

Kindness

Respect



Resilience

Growth

Mooroolbark East

PRIMARY SCHOOL

THURSDAY, JULY 18th, 2024

MEPS CALENDAR Term 2

July:

Monday 22nd: Grade 5 Hooptime
Friday 26th: Olympics Day: sausage sizzle
Saturday 27th: Trivia Night
Monday 29th: 100 Days of Prep
Tuesday 30th: Responsible Pet Program, Preps

August:

Monday 5th: Australian Maths Competition
Monday 5th-Tuesday 13th: School Nurse—Preps
Wednesday 7th—Friday 9th: Ski Trip, Grades 5 & 6

August 12th: Dental Van returns to MEPS

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

Welcome back to Term Three! This term is going to be a really busy, but fun filled term for our students and our community. This term we have our big Trivia Night Fundraiser, School Production, Swimming programs and so much more. I hope everyone had a great break and had some down time over the holiday period, even though the weather was not so supportive of outdoor events. It has been great to see our students return to a fresh term of learning and ready to go. I hope parents and carers found our parent teacher interviews on Monday rewarding and informative, celebrating your child's achievements and setting goals for Semester Two.

From the Art Room

Jan has returned from Long Service Leave and is keen to start the students on a new activity in art. She is requiring cereal boxes or boxes around that size for this term's art project. If you have any, please pass them on to Jan in the art room, or at the front office for her and the students to use. She would also appreciate any wool or magazines. Thanks for your support.

Trivia Night

Next Saturday, July 27th is our school community Trivia Night. This is a wonderful fundraiser for the school and we still have spots left for anyone still hoping to join in. A huge thank you to all of the school members, staff, individuals and companies who have kindly donated items or services for us to auction off. Some of the amazing things up for grabs are a personal carpark at school, sporting memorabilia, wine, photography packages and so much more. Currently with ticket sales and business sponsorship we have already raised \$9,500. Plenty of fun and prizes to win, BYO food and drink, strictly over 18 only event. If you haven't got a spot yet, please register soon as tables are filling up quickly. See you all there!

Respectful Relationships program

In 2016 Respectful Relationships (RR) education became a core component of the Victorian curriculum. The program was born after the Royal Commission into the tragic death of Luke Batty in 2014. It was a recommendation from the Royal Commission that all schools use Respectful Relationships to support students to recognise and regulate emotions, develop empathy for others and establish and build a framework for positive relationships.

The Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships teaching and learning materials have been developed to support schools to deliver the curriculum and are mandated to be taught in all Victorian government schools.

At MEPS we all want our children to have an education that gives them the best start to a happy, healthy and prosperous life. This approach leads to positive change in students' academic outcomes, their wellbeing, classroom behaviour, and relationships between teachers and students. We know that changes in attitudes and behaviours can be achieved when positive attitudes, behaviours and gender equality are lived across the school community. Together, we can lead the way in creating genuine and lasting change so every child has the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

The classroom program will focus on 8 key areas:

- **Emotional Literacy:** This helps students develop the ability to be aware of, understand and use vocabulary about the emotional states of themselves and others with competence.
- **Personal Strengths:** Students develop a vocabulary to help them recognise and understand various strengths and positive qualities in themselves and others. They identify the strengths they admire in others and those they need to draw on to engage with the challenges and opportunities that life presents.
- **Positive Coping:** Students develop language around coping, critically reflect on their coping strategies and extend their repertoire of positive coping strategies.
- **Problem-solving:** Students learn a range of problem-solving techniques that can be applied when confronting personal, social and ethical dilemmas. They engage in applied learning tasks in which they apply their problem-solving skills to be realistic.
- **Stress management:** This teaches students to learn a range of problem-solving skills through applied learning tasks, so that they are able to cope with challenges as they arise.
- **Help-seeking:** Help seeking is a coping strategy that involves seeking technical, instrumental, social or emotional support from other people.
- **Gender and identity:** These are age-appropriate learning activities that assist students to understand and critique the influence of gender norms on attitudes and behaviours.

Positive gender relationships: This teaches students to build positive gender relationships and the importance of acceptance of difference and diversity.

Respectful Relationships takes a whole-school approach, recognising that schools are a place of learning, a workplace and a key part of local communities. It embeds a culture of respect and equality across our entire school community, from our classrooms to staffrooms, sporting fields, fetes and social events.

Bunnings BBQ

Its that time of year again when we are in charge of the Bunnings BBQ! This is a huge money maker for the school but can only happen with support from our awesome community. We have 36 spots to fill from 8am – 5pm. Its at Bunnings Chirside Park / Croydon on Sunday 4th August. Please jump on and book a time slot or two (or three!)

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Have a wonderful weekend,

Deb Keating
Principal



Newsletter

A message from your Coordinator

Hi MEPS! Welcome back for Term 3!

I hope everyone had a refreshing break! I had a pretty great time over our Rocketeers program, including our great excursions to Melbourne Museum, IMAX and Rush HQ (I missed out on seeing *Inside Out 2* though, so no spoilers please!)

Now that we're back in term mode, a minor housekeeping reminder: at OSHCare, we prefer students to put their bags along the far wall near the door to Mr Stephens' office. They tend to pile up when left near the entrance door and that creates a bit of a tripping hazard. When dropping your child off at before-school care, please ensure they aren't leaving their bag in the doorway!

Feel free to come for a chat at before- or after-school care, catch me at assembly, or send me an email at mooroolbark@oshccampaustralia.com.au

- Ben

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



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STUDENT AWARDS



Prep G	Mason	For always showing respect and using your manners. You are a terrific role model, Mason! Prep G are lucky to have you!
Prep H	Eden	For your amazing oral retell of The Three Little Pigs. It was so entertaining to listen to! Well done!
Prep PB	Andy	For working hard to decode some more difficult words in our new Jolly Phonics Readers. Keep up the great work, Andy!
1C	Cadence	Well done, Cadence, on using your growth mindset and writing wonderful acrostic poems and uplevelling your work!
1C	Jaxson	For working so hard during literacy sessions and making a whole whiteboard of 's' letters all the correct way around!
1H	Alexis	For contributing to class discussions and making a fantastic start to Term 3!
1P	Kahlia	For writing a wonderful acrostic poem using your name! You did a great job describing yourself! Well done!
1T	Indy	For starting off the term in leaps and bounds. You have made such an amazing start. Keep it up, Indy!
2A	Charli	For creating great imagery in her acrostic poem about flowers. Well done, Charli!
2B	Nick	For his amazing acrostic poem about 'Stars'. Your word choice was awesome, Nick. Well done!
2C	Uther	For coming back to school in Term 3 with a fantastic attitude towards learning. Keep up the great work!
2C	Milla	For giving absolutely everything your best go in Term 3. I love your growth mindset.
2X	Kenzi	For always showing she is ready to learn and always ensuring she is showing our class values. Great work, Kenzi!
2X	Harry	For doing an outstanding job on his acrostic poems about nature this week. Keep up the good work, mate!
3P	Scarlett	For trying your hardest in Maths lessons and showing us how confident you can be! Keep it up, Scarlett!
3T	Henley	For applying her best effort in writing her outstanding poem about NAIDOC Week. Fantastic job, Henley!
3T	Izabella	For writing such a wonderfully detailed and respectful poem about NAIDOC Week. Amazing, Bells!
3W	Owen	For your brilliant poster on explorers, Burke and Wills. You worked so hard and it shows! Go Owen!
3W	Tilly	For being such a kind and smiley member of 3W. You brighten up our class, Tilly!
3CH	Grade 3CH	For their incredible listening skills, kindness and all-round sparkle! You have all settled into Term 3 beautifully. Proud of you ALL!
4B	Logan	For being super kind and supportive to Lachy when he got hurt during the last stretch of Regional Cross Country. You are a Superstar, Logan.
4K	Alice	For displaying great skills and engagement in poetry classes this week. Excellent efforts, Alice!
4S	Cohen	For showing incredible kindness to our new international student, Amber! Your kindness is magic, Cohen!
4S	Jax	For working hard on perimeter and area and challenging himself with harder tasks! Well done, Jax!
4S	Amber	For settling so well into a new country and school. We are so happy to have you in 4S, Amber!

STUDENT AWARDS - *continued*

4DK	Gracie	For settling so well into a new country and school. We are so happy to have you in 4DK, Gracie!
4DK	Noelle	For being a kind, helpful and considerate friend to our visiting student. You are a Superstar, Noelle!
4DK	Lachlan	For giving someone a second chance in a game at recess. You made a really kind choice, Lachie!
5H	Eva	For showing hard work during the class reading sessions during the week. Amazing effort, Eva!
5H	Alarissa	For showing amazing work during Earn and Learn during the week. Keep it up, Alarissa!
5L	Jeffrey	For having a fantastic start to Term 3! Keep up the excellent effort and hard work.
5KS	Indigo	For displaying beautiful manners all week.
6H	Lucy	For getting off to an amazing start in Term 3 with her reading and writing! You are smashing it, Lucy!
6PD	Elvis	For always showing kindness and respect - even when no-one is watching! You are a Superstar, Elvis!
Art	Grade 2B	For being kind and enthusiastic in the Art Room.
Music	Grade 3CH	For being dancers of the week for Week 1. Awesome work on the umbrella song. I can't wait to see you on stage.
Music	Grade 5KS	For being dancers of the week for Week 1. Awesome work on the School of Rock. I can't wait to see you 'rock' on stage.
Media Arts	Blair, Prep K	For cleverly mastering the Hex Blocks Puzzle game on the Intranet.
Media Arts	Amaya, Prep K	For cleverly mastering the Hex Blocks Puzzle game on the Intranet.
Media Arts	Lilly, 4K	For demonstrating a perfect example of inclusiveness towards other people in class.
Mandarin	Grade 3CH	For everyone's amazing effort and doing a sensational job to make impressive sentences in correct sentence structure! Well done!
Mandarin	Marlee, 3W	For trying your hardest as always and making so many impressive sentences with various sentence structures! You are a legend!
Mandarin	Mason, 5L	For trying your hardest and doing a fantastic job while guessing the new words and making sentences with them. Well done, Mason!
Mandarin	Alaska, 1T	For always trying your best and doing an incredible job expressing your preference of fruits. You are a SUPER star!

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20% Discount on Sports & Co-Curricular Group Photos available until 31/07/2024

Dear Parents,

These School co-curricular groups and School Captains/Vice Captains were photographed on 1/05/2024:

Art Captains	Music Captains	School Captains
IT Captains	PE Captains	School Vice Captains
Mandarin Captains	Sustainability Captains	

You can now view and purchase the group images listed above and if you place your order before 31/07/2024 you will get a 20% early order discount. Please note the discount will be automatically applied at checkout.

Images can be viewed by visiting www.advancedlife.com.au entering the code: CNX WWJ 85L and clicking on "Group Photos"

Important

- Sports and co-curricular group photos can only be purchased online, **PLEASE DO NOT** return payment to your school
- If your child's group or team is scheduled to be photographed at a later date, you will receive an additional email notification when the images are ready to be ordered
- Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after the discounted **early** order period has closed
- Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups are also available at your school's **advancedorder** and your child's **advancedyou** photo sites .

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