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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 October 6th 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 9th October 2023

Thursday 12th October 2023

Tuesday 17th October 2023

Wednesday 18th October 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Saturday 21st October 2023

Monday 23rd October 2023

Wednesday 25th October 2023

Wednesday 25th October 2023

Wednesday 1st November 2023

Thursday 2nd November 2023

Monday 6th November 2023

Tuesday 7th November 2023

Wednesday 8th November 2023

Friday 10th November 2023

Saturday 11th November 2023

Monday 13th November 2023

Thursday 16th November 2023

Monday 20th November 2023

Friday 24th November 2023

Friday 1st December 2023

Monday 4th December 2023

Monday 11th December 2023

Tuesday 12th December 2023

Tuesday 12th December 2023

Monday 18th December 2023

Wednesday 20th December 2023

Whole school assembly 2.30-3.00pm

AFL 9s Grade 3&4

WMR Regional Athletics at Keilor

Rugby League Grade 5&6

Mini Athletics Prep & Grade 1

Centenary GALA 10am-3pm

Whole school assembly 2.30-3.00pm

Grade 4 Ballarat Wildlife Park excursion

Grade 3/4 Touch Rugby

Grade 2 Mini Athletics

Grade 1 Animal incursion

REPORT WRITING DAY – student free

Melbourne Cup day – student free

Grade 5 Melbourne excursion

Grade 3&4 T-20 Cricket

DJERRIWARRAH FESTIVAL (MSPS parade entry)

Session 1: Prep Orientation 9.15-10.45am

Grade 3&4 Soccer

Whole school assembly 2.30-3.00pm

CURRICULUM DAY – student free

Session 2: Prep Orientation 9.15-10.45am

Whole school assembly 2.30-3.00pm

Grade 6 GRADUATION

Session 3: Prep Orientation 9.15-10.45am

Grade 6 Orientation

REPORTS open on COMPASS for parents/carers to access

Last day of term 4 – Early dismissal 1.15pm

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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

SUN SMART: Melton South Primary is an accredited Sun Smart School. Students need to wear a navy broad brimmed hat at recess and lunch times and during their Physical Education sessions. Hats can be purchased from the office for \$12.

GALA DAY: Our Gala Day celebrating 100 years is being held on Saturday the 21st of October. Tickets are free however need to be pre-booked for planning purposes at <https://compasstix.com/e/z0tbdklupe> See the flyer attached to the newsletter for activities on the day.

DIARY DATES: As you can see from the above diary dates we are in for a very busy term with lots of sporting activities, excursions, prep orientation and our grade 6 graduation. We are also returning to whole school assemblies to be held fortnightly.

2024: If you know your child/ren will not be attending Melton South Primary in 2024 please let us know at the office or email : melton.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au This will assist us with planning for 2024.

GRADES 2024: Teachers devote many hours to the development of grades, taking many factors into consideration. If you have any specific requests, please put them into writing to the Principal marked Confidential and hand in to the office by Friday the 27th of October. You may send an email to melton.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au subject - Attention Principal.

All requests will be given due consideration.

BINAP PRIMARY SCHOOL: The new school in Brookfield will be opening in 2024. It will be zoned as all Government schools are in Melton. To find out if you are in the zone: Google Find my School and type in your address, select enrolment year and primary school. If you decide to enrol your child/ren at the new school please email me on melton.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au to assist us with planning for 2024. As your child/ren are already enrolled at Melton South Primary they can continue at our school if that is what you choose to do. If you do decide to enrol at Binap PS and you are not in our zone you won't be able to re-enrol at MSPS.

Marilyn Costigan
Principal



Be sure to keep an eye out on next week's newsletter for a list of all the amazing **raffle prizes** that have been donated and collected for the **CENTENARY GALA DAY RAFFLE on the 21st of October.** Tickets will be on sale on the day and \$2each or 3 for \$5



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

Memorabilia is still available to order through Compass and will be on sale on Saturday, October 21st during the Gala Open Day. Tickets are free however need to be pre-booked for planning purposes at <https://compasstix.com/e/z0tbdklupe>

We look forward to celebrating our schools' incredible milestone with you this year!

Grade 4 Reminder

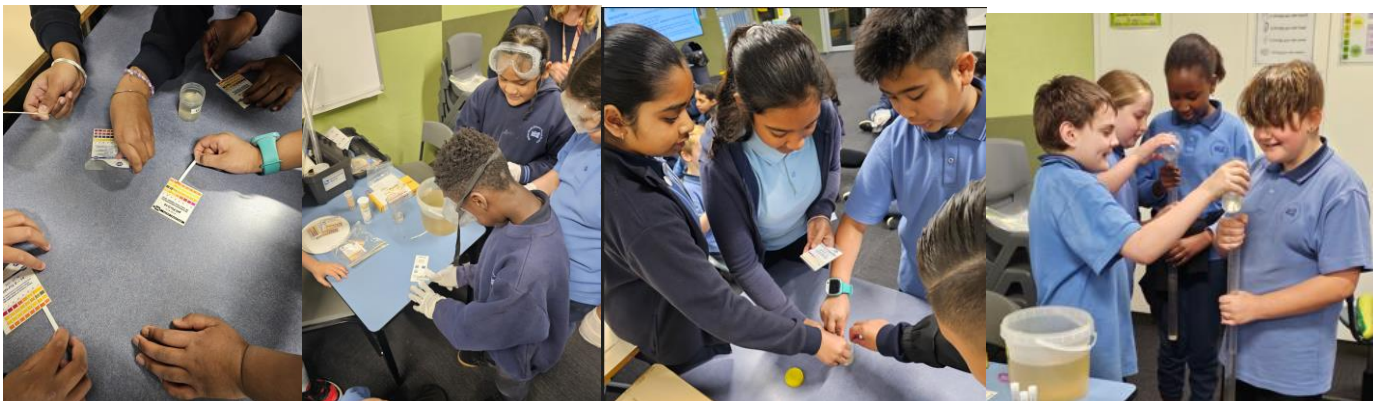
Ballarat Wildlife Park excursion - Wednesday 25th October.

The Grade 4 students and staff are very excited about our upcoming excursion to Ballarat Wildlife Park. We have had an amazing response to our call out for parent helpers. Thank you to all who have offered to volunteer their time on the day.

A reminder that consent and payment for the excursion is due soon (Thursday 19th October). Payments can be made through the Compass portal, by returning notes to your child's classroom teacher or at the office. CSEF may be used for those eligible.

Grade 4 Western Water Incursion

This week the Grade 4 students were visited by Western Water to complete an investigation on water quality and sustainability. Students were introduced to the idea of what is, and what is not, considered sustainable practices and were able to study the quality of a water sample through a variety of tests. The water was tested for its acidity (pH), phosphates and turbidity (clarity). The students concluded that the water sample was of excellent quality!






STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

	NAME	REASON FOR AWARD		NAME	REASON FOR AWARD
PB	Elizabeth	Being a respectful learner and listening to teacher instruction.	3A	Dejan	For sharing his incredible knowledge of the planets when discussing the solar system.
				Ahmed O	For taking on feedback, returning to his writing piece and extending it into a more detailed, interesting information text.
PD	Arhaam	For his positive attitude and great start to Melton South Primary School.	3B	Hunter	For calculating change efficiently during our maths lessons this week.
PE	Reuben	For working hard towards engaging positively with his peers.	3D	Jack	Being a Space expert and correctly ordering the objects of our solar system.
PF	Mason	For using a growth mindset during handwriting.	3E	Avitaj	For coming into 3E with a positive attitude to learning and settling in well!
1B	Hitesh	For using the sounds that he can hear in his writing.	3F	Tye	For trying your personal best when learning to bat in t-ball during Grade 3 Sport! You are a superstar.
1C	Indi	For working hard in using the correct punctuation in her writing. Well done Indi.	3G	Mikaels on	For his enthusiasm during Grade 3 Sport when he was learning the skills involved with t-ball.
1D	Tilly	For monitoring her reading and correcting her own mistakes.	4A	Lillyanne	For working hard to develop her understanding of improper fractions.
2A	Ava	For a great job using different coins to represent the same total value.	4B	Tyrese	For approaching our incursion about water quality and sustainability with interest and curiosity.
2B	Summer	For following all Melton South School Values and completing all her work tasks enthusiastically.	4C	Skyler	For always being a responsible, hard-working, student in 4C. Well done Skylar.
	Elaine	For completing a great persuasive piece of writing during the open cycle writing.			
2D	Ekas	For being an exceptional learner who willingly helps his classmates.	4D	Deng	For a fantastic effort converting improper fractions to mixed numbers.
	Arjun	For staying focused and smashing out his Maths activities!			
2E	Jackson	For taking the time to go back and improve his writing.	4E	Wyatt	For the enthusiasm and interest, he showed during the Western Water incursion.
2F	Agam	For showing great whole body listening during class discussions.	5A	Alex	For your determination in showing the relationship between multiplication and division. Keep working hard!
6D	Skylah	For her maturity and leadership.	5C	Ari	For showing an excellent understanding of the relationship between multiplication and division.
6E	Phoenix	For settling into her new grade and school confidently.	5D	Mason S	For having a great start to Term 4 and striving to do his best in writing and maths.
LOTE	Isla 3E	For using her greetings and participating nicely in class.	5F	Dakota	For persevering to solve division problems independently.
PArts	Emir 3A	For excellent original dancing in Performing Arts	6A	Mia	Her positive commitment and determination to make the most of her learning.
	Rose 5E	For her insightful understanding of how to use a close up in media arts.			
PE	Arianna	For participating in the Rugby League Clinics with enthusiasm and following the game rules.	6B	Ataahua	For writing a great diamante poem.
	Taanni 6A	For participating in the Rugby League Clinics with enthusiasm and assisting the grade 1's.			
STEAM	Aswad 5D	For his enthusiasm when experimenting with Sphero Robots.			

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)
	Catalaya 1C Indi 1C Oliver 1C Xiaoran 1C Guntas 1C Evie 1C Luna 1C Soimavi 1C Meerub 1C Muhammad 1C		
	Tryphosa 1C Hania 1C Bakshish 1C Meltony 1D Tilly 1D Serenity 1D Lucas 1D Ethan 1D		
		Eknoor 4B Sam 4B Moudy 4B Moiz 4B Lucky 4B Avni 2E	
		Japleen 4B	Richard 5A Lucas 5A
		Ariz 4B	

What are the students currently learning?

Prep: Investigation Unit – Author Study Aaron Blabey

Students will learn... about Aaron Blabey and his work. They will learn how to respond to the books written by Aaron Blabey, focusing on the themes and characters. They will learn about the author's life and how it impacts on his work.

Students will be reading and viewing... a variety of video clips and books written by Aaron Blabey.

Students will write... a response to literature text. They will briefly summarise one of Aaron Blabey's books, give their opinion on the text with evidence from the text and write about a connection they are able to make to the text.

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.

Students will be reading and viewing... Encarta Kids, Information Texts, Youtube clips and Zoo websites about living things.

Students will write... information Reports. They will write interesting facts about living things including habitat, adaptation, features and diet.

Grade 2: Investigation Unit – Our Place in Time

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.

Students will be reading and viewing... online texts to learn about Melton as a suburb of Melbourne and they will view videos about Melton in the past.

Students will write... a persuasive text as a brochure about what is great about Melton.

Grade 3: Investigation Unit – Spinning Out

Students will learn... about the Earth, the Moon and the Sun. They will learn about the relative sizes and movements of these 'heavenly bodies'. Students will learn about the rotation and revolution of the Earth. They will investigate sundials and how they work.

Students will be reading and viewing... science fiction texts and information texts on the Earth, Sun and Moon.

Students will write... a science fiction narrative text. They might write about living in cities on the Moon or futuristic inventions.

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.

Students will be reading and viewing... texts, video clips and maps to build knowledge about geographical and climatic areas of the world. They will investigate the types of human settlement around the world.

Students will write... a multimodal information text with a persuasive text structure on an investigation about the impact of humans on animals and their habitat.

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. The 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.

Students will be reading and viewing... informative texts on the values and attitudes underpinning citizenship as well as biographical texts on the lives of significant historical and contemporary individuals and the contributions these individuals and their actions make to the lives of others, their local communities, their nation and the global community.

Students will research and write... a biography on the life of a significant historical or contemporary individual who has made contributions to the lives of others, their communities, their nation or the global community. They will demonstrate their understanding of how the values of this individual lead to his/her work or activism.

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.

Students will be reading and viewing...texts on environmental characteristics and climate. They will do research on climate and how it produces hazards such as bushfires and floods. The students will research one natural disaster for a project.

Students will write...an explanation to explain how a natural disaster occurs and how it was managed. They will include a phenomenon identification statement introducing, describing, defining the phenomenon and an explanation sequence.

EXPO VIDEOS

Qantem Multimedia have professionally filmed our production of 'Through the Decades'.

You can order USB's (\$35) or a MP4 File download (\$25) by using the following link.

<https://www.trybooking.com/CLBA>

Ordering will close on 9am on Monday 9th October, and orders will be delivered the following week.

Book Club Issue 7 orders are due in by
Friday 20th of October.

You can order using the LOOP ordering system.

NO PAYMENTS to school, online ordering only.





6 Bottles (6L), Industrial Waste
 3 Popsicle (3P), Toxic Waste
 2-4 Cans (3-4C), Endangered Species
 Middle (J or R)
 6 Knit (6K), Climate Change
 4 Dolphin (4D), Deforestation
 2 Turtle (2T), Buildings
 Bottom (J or R)
 2 Noodle (2N), Light Pollution
 4 Marble (4M), Plastic Waste
 3 Doggie (3D), Appliances
 2-4 Ore (2-4O), Food



'Global Issues: Mattress as Trashion'
 These collaborative Waste-to-Art Trashion pieces were created to embody and partially characterize the important global issues of Deforestation, Plastic Waste, Buildings, Light Pollution, Endangered Species, Industrial Waste, Food, Toxic Waste, Climate Change and Appliances.
 In keeping with our school ethos of respecting the principles of *Mottosso* a Japanese term meaning "what a waste" these garments were created using up-cycled materials to emphasize the connection, lesson and created between our every day actions and the long term consequences to the planet.



October

This month's community landscape is Pakistan

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Monday دوشنبه	Tuesday سه شنبه	Wednesday چارشنبه	Thursday پنج شنبه	Friday جمعه	Saturday شنبه	Sunday یکشنبه
30	31 All Hallow's Eve (Christian) Hallow's World Cities Day (UN)					1 Daylight saving time begins International Day of Older Persons (UN)
2 Labour Day (NGW) International Day of Non-Violence Mahatma Gandhi's birthday Independence Day - Guinea	3 Day of German Unity - Germany National Foundation Day - Republic of Korea (South Korea)	4 World Animal Day Independence Day - Lesotho	5 World Teachers Day (UNESCO)	6	7 World Habitat Day (UN)	8
9 Term 4 begins Peter Norman Day World Post Day (UN)	10 National Day - Fiji National Day or Double Tenth Day - Republic of China (Taiwan)	11	12 Independence Day - Equatorial Guinea National Day - Spain	13	14	15 Navratri begins* (Hindu)
16 World Food Day (UN/FAO)	17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (UN)	18 Day of Filial Piety (Mandarin)	19 National Day - Nauru	20 Gurugadda (Installation) Day of Guru Granth Sahib Ji (Sikh)	21	22
23 Chang Young / Double Ninth Festival (Chinese cultural festival)	24 Diwali* (Hindu) United Nations Day (UN) Independence Day - Zambia	25 Universal Children's Day (Australia)	26 Birth of the Báb (Bábí) National Day - Austria	27 Teacher's Day (Australia) National Day - Saint Vincent and the Grenadines National Day - Turkmenistan	28 Kathina (Buddhist - Theravada Tradition) National Day - Czech Republic	29 Grandparents Day National Day - Turkey

Other events

1 October	Bocchora Burning of the Shrey Griffith Show National Day - China National Day - Cyprus National Day - Nigeria National Day - Palau Independence Day - Taiwan International School Libraries Month
1 - 31 October	World Space Week
4 - 10 October	World Space Week
6 - 13 October	Jummi / Feast of the Assembly (Yazidi)
7 October	Harbin Kim Festival
9 October	Norfolk Island Royal Show Thanksgiving Day (Canada) Independence Day - Uganda Hangul Day (South Korea) World Mental Health Day (WHO) Rye Greeny Smith Festival* National Waste Week
10 October	World Mental Health Day (WHO)
14 October	Rye Greeny Smith Festival*
15 - 21 October	Anti Poverty Week
16 - 21 October	National Waste Week
21 - 29 October	Children's Week
24 - 30 October	Disarmament Week (UN)
27 October	Birth of Báb'á Bahá'í (Báb'í)
27 Oct - 5 Nov	Jacaranda Festival, Griffin National Mosque Open Day*

Milestones

11 October	Coat of Arms of New South Wales granted by Royal Warrant 1906
26 October	Uluru handed back to the Anangu Pitjantjatjara People 1985



MELTON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

GALA

SATURDAY OCTOBER 21st
10.00am - 3.00pm

38-46 Exford Road Melton South



Opening ceremony
1923 classroom
1923-2023 photos & displays
Ye Old photo boards
Face Painting
BM concert/brass band
Old style games
Maze
Melton Radio
Entertainment

Plus: food stalls including
Sausage Sizzle, burgers, kebabs, Devonshire tea, twisty tatters,
GF cakes and lots more



CELEBRATE OUR 100yrs!