

# Be kind, be brave, be your best

Newsletter no 18  
July 30th, 2021



## NEXT WEEK AT M.P.S.

### Monday 2nd August

- Preparation for Puberty, Gr 5 and 6

### Friday 6th August

- Principals Day



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 10th August**  
Finance sub committee meeting,  
2.30pm

**August 11th-13th**  
Grade 5 and 6 camp

**Tuesday 17th August**  
Athletics Carnival

**Wednesday 18th August**  
School Council, 6.30pm

**Friday 20th August**  
School photos

**Wednesday 25th August**  
Parent Teacher Interviews

**September 13th-15th**  
Grade 3 and 4 camp

**October 21st-22nd**  
Grade 1 and 2 camp

## Principal's Chat

Hi everyone,

**It has been lovely to have the students return to onsite learning for part of this week.** Students have settled back in well and staff are checking in with students to ensure they are feeling safe and supported. I would like to thank everyone for their support of the school and the staff, and for following the school operation guidelines to ensure we keep everyone as Covid safe as possible.

Unfortunately we had to postpone our Parent Teacher Interviews this week due to Covid-19 restrictions. **We have tentatively booked Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August for face to face interviews,** however we will need to confirm whether this will be face to face or by phone as the time gets closer. Please remember that if you need to discuss anything with the classroom teacher before this date, please email the teacher or phone the Office to organise a phone meeting. I will keep you updated on the interview date and the booking process.

**This term the Physical Education sports focus is on Athletics.** The students have been outside working on their Athletics skills in hurdles, sprints and relays. **We are hoping to hold our annual Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> August,** but we will need to wait until the new restrictions are announced to see how this day will run.

**Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).** The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

**The NCCD will have no direct impact on any child and no child will be involved in any testing processes. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured.** All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy \(https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy\)](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Thanks

Alisa

## Reminders

- **Payment for the Grade 5 and 6 Roses Gap camp must be finalised by Monday 2nd August.** Please contact the office if payment is an issue.
- The **Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund** helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. To be eligible you must have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card. **Many families applied for and received this in March however, due to the impact of Covid-19, further families may now be eligible.** If you have not applied for CSEF this year but believe you are eligible please contact the office immediately for an application form. **All applications must be received by Thursday 5th August.**
- **School photos have been postponed to Friday 20th August** due to Covid-19 restrictions. Please keep your photo envelope in a safe place until this date. If you are concerned about losing the envelope you are welcome to complete the envelope/payment and forward it to the office where we will store it securely until Friday 20th August.
- Friday Fundraiser will not take place until further notice.
- Assemblies on site will not take place until further notice.



**MT ALEXANDER FAMILY DAY CARE**  
**BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM**  
AT MALDON PS

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Monday to Friday  
3.15pm to 6.00pm

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**Healthy Breakfast & Afternoon Tea Provided**  
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## What's happening in the classroom?

**Weekly awards:** Whilst assemblies cannot be held values awards will be presented each week in the classroom. The following students will be receiving awards for this week:

**P/1:** Quinn for always helping others with class tasks (be kind)

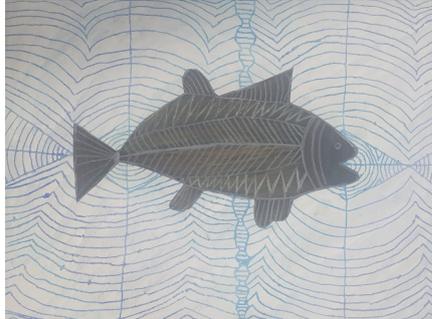
**2/3:** Archie for being a kind and helpful friend (be kind)

**4/5:** Charlie for being flexible and adapting well between remote and onsite learning (be your best)

**6:** Levi M for working hard on improving his reading (be your best)

**Principal awards:** Harry, Sam, Eva and Abi for their enthusiasm and engagement during the high abilities program

**Art award:** Jack S for the care and thought he put into creating his Arnhem Land inspired artwork and Barramundi x-ray animal.



## Can you help?

- Desiree is looking for used mailing tubes (approx. 80cm long, 10cm diameter) for use in music. If you have any at home that you are willing to donate please send them in with your child.

## For sale

- Lenovo Thinkpad 11e netbooks (2015 model) with chargers. \$20 each. 4 netbooks available. Netbooks will be sold on a first in first served basis. Please call the office on 5475 1484 or email Debra (debra.watson@education.vic.gov.au ) if you are interested in purchasing a netbook.

## To give away

- Two soccer goals, fair condition. Net needs repair/replacement. Please call the office on 5475 1484 if you are interested in taking it.

## Extra curricular catch up



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