Principal’s Report

Show Day Change of Date

This year Show Day will be held on Tuesday 13th of September. Show day continues to be a highlight of the Moonee Ponds West annual school calendar, and acknowledges the historical importance of the Royal Melbourne Show for the wider school community. Show day commences at 11:30 am and concludes at 1:00 pm.

Meeting Nights for Staff

If parents wish to contact staff please be aware that Tuesdays and Thursday are meeting days for the teaching staff. Meetings commence at 3:45pm.

Hats Please

The school has a Sunsmart Policy, which states that students should wear a suitable hat (wide brimmed or Legionnaires) outside from the 1st of September until the 30th of April.

Please ensure your child wears a wide brimmed hat and dresses sensibly (sensible dressing means singlet, backless and thin strappy tops are unacceptable).

Sunscreen should be applied before coming to school. Sunscreen is also provided in each classroom.

Leave for staff

Please be advised that Amy Robinson (room 20) will be on leave for the remainder of the term.

Japanese Immersion Days

Thank you to Diana and Cindy for organizing the 2 Japanese Immersion Days (this week and last). Thank you also to Tomomi Sensei for presenting the Onigiri session. It was fantastic to welcome the Essendon Keilor College year 10 students and their teacher Mizuei Sensei who participated in last week’s immersion day. Kenny, the Manga Sensei was very well received by the children. Last of all, a huge thank you to Kari (parent) for her support today.

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**End of term**
Please be reminded that school will finish at 2:30pm on Friday next week (September 16th). Assembly will be held in the Gym at 2:00pm. Children will be dismissed from their classrooms.

**Lost Property**
A reminder that the lost property has returned to its previous home in the causeway behind room 7 (near the toilets). Please take the time to visit the large amount of lost property if your child has misplaced and personal items. At the end of next week all unclaimed clothing and property will be donated to a charity.

**Riding to School**
With the arrival of the warmer weather and increased opportunities to enjoy riding to school, a reminder to all families to ensure that children stay safe when riding to and from school – no matter how long or short the journey may be.

Enjoy the week,

Jeff
MPW MVIMP CONCERT

All families are invited to attend the MPW MVIMP Concert, on....

*Tuesday the 13th of September in the gym at 7pm.*

All children involved in MVIMP at MPW will be performing, and the night will conclude with a performance by the MPW Band. Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy the performances! We hope to see lots of families there.

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DARLING ST ESPRESSO

Thanks to all of you for your fantastic feedback on our school lunch orders! We love being able to feed all those hungry bellies. We would like to mix things up a bit going into Spring and offer a few new items for the kids and what better way than to ask mum or dad!

We would like to keep our options tasty, healthy and cost effective. Could you put your heads together with the students so we can implement some new foods going into the warmer weather?

We would love to hear your ideas and we thank you for your support so far.

From the Darling St Espresso Team

Email your responses to darlingstespresso@hotmail.com
Attention all our wonderful families and friends of MPWPS!

Our final fundraising event of 2016 is fast approaching and we cannot do without your support.

The events team is seeking items to decorate the Spring Carnival Social Night venue in the way of the following:

- Floral arrangements
- Party Decorations - balloons, streamers, coloured lights.

We have a colour theme in mind so if there are any MPWPS parents who may be able to donate or provide a contact in regard to these decorative items could you please email us on the address below.

In addition, we are asking if MPWPS families may consider donating goods or services for our final fundraising event.

Some suggestions of items:

- Restaurant Voucher / Department Store Voucher / Fitness Club Voucher
- Theatre Tickets / Wine or Champagne / 1 x night city accommodation / Spa or Beauty Vouchers / Specialty Hampers / Hair Salon Vouchers

Families and friends of MPWPS, your generosity, consideration and support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to reaching our fundraising goal of an air-conditioned school gym for 2017!

Please contact Rachel Toussaint on rachwals@hotmail.com or Anna Clapcott on annaclapcott@hotmail.com if you are able to assist.

(The school office will be able to receive any donations – and if you are able to provide your contact name and email address we can acknowledge your support at the event and a formal thank you letter will follow.)
We are SunSmart - a note for families

Too much UV can cause sunburn, skin and eye damage and skin cancer. Overexposure to UV during childhood and adolescence is a major factor for future skin cancer risk.

You can’t see or feel the sun’s UV so don’t be fooled. Whatever the weather, if the UV levels are three or more, it’s important to Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide!

Our school aims to protect children and staff from too much UV to help minimise future skin cancer risk. We are a registered member of the Cancer Council Victoria’s SunSmart Program. Please help support our SunSmart membership by ensuring your child follows the SunSmart measures included in our policy.

During the daily local sun protection times (issued whenever UV levels are three and above), use these 5 SunSmart steps – even if it’s cool and cloudy.

1. Slip on a shirt – for free dress days, ensure your child wears clothing that covers as much skin as possible (e.g. elbow length tops with a higher neckline or collar and longer style shorts or skirts). Densely woven fabrics are best.

2. Slop on SPF 30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen – apply a generous amount of sunscreen at the start of the day and make sure children have sunscreen in their bag ready to be reapplied throughout the day. Please ensure they get plenty of sunscreen application practice at home so they’ll be all set when they are at school.

3. Slap on a hat – one that protects the face, neck and ears such as a broad brimmed, legionnaire or bucket style hat. Peak caps do not offer enough protection and are not recommended by SunSmart. Please help your child remember to bring and wear their approved hat.

4. Seek shade – choose shady spots for play whenever possible.

5. Slide on some sunglasses – if practical and approved by the school. Make sure they are labelled AS 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

Sun protection times

Don’t just wait for hot and sunny days to use sun protection. Check the sun protection times each day so your family can be protected when they need to be.

Daily local sun protection times and weather details are available from the SunSmart widget on our school website, in the weather section of the newspaper, on the SunSmart website at sunsmart.com.au and as a free SunSmart app. Sun protection times can also be found at the Bureau of Meteorology website and live UV levels are available from ARPANSA.

Further information contact SunSmart
P: 03 9514 6419
E: sunsmart@cancervic.org.au
W: sunsmart.com.au
COMMUNITY NEWS

Soundhouse at Moonee Ponds West P.S

It is hard to believe that yet another Term has flown by and we are greeted with another holiday! We have had another amazing Term in Soundhouse at Moonee Ponds West, the students are learning new songs while also starting to refine their concert items.

ANNUAL SOUNDHOUSE CONCERTS:
Tuesday 8th November – Keyboard
Wednesday 9th November – SAP & Guitar

There will be more information early in Term 4 about our Soundhouse Concerts but keep those evenings free in your diaries!

If you have any queries regarding the Soundhouse Program please feel free to contact Maddie Owen.

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