



# Mount Pleasant Primary School

# NEWSLETTER



Newsletter Number 31

October 20th, 2022

## Upcoming Dates

Book Fair (parents can attend 2.30-3.30pm)  
5/6 Swimming  
Foundation 2023 Parent Information Session  
Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday (No School)  
5/6 Swimming

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**Please note change of phone number for absences  
SMS - 0409 323 652**

## News from the Principal

Dear Families,

What a wonderful week it has been welcoming the sunshine! Albeit briefly, we will all have felt better with that dose of vitamin D.

We have also had Book Fair this week, this was wonderful to be able to welcome families back on site. Thank you to Sue and all the families that visited. We look forward to letting everyone know how much money we raised.

Some children are still forgetting their hat. Term 4 is “no hat, no play” and this week we have started to enforce this rule. Please ensure your child has a hat every day, a good reminder when you walk out the door is

**“got my shoes, got my hat!”**

### **Student Led Conferences**

This term we will be holding Student Led Conferences. This is an opportunity for our learners to lead conversations with their family members about their most proud achievements. We will use SeeSaw to assist with these conversations. We are looking forward to meeting with families and to give students the opportunity to celebrate their learning with their grown-ups. Notes for booking a time will come out next week.

### **School Safety**

Last week a letter was sent home regarding student safety before school. Student safety at Mount Pleasant Primary School is our highest priority and the safe and appropriate supervision of students is an important element of our duty of care to students. Part of this duty is ensuring parents and students are aware of our student supervision arrangements before and after school.

If you have not received this letter, please contact the Admin Office for a copy.

### **Changing Schools**

If you are leaving MPPS at the end of 2022 please contact the Admin Office and let us know. It's important that we have accurate numbers for planning in 2023 and ensuring we support positive transitions for children moving to new schools.

## Arriving on Time

Thank you to all of our families that are continuing to ensure children are arriving on time and ready for learning. The first two hours of the day is the most important for intervention and setting up good learning routines. Being on time is important for young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally.

## Hats

All children must bring a hat to school each day. This hat needs to be a broad brimmed hat, not a cap. Hats are available from the office for \$6. Please make sure your child's hat is named clearly.

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.*



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.

### STUDENT ABSENCE – PROCEDURE

To reduce absences, parents are asked to advise the school of impending student absences (between 8.30am and 9.00am) by:

- Telephone – 5332 3646
- SMS - 0409 323 652 (Please note change of phone number)
- Email – [mount.pleasant.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:mount.pleasant.ps@education.vic.gov.au)



Extend After School Care onsite at Mount Pleasant Primary School

Log online at [www.extend.com.au](http://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](http://www.facebook.com/Mtpleasps)

Call 5332 3646 for an Enrolment Pack

ON-SITE  
After School Care  
Monday to Friday



## COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Meet and learn from all your favourite Ballarat Miners players

### Aussie Hoops (4 - 7 years old)

Introductory basketball development program

### Rookie Hoops (8 - 11 years old)

Introductory basketball development program

### All Abilities Hoops (5 - 13 years old)

Introductory basketball development program

BALLARATBASKETBALL.COM.AU



## Basketball Ballarat Community Programs

Basketball Ballarat provide children with a fun and safe basketball experience that will serve as an introduction to a lifetime involvement in the game. A wide variety of introduction to basketball programs are ran by Basketball Ballarat, allowing children to start learning basketball as young as 4 years old.

Basketball Ballarat's introduction to basketball programs:

- Aussie Hoops – perfect for children aged 4 – 7 years
- Rookie Hoops – perfect for children aged 8 – 11 years
- All Abilities Rookie Hoops – perfect for children aged 5 – 13 years whom are living with a disability

Registrations are now open for all community hoops programs, with the programs starting the week beginning October 10<sup>th</sup>.

For more information and to register: [Community \(nbl1.com.au\)](http://Community(nbl1.com.au))

For further details please contact Ethan Fiegert via email [development@ballaratbasketball.com](mailto:development@ballaratbasketball.com)

or call reception on (03) 5338 1220

### Administration

#### School Fees

Thank you to the families that have paid school fees this year. These fees play an important role in the delivery of programs the school can offer students. There are several ways fees can be paid at Mount Pleasant. These are: BPay, EFTPO, Cash and direct credit to the school account BSB 063502 Account Number 10137822.

Kind regards  
Janine Schulze

Don't forget to bring your school hat, as in Term 4 its "no hat, no play".

You can purchase a hat from the front office for \$6.



If your child has come home in clothing from the school due to an accident or wet weather, could you kindly return this washed so that we can reuse them. Currently our cupboard is bare, so if your child requires clothing, you may be called to drop some off.



If by chance you have any navy tracksuit pants, in excellent condition, that you no longer require and would like to donate to the wet weather cupboard it would be very much appreciated.





## JUNIOR BASEBALL COME & TRY

**T-BALL (5-7YEAR OLDS)**  
**LITTLE LEAGUE (8-11 YEARS OLDS)**

THURS 5PM - 6.30PM | OCTOBER 6TH - 13TH - 20TH

LOCATED AT PRINCE OF WHALES PARK OFF GILLIES ST

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT HOW YOUR CHILD CAN BE INVOLVED

FOLLOW US @ BALLARAT ROYALS BASEBALL CLUB





## 5/6 Central Square Excursion!

Students in 5/6 had the experience of walking to Central Square to learn about product marketing, research and persuasive techniques when advertising. Students modelled our whole school values during this excursion and enjoyed a delicious lunch from the food court. Well done to all of our students, our next step is take these understandings to design our own products to sell at upcoming expo!

Amy and Sarah Dean

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## Log Cabin Camp Year 5 and 6 students

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> of November to the Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of November 2022**

Year 5 and 6 students will be travelling by bus to Log Cabin Camp in Creswick for overnight stay. Campers will be involved in activities such as Flying Fox, Archery, Milk Crack Stacking, Night walk, Billy Tea and Damper, Leap of Faith and Clip & Climb. All activities supervised by teaching staff and camp instructors. This camp is free thanks to the Positive Start 2022 initiative. **All forms** (including Camp Contract) need to be returned to school by **Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2022**.


Mrs Leah Lacny

Year 5/6 Teacher

THE MT PLEASANT HISTORY  
GROUP PRESENTS


**AN ILLUSTRATED JOURNEY  
THROUGH 150 YEARS**

THE MOUNT PLEASANT  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Join us in a special evening with Max Duthie to talk about the rich history of the Mount Pleasant Primary School from the construction of the school in 1874 to the present time. All welcome

**Thursday 20th October 2022 @ 7:30pm**  
**Ballarat Observatory, Cobden St (enter from Magpie St)**  
**RSVP to [mphg.ball@gmail.com](mailto:mphg.ball@gmail.com)**



Mount Pleasant

**FREE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS AT THE ART GALLERY OF BALLARAT**

Dear families,

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 4, 2022, which will run for 7 weeks, is now open for bookings.

**Term 4 2022 Program**

**Pirates ahoy with Pauline O'Shannessy Dowling**

Dates: Wednesdays, 19 October–7 December

Times: 4 pm – 5.30 pm

Ages: Primary aged students aged 8 to 12 years

Number of places available: 16

**Street Art with Stuart Walsh (aka Bacon Drum)**

Date Thursdays, 20 October–8 December

Times: 4 pm–5.30 pm

Ages: Primary and Secondary students aged 11 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/mibQ8SrJQy>

If you have any questions, please email [kategorman@ballarat.vic.gov.au](mailto:kategorman@ballarat.vic.gov.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](https://beyondblue.org.au)

 1300 22 4636

## Kids Helpline

*Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25*


 [kidshelpline.com.au](https://kidshelpline.com.au)

 1800 55 1800

## MensLine Australia

*Men with emotional or relationship concerns*

 [mensline.org.au](https://mensline.org.au)

 1300 78 99 78

## Open Arms

*Veterans and families counselling*


 [openarms.gov.au](https://openarms.gov.au)

 1800 011 046

## Lifeline

*Anyone having a personal crisis*

 [lifeline.org.au](https://lifeline.org.au)

 13 11 14

## Suicide Call Back Service

*Anyone thinking about suicide*

 [suicidecallbackservice.org.au](https://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)**