



Mount Pleasant Primary School

NEWSLETTER



Newsletter Number 18

June 24th, 2022

Upcoming Dates

Last day of term – 2.30pm FINISH	Friday 24 th June
Term 3 commences	Monday 11 th July
Year 3 & 4 Camp	Tuesday 12 th July – Wednesday 13 th July
Year 5 & 6 Camp	Wednesday 3 rd August – Friday 5 th August
Swimming Programme Years 1-6	Friday 22 nd July – 19 th August (each Friday)

2.30pm
School pickup
Today

News from the Principal

Dear Families,

We are at the end of Term 2 – congratulations to our learners, families, staff and those that we partner with who support our students, these include staff from Regional Office and Allied Health (psychologists, speech therapists, OT's). We are thankful for the community we have around us that have supported our learning community in challenging circumstances this term.

Over the course of the term we have had at one point in time, nearly 70% of our staff out due to illness. The impact of COVID and the flu season cannot be underestimated. We are however pleased that due to our classroom model the impact has been well managed by staff allowing us to continue with the work of learning growth.

Thank you to all of the families that attended Parent Teacher Interviews or Student Support Group meetings. This term we have had a 90% attendance, this is an exceptional attendance rate and we believe highlights the strong partnerships between families and the school to support students. If you were unable to attend you can still contact your child's teacher to arrange a phone interview next term.

School Uniform

Next term will be 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.

School Camps

Thank you to families that attended a Year 3-4 camp Webex on Wednesday evening. We are all very excited to be back having school camps! Students and staff have a wonderful experience at school camps and we enjoy seeing children grow in independence, with friendships and resilience.

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.



Wishing all our families a healthy and happy break.



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.

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.**

We wish everyone a safe and restorative break over the holidays. Stay safe and stay warm!

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.



Extend After School Care onsite at Mount Pleasant Primary School

Log online at www.extend.com.au or phone 1300 366 437 to book.

NOW TAKING 2023 FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS

A great school in the heart of Ballarat.

Book a **School Tour** here:
<https://mtpleasps.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/>

Stay up to date with the latest here:
www.facebook.com/Mtpleasps

Call 5332 3646 for an Enrolment Pack

ON-SITE
After School Care
Monday to Friday



**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 3 & 4 Camp

Years 3 and 4 Camp will be held in Creswick on the 12th and 13th of July in Term 3. Students will have the opportunity to experience a range of activities such as Archery, Bush walks, Flying fox and a Giant swing. This is a great opportunity for the students to promote resilience, teamwork and enjoy time together.

Please return all forms prior to camp.



Travel Expo!

Yesterday our creative students in Year 5/6 presented their learning from our Inquiry Knowledge Unit: Think Global, Act Local. Students each researched a country of choice and presented their information at our Travel Expo. Students from all years levels visited the Travel Expo and were blown away with the engaging projects, dioramas and posters, and PowerPoints that students created. What a lovely way to end a great term of learning!



Reward Day



Mount Pleasant Primary School celebrated the end of term Reward Day with various sporting activities. We were very lucky to have Jasmine from the Western Bulldogs run a Footy Clinic where the students learnt various footy skills. The students had a lot of fun playing footy in their favourite team colours. At lunch time students enjoyed hot chips, thank you for your gold coin donation.

We all had a fun day celebrating sport.



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 the 15th of July.

Term 3 Swimming Lessons for Years 1 to 6



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 6 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 only have 4 weeks of swimming due to camp. The cost of swimming lessons is only \$20 due to the Education Department Subsidy. Students need to bring a towel, bathers and goggles in a clearly named swim bag.

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



GET ACTIVE
VICTORIA

VICTORIA
State Government

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



SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND A LOCATION NEAR YOU

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

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



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL TEAM!

PLAY CRICKET

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 At: Jordan Wilkes



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 sabelle.m@sportscentral.org.au.



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

We're half way there at Mt Pleasant Primary School

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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)**