



Mount Pleasant Primary School

NEWSLETTER



Newsletter Number 7

14th March 2024

Upcoming Dates

Whole School Athletics Carnival
Hot Cross Bun delivery
Last day of Term 1 (2.15pm finish)
Term 2 commences

Friday 15th March
Thursday 21st March
Thursday 28th March
Monday 15th April

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

Reminder: Please ensure all permission forms and payments for excursions are completed prior to the event as this may result in your child/ren missing special activities.

Dear Families and Friends,

We would like to send a big congratulations to our wonderful Foundation teacher Miss Drew, who is now Mrs Parkinson! Mr and Mrs Parkinson celebrated their marriage with family and friends earlier this term.

Last week we had part of our playground lines re-done. This has included some targets for practising ball skills. The students were excited to see this during their recess and you can see more on our social media later this week.

Athletics Reminder:

It's MPPS Athletics Day tomorrow! Please ensure children are wearing sunscreen, have a hat and drink bottle. For students staying the whole day they will need a packed lunch. We are excited for a wonderful day for our school community. Stay tuned for photo updates on SeeSaw.

Returning notes/forms:

Please ensure you return notes and permission forms on time. We have recently needed to send several copies of notes home with many reminders. If a student does not return a permission form on time this impacts the excursion planning. When a child does not have a permission form returned, they will be sent to another grade for that day, we are unable to take children on excursions with only verbal permission. Thank you for your understanding on the broader impact this has on us planning events for our learning community.

Big Problems and Small Problems:

From time to time, we all have problems in our lives. Sometimes these are big and sometimes they are small. Part of growing up is learning that we can choose how we react to our problems. We have included a family activity for you to do with your child/ren in this newsletter. It's a great one for children and for adults to ask ourselves – *“Does my reaction fit the size of the problem?”*

NAPLAN:

This week students in Year 3 and Year 5 have been completing NAPLAN assessments. This can be tiring and your child/ren may be more tired at the end of the school day. We recommend a solid evening routine and rest during NAPLAN week. The assessments include reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy.

Scooters/Bikes:

Some students are continuing to ride their scooter in the playground, we have asked that children do not do this. If a child continues to ride a scooter, then a staff member and/or principal will collect the scooter and it will need to be picked up from the Admin Office by a family member. While we are excited to see children riding bikes and scooters to school it is important they can follow our school rules when on site.

School Uniform and Hats:

It has been pleasing to see so many of our students returning to school in full school uniform and with their hats! Term 1 is a hat term is all schools in Victoria. It is compulsory that all children bring/wear a hat to school. A good check in the morning is – “got my shoes, got my hat”.

Contacting Teachers:

From time to time, you may need to contact your child/ren’s teacher. The classroom teacher is the first point of contact (before the principal and admin office). We warmly welcome you to contact your child’s teacher via email or calling to leave a message. You are also welcome to book in a parent teacher interview (in person or over the phone) to discuss any concerns you may have. It is challenging for teachers to have meetings in the morning without notice, please ensure you make an appointment if you have something specific you would like to discuss. This ensures teachers are able to give dedicated time to working together.

Policies Update:

In the next Newsletter we will include Policy updates for the following policies: Duty of Care Policy, Complaints Policy, Health Care Needs Policy, First Aid Policy, Enrolment Policy

Kind regards,

Kate Robinson
Co-Principal

Anna Johnson
Acting Co-Principal

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



Big Problems and Small Problems

Problems are different sizes.

We choose how we react to our problems.

1. Fill in this sheet with your family/grown up at home and in each circle also include what the reaction to the problem should be.
2. Have a chat about a “small problem = small reaction”
3. What strategies could you use when the problem is small?

Big Problems and Small Problems

Not all problems are the same. Think about the things that are currently troubling you. Can you rank them in terms of how 'big' a problem they are? You do not have to fill every box.

The worksheet consists of five circles of varying sizes, each containing the text "What Is the Problem?".

- Big Problems:** Two large red circles at the top.
- Medium Problems:** Two medium-sized orange circles in the middle.
- Small Problems:** One small green circle at the bottom.

On the left side, there is an illustration of a person with a distressed expression, holding their head. Several teal question marks are scattered around the circles.

PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



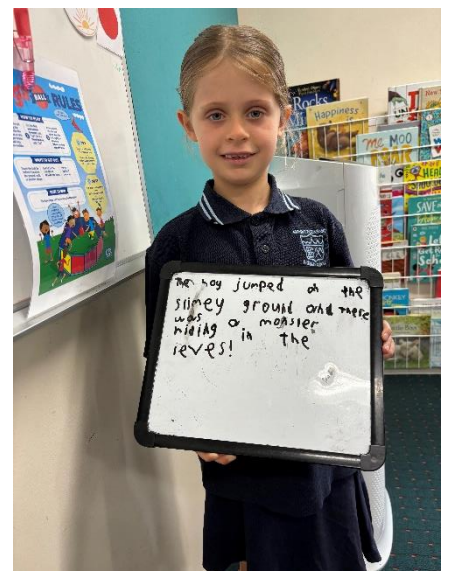
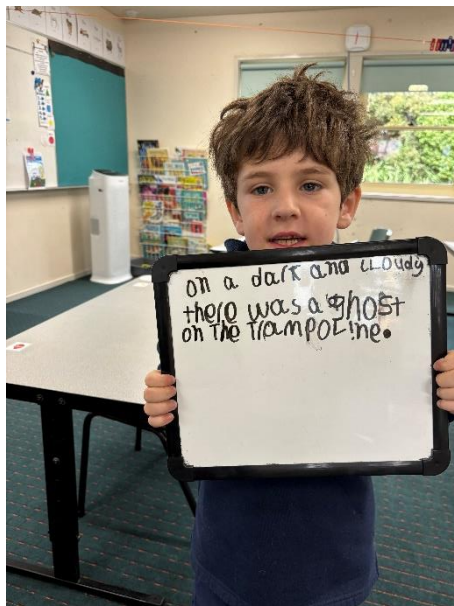
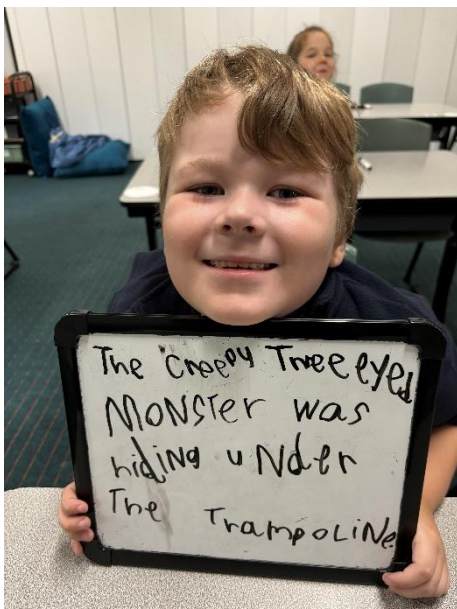
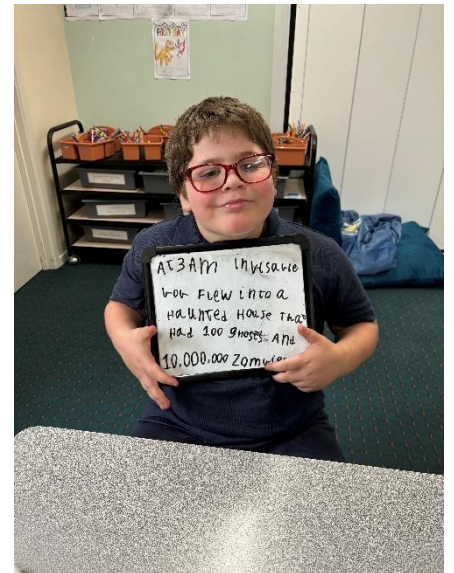
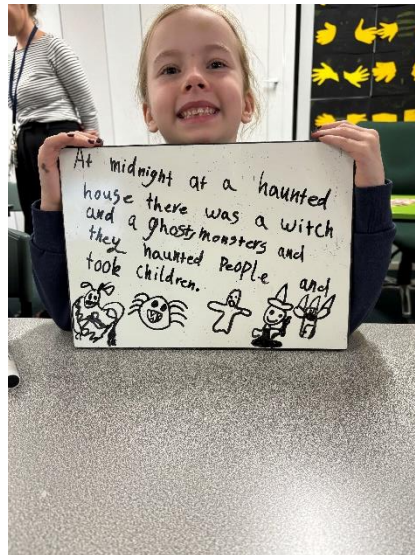
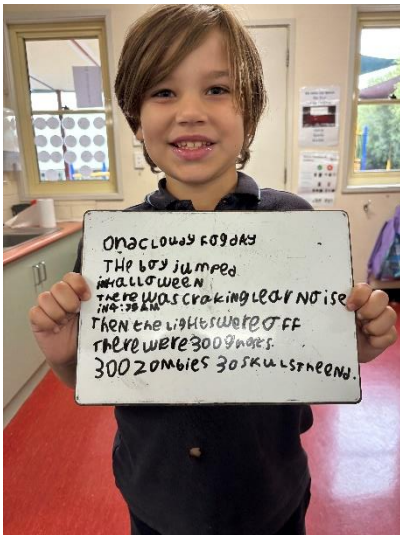
It's everyone's responsibility. Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources
www.education.vic.gov.au/protect

1/2 A- Miss Burza

This week in 1/2A, we have been learning about sentences which include 'Where' and 'when'. Students were asked to create spooky sentence that expressed where and when on their whiteboards. Students enjoyed exploring the different ways to express themselves, while continuing to challenge their learning skills. Well done 1/2 keep up the great work.





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

Don't forget to bring your school hat, Term 1 its "no hat, no play".

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



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.

Parent Portal – Sentral

We are currently trying to get all families registered to be on the Sentral Parent Portal, as we will be utilizing this app this year for many things. For those of you who are already registered, we thank you. If you need to register, you can find the instructions in the newsletter. This can be used for sending through student absences, etc.

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FOLLOW US ON
INSTAGRAM



@mountpleasantprimaryschool

Everything \$5



Second hand uniform is currently on sale from the General Office between the hours of 8.30-10.30 each morning and 2.30-4pm in the afternoon.

Supporting Our Community



OPEN EVENING

Come along to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12.

Our Open Evening will showcase our specialty areas and provide an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College. Join one of our tours to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12. The tours will showcase our extensive renovations and refurbishments and you will view our specialty areas and gain an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College.

To provide a more personal and interactive tour, we are placing a limit on the number of people in each group. Tours will be conducted at 15 minute intervals, and we ask that you register for a tour via our College's website and select a time that is most convenient to you.

All tours will commence from the College Main Entrance/Foyer. We look forward to meeting you.

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Book tickets at
mountclearcollege.vic.edu.au



HAVE A BLAST WITH EXTEND THESE AUTUMN HOLIDAYS!

Get ready for the Extend Autumn Holiday Program! These holidays are packed with exciting activities, incursions and excursions!



Excursions



Embark on unforgettable excursions! Take to the lanes and land a strike, explore the legendary MCG and more!



Incursions



From magic shows to mad science experiments, incursions will transform your day with a range of exciting events at your service!



Activity Days



Unleash your inner artist, compete with your friends and heaps more every day with amazing activity days!

PH: 53362605

School Holiday Program

When : Tuesday April 2nd - Friday April 5th

WHERE : BALLARAT GYMSPORTS

9AM TILL 3PM
\$65 PER DAY
AVAILABLE FOR
SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

BALLARAT Gymsports

2 BASIL WAY, ALFREDTON

REGISTER ONLINE AT BALLARATGYMSPORTS.COM

For FANTABULOUS FUN book your School Holidays at extend.com.au

Parents of students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 are warmly encouraged to attend our



Information Evening

Wednesday 20th March 2024

WOODMANS HILL
SECONDARY COLLEGE

Information Sessions

will be held at 5.00pm and 6.00pm
in the Theatre, followed by school tours.

Bookings essential.



www.woodmanshill.net.au

Woodmans Hill - Fussell Street Ballarat, Ph: 5336 7264



See learning as it occurs!



ARE YOU READY FOR TERM 2?

Be prepared for the extraordinary with an Outside School Hours Care service that's ready to launch into a fresh new school term!

We're looking forward to providing all children with a safe and welcoming environment, countless opportunities for creativity and supportive care from our professional team!

Visit extend.com.au today and create your bookings for the new term and achieve the best rate!

ENJOY A NEW
TERM WITH US BY
BOOKING AT
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Ballarat City Youth Brass Band

Want to learn a musical instrument?
Do you have an hour on Tuesday evening?
Can you spare \$1 a week?

Ballarat City Youth Brass Band is looking for new members, come down and give it a try, 6:00-7:00 Tuesday evenings in term time.



Phone: 0402 914 673
ballaratbrassband@gmail.com
212 Ripon st South, Ballarat Central
Facebook:
City of Ballarat Municipal Brass Band

Be the envy of your friends
No previous experience necessary
Also with free tuition
Instruments provided



School Holiday Fun - FREE Come and Try Day

Date: Saturday 6 April

Time: 1.00pm to 5.00pm

Location: 499 Dowling St Wendouree

Don't be bored on school holidays, bring your mates and have some fun!

- No experience needed
- All equipment provided (just wear some runners)
- Expert help available on the day for tips and rules
- Simply turn up and have a hit

New Juniors competition starts Friday 19 April (6.00pm to 7.30pm) so come and have a try and sign up if you are keen!

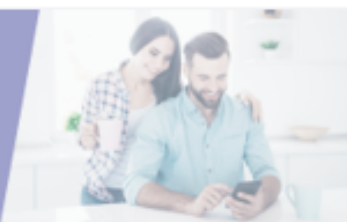
For more info on the FREE Come and Try Day or our Juniors Competition:
Contact: Baden Cutts
Ph: 0415 489 383
Email: ballarattabletennis@gmail.com
Web: revolutionise.com.au/ballaratta/





Sentral e-resource

Registering on the Sentral for Parents App for the first time



Sentral for Parents App

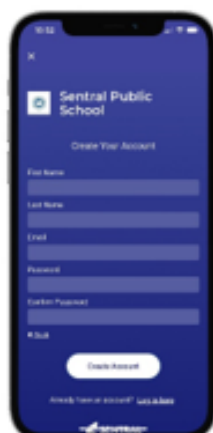
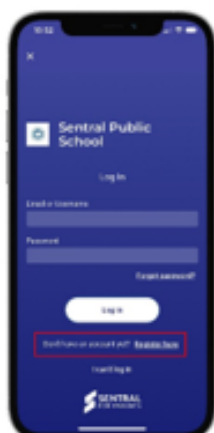
Step One: Download the Sentral for Parents app.



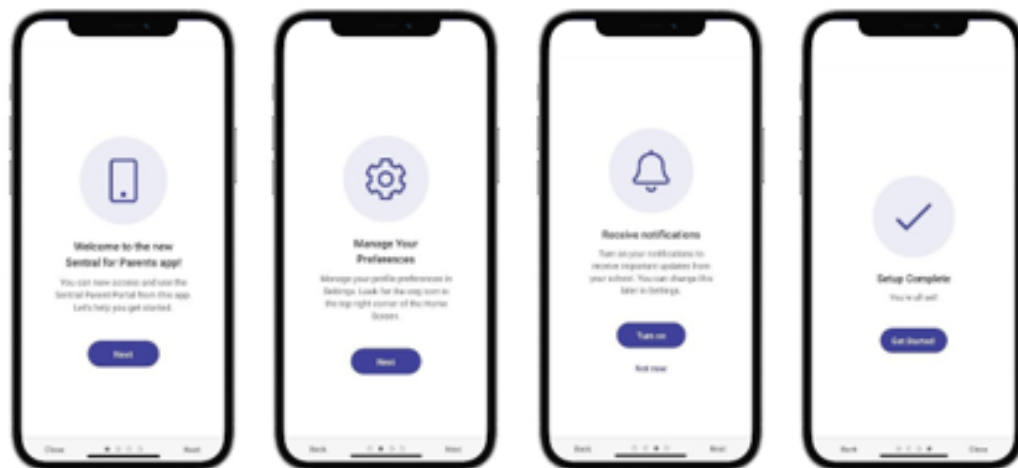
Step Two: Type in the school's name.



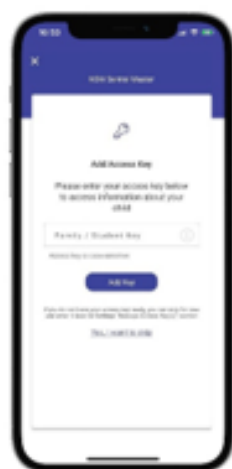
Step Three: Choose 'Register Here' from the bottom of the screen. Complete the details and choose 'Create Account'. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified to continue. When the verification link is clicked it opens the log in screen in browser – close the browser and go back to the Sentral for Parents app.



Step Four: Choose your preferences



Step Five: Connect to your child in this screen 'Add Access Key'. The access key is written on the note/email sent to you from the school. It is case sensitive so type it in exactly as it appears in the note/email.



Step Five: You are now connected and can interact with the App.



Lunch Orders – Thursdays only

New Price List 2024

Off the Grill		Cold Food	
Chicken Parma Roll	\$6.00	BLT Roll	\$6.00
Chicken Schnitzel Burger	\$6.00	Cheese Roll	\$6.00
Vegetarian Burger	\$6.00	Chicken & Salad Roll	\$6.00
		Ham & Salad Roll	\$6.00
Hot Food		Salad Roll	\$6.00
Chicken Nuggets(3)	\$2.50	BLT Sandwich	\$6.00
Chicken Nuggets(6)	\$4.50	Cheese Sandwich	\$6.00
Dim Sim	\$1.50	Chicken & Salad Sandwich	\$6.00
Pie	\$4.50	Ham & Salad Sandwich	\$6.00
Party Pie	\$1.50	Salad Sandwich	\$6.00
Party Sausage Roll	\$1.50	BLT Wrap	\$6.00
Veggie Pastie	\$4.50	Cheese Wrap	\$6.00
		Chicken & Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Drinks		Ham & Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Orange Juice	\$2.50	Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice	\$2.50		
Strawberry Milk	\$3.00	Snacks	
Chocolate Milk	\$3.00	Fruit Salad	\$3.50
		Yoghurt & Muesli	\$3.50



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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