



# Mount Pleasant Primary School

# NEWSLETTER



Newsletter Number 11

26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## Upcoming Dates

Make A Wish Book Fair	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April
Book Fair (Parents welcome 3.15pm-3.30pm)	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Grade 4/5/6 Camp - Parent Information Session	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
Grade 4/5/6 Camp – Campaspe Downs	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May
Excursion – Grade 3-6 – Mount Clear Production	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
Curriculum Day (No students at school)	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May
School Photos	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May

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

Dear Families and Friends,

Thank you for your partnership over the past 5+ years of my time at MPPS. It has been an incredible privilege to have been your Principal, and I am immensely grateful for the opportunity to have been a part of this vibrant school community. Over the years, I have had the pleasure of watching our students grow, learn, and thrive, and I am continually inspired by their curiosity, resilience, and importantly their individual growth.

Together, we have accomplished so much, from academic achievements to community initiatives, and I am incredibly proud of our entire team. The relationships I have formed with students, families, and staff members are ones that I will always cherish, and I am thankful for the support and encouragement that you have shown me throughout my time here.

To our *students*, I want to say thank you for your willingness to have a go at new things, your curiosity and friendly faces. You are the heart of our school, and it has been truly wonderful to be a part of your educational journey.

To our *families*, I want to say thank you for your partnership and support. Your involvement in your child's education is invaluable, and I am grateful for the trust you have placed in myself and our team.

To our *staff*, I express my deepest gratitude for your commitment and daily contributions. It is a highly skilled team of professionals at MPPS that I am appreciative to have worked alongside.

While I am sad to say goodbye, I am also excited for the new opportunities that lie ahead and time with my family. I am confident that Mount Pleasant Primary School will continue to flourish under new leadership, and I am committed to ensuring a smooth transition. Carly Middleton has been appointed Acting Principal, she will introduce herself to the community shortly. Carly brings a wealth of skills and is particularly excited by our evidence based instruction at MPPS. I know you will give Carly a warm and generous MPPS welcome!

Thank you once again for the privilege of serving as your Principal. It has been an honour and something that I will look back on with pride for many years to come.

Warmest regards,

Kate Robinson  
Former (very proud) Principal

## Policies Update:

The following policy has been updated this week as a *draft* (available on our website); First Aid Policy 2024 - draft

<https://mtpleasps.vic.edu.au/policies-documents/>

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

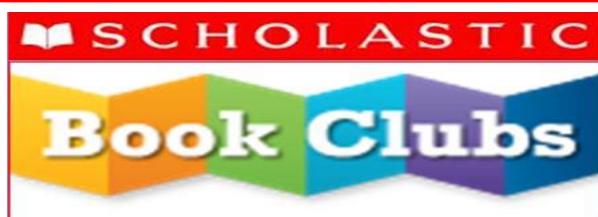


PLEASE NOTE: NEW PRICE LIST FOR OUR LUNCH  
ORDERS. SEE ATTACHED

## Book Fair Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May



The Scholastic Book Fair will hit Mount Pleasant Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May. Students will have the opportunity to view the books on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April, where they can select books to put on a wish list. On the day of the Book Fair (Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May) we encourage parents to send money to school with their children as students will have the opportunity to purchase books and staff will be there to assist them. The Book Fair will be open to parents from 3.15pm – 3.30pm. **PLEASE NOTE: school gates will close at 3.30pm.** If you have any queries, please contact the office.



**Issue 3 of Book Club** order forms went home today and are due back on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**. 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.



### **Grade 4/5/6 Camp – Campaspe Downs**

In Week 5 of this term, our Grade 4/5/6 students are extremely excited to be attending a two-night camp at PGL Campaspe Downs, which is an hour's drive from Ballarat. PGL Campaspe Downs is set amid 160 acres of stunning natural bushland in the Macedon Ranges, an adventure camp close to Kyneton and Hanging Rock.

Situated around a central lake, Campaspe Downs focuses on developing students' love for the outdoors and nature and developing resilience and teamwork by offering a wide range of exciting and safe adventure activities. Team challenges, sensory trails, bushcraft, ropes courses, are just a few of the activities that our students will be enjoying. The Camp organisers follow the R.E.A.C.H Framework when implementing the activities. This focusses on Relationships, Experiences, Ability, Character, Health & wellbeing.

**Reminder that Camp is to be paid for prior to students attending. If you have any queries with making payments please contact Janine in the office.**



## **Sensory Garden Working Bee**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May @ 3.30pm-4.30PM**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May @ 3.30pm-4.30PM**

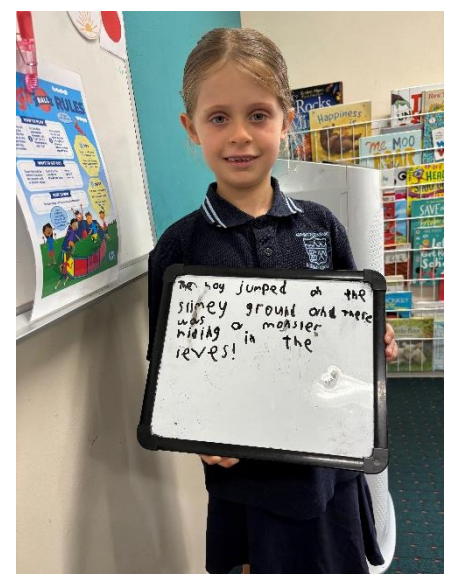
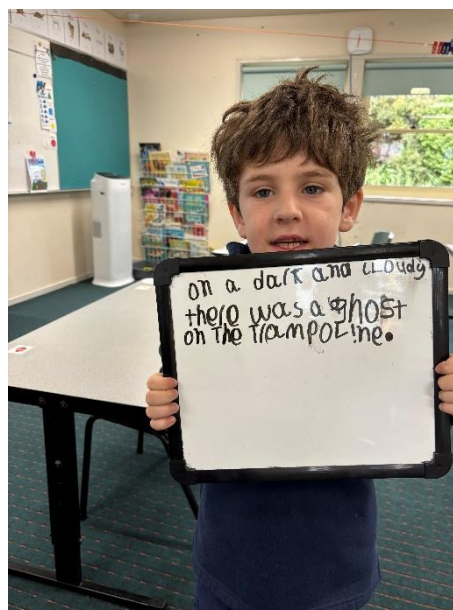
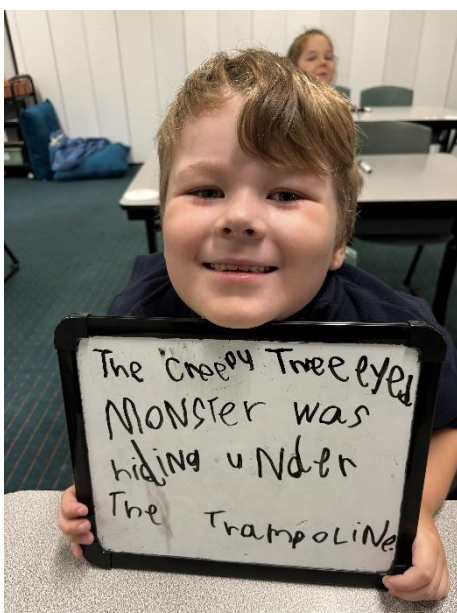
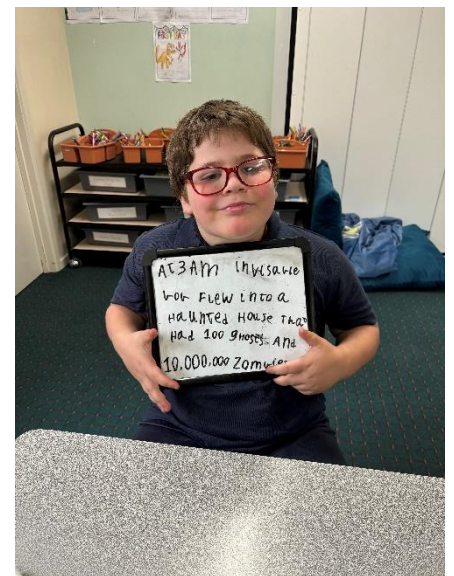
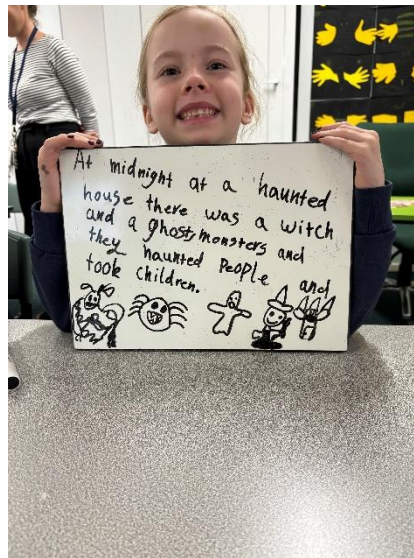
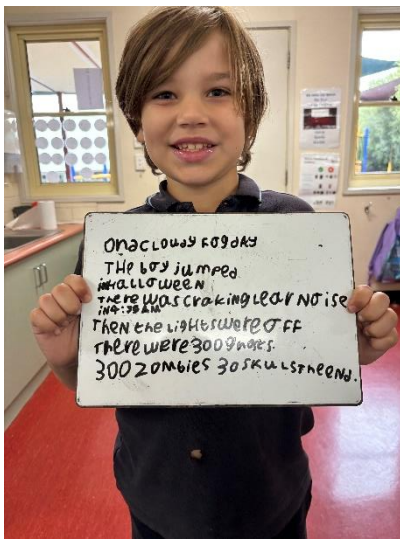


If you can spare a little time to help tidy up and plant some new plants, we would love to see you. All equipment including gloves will be supplied. Hope to see you in the garden.



# 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.





# Anzac Day

Yesterday, Vincent and Ruby, along with Janine and Kylie, represented the school at the 8am Anzac Day service at the Arch of Victory. We were invited to place a wreath for a past student (Harry Errol Williams). The 2024 service read aloud the names of 17 men, of no known grave, who are named on memorials rarely visited by Australians across the world, Harry being one of those.

Harry was born in Ballarat and attended the Mt Pleasant State School. On the 11<sup>th</sup> August 1914, Harry enlisted in the 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion of New Zealand's Canterbury Infantry Regiment. He was killed in action on August 7<sup>th</sup> 1915 at Gallipoli. He has no known grave, but his name is on the Chunuk Bair New Zealand Memorial at Gallipoli.

Vincent and Ruby represented our school with pride and did an amazing job. Thank you to the parents who made this possible.







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.

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.



### 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.

### 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)



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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### 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.



### 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





**come find your awesome**

**SEBASTOPOL AUSKICK CENTRE**  
Marty Busch Reserve, Sebastopol

Friday May  
3rd/5.00pm

**nab AFL Auskick** [play.afl/auskick](https://play.afl/auskick)




BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE





## 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](https://extend.com.au) today and create your bookings for the new term and achieve the best rate!

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Unleash your creative powers at our Superhero crafternoon hosted in partnership by Satellite Foundation and Grampians Mental Health and Wellbeing Connect.

Join us for a superhero crafternoon and sausage sizzle!

**Saturday, 4th May 2024**  
**11:00am to 2:00pm**

**Ballarat Neighbourhood Centre at Delacombe**  
18 Nandirog Drive, Delacombe VIC 3356

Scan the QR or contact us to sign up:  
@ [hello@satellitefoundation.org.au](mailto:hello@satellitefoundation.org.au) 1800 973 444

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Finally, a safe space for every child, tween & teen to be themselves, to play, learn & thrive.

Join us for nature craft & play, yoga, counselling, eco parties, mindfulness meditation, dietetics, music, autism support, messy play, board gaming and more.

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Rear of 410 York Street, Ballarat East VIC 3350

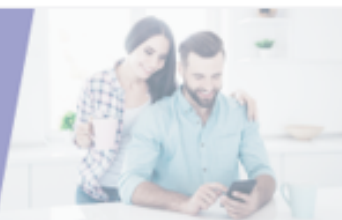
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# Sentral e-resource

## Registering on the Sentral for Parents App for the first time



### Sentral for Parents App

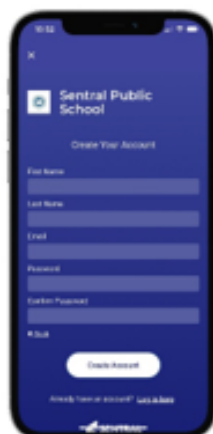
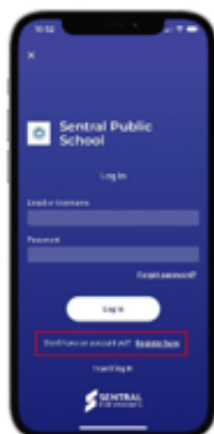
**Step One:** Download the Sentral for Parents app.



**Step Two:** Type in the school's name.

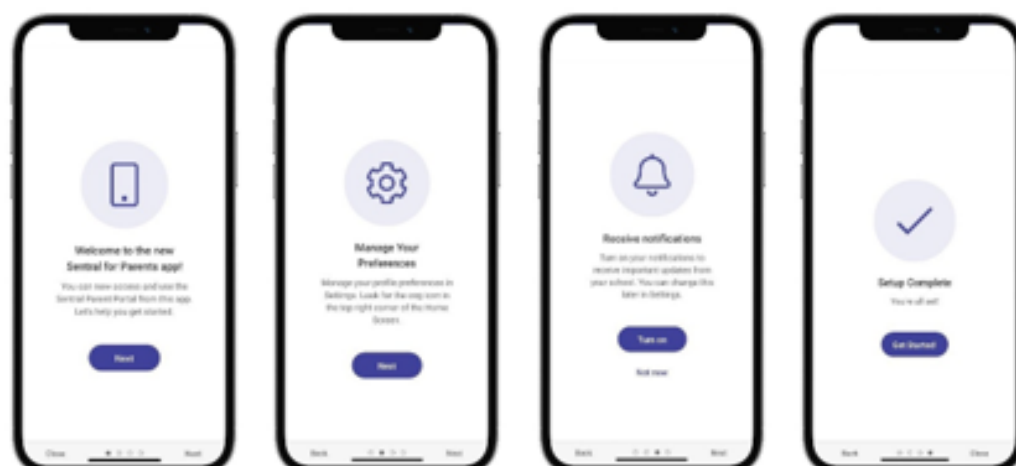


**Step Three:** Choose 'Register Here' from the bottom of the screen. Complete the details and choose 'Create Account'. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified to continue. When the verification link is clicked it opens the log in screen in browser – close the browser and go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

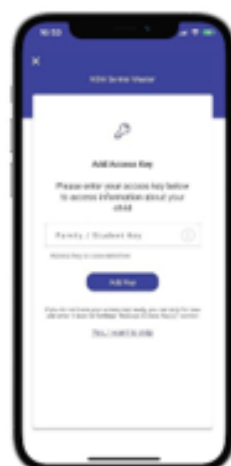




#### Step Four: Choose your preferences



**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

<b>Off the Grill</b>		<b>Cold Food</b>	
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
<b>Hot Food</b>		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
<b>Drinks</b>		Ham & Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Orange Juice	\$2.50	Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice	\$2.50		
Strawberry Milk	\$3.00	<b>Snacks</b>	
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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## Term 2 2024 Parent Planner

	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Aril 15</b>	<b>April 16</b>	<b>April 17</b>	<b>April 18</b>	<b>April 19</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>April 22</b>	<b>April 23</b>	<b>April 24</b>	<b>April 25</b> Anzac Day	<b>April 26</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>April 29</b>	<b>April 30</b> Make A Wish Book Fair	<b>May 1</b> Book Fair	<b>May 2</b> Grade 4/5/6 Camp Parent Info Session	<b>May 3</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>May 6</b>	<b>May 7</b>	<b>May 8</b>	<b>May 9</b>	<b>May 10</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>May 13</b>	<b>May 14</b>	<b>May 15</b> Camp Grade 4/5/6 – Campaspe Downs	<b>May 16</b> Camp Grade 4/5/6 – Campaspe Downs	<b>May 17</b> Camp Grade 4/5/6 – Campaspe Downs
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>May 20</b>	<b>May 21</b>	<b>May 22</b> Excursion – Grade 3-6 – Mount Clear Production	<b>May 23</b>	<b>May 24</b> Curriculum Day
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>May 27</b>	<b>May 28</b>	<b>May 29</b> School Photos	<b>May 30</b>	<b>May 31</b>
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>June 3</b>	<b>June 4</b>	<b>June 5</b>	<b>June 6</b>	<b>June 7</b>
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>June 10</b> Kings Birthday	<b>June 11</b>	<b>June 12</b>	<b>June 13</b>	<b>June 14</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>June 17</b>	<b>June 18</b>	<b>June 19</b>	<b>June 20</b>	<b>June 21</b>
<b>Week 11</b>	<b>June 24</b>	<b>June 25</b>	<b>June 26</b>	<b>June 27</b>	<b>June 28</b> Last day of Term 2 – 2.30pm finish

**Public  
Holiday**

**Student  
Free Day**