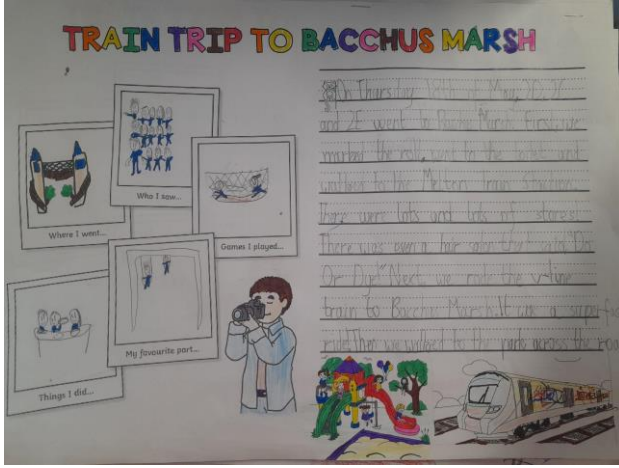
**Students will...** delve deeply into the life of the author, Gary Crew and his body of work. They will be able to make connections between the author's life and his work as well as make personal connections between their own experiences and those of his characters. The students will focus on the themes, characters, and writing style in Gary Crew's books. They will understand that an author's writing style describes how the author uses word choice, sentence structure and figurative language to establish mood, images and meaning in the text. The students will learn how to use Gary Crew's work as a model for their own writing.

## **Grade 6: Investigation Unit – Australia as a Nation**

**Students will...** continue their study of Australia from colonisation covered in Grade Five to the development of Australia as a nation, particularly after 1900. They will examine significant events and people, explore factors that led to Federation and understand the significance of Australia's British heritage and the Westminster system. The students will learn about the way of life of people who migrated to Australia and their contributions to Australia's economic development, including the status and rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

# Grade 2 Train Excursion to Bacchus Marsh

Despite the terrible Melbourne weather, last week the Grade 2 students participated in a very exciting excursion where they caught the V-line train to Bacchus Marsh (some students had never caught a train before so this was extra special!). They ate their snack, played on the adventure playground, and ate delicious sausages for lunch. Some very lucky Grade 2 students even got to experience the life of a train driver and explore the train driver's area!





## COMMUNITY NEWS

LOCAL EVENTS for further information log on to <https://meltonlearning.com.au/> or call 03 9747 7200



# Melton South Community Centre Inc



**Office Hours:** 9:30am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday

**Street Address :** 41 Exford Road, Melton South

**Postal Address:** PO Box 2010, Melton South, Victoria 3338

**Phone:** (03) 9747 8576 **Fax:** (03) 9747 0677

**Email:** [msscctr@bigpond.net.au](mailto:msscctr@bigpond.net.au)

## Food Parcels

Food parcels are available every Friday, **excluding public holidays**, from 10:30am. Speak to one of the friendly volunteers at the courtyard gate, and you will be advised when to come back to collect your parcel. You will be given a 15-minute window in which you must return to collect your food – returning earlier or later than your specified time may result in your parcel being forfeited.

Due to demand and social distancing requirements, it is asked that you follow guidelines and not wait at the centre/gates for extended periods of time or before 10:30am, particularly as the carpark is inundated.

In order to access the food parcel service, you must be a resident of the City of Melton, and hold a current Centrelink concession or health care card. A \$3.00 donation is required in order to cover the cost of food supplies, so that we can continue to provide essentials for the community. For the sake of comfort and convenience, please bring your own bags where possible.

Parcels contain a variety of food staples, including milk, bread, fresh curry, pasta and rice dishes, and fresh fruit and vegetables. Food is supplied by Foodbank Victoria, and parcels are assembled by our amazing team of volunteers.

Volunteers are always required to assist with this valuable service – particularly now, as demand is greater than ever. If you would like to lend a hand, please contact the centre on 9747 8576.

## Men's Fella-Ship Group

**Free**

**New Group**

Come along and have a chat, a cuppa and participate in activities and outings. Great if you would like to get out of the house.

Wednesdays 1:00 – 3:00pm Contact: Centre 9747 8576 for details

## Melton South Knit & Natter (includes crocheting as well)

**Free**

If you would like to learn to knit or crochet or enjoy doing it, then come along and join in on the fun. BYO materials.

Mondays 10:00am – 12noon

Contact: Centre 9747 8576 for details

# Computer Use For Job Search

**Free**

One-hour sessions available to search the internet for job-related sites or to create or update resumes.

Contact Centre 9747 8576 for more details Bookings are required.

# Melton South Community Singers

**Free**

If you enjoy singing then come along and join the fun. Includes some performances at different venues.

Tuesdays 10:30am – 12noon (2nd & 4th of each month)

Contact Sue 0400 082 413 for details

# Neighbourhood Group

A fun group of ladies offering friendship, crafts, games, cards, outings and guest speakers. All welcome. The cost is \$2 weekly to the group leader, which covers afternoon tea, special lunches including Christmas.

Wednesdays 1:00 – 3:00pm

Contact: Centre 9747 8576 for details



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Aboriginal Corporation:  
Founded by Friendship  
Inspired by Community

#### OPENING HOURS

Mon – Fri: 9am – 4pm

Saturday: Open for community events

Sunday: Closed

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

26 Exford Rd Melton South, 3338 Australia

[yaama@kirripaboriginalcorporation.org](mailto:yaama@kirripaboriginalcorporation.org)

(03) 8088 0764

# Term two schedule

## STUDY BUDDIES

4:00pm - 5:30pm

Running weekly from Monday  
the 1st of May.

## ELDERS GROUP

11:00am - 2:00pm

## YOUTH GROUP

4:30pm - 6:00pm

Running Weekly from Tuesday  
the 2nd of May.

## MEN'S GROUP

5:00pm - 6:30pm

Running fortnightly from Wednesday  
the 3rd of May.

## WOMEN'S GROUP

11:00am - 2:00pm

Running fortnightly from Friday  
the 12th of May.

**TERM TWO**  
**2023**



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Identified  
counsellors available  
to all Aboriginal and  
Torres Strait Islander  
youth and families.



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