



Mount Pleasant Primary School

NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Dates

Parent/Teacher Phone conferences

Friday 17th December

First Day of Term 1 for all students

Wednesday 2nd February

Foundation Rest Day 2nd, 3rd, 4th Wednesday in February and 1st Wednesday of March.



News from the Principal

Dear Families and Friends of Mount Pleasant Primary School,

To our wonderful school community, we welcome you to the end of the 2021 school year and hope that you are looking forward to a restful and enjoyable Christmas break. It has been a challenging year, with many interruptions. However, I have to say thank-you to each and every one of you who has worked with us through this time. It's a great indication of resilience and spirit.

The last few weeks of the school year have been extremely busy, with so many wonderful and fun events happening across the school. As Acting Principal, I have felt it a great privilege to be a part of these events. I would also like to thank all the staff and students who have supported me during my short stay here.

Year 6 Graduating Students

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who graduated last week. It was a wonderful evening. I have included a short message that was prepared by Kate (Principal) that was read out to our graduating students.

To our Year 6 Graduates of 2021, although I am not with you here tonight, I wish you all the very best for your Graduation tonight.

This is an enormous moment; you all deserve to be very proud of your wonderful achievements - especially over the past two years. Your resilience and leadership though, has particularly shined through this year. Seeing you as role models for younger students and developing yourselves as individuals has truly been an honour for all of us.

I know all of your teachers and education support staff here tonight, as well as your families and myself are incredibly proud of you all.

Remember, the things you have learnt while at Mount Pleasant Primary School and continue to live our values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience and importantly be kind to yourself and others.

Congratulations! We all look forward to hearing about your future achievements!

2022 Student Leadership Positions

It's exciting to announce the new Year 6 Student leaders for 2022. Mount Pleasant Primary School believes that they will be wonderful role models and leaders of our students. We congratulate them and wish them every success in their role for 2022.

School Captains

Our School Captains for 2022 are Eva and Kamal .



Sports captains for next year.

Blade - Moorhead

Oak - McCalum

Seth - Crouch

Ethan - Coats



Clubs Ambassador

Marcus

School Mural

The school mural is complete and looking brilliant and wonderful. It's at the front of the school along the Tress Street fence line. Thank you to our Art Teacher Kellie Maddaford for all her amazing work and coordination of this project. Kellie applied for and led our Creative Arts Victoria Grant. The mural was developed and completed by students from our school, with the assistance of Mairin Briody, a local artist.

New Teacher for 2022

Welcome to Kayla Ormrod, who has been provisionally appointed as the Year 3-4 Teacher.

End of School:

Just a reminder that the last day of school classes is Thursday, December 16th at 3:15pm.

Academic Reports & Phone Interviews:

Academic reports were sent out on Monday 13th December with telephone interviews to be held on Friday 17th December.

Term 1, 2022 Dates/Reminders

As advised previously, please be reminded that the following important dates for families and children:

- Admin Office will open at 10am on Friday 28th January 2022.
- All students will be required to book in for a one-to-one teacher meet and assessment on either Monday 31st of January or Tuesday 1st of February, -we will send out further booking details during January.
- All students will start back at school on Wednesday 2nd of February including Foundation students, -from week 2 Foundation students will have a rest day on Wednesdays until week beginning Monday 7th March when they will attend full time.

DET Update -Vaccinations for 5- to 11-year-old children

A letter/message has been emailed to families today, from the Department of Education and Training, about vaccinations for 5- to 11-year-old children from January 10th, 2022. The Victorian Government aims to enable all children aged 5 to 11 to receive at least one vaccine dose before they return to school, and a second dose before the end of Term 1 2022. Parents/carers are strongly encouraged to book their child in to receive their first vaccination as soon as possible after 10 January 2022. Please refer to the letter for information regarding booking appointments and The Department of Health's Coronavirus Hotline for assistance with bookings and any questions that you have.

Merry Christmas to you all and enjoy the holidays.

Warm regards,

Rosemary Doherty
Acting Principal



I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.



The Wishing Well mural is now complete!

Students made their final wish, signed their names and had a celebratory morning tea. Thank you to Mairin Briody and Creative Victoria for making this 44m beautiful artwork possible. It looks fabulous!

YEAR 6 POLO SHIRTS / RUGBY TOPS



Year 6 Polo Shirt

Size 10 -16 \$39.50
Size 18 Plus \$40.00

Year 6 Rugby Tops

Size 10-16 \$40.50
Size 18 plus \$42.50

Year 6 Uniform is available now and can be purchased from:
Ruff Cuts Clothing
202 Lyons Street South Ballarat 3350.



We would like to wish everyone in our school community a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. See you all in 2022!

SEASONS GREETINGS

From the Art Room

Our junior students participated in the Art Gallery of Ballarat's ArtLink program. They watched a video with the curator, Julie McLaren, about the theme of 'Place', looking at works in the collection of Lake Wendouree and Ballarat central. Students then spent the afternoon drawing outside at school- their 'place'. These images were used to create artworks of crayon and ink wash. Their final images were placed in very fancy gold frames supplied by the gallery! Such a great opportunity for our students.

Goodbye!

I wanted to say thank you to the Mount Pleasant community for your support of the Arts over the last few years I have been in the Art room. It has been an absolute pleasure to teach the students about different artists and art making processes, they are so very creative. I will miss them.

I am heading to Castlemaine, not too far away, so I will be sure to visit!

Thank you,

Kellie



Grade 2/3 News

This week grade 2/3 ended the year with a memory booklet. We had to write and draw about our year including our favourite memory, our best friend and a time when I was friendly and honest. Our favourite memories of this year included: Art Gallery Excursion, Stay late at school night & making a cardboard community.

We also took some time to complete Christmas activities and 'Elf Yourself' as you can see in the pictures. We have had a great year in 2/3!

