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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 27th 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

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

DJERRIWARAH 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

GALA DAY: What an amazing day we had on our Gala Day celebrating Melton South Primary School centennial year. It was great catching up with former staff, students and families. Many of our former students now have their children attending Melton South Primary. We heard so many stories from students who attended our school in the 1950's and 1960's. I would like to thank all of the volunteers who were on the planning committee and the rest of our staff who assisted in both setting up, attending the Gala Day and those who assisted in packing up after the event. I

am sure you will have noticed the new paintings on many walls around the school and also the House shields and mascots in the gym. The amazing artwork was all done by Colette Freund, one of our Education Support Staff. Colette was also responsible for the photo boards that were very popular on the gala day. The new time capsule will be buried, I am sure when it is opened in the future, education will have changed significantly.

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.

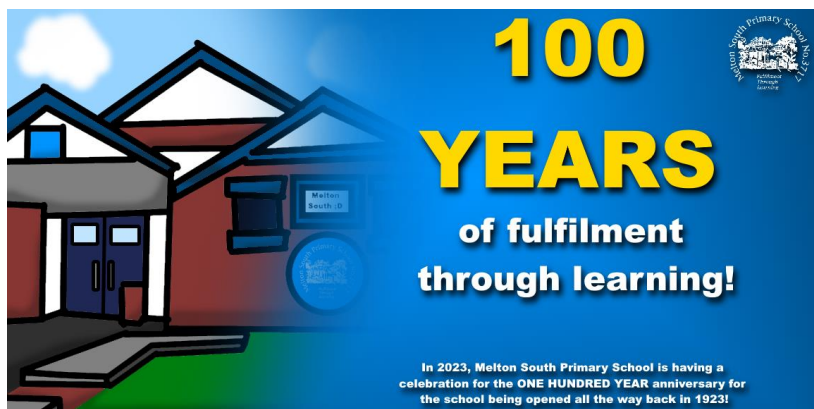
EVENTS: As you can see by the diary dates above we still have so many events to come between now and the end of the term in what has been a very busy year. Mrs Martin and students representing Melton South Primary in the Djerriwarrh Festival were busy at lunchtime yesterday rehearsing the dance they will do in the parade on Saturday the 11th of November.

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 tomorrow, **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.

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

On Saturday 21st of October we held our Centenary Gala. With approx. 3000 guests visiting throughout the day there was a lot of excitement with the Petting Zoo, Face painting, Basketball Clinics and Maze on the oval, as well as a lot of positive feedback on all of the memorabilia on display throughout the school buildings. Thank you to all our families who could attend, the staff who worked hard behind the scenes on the planning and organisation and was in attendance on the day and to all of the wonderful local businesses who donated to our raffles!

Grade 1 LIVING THINGS INCURSION

The grade 1s are learning about living things and how they adapt to changes in their environment.

On Thursday 2nd November the Grade 1s have an incursion, where students will get to view a range of reptiles, frogs, invertebrates, birds, and marsupials. Please note that final payments are due this **Monday 30th October** and no late payments will be accepted.







STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

	NAME	REASON FOR AWARD		NAME	REASON FOR AWARD
PA	Harata	Sharing a verbal summary of 'Pig the Pug' including important events.	3B	Ioane	For his amazing skip counting skills during our maths sessions. Thank you for helping others complete the task.
PB	Piper	For applying all strategies she has learnt when reading a new text.	3C	Kayden	For making a big improvement in his reading by working hard with his reading goals.
PE	Mahlia	Experimenting with finger spaces in her writing.	3E	Kathleen	For always being conscientious and willing to help others in the classroom.
PF	Declan P	For his fantastic summary in Reading.	3F	Harry	For creating an amazing light up planet as part of our investigation unit!
1B	Sanson	For showing a growth mindset while writing information texts.	3G	Logan	For being focused and determined when completing a guided drawing of an astronaut.
1C	Marley	For showing a growth mindset in writing an Information text about Turtles.	4A	Ruby	For always showing kindness to her peers and being a great role model!
1D	Tekaai	For his excellent number work on Essential Assessment tasks.	4B	M'Muya	For his impressive efforts towards improving his reading skills. Well Done!
2C	Sara Devan	For consistently displaying kindness towards her peers and teachers. For showing excellent growth and improvement in using his strategies when reading.	4C	Rocky	For his huge improvement with his attendance, great work we love having you in the classroom.
2D	Samantha	For always being the best bucket filler to everyone!	5A	Richard	For showing outstanding values in all areas of the curriculum, especially responsibility towards your own learning. Your passion towards your studies should be celebrated!
PArts	Lily 2E	Volunteering to demonstrate body percussion drills.	5B	Layla	For writing fantastic biographies with great structure and detail.
PE	3F Ngun Prep A Kc 1E Aleah	For working hard on her bowling during our cricket unit. For demonstrating great sportsmanship at Mini Athletics last week. For demonstrating great sportsmanship at Mini Athletics last week.	5C	Mahindo	For solving division worded problems using the short division strategy.
LOTE	Saggu 5C	For her wonderful French artwork.	6A	Honour	His amazing work when adding decimal numbers in Maths.
6E	Charm Harleen	For her interesting fact about hailstones. For working confidently on her snowstorm project.	6B	Nina and Tristen	For writing and delivering a wonderful speech for our MSPS Assembly.

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)
	Thomas 1D		
		Samantha 2D Lucky 4B Eknoor 4B Samuel 4B Luisa 4B Annika 4B Hudson 4B Preetika 4B Sarah 4B Moiz 4B	Latisha Scarlett Lauchlan
		M'Muya 4B Raiden 4B	Lebron L
			Guronkar Taribo

PE NEWS

3/4 Touch Rugby Gala Day

Congratulations to the Gr 3/4 Touch Rugby team who represented our school at Seabrook Reserve, Broadmeadows. Students were given the opportunity to meet players from the Women's Jillaroo National Rugby team. The team gave up their lunchtimes to train and work with Nathan from Melton Warriors. A big thank you to Nathan! The boys won 3 out of 3 games, with the girls winning one, drawing one and losing one. Well Done to both teams who played so well.



MINI ATHLETICS - Gr1 and PREPs

Congratulations and well done to all the prep and Gr 1 students who participated at the Melton South Mini Athletics on Friday 20th October. Students rotated through a range of activities that they have been practising in PE. Of course, the day couldn't have run without the help of the prep and Gr 1 staff and house captains. We look forward to having the Gr 2 day on Wednesday 2nd November.



Refugee Education Support Program 2021 - 2023

A huge congratulations to Melton South Primary School for completing the Refugee Education Support Program (RESP). Through RESP Melton South Primary School has implemented many supports to ensure we are continuing to be a welcoming place for students to attend of all cultures and experiences.

Some of these changes include:

- A Student led multicultural group
- A modified enrolment process to enable smoother transitions into the school
- Having our school website translated
- Having a mobile for the EAL team as a point of contact for families.
- An Interpreter line directly to the school
- Translated notes for important information
- Connecting with external agencies eg. centerlink, foundation house
- Sessions with Western Edge Youth Arts Program

We look forward to watching as more exciting changes unfold.



Melton South Primary School
Centenary Year 1923-2023

OFFICIAL MEMORABILIA

Celebrate our Centenary with a keepsake! We are taking pre-orders to ensure we have enough products, and items will be on sale during the Gala Event on October 21st 2023. Items will be available for pre-order between Monday July 31st and Friday September 1st 2023. Log into Compass to place an order for Centenary Celebration Orders.

PENS \$2



**BUMPER/
BOOK
STICKERS**

\$1.50



TOTE BAG \$2



CUPS \$10



**EXTREMELY
LIMITED!
ONE PER ORDER
\$20**



6 Bunnies (6), Industrial Waste
3 Puppets (3P), Textile Waste
2-4 Clowns (2-4C), Endangered Species
Middle (L to R)
4 Kull (4K), Climate Change
4 Dolphins (4D), Deforestation
3 Turtles (3T), Bushfires
Bottom (L to R)
2 Narwhal (2N), Light Pollution
4 Males (4M), Plastic Waste
3 Dragons (3D), Apartheid
2-4 Deer (2-4D), Flood



'Global Issues Motivate Traditions'
 These collaborative Wearable Art Traditions pieces were created to explore and present characteristics of the important global issues of Deforestation, Plastic Waste, Bushfires, Light Pollution, Endangered Species, Industrial Waste, Floods, Textile Waste, Climate Change and Apartheid.
 In keeping with our school ethos of respecting the principles of *Maitiara*, a Japanese word meaning "what a waste", these garments were created using up-cycled materials to emphasize the connection, learnt and created between our every day actions and the long term repercussions to the planet.



October

The month's community language is Farsi

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Monday دوشنبه	Tuesday سه شنبه	Wednesday چهارشنبه	Thursday پنج شنبه	Friday جمعه	Saturday شنبه	Sunday یکشنبه
30	31 All Hallow's Eve (Christian) Hallow'e'en World Cities Day (UN)					1 Daylight saving time begins International Day of Older Persons (UN)
2 Labour Day (NSW) 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 al-Fil least (Mushawra)	19 National Day - Nauru	20 Gurguddi (Installation) Day of Guru Granth Sahib Ji (Sikh)	21	22
23 Chang Young/Double Ninth Festival (Chinese cultural festival)	24 Dussehra* (Hindu) United Nations Day (UN) Independence Day - Zambia	25 Universal Children's Day (Australia)	26 Birth of the Bab (Baha'i) 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	Bovvosa Banning of the Sheep Griffith Show National Day - China National Day - Cyprus National Day - Nigeria National Day - Palau Independence Day - Tuvalu
1-31 October	International School Libraries Month
4-10 October	World Space Week
6-13 October	Janani /Tenz of the Assembly (Ladakh)
7 October	Harden Kin Festival
9 October	Norfolk Island Royal Show Thanksgiving Day (Canada) Independence Day - Uganda Hangud Day (South Korea)
10 October	World Mental Health Day (WHO)
14 October	Ryde Granby Smith Festival*
15-21 October	Anti-Poetry Week
16-22 October	National Water Week
21-29 October	Children's Week
24-30 October	Disarmament Week (UN)
27 October	Birth of Baha'u'lah (Baha'i)
27 Oct - 5 Nov	Jacaranda Festival, Grafton
28 October	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



Burmese Health and Wellbeing Group

Come and spend some time enjoying relaxation and connection with others. We are exploring different ways to care for yourself as a parent as well as going to places such as pools to destress.

Community child carers available to look after younger children.

When: Every Wednesday from 9:30-11:30

Where: Room 56

For more information please text or call Derinda on 0481 330 233



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အချိန်- ဗုဒ္ဓဟူးနေ့တိုင်း **9:30** မှ **11:30** ထိ

Where : အခန်း ၅၆

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families are invited to come to a yarning circle at Melton South Primary School to share your experiences of Melton South Primary School and how the school can better support you and your children.

Cheryl Cooper, who is one of the Koorie Education Support Officer's (KESO 's) that work in the Brimbank Melton Area will be running these sessions.

Your input is valuable and we would love to see you there.

It will be very informal, so if you can only attend for a short time, or one day, you are still very welcome. Morning tea will be provided. While your kids will stay in class for the session, if you have pre-schoolers, feel free to bring them along, and we will have staff available to set them up with activities.

Thursday 2/11 9.15am - 10.30am meet and greet

Thursday 9/11 9.15am - 10.30am parents invited to give feedback

For further information, please feel free to call:

Mairead on 0466 142 350

Susan on 0412 588 473

Looking forward to seeing you there!

