

Be kind, be brave, be your best

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May 21st, 2024

Principal's Chat

Hi everyone,

Despite the limited number of volunteers, our school's working bee on Sunday proved successful as we tackled various tasks to spruce up the grounds. We managed to mulch the playground, weed and trim the front garden and sweep up the leaves from the back area. While the effort was commendable, the need for more hands was clear. I would encourage greater participation in future working bees to ensure the upkeep of our large schoolyard, creating a welcoming and safe environment for the children to play each day. **Thanks to Tom Robertson, Marton Gross, Kate Mahony, Newton Hunt and Ray Stevens, as well as Martha and past students Stella and Isla for their work on the day. Our next working bee is set for October and we would love to see as many families attend as possible.**

Last week we held our School Council Meeting for May. Kim Saddlier (Senior Education Improvement Leader for our Network) attended the meeting to inform the School Council that Jodie Mengler has relinquished her principal position at Maldon Primary School. With this notification, the substantive principal position for Maldon Primary School has now been advertised and we are hopeful that the position will be finalised for the start of term 3.

Yesterday we held an Emergency Evacuation Drill. We plan for and practise different types of evacuations such as Shelter in Place, Lockdown, Onsite Evacuation and Offsite Evacuation. It is important for all staff and students to be familiar with these evacuations, to practise them to build confidence in an emergency situation and to identify any areas for improvement. **This evacuation was focused on a lockdown scenario, where all students were locked into their classroom space and were required to shelter quietly out of sight of windows and doors. The students all navigated the drill very well.** We always have a brief discussion with the students after the drill which includes what to do if you are at the toilets/outside when the alarm rings, what the expectations are of every student and staff member and why these drills are important. Students always have great questions or comments in this debrief. Staff will now review the processes and we will make adjustments to our Emergency Management plan as required.

This week's whole school behaviour focus is: I take pride in my work (Be your best).

Some of the 'I can' statements the classes will be working towards are –

I am proud to share my work

I give my work my best effort

I want to learn and improve



THIS WEEK AT M.P.S.

Wednesday 22nd May

- School Photos
DON'T FORGET TO ORDER PHOTOS ONLINE!

Friday 24th May

- Zoo excursion- **leaving school at 8.00am sharp**
- NO Friday fundraiser
- NO Assembly

Tuesday 28th May

- Region Cross Country (selected students)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 29th-31st May

Grade 5/6 Urban Camp

Monday 3rd June

Smile Squad fluoride visit

Friday 7th June

Curriculum Day

Tuesday 11th June

Quantum Excursion, Grades 3-6

Wednesday 12th June

Quantum Excursion, Grades Prep-2

Wednesday 19th June

School Council meeting

Thursday 27th June

Class Expos, 9am-9.45am

Friday 28th June

Last day term 2, 2.30pm dismissal

SAVE THE DATE

**Tuesday 10th September
Special Person's Day**

My work is neat and organised

I contribute to my group/turn and talk

I have included an article today called [Strong families: how they work | Raising Children Network](#). This gives parents/carers tips on how to create a strong family.

Thanks

Alisa

Reminders

Ordering school photos:



Maldon Primary School



MSP Photography
Ballarat
T 03 5333 5577
E ballarat@msp.com.au
www.msp.com.au

PHOTO DAY: Wednesday 22nd May 2024

HOW TO ORDER

Ordering online is quick and easy using the steps below!

Step 1

Click on the link below to access your ordering portal.

<https://maldonps-vic.msp.photos>

Step 2

Click 'Sign in with Student Details'

Sign in with Student Details

Enter your child's surname and date of birth. You will be prompted to create an account. If you have an existing account, please use those login details. Once logged in, you will be able to add additional children and place sibling photo orders.

Please note that sibling photo orders must be placed by **Midnight on Tuesday 21st May 2024**.

The portal does not have a cut off ordering date, however once the job has gone to the lab for printing, any late orders will incur a later order charge.



Smile Squad six month fluoride varnish visit:

Following on from their visit last year, the Bendigo Health Smile Squad team are heading back to our school to complete six-monthly fluoride varnish applications for those students who have provided consent. Fluoride varnish applications help make sure students have the best chance of preventing tooth decay, so we're excited Smile Squad are coming back.

Classroom Values awards, Art and Performing Arts award

Back row L to R: Myra and Liam
Front row L to R: Lillie, Logan, Wyn and Hannah



Birthdays

L to R: Cohen, Sam and Mabel



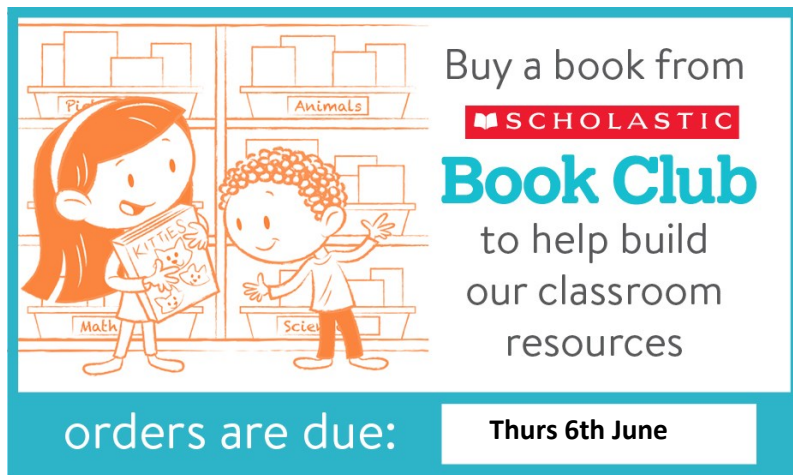
Consent for this fluoride varnish application was provided when students' initial consent forms were returned. However, if anyone has changed their mind and do not wish to receive a fluoride varnish application, they can contact Bendigo Health directly to let them know. Please contact the Smile Squad team via:

0460 729 200

dental@bendigohealth.org.au

The Smile Squad team look forward to visiting on the 3rd June.

Book Club issue 4: Brochures are coming home with students today!



Buy a book from
SCHOLASTIC
Book Club
to help build
our classroom
resources

orders are due: **Thurs 6th June**

The advertisement features a cartoon illustration of a girl and a boy in a library. The girl is holding a book titled 'KITTIES' and the boy is holding a book titled 'MATH'. The library shelves are labeled 'Plants', 'Animals', 'Math', and 'Science'. The Scholastic logo is prominently displayed in the center.

Sport

Well done to Elsa who placed 10th at the Division Cross Country last Friday and has now qualified to compete in the Region Cross Country at St Arnaud next Tuesday 28th May.

What's happening in the classroom?

Weekly awards: The following students will be receiving awards in the classroom this week:

P/1: Logan for confidently making announcements over the speaker and Iris for confidently sharing her writing at assembly (be brave)

1/2: Elke for confidently sharing her math strategies with her grade (be brave)

3/4: Alex for using a confident voice when speaking in front of a group of people during our hospital visit (be brave)

5/6: Hattie for confidently showing her work to the class (be brave)

Performing Arts: Abbey for the persistence she shows in mastering chord changes on the ukelele

Art: Martha for making multiple attempts at monochrome painting to ensure she had created her best work

Classroom Values awards, Art and Performing Arts award

Back row L to R: Hayden and Rilen
Front row L to R: Layla, Jack and Evie
Absent: Mia



Birthdays

Back row: Abbey
Front row L to R: Maci, Hayden and Oliver



Principal Awards

Back row L to R: Dean, Abbey, Karen, Edie and Harriet
Front row L to R: Maci, Martha, Scarlett, Myra and Elsa





What's happening at school? ✨

Extra curricular catch up



Enroll Now!

MUSIC
LESSONS

DTM
DANCE, THEATRE, MUSIC

Guitar Piano Violin Vocals Drums
BASS | UKELELE | WOODWIND | BRASS | STRINGS | BANJO | HARMONICA |
MARIMBA

0407502438 drew.dtmaustralia@gmail.com

Help us find a new before/after school care coordinator

Do you enjoy working with children, supporting their growth and helping them reach their full potential? If so, we have a fantastic opportunity for you!

Mt Alexander FDC is seeking a qualified Early Childhood Educator to run a Before and After School Care Program at Maldon Primary School. The program runs from Monday to Friday, and the role starts in term 3, 2024.

New educators register via Mt Alexander Family Day Care, where our leadership team provides all start-up and administration support.

If you would like further information regarding fees, compliance requirements or qualifications, please don't hesitate to contact Analeigh (Program Facilitator) at 0431 74 5097 or Lisa Girvan (Mt Alexander FDC) at 0474 315 849.

What's happening in the community?



COME & PLAY
Carlton AFLW Community Camp 2024.
BENDIGO

Carlton AFL are coming to the Bendigo region as part of the AFLW Community Camp. FREE Come and Play program for girls aged 5-12 to meet some AFLW Players and have some football fun!

WHERE
Weeroona Oval - Bendigo

WHEN
4.00 PM - 5.00 PM
Tuesday 18th of June

SCAN TO REGISTER

