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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 June 2nd 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 29th – June 6th

Thursday June 1st

Thursday June 8th

Friday June 9th

Monday June 12th

Thursday June 15th

Thursday June 15th

Wed June 21st – Fri June

23rd Thursday June 22nd

Friday June 23rd

TERM 3:

Tuesday July 11th

Thursday July 13th

Smile Squad Detail 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.

Access Student REPORTS via COMPASS

Parent/Teacher interviews

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

FUNDING: The Victorian Government is investing record funding in our schools to make Victoria the Education State and give every student access to a great local school and education.

Our school has been allocated \$21.3 million in the School Upgrade Delivery Fund to upgrade and modernise our school including classrooms and staff buildings, main classroom wing and to build a new classroom block. This is an exciting time for our community. We will work closely with our School Council and the Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA) to deliver an outcome that will benefit the entire community.

To prepare for the upgrade, we will complete an Asset Management Plan (AMP) over the next 11 weeks. The AMP is a long-term document that helps to plan for a school's future. The plan identifies, organises and prioritises the building works required at a school – ensuring students have access to educational facilities that prepare them to thrive in the 21st century. This will help ensure our building plans support our educational direction and long-term vision for the school.

We will be sharing updates on this and will be running some sessions to gather input from our teachers and staff as well as parents/carers and surrounding community. We will also involve our students to listen to their unique and very important perspective. We will share further details about information sessions and a survey we would like you to fill in. For further information please contact the school via email: melton.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au

PARENT HELPERS: I have had feedback from some parents who would like to assist with reading in the classrooms. We will be conducting a parent information session in the next couple of weeks, date to be advised.

LOST PROPERTY: We have so many jumpers in lost property that do not have names on them. If they are named, we can return these to the children.

ASSEMBLIES: I went to the Prep -2 assembly on Monday. It was a pleasure to see the students all together, singing our school song, acknowledging the students of the week and listening to Mrs Kelly's grade 2 singing and signing "I am Australian".

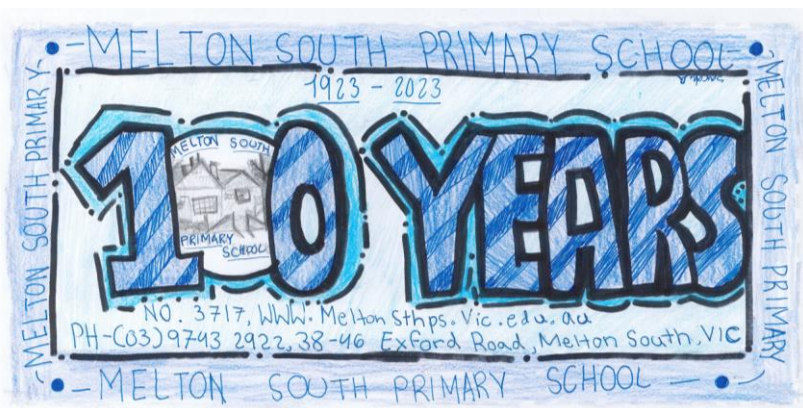
SCHOOL SONG:

We are the kids from Melton South,
 We are the best without a doubt,
 We love to work, run and play,
 School is great in a special way.
 There's tolerance, care and honesty,
 Fairness, respect and responsibility,
 Cooperation and when the day is done,
 Fulfilment through learning is really fun.

Marilyn Costigan
 Principal



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.



CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS UPDATE

From Term 2 onwards we will be holding other events to celebrate our Centenary milestone. 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




STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

	NAME	REASON FOR AWARD		NAME	REASON FOR AWARD
PA	Gavin	For listening to his sounds when writing new words.	3B	Olivia	For her amazing growth in reading. I can see how hard you are working. Well Done!
PB	Abdisalam	For settling into our classroom and giving everything a go.	3C	Xavier	For being an excellent role model sitting on the floor, listening and following instructions

PE	Jelyna	For displaying leadership skills during small groups.	3D	Aurora Ofa	For assisting your peers when skipping during Grade 3 Sport. For your effort and enthusiasm during Reading sessions. Keep up the great work!
PF	Noah-Jaxson	For using a growth mindset when completing learning tasks.	3E	Kathleen	For her continued growth in reading. Keep working hard!
1C	Ariah Marley	For showing a growth mindset in completing her 'fact family' activity. For showing resilience when completing learning tasks.	3F	Tye Christian	For using his knowledge of partitioning to subtract two-digit numbers! Super work. For bringing a growth mindset to class this week and attempting all tasks independently.
1D	Xzavier	For applying himself to improve his decoding skills and fluency in reading.	3G	Miracle	For her using her growth mindset to solve addition and subtraction problems using partitioning.
1E	Joyce	for improving decoding skills and being persistent.	4A	Jivtesh	For a great introduction to his cause and effect written piece on the First Fleet.
2B	Connor	For his amazing efforts in writing about Spiderman 2 and using noun groups in his writing.	4B	Moudy Sarah	For his enthusiastic contributions to class discussions on our Investigations unit on the First Fleet. For always offering to help others, being a kind and caring member of our class.
2C	Ansharah	For her hard-working effort when creating her subtraction think board in mathematics.	4C	Gaberilla	For her outstanding improvement on her addition test. Well done!
2D	Noah	For being an excellent ICT helper when we were learning to copy, paste, save and use Word documents!	4E	Jack Zainab	For his amazing drawing of the First Fleet ship, "The Alexander" For settling into her new grade with a positive attitude.
2E	Amelia	For always being a helpful member of our classroom.	5A	Kayleigh	For outstanding improvement in all areas of your studies. Keep working hard!
2F	Adalyn Peyton	For great work on her transport projects on planes. For producing an excellent Slideshow on trains for her transport project.	5B	Ruby	For her effort and research in creating information texts on different countries.
PArts	Liam 2B Fano 2C	Excellent dancing in Performing Arts	5D	Mason	For his amazing country poster and presentation. Well done!
PE	Alyssah Avinoor (Prep F)	For her positive feedback to groups about their gymnastics routine. For trying her best during our gymnastics unit. Well done!	5E	Onge	for showing enthusiasm when researching countries of the world.
STEAM	Jacobi 6D	Outstanding skills in STEAM.	5F	Marshall	For a fantastic homework project on a country.
LOTE	Jett 5D	For answering all the questions correctly in French.	6A	lang	Her positive and 'can do' attitude towards her own learning.
6D	Willow	For increased contributions to class discussions.	6B	El	For making a wonderful Black-footed Ferret habitat.

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.

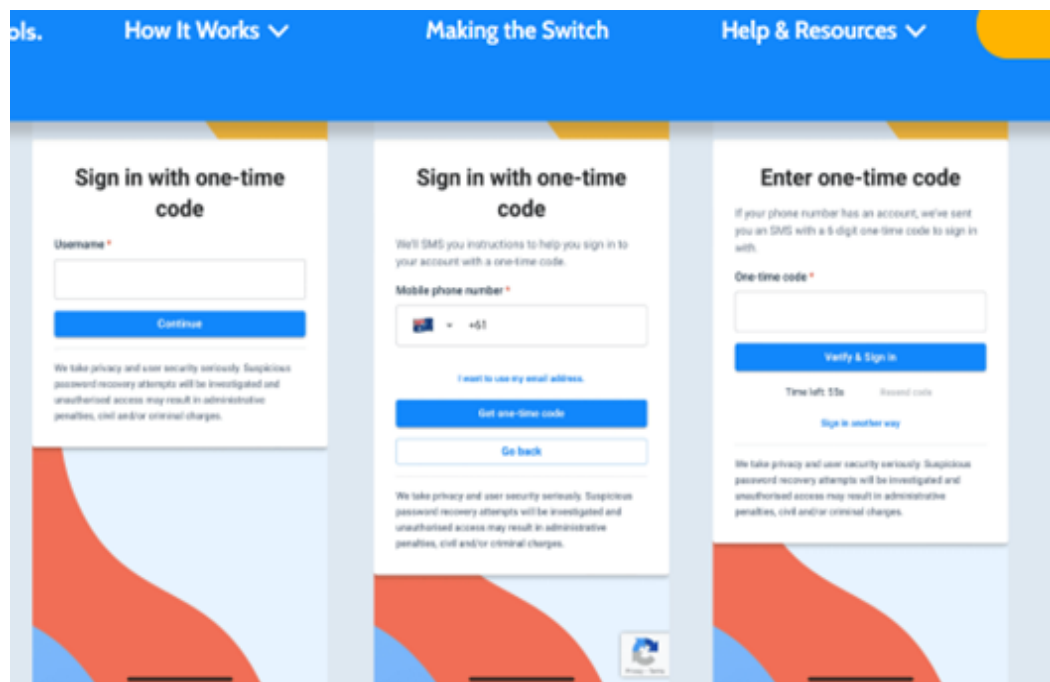
	Name, Grade (P,1)	Name, Grade (2,3,4)	Name, Grade (5,6)
		Krystal (2F) Levi (2F) Azarius (2F) Zainab (4E)	Tristen, Agam, Samuel, Haylee, Ray, Shehbaaz (6B)
		Navnoor (2F) James, Xavier, Abdullah, Xander (3C) Annika (4B) Noah (2D) Savannah (2D)	Ghazala, Jasper (5E)
		Asui (3C)	

Added security for Compass

OTP Login for Mobile App

Forgotten passwords will be a thing of the past with our latest update to the Compass app. Users can now log into the Compass app with a one-time passcode using their mobile number or email address. This feature removes the need for a password, increases data protection and improves the app experience for parents and carers. Learn more by clicking the link below.

<https://www.compass.education/post/feature-update-otp-login-for-mobile-app>



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>

Great News!



From 10 July 2023,
child care will be cheaper
for most families.

If your family earns under \$530,000, you'll get an increased Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

Our Before, After School and Holiday programs are designed to support school communities and busy families. We provide an engaging and educational environment for children to form friendships, learn life skills and prepare them for life beyond the classroom.

The changes to CCS will provide up to 50% off fees! This means even more families can access quality programs such as our 'Rise then Shine' before school program, 'Stay and Play' after school program, and our Ultimate Playdate School Holiday programs at a very affordable rate.

All of our 460+ services across Australia are registered and approved by the Australian Government to ensure parents at our services can access CCS.

In most cases, you don't need to do anything to get the increased rate. If you get CCS, changes to your CCS will be automatically applied from 10 July 2023.

What if I don't currently get CCS and want to apply?

If your family earns under \$530,000 and meets the following requirements, you'll get an increased Child Care Subsidy (CCS) from 10 July 2023.

You or your partner must meet all of the following:

- care for your child at least 2 nights per fortnight, or have 14% care
- are liable for fees for care provided at an approved child care service. Every centre we run across Australia is registered and approved by the Australian Government
- meet the [residence rules](#).

Your child must also meet both of these:

- [Immunisation requirements](#)
- not be attending secondary school unless an exemption applies.

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How much can I get?

The Child Care Subsidy amount you're eligible for will be based on the following:

- your family's income
- the hourly rate cap based on the type of approved child care you use and your child's age
- the hours of activity you and your partner do
- the number of children in your care. The amount of subsidised childcare you can access per fortnight applies to each child.

You can use this [Payment and Service Finder](#) to estimate how much Child Care Subsidy (CCS) you may get.

How do I make a claim?

You need to set aside about 30 minutes to do the following:

1. Create a MyGov account and link it to Centrelink. If you've claimed a payment before, you can use your [Centrelink Customer Reference Number \(CRN\)](#) to link Centrelink to myGov.
2. Provide your identity. You can do this by providing one document from each of the following lists:
 - a) Australian birth certificate, Australian citizenship certificate, Australian passport, Australian Visa
 - b) Australian driver license, Australian Certificate of Registration by Descent, ImmiCard
 - c) You may also need to enter some details from your Medicare card.
3. As you complete your claim, you may be asked for certain documents or information. These will show as required in your claim. Documents may include:
Tax File Number, child's birth certificate, financial records, employment details (pay-slip) Health Card, relationship status, residence details if you have lived outside of Australia.
4. Confirm your enrolment by asking your childcare service for your enrolment details then confirm them by using your [Centrelink online account through myGov](#). Select Family from the menu, followed by Child Care then Enrolments.

For help, use this [online guide](#) to [confirm your child's enrolment details](#).

What happens next?

Once your claim has been processed you will receive an Assessment Notice either by regular mail or via your MyGov Inbox.

The Assessment Notice will inform you of the following:

- if you're eligible
- the childcare fee assistance you'll receive
- the annual cap that applies to you
- the withholding amount.

If you are eligible, the payment will be automatically applied to the fees billed by your childcare service. You don't have to do anything else.

It is your responsibility to then keep your information up to date. You can do this by regularly checking your details are correct in MyGov and tell them if:

- your family's income changes
- your or your partner's activity levels change
- your relationship status changes
- there are any other changes to your or your partner's circumstances.

Your information about your family circumstances needs to be accurate so you receive the correct amount of CCS.

How can I get help?

If you get stuck or need any assistance, give us a call on +61 1300 395 735

If you require more information about the changes to CCS, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/changes-if-you-get-family-payments

