

Be kind, be brave, be your best

Newsletter no 29
September 17th 2024

Principal's Chat

Hi everyone,

It's been great to hear the students in grade 3/4 talking about their camp last week. It sounds like they had a great time and made lots of fond memories. The light show was a standout event for most of the children. Thanks again to Jesse and Kirby, as well as parent helpers Caitlin and Scott, for making sure the camp ran smoothly. **In the first week of next term, the Grade 1 and 2 students will head off to their overnight camp at Boomerang Ranch.**

This term students have been involved in many great learning experiences and opportunities. Some of these include:

- Hospital Visits (Grade 3/4)
- First Aid for Kids
- Preparation for Puberty (Grade 5/6)
- Tarrengower Times page (Gr 5/6) and the Newshounds Page in the Castlemaine Mail (all classes)
- Sustainability work with Emily Condon (Grade 5/6)
- Green and Gold Mini Olympics
- Athletics Carnival and division events for selected students
- Book Week Dress Up Parade and rotations
- National Day of Action – 'Say No to Bullying' Day
- Discovery Centre Science Incursion
- Daniel Morcombe Foundation - Australia's Biggest Child Safety Lesson
- 'I wish' performance (Grade prep-2)
- District Tennis and Cricket Day (Grade 3-6)
- Artist in Residence, Bernard Mangakahia, and our Special Person's Afternoon performance
- Pioneer Settlement Camp (Grade 3/4)

This week:

- Footy Colours Day
- Maths Expo
- Smoking Ceremony with the Maldon Kindergarten (Grade 5/6)

Every term is busy with lots of different experiences for all classes. **Next term, we will add our annual Clubs program to our calendar where we link in with community groups/people in Maldon to give students some new experiences such as learning to play lawn bowls, art lessons with a professional artist, learning croquet etc.** This is something the children always look forward to and enjoy.

I'd like to recognise and celebrate those students who have achieved at least 95% attendance for this year, missing seven days or less of school. Congratulations to Messi, Alice, Thomas M, Oliver M, Emily, Lillie, Alfie, Darcy O, Alex, Trillian, Karen, Henry, Leon, Mackenzie and



THIS WEEK AT M.P.S.

Wednesday 18th September

- Footy Colours Day, gold coin donation

Thursday 19th September

- Maths Expos
9-9.40am, Gr 5/6
9.40am-10.20am, Gr 3/4
10.20-10.50am, Gr P/1/2 in the P/1 and Japanese rooms
- Term 3 Progress reports sent home

Friday 20th September

- Smoking Ceremony excursion, Grade 5/6
- Friday Fundraiser
- NO Assembly
- Last day term 3, 2.30pm dismissal



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 7th October

First day term 4

10th-11th October

Grade 1 and 2 camp

Logan on this achievement.

Don't forget this Thursday we have our end of term expo, where parents/carers/family members can visit the classrooms and see our maths lesson in action. We have staggered the sessions, so that our visitors can see children across the classrooms.

Gr 5/6 maths class expo – 9:00-9:40am

Gr 3/4 maths class expo – 9:40-10:20am

Grade P/1 and 1/2 maths class expo – 10:20-10:50am. This will be held in the Prep/1 classroom and the Japanese room.

Maldon Primary School is required to regularly and systematically review and update a variety of policies. We are currently in the process of reviewing our Complaints Policy. The policy is available to view on our school website <https://maldonps.vic.edu.au/policies> or a hard copy can be obtained from the office.

A big thank you to the parents/carers who completed the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey. We had 36% of families (20/56) complete this survey. The survey closes this Friday, so there is still time if you haven't completed it. Please see the uEducateUs announcement from August 26th for details on how to access the survey. I will share the survey data with the school community next term.

Friday is last day of Term 3 and students will be dismissed at 2:30pm. Have a restful break and enjoy some time with family and friends.

Take care,
Alisa

Reminders

We are having a Footy Colours Day!

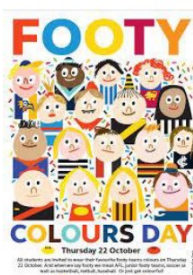
When – Wednesday 18th September, 2024

What – Wear your favourite footy team colours (if you don't follow football wear your favourite team colours or just your favourite colour)

Why – To raise money for kids' cancer!

– Bring a gold coin donation –

**WEAR YOUR
FOOTY COLOURS FOR
KIDS WITH CANCER.**



Classroom Values awards and Principal awards

Back row L to R: Caleb, Will, Harry and Pheebe

Front row L to R: Bjorn, Mabel, Oliver, Darcy and Billie



Gotcha awards

Back row L to R: William, Layton and Athena

Front row L to R: Dakotah, Beau and Elke



Fundraising news



- The Mango fundraiser is back for 2024 with order forms going home with students last week. Please encourage family and friends to order up big and support our school!
- **We need to get some Mango fundraiser posters up around the town before the holidays. If any families are able to assist with this please contact the office.**

Smile Squad is coming in term 4..

The Smile Squad team from Bendigo Health are coming to our school in the week commencing 14th October, 2024. Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program. This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

How to access free dental care

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian. Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

OR use the below QR code:



Paper copies of the consent form are available. Please contact the school office if you would like to request one.

Smile Squad oral health packs

All children deserve a healthy smile, and the Smile Squad free school dental program is working hard to help make sure this happens.

Your child(ren) are receiving a free dental pack to bring home today. The dental pack contains a toothbrush, full sized toothpaste and an oral health brochure. Please take the time to read the brochure. It's full of helpful hints and tips to help your whole family eat well, drink well and clean well – for life.

Smile Squad provides standard strength fluoride toothpaste that is generally used by ages six and over, unless recommended by a dental or trained health professional.

If your child is under six, please talk to a dental or trained health professional to find out if your child might benefit from using this toothpaste. You can also choose to put the toothpaste away until they turn six or give it to someone else in your family to use.

Do I need to attend my child's appointment?

No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment. You can attend if you would like to, and you can take your child to the community dental clinic if you prefer.

Sport

Division Athletics: Congratulations to Elsa, Scarlett, Lillie, Oliver and Will who competed in the Division Athletics competition in Bendigo yesterday. All students came away with a ribbon and Scarlett, Lillie, Oliver and Will have qualified to compete in the Region competition in October. Well done!



Something which may interest our families...



Government school parent roundtable

You are invited to join one of two online roundtables

In partnership with Parents Victoria, the Department of Education is seeking your feedback on the next phase of education priorities.

This is an opportunity for you to share your ideas in achieving better learning and wellbeing outcomes for Victorian students.

Date and time
Roundtable 1: Tuesday 24 September 2024, 11:00 – 12:00pm
or
Roundtable 2: Wednesday 25 September 2024, 7:30 – 8:30pm

Details
Both roundtables will cover the same content. Places are limited; attendees will receive an invitation and link to participate.

RSVP
5pm Friday 20 September using the link or QR code below.



RSVP: 5pm Friday 20 September 2024
<https://forms.office.com/r/456bDRTAd3>

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What's happening in the classroom?

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

P/1: Ava for always moving safely inside (be kind/be brave)

1/2: Beau for choosing a quiet space during mindfulness (be kind/be brave)

3/4: Quinn for always moving safely around the school (be kind/be brave)

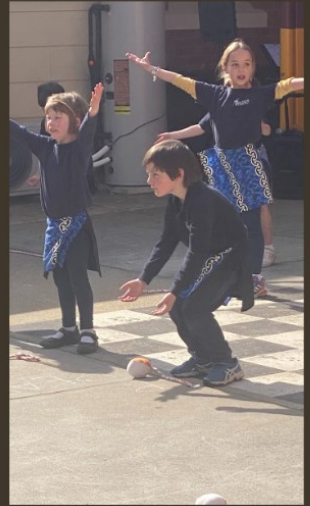
5/6: Cohen for always respecting others and their personal space (be kind/be brave)



2024

Pioneer Settlement Camp





Artist in Residence Bernard Mangakahia



What's happening in the community?

Muckleford Cricket Club

2024 - 2025 Season Launch Melbourne Renegades Clinic

Start Date/Time: Sunday September 22nd @ 10 AM
Location: Mapson & Timmins Oval

What's Happening:

- Renegades Clinic with coaching & games
- Classic Catches competition
- BBQ lunch
- Coffee Van to keep you energized ☕
- Renegades Van and their lively mascot!
- 2024/25 Team Captain Announcements
- Practice Match Vs Sedgewick

Contact - Callan Hough +61 400 919 044

<https://www.mucklefordcc.com.au>

MALDON BOWLS CLUB

Community BBQ and Barefoot Bowls

All welcome

Friday Sep 20th - 5.30pm

- Live music by *Classic Rewind*
- \$5 entry includes bowling, use of equipment, raffle ticket.
 - Children under 12 Free
 - BBQ From 5.30pm
 - Well stocked bar
- Free parents/adults Coaching/Practice and Junior Development from 4.00pm

OUTDOORS
NON-CONTACT
INCLUSIVE

HAVE A BLAST!

Dive into the exciting world of cricket! It's a super fun, inclusive & energetic sport that's perfect for all kids, no matter if you're new to batting or already a backyard cricket champion. Join us at our clinic and let's have a blast together - parents, you're invited too!

MALDON PRIMARY SCHOOL
 Friday October 18th, 2024
 3:30PM - 4:30PM
 COST: FREE
 Contact: Brett Cole - +61 439 882 765

THE FESTIVAL IS COMING!

NEWSTEAD

YOUNG WRITERS FESTIVAL

SUNDAY
20th OCT
2024

11- 4pm
at the
Arts Hub

. JOHN MARSDEN . LORENA CARRINGTON .
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LIMITED TICKETS

PROGRAM COMING SOON

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Chess in the Mall

Friday Sept 27

10:30am-2:30pm



Come and enjoy a game of chess in the
Hargreaves Mall

at the Williamson St end

-Giant chess boards

-Boards for social games

-Simultaneous Display



All ages and skill levels welcome. Free. No bookings required.

For more information call Andre on 0409 848 829

Event is weather dependant. If wet, event will be cancelled.

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& MANY MORE**

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THURSDAY 19 SEPT
@ 7:30PM**



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Hope here:



RAISE SOME Dough

Lifeline's
hello for hope

Domino's will be donating \$1 from every
pizza sold on Friday September 20th to
Lifeline's "Hello for Hope".

Every dollar raised will support Lifeline
Loddon Mallee's crucial work in crisis
support and mental health training.

What: \$1 from every pizza sold*

Where: Domino's Bendigo, Strathdale, Epsom & K-Flat

When: Friday September 20th, 11am-Late

Goal: \$1,600



SCAN TO DOWNLOAD THE DOMINO'S APP @ 131 888 DOMINOS.COM.AU

*Excludes Mini Pizzas

