



Mount Pleasant Primary School

NEWSLETTER



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10 October 2024

Upcoming Dates

Foundation Transition Day 2 (9-11am)	Wednesday 16 th October
Book Fair – Make A Wish	Wednesday 16 th October
Book Fair	Friday 18 th October
Mount Pleasant Primary School 150 th Anniversary	Saturday 19 th October

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

News from the Principal

**SAVE THE DATE – Term 4, Week 5
FAMILY NIGHT – 7th November 2024**

Dear families,

Welcome back to Term 4! Can you believe that it is October already?! I hope that all our families had a nice break, and possibly got to enjoy some sunshine.

Hats

Term 4 means students require their hats on to be outside. We are a sunsmart school, and if students don't have their hats during these outside times, they will need to sit under the shaded areas.

School Works

You may have noticed that the school is looking quite amazing at the moment. Lots of things have been happening over the school holidays to spruce it up in preparation for the 150th Celebrations. We've had trees trimmed, shrubs planted, decking stained, concrete cleaned, mulch spread, garden works, electrical work and more! A big thank you to Mrs. Schulze for organising this work and her efforts over the holidays.

150th Celebrations

On Saturday 19th October, 10am – 2pm, we will be opening our school to all for the 150th Anniversary Celebrations. We hope to see lots of our families there to join us in marking this special occasion. We will be beginning the morning with a Smoking Ceremony, there will be displays, badge making, the Book Fair, and of course – no 150th celebration could be complete without cake!

Transitions for 2025

This week we met our Foundation group for 2025, the first day of our transition program for 2025. There were plenty of smiles, a few good-bye tears, lots of last hugs, excitement overload and fabulous first memories of school shared.

Values Celebrations

This term, MPPS will be implementing a values token system. We look forward to sharing this in more detail with the students over the next week and I encourage families to talk about this at home. The tokens will be shared at assembly each fortnight to recognise students who show a remarkable demonstration of the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. This is separate to our end of term Values Award that goes to one junior and one senior student each term to acknowledge the dedication to modelling all school values across the term.

As we move towards the end of another year, I wish to remind our families of the importance of keeping up with all notifications and events. We share information regularly through the newsletter and on the Sentral portal. If you are having any trouble accessing the Sentral for Parents app, please ensure that you contact the office for assistance to ensure you don't miss any important information.

I look forward to celebrating many exciting things with our community over Term 4.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Carly Middleton
Acting Principal

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



Mount Pleasant Primary School 150th Anniversary Celebrations



Saturday 19th
October, 2024

10am - 2.00pm

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

10.15am Acknowledgment of Country
Smoking Ceremony
School Song by Choir

Running Events

Mount Pleasant History Group - Arts Centre
Birthday cake + tea/coffee
Visitors Book for signing - Arts Centre
Open Classrooms until 1.30pm
Albert Coates display - Arts Centre

WHILE YOU'RE HERE YOU CAN PARTAKE IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

- Make a badge to commemorate our 150th Anniversary
- Buy a commemorative glass

Commemorative Glass

As part of the 150th Anniversary of Mount Pleasant Primary School, we have had some commemorative glasses made up. These are available to purchase from the office for \$10 each.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Breakfast Club Parent Helpers Needed Term 4!

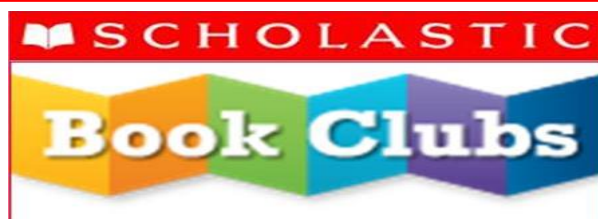
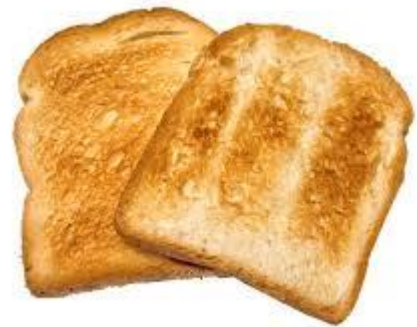
A huge thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers for coming in every day to help with Breakfast Club!

Because of our community spirit, we now provide a nutritious breakfast for our students five days a week to give them the best start for the day.

We need more parent volunteers; more hands light work! We have some parents who volunteer once a week, some that can only committ to a couple of times throughout the term – we will warmly welcome any type of assistance.

Thank you for the great response, Monday and Wednesdays are now covered. We are currently looking for volunteers on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

If you are interested, please contact Anna Johnson on 5332 3646. Set up starts at 8.20am and you should be out the door by 9.15am.



Issue 7 of Book Club order forms went home today and are due back on Wednesday 23rd October. 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.

Book Fair Friday 18th October



The Scholastic Book Fair will hit Mount Pleasant Friday 18th October. Students will have the opportunity to view the books on Wednesday 16th October, where they can select books to put on a wish list. On the day of the Book Fair (Friday 18th October) 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.



The Aboriginal Literacy Foundation are offering our MPPS Indigenous students literacy tuition in Term 4. The organisation provides literacy support for our Aboriginal community throughout Victoria. If you would like more information about the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation, please visit <https://aboriginalliteracyfoundation.org/>

Program details;

When: Thursday from 3.45pm to 5.00pm

Where: 7 Eyre Street, Ballarat Central

If you are interested in your child participating, please contact me at the school on 5332 3646.

Anna Johnson

Learning Specialist, Wellbeing and Inclusion

Make sure you join the Sentral for Parents App as school reports, newsletters, absences will be accessed via the app. If you require help with this, please see the office.

Please check your child's hair, as there has been an increased number of cases at school.

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

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



We are now accepting enrolments for 2025. If you have a child starting Foundation in 2025, enrolment forms are available from the office. Once completed, please hand into the office as soon as possible.

NOW ACCEPTING 2025 ENROLMENTS

Meet the Teachers

<https://mtpleasps.vic.edu.au/meet-the-teachers/>

- Structured Literacy/Numeracy programs
- Onsite Out of Hours Care
- Arts Intensives for small group collaboration
- Specialist programs; Visual Arts, Performing Arts, PE, Chinese, Music



PARKING, TRAFFIC AND SCHOOL CROSSING INSPECTIONS

Please note that the City of Ballarat will be undertaking regular patrols to ensure parking compliance. Any breaches observed, will be enforced. This is to help ensure the safety of students and staff and the broader school community. We implore all road users to ensure that they adhere to the law to maintain the ongoing safety of everyone involved.

Student and community safety should be our priority.



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

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.



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.

Extend After School Care onsite at Mount Pleasant Primary School

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

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Supporting Our Community

Basketball Ballarat Term 4 Community Programs

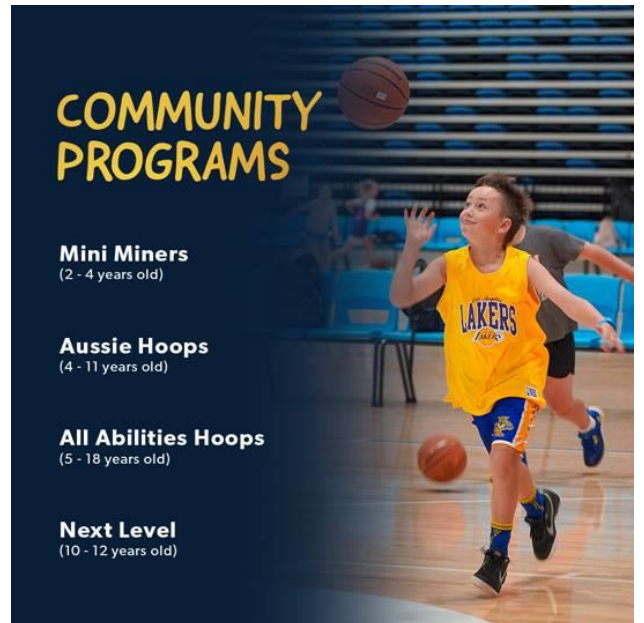
Basketball Ballarat offers children a fun and safe way to experience basketball, setting them up for a lifelong love of the game. We run a variety of introductory programs, catering to children as young as 2 years old.

Our introduction programs include:

- **Aussie Hoops** – Ideal for kids aged 4 to 11, including All Girls Programs
- **All Abilities Rookie Hoops** – For kids aged 5 to 18 with disabilities
- **Mini Miners** – Perfect for kindergarten-aged children, 2 to 4 years old
- **Next Level** – For domestic players born 2011-2013

Registrations are now open, with programs starting the week of **October 21st**. For more information and to sign up, visit [Basketball Ballarat Community Programs](https://www.ballaratbasketball.com.au/community-programs).

For further details, please feel free to contact me, Zack Cummins, via email at programs@ballaratbasketball.com or call reception on (03) 5338 1220.



TERM 4 IS AROUND THE CORNER!

BOOK NOW WITH EXTEND!

The new school term is approaching, and Extend is ready to help you prepare with premium Outside School Hours Care!

We're starting Term 4 with tons of amazing activities and games for all ages, a delicious selection of health-based snacks, and an environment designed for learning, fun and safety!

Plan ahead and save with our Early Bird Rate! Book 14 days in advance on all sessions to receive the best price!

Whatever's around the corner for you, you can rely on Extend to provide you with a quality service in the new Term 4!



Make your bookings online at [extend.com.au](https://www.extend.com.au) and plan ahead for Term 4 today!





Sentral e-resource

Registering on the Sentral for Parents App for the first time



Sentral for Parents App

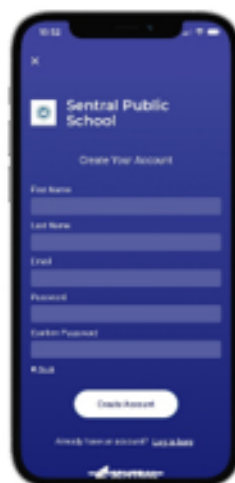
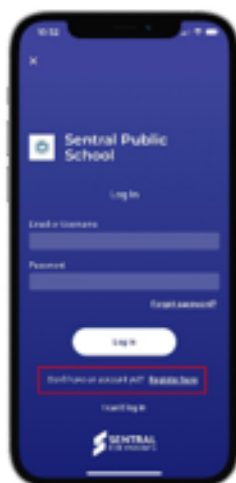
Step One: Download the Sentral for Parents app.



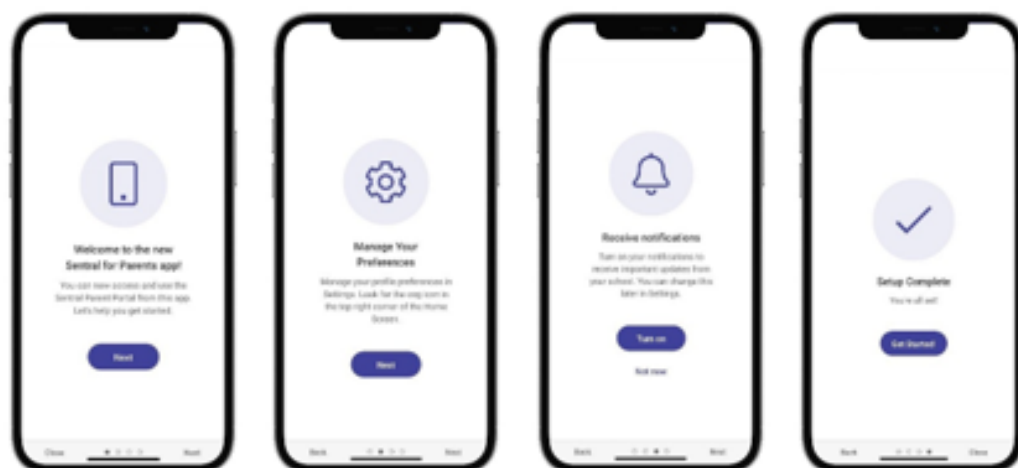
Step Two: Type in the school's name.



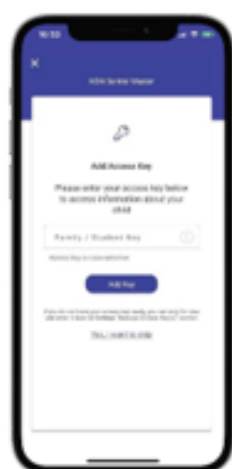
Step Three: Choose 'Register Here' from the bottom of the screen. Complete the details and choose 'Create Account'. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified to continue. When the verification link is clicked it opens the log in screen in browser – close the browser and go back 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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Term 4 2024 Parent Planner

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Oct 7	Oct 8 Foundation Transition Day 1	Oct 9	Oct 10	Oct 11
Week 2	Oct 14	Oct 15	Oct 16 Foundation Transition Day 2 Book Fair - Make A Wish	Oct 17	Oct 18 Book Fair
Week 3	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24	Oct 25 F-2 Stay Late Grade 3 Sleepover
Week 4	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31	Nov 1
Week 5	Nov 4	Nov 5 Melbourne Cup Day	Nov 6	Nov 7 Family Night	Nov 8
Week 6	Nov 11	Nov 12 Foundation Transition Day 3	Nov 13	Nov 14	Nov 15
Week 7	Nov 18	Nov 19	Nov 20	Nov 21	Nov 22
Week 8	Nov 25	Nov 26 Foundation Transition Day 4	Nov 27	Nov 28	Nov 29
Week 9	Dec 2 Swimming	Dec 3 Swimming	Dec 4 Swimming	Dec 5 Swimming	Dec 6 Swimming
Week 10	Dec 9	Dec 10 State Wide Transition Day Foundation Transition 5	Dec 11	Dec 12 Grade 6 Graduation	Dec 13
Week 11	Dec 16	Dec 17 Student Led Conferences	Dec 18	Dec 19 Curriculum Day – Student Free Day	Dec 20 Last day of Term 4 – 2.30pm finish

Public Holiday	Student Free Day
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