



Mount Pleasant Primary School

NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Dates

Swimming Programme Years 1-4	Friday 22 nd July – 19 th August (each Friday)
Webex – Year 5 & 6 camp	Wednesday 27 th July
Year 5 & 6 Camp	Wednesday 3 rd August – Friday 5 th August

Change for swimming – swimming will be for Years 1-4. Grade 5/6 will be rescheduled in Term 4 due to staffing shortages at the Aquatic Centre.

News from the Principal

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 3! It has been pleasing to see our students return with such gusto for seeing their friends and new learning this term.

Like all terms this term is very busy. We have had Year 3-4 camp this week, swimming begins next week and we also have the Year 5-6 camp coming up. These are all wonderful learning experiences that we are so pleased are back for our learners.

Yesterday I attended a state wide Principal's Webex meeting, during this meeting the message was very clear that the role of schools is to continue to do everything to reduce transmission of COVID-19 and Influenza. This will remain a core priority for all schools during Term 3. While this impacts plans to "get back to normal" we understand that our first priority is to keep schools operational during significant and ongoing staffing shortages.

This week teachers have had a planning week, analysing student data, creating learning experiences that support growth in literacy and numeracy and planning Inquiry Knowledge Units. This terms Inquiry Knowledge Units are focussed on the concept of change and are:

Foundation: The Changing World

Year 1-2: Stimulating Science

Year 3-4: Into The Unknown

Year 5-6: Museums in Motion

This week teachers will email home a detailed Inquiry Knowledge Unit overview for families.

We look forward to an exciting and fun term full of learning and new experiences.

School Uniform

This is the coldest term of the school year. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately for cold weather. If your family needs support in obtaining a school uniform please contact the Admin Office on 5332 3646.

Year 5-6 Camp

There will be a compulsory Webex in preparation for Year 5-6 Camp – please stay tuned for the date and time.

School Lunches

Please ensure you pack your child's lunch each day. Staffing shortages in schools means that our Admin Staff are unable to be available to deliver student lunches to the classroom. We understand that from time to time a lunch box gets left on the kitchen bench, please call the school ahead if your child/ren have forgotten their lunch to make suitable arrangements.

Change of Contact details

Please let the Admin Office know as soon as possible if your details such as phone number, address change. In case of emergency the school needs up to date contact details of primary carers and emergency contacts.

Home Reading Program

We highly value our Home Reading Program at Mount Pleasant Primary School. Developing a nightly home reading routine is paramount to children's reading success.

The school sees the most reading growth in students who are committed to a nightly home reading routine. Thank you to families that continue to return readers and assist with a home reading routine.

We strongly encourage all children to read to for at least 5-10 minutes every night at home. Schools provide many activities, learning routines that teach our learners how to read – **the consolidation of this learning happens with an evening reading routine.**

Warm regards,

Kate Robinson
Principal

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



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ON-SITE
After School Care
Monday to Friday



Term 3 Swimming Lessons for Years 1 to 4



The schools swimming program will run for 5 weeks throughout term 3 at the Ballarat Aquatic Centre commencing on **22nd July 2022 to 19 August 2022**. Students in Years 1 to 4 will complete their program on a Friday each week. Students will leave school at 1:30pm and swim between 2.00pm-2:45pm. They will then return to school, ready for the end of the day. Year 5/6 students will be rescheduled for Term 4 due to staffing shortages at the Aquatics Centre. The cost of swimming lessons is only \$20 due to the Education Department Subsidy.



REMEMBER
ONCE A WEEK,
TAKE A PEEK



Please help our school win the war against **head lice** by checking your child's hair over the holidays. Checking hair on a regularly basis helps us keep this issue under control. Thank you for your support.

Year 5 & 6 - PGL Adventure Camps at Campaspe Downs – 2022

As part of our Interpersonal and Personal Learning programs, children in Year 5 and 6 will be given the opportunity to participate in a camp to Campaspe Downs, close to Kyneton this year.

It is an excellent venue for students to visit as it provides many recreational opportunities, promotes resilience and teamwork.

The Campaspe Downs camp will be held on **Wednesday 3rd of August to Friday 5th of August 2022.**

Activities will be included:

Archery	Canoeing	Team Challenge
Bush Walk	Flying Fox	Initiative Exercises
Bush Craft	Low Ropes	Orienteering

The cost of the Campaspe Downs camp is \$280 per student.

To assist parents meet the commitments, a payment schedule will be offered by the school, whereby parents can make regular monthly payments. Camp fees must be paid in full prior to camp.

Forms to be returned by TOMORROW the 15th of July.

Members Day
22nd July @
Doug Dean
Reserve
5-7pm



VRI Delacombe Cricket Club are looking for players of all ages!
Junior players 9 to 17 years old,
Seniors players of all abilities!
Please email - vridcc@gmail.com Att: Jordan Wilkes



Issue 5 of Book Club order forms went home today and are due back on **Wednesday July 27th**. Orders can be placed and paid for online via the LOOP or by completing the form on the catalogue and return to the school with cash.



If your child is missing any belongings, please check our lost property at the office.

We urge families to **please name their school uniforms/lunch boxes** so that items brought to the office can be returned to students.

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YEAR 34 CAMP!!!



What a fabulous time had by an incredible group of students who challenged themselves across many outdoor pursuits. Commencing with the dual zip lines, where students propelled themselves from a height and travelled at high speed. As confidence grew, they then hung upside down to accept the challenge of throwing a basketball into a target whilst they zip lined.

The afternoon saw students participate in Clip n Climb activity where they completed obstacles one storey above the ground. The degree of difficulty ranged from medium to high where balance and coordination were required. Following this, an afternoon concluded with some skill work; students armed with bows and arrows aimed for a tin can target and showed their accuracy. A lot of laughs, hits and misses.

After dark, we went on a night walk around the grounds. Students met and fed the resident sheep, trekked through the bushland and listened to native sounds. It was incredibly dark. Guided by torchlight, we made our way to bonfires where we toasted marshmallows.

Day 2 was just as exciting, commencing with the possum glide, which was training for the upcoming Giant swing. Possum Glide propelled students into the air to approximately 18m. Students worked as a team to launch the teachers as well. This was a new activity for the Log Cabin camp; Mount Pleasant students were the first to try it out.

Our final activity for the day, the Giant Swing. Those brave enough to be hoisted to the top, dropped from 18m, swinging backwards and forwards either upright or upside down. It took bravery to attempt this feat.

Overall, a fantastic opportunity for our students to grow their confidence and work collaboratively in a different environment. New friendships have formed and empathy for others grew. What a fabulous team! Good Job Year 34s.





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PLANNED ACTIVITIES:

- Snake and Caterpillars
- Victorian Dome Jars
- Arts of Recycling
- Knitting, Embroidery, Sewing and stitching.

Dear families,

Over the next 12 months, the Art Gallery of Ballarat will be offering an after-school art-making program for young people from selected Ballarat public schools. This special program is being offered free to participants.

We have booked local professional artists to deliver this exciting program and the sessions will change from term to term.

Each after-school program will run during one school term.

If you are enrolled for the term, we would be asking you to commit to the whole program.

The program during Term 3, 2022, which will run for 7 weeks, is now open for bookings.

Term 3 2022 Program

Creative artmaking with Emily Van Der Molen

Dates: Wednesdays, 27 July–14 September

Times: 4 pm – 5.30 pm

Ages: Primary aged students aged 8 to 12 years

Number of places available: 16

Printmaking with Diokno Pasilan

Date Thursdays, 28 July–15 September

Times: 4 pm–5.30 pm

Ages: Secondary students aged 12 to 17 years

Number of places available: 16

If you are interested in booking in, please complete the form link below

<https://forms.office.com/r/jDzajMq9nU>

If you have any questions, please email kateqorman@ballarat.vic.gov.au

BOWL PATROL

A NEW WAY TO LEARN TO BOWL

Bowl Patrol is a program for primary school aged children to learn the basic skills of tenpin bowling.

- Bowl with a qualified coach
- Inclusive support resources
- Vouchers accepted where applicable
- \$99 for 8 weeks
- Bowl Patrol T-Shirt, Cap & Drink Bottle included



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Does your family have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card?

You may be eligible for \$200 to help your child play sport. Find out more at: getactive.vic.gov.au



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For more information or to register go to www.bowlpatrol.com.au

VRI Delacombe Cricket Club

would like to announce a

Free Junior Program

Training

- Under 11 - No Training
- Under 13 - Tuesday Evening
- Under 15 - Wednesday Evening
- Under 17 - Wednesday Evening

Games

- Under 11 - Wednesdays @ 4:30
- Under 13 - Friday Nights
- Under 15 - Saturday Mornings
- Under 17 - Saturday Mornings

Members Day on the 22nd of July 2022 @ Doug Dean Reserve from 5pm to 7pm. Please come along and register your interest in playing for VRI. For more information please email: vridcc@gmail.com

Get Your Kids into the FUN of Cricket!



DAUGHTERS OF THE WEST REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!



Daughters of the West is a FREE ten-week health program which aims to empower women to improve their health and wellbeing by providing them with the tools, knowledge and support to take control of their health journey.

Venue: Selkirk Stadium
Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Day: Wednesday
Commencing: 13th July 2022

OR
Venue: Phoenix P-12 Community College, Sebastopol Campus
Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm
Day: Wednesday
Commencing: 13th July 2022

To register click here: <https://www.westernbulldogs.com.au/foundation/programs>

For more information on the program, contact Sabelle McSparron from Sports Central on 5331 6966 (ext. 104) or sabellem@sportscentral.org.au.



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Term 3 2022 Parent Planner

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	July 11	July 12 Year 3/4 camp	July 13 Year 3/4 camp	July 14	July 15
Week 2	July 18	July 19	July 20	July 21	July 22 Swimming Year 1-4
Week 3	July 25	July 26	July 27 Webex – Year 5/6 camp	July 28	July 29 Swimming Year 1-4
Week 4	Aug 1	Aug 2	Aug 3 Year 5/6 camp	Aug 4 Year 5/6 camp	Aug 5 Year 5/6 camp Swimming Year 1-4
Week 5	Aug 8	Aug 9	Aug 10	Aug 11	Aug 12 Swimming Year 1-4
Week 6	Aug 15	Aug 16 Science Works Excursion – F-2's	Aug 17	Aug 18	Aug 19 Swimming Year 1-4
Week 7	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25	Aug 26
Week 8	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	Sept 1 Father's Day Stall	Sept 2
Week 9	Sept 5	Sept 6	Sept 7	Sept 8	Sept 9 Curriculum Day No Students
Week 10	Sept 12	Sept 13	Sept 14	Sept 15	Sept 16 Last day of Term 3 2.30 Finish

Public Holiday	Student Free Day
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Mt Pleasant Primary School Song

Five days a week, 40 weeks a year

My friends and I we all hang out here

This is our school, where we're learning how
To respect each other and ourselves as well, now

It's a long way to the top

But we're half way there

We're half way there at Mt Pleasant Primary School

When we walk up the hill, sometimes we get tired

But we bounce right back, because we're inspired

By our school values, we're building resilience
And skills we can use to share all our brilliance, yes

It's a long way to the top

But we're half way there

We're half way there at Mt Pleasant Primary School

We're part of a community

So we show responsibility

Being kind and helping out

Taking care of each other is what it's all about, yes

We break for fruit snack

We're on the right track

It's a long way to the top

But we're half way there

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24/7 Mental Health Services

Beyond Blue

Anyone feeling anxious or depressed

 beyondblue.org.au

 1300 22 4636

Kids Helpline

Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25


 kidshelpline.com.au

 1800 55 1800

MensLine Australia

Men with emotional or relationship concerns

 mensline.org.au

 1300 78 99 78

Open Arms

Veterans and families counselling


 openarms.gov.au

 1800 011 046

Lifeline

Anyone having a personal crisis

 lifeline.org.au

 13 11 14

Suicide Call Back Service

Anyone thinking about suicide

 suicidecallbackservice.org.au

 1300 659 467



Is it an emergency?

If you or someone you know is at immediate risk of harm, call **triple zero (000)**