

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents and Carers,

YEAR 5 STOMP!

Yesterday the whole school enjoyed the Year 5 STOMP performances in the school hall. This performance is a key element and celebration of their work in their How We Express Ourselves unit of inquiry.

Throughout the term the Year 5 students have been participating in rehearsals in preparation for their whole school performances at school and at our Soiree next week. This is such a great opportunity for us all to celebrate their hard work and share in the excitement of their live performance.

These rehearsals have been led by professional dancers, and our teachers! The teachers and children have worked very hard to ensure they are all well prepared and ready to enjoy their time in the spotlight.

Congratulations to our amazing Year 5 students on your performance! We are so proud of your achievements and most importantly I am very impressed with your moves!!

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/ caregivers/ guardians think of our school. The Parent/ Caregiver/ Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement.

The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Earlier this month an invitation to participate in the survey was sent to all families. So far we have had 87 responses which is a response rate of 25% of parents.

The survey is conducted online, takes only 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Please take the time to complete the survey as this is an annual opportunity for parents to give the school feedback on how we are going.

The survey period is between Monday 29th July to Friday 30th August. Parent Opinion Survey results will be presented to School Council in Term 4.

To complete the survey click on the link <https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

Enter the school name: Mount Eliza North Primary School

Enter the school PIN: **649323**

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER - TENDER OUTCOME

Last month, members of the school council Tender Evaluation Team interviewed 4 potential suppliers for the School Uniform supply service at Mount Eliza North Primary School. Upon completion of the process Dobsons was identified as the preferred service provider and will officially take over in Term 4.

One of the main changes we were looking for was a supplier with a local uniform shop open on Saturday mornings with provision for online orders. Dobsons is in the process of opening a uniform shop in Mornington by the start of Term 4. This store will stock uniforms for all their local schools including Mount Eliza Secondary College.

In the meantime, parents can still order uniforms through the school uniform shop or order online until Wednesday 11th September which will be Uniform by Designs final day. Uniform by Design will be holding a sale on non-logo and non-exclusive school uniform items until 11th September.

We have not made any major changes to the school uniform, however after consulting with our SRC leaders from Years 2 – 5 we will introduce a new school jacket in the near future. As with any new additions to the school uniform, we will transition the new jacket in over several years with students still able to wear their current cardigan, jumper or jacket.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lea Miller our uniform shop coordinator for all her work over her many years with us. We wish Lea and her family all the best as they move house to be closer to family and the city.

REPORT WRITING DAY – MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER STUDENT FREE DAY

School Council have agreed to a report writing day on Monday 18th November. This is our final student free day for the year. Staff will be using this day to review student assessment data and to complete Semester 2 student reports.

BOOK WEEK – PARADE 22ND AUGUST

In case you needed reminding, we have been celebrating Book Week this week by hosting visiting authors, running the PFA book drive and finally the Book Week Parade today. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the parade as I had a Principal network meeting, however speaking to students and staff the parade was a huge success. Thank you to Mrs Stoller our Literacy Learning Specialist for organising our Book Week events.

REMINDERS

A quick reminder that we have our Soiree evening on Thursday 29th at George Jenkins Theatre and our Father's Day stall on Thursday 29th August.

Its all happening here at Mount Eliza North Primary School!

Kind regards,

Julie O'Brien

Principal



School Pick up, Parking, and Road Safety



Parents are asked to be considerate of parking at the school and the congestion which can be caused by arriving at the school early in the afternoon before school dismisses for the day.

There is a 'Kiss N Go' sign at the top of the carpark to indicate to all vehicles the nature of the drop-off/ pick-up area.

For safety reasons, parents are reminded not to park near the reserve at the top of the school during drop-off and pick-up times.

We also extend a friendly reminder to all parents, carers and students alike, to be mindful when walking through the pick-up/ drop-off area. It is important to note that pedestrians, and those riding their bike or scooter to school, must stick to the paths to avoid any dangerous situations such as students walking behind or in front of moving vehicles on the road. The safety of all students, families, and staff, is the number one priority at Mount Eliza North Primary School.

We thank you all for your cooperation and consideration in this matter.

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CURRICULUM/PYP...

CURRICULUM

Lots of exciting things have been happening over the last few weeks in relation to Book Week, excursions and incursions relating to Units of Inquiry.

YEAR 3 EXCURSION

As part of their inquiry into 'How We Express Ourselves – Messages can be conveyed through storytelling' the Year 3 students attended the Frankston arts Centre to watch the production 'The Peasant Prince'. This performance was the children's version of the story Mao's Last Dancer. Following the performance students went to Beauty Park to enjoy a picnic lunch before returning to school.

BOOK WEEK

AUTHOR VISITS

Our Junior School students had a great time taking part in the workshop by Gus Gordon who is an illustrator and author. Students learned about the writing process and illustration techniques. Our Senior students participated in a workshop with Andrew Plant and learned about the ways in which he writes and illustrates his books. Students in both workshops had the opportunity to create their own illustrations, guided by our visiting authors. A special thanks to Angela Stoller our Literacy Learning Specialist who organised the author visits.

BOOK WEEK PARADE

On Thursday morning we had our Book Week parade and by all accounts it was a fabulous event. I have enjoyed seeing all of the creative Book Week costumes. The Book Week parade was also the magical work of Angela Stoller and again we thank her for organising the event.

Mrs O'Brien and I were unable to attend as we were at a Central Peninsula Network Meeting. This time the meeting was at McClelland College. We were able to see the college in action and to hear from various other schools in our network about the work that is being done. We heard from four different schools, both primary and secondary. These meetings are a great way to share ideas and to ensure that great work is happening across all of our schools.

BOOK STALL

During Book Week we also had a Book Stall running. This stall was organised by Emma Harvey. Students were able to come and purchase second-hand books and puzzles to enjoy at home. It was a busy week and 600+ books were on offer! We raised \$230.05. I would like to sincerely thank Emma Harvey for organising the collection of books and being here each day to run the stall. It was great to see families leaving with lots of books in hand.

STOMP

Our Year 5 students presented their STOMP performance to students and their families. They were spectacular in their performances and the hard work that has been put into learning the dances really showed. Students learned these dances as part of their Inquiry into 'How we Express Ourselves'. Students will also have the opportunity to showcase their performance at our Soiree on Thursday 29th August at the George Jenkins Theatre.

OPEN AFTERNOON

On Wednesday 18th September we will be having an Open Afternoon from Foundation to Year 5. This will be an opportunity for parents and carers to visit classrooms and share in the learning that has been taking place this term. Classrooms will be open from 2.30pm until 4.45pm. Our Year 6 students will be showcasing their learning during their Exhibition. The Exhibition will take place on Wednesday 16th October. We are looking forward to welcoming families into our school on these afternoons.

**Yours in Learning,
Caroline Chilianis
Assistant Principal – PYP and Curriculum**

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ... WELLBEING

As an excellent follow up to last week's action against bullying focus, I talked to the students in assembly about how to respond to incidents of rude, mean or bullying behaviour. This represents the STOP part of our Stop, Go, Tell strategy.

Here are some simple and effective comebacks that you can teach your children to use when dealing with bullying or mean behaviour. These responses aim to empower children by helping them stand up for themselves without escalating the situation:

1. "That's not true."

- **When to use:** When someone says something mean or untrue about them.

Why it works: It firmly rejects the insult without getting emotional.

2. "So what?"

- **When to use:** When someone tries to make them feel bad about something trivial.

Why it works: It shows that the insult has no impact and that they don't care about the opinion.

3. "You're not being nice."

- **When to use:** When someone is being mean or hurtful.

Why it works: It calls out the behaviour without being aggressive.

4. "That's your opinion."

- **When to use:** When someone says something negative about them.

Why it works: It acknowledges the comment but dismisses its importance.

5. "Why would you say that?"

- **When to use:** When faced with a particularly hurtful comment.

Why it works: It challenges the bully to think about their words and puts them on the spot.

6. "I don't have to listen to this."

- **When to use:** When the child wants to walk away from a situation.

Why it works: It sets a boundary and shows that the child is in control of their actions.

7. "I'm done talking about this."

- **When to use:** When the conversation is going nowhere or getting meaner.

Why it works: It ends the interaction on the child's terms.

8. "Let's do something else."

- **When to use:** When a situation might escalate, but the child wants to redirect the focus.

Why it works: It changes the subject and shows leadership.

9. "That's not funny."

- **When to use:** When someone tries to pass off a mean comment as a joke.

Why it works: It shows that the child isn't going along with the joke and sees it for what it is.

10. "I'm going to hang out with people who are nice."

- **When to use:** When the child wants to leave a negative group or interaction.

Why it works: It reinforces the idea that they deserve kindness and respect.

Tips for Parents:

- **Practice at Home:** Role-play different scenarios with your child so they feel confident using these comebacks.
- **Reinforce Positivity:** Encourage your child to stay calm and use these comebacks without anger or sarcasm.
- **Empower Your Child:** Remind them that it's okay to walk away and seek help from a trusted adult if the situation becomes too difficult.

Build Confidence: Praise your child for standing up for themselves and let them know they did the right thing. These comebacks help children respond to bullying with confidence and assertiveness, fostering resilience and self-respect.

Louise Atkinson
Assistant Principal
Wellbeing

NEWS FROM THE PE HALL—SPORT WITH MRS SEABURGH

REGIONAL NETBALL

On Friday, August 16th, 9 enthusiastic year 6 girls from MENPS went to Jubilee Park to participate in the Regionals Netball Interschool Sport Tournament. Throughout the day, we engaged in 3 intense games, unfortunately losing two and managing to secure a draw in one. Despite the setbacks, the experience was truly remarkable, leaving us with many skills which will assist us to improve our mistakes.

By Sara and Winter

Thank you to our wonderful parents for supporting our team and to Cristy McCluskey for coaching the girls. Well done everyone.

Angela Seaburgh

PE Teacher



FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

FOYER COUCHES

We are planning to upgrade our seating in the school office, and have two couches on offer if any of our MENPS families are in need. Please contact the front office for more information if you are interested.

Kind Regards,

Admin Team

Jo, Amy and Leah

YEAR ONE COAL CREEK EXCURSION

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are thrilled to share that our Year 1 students recently embarked on an exciting excursion to Coal Creek Community Park and Museum. This hands-on adventure provided an incredible opportunity for our young learners to explore and engage with history in a fun and interactive way.

Highlights of the Day:

- **Exploring the Past:** The students were transported back in time as they wandered through the historic village, discovering what life was like in the early days of Coal Creek. From the blacksmith's forge to the old general store, they had the chance to see, touch, and learn about various artifacts and historical settings.
- **Interactive Learning:** Our little adventurers participated in an old school experience. The students used inkwells to write calligraphy and were able to write on slate boards.
- **Nature and Adventure:** The day wasn't all about history—our students also explored the beautiful natural surroundings of Coal Creek. They enjoyed a nature walk, observed local wildlife, and learned about the environment in a way



A Big Thank You:

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the parent volunteers who joined us on this trip and to the Coal Creek staff for their warm welcome and engaging activities. Your support made this excursion both memorable and meaningful for our students.

We hope the stories and experiences shared by your children will inspire them to continue exploring and learning about the world around them. Thank you for your ongoing support of our educational adventures!

Warm regards,
The Year One Team



YEAR 3 PEASANT PRINCE EXCURSION

The Peasant Prince

"Bruuum, brum, bruum!" went the bus, as we were going to the Frankston Art Centre to watch the Peasant Prince.

When we got there, we had fruit while waiting for the other year 3's to arrive. Once they had arrived we went into the theater to watch the play.

The play went from 10-11 (1 hour). Li, the main character went from living with a peasant family in China, to becoming a determined boy in Beijing, then finally transformed into a famous dancer in America!

Later, we went to Beauty Park for a snack and play. Overall, this is the best excursion yet!

By Alex, 3C



THE PEASANT PRINCE

You won't believe what I did today!

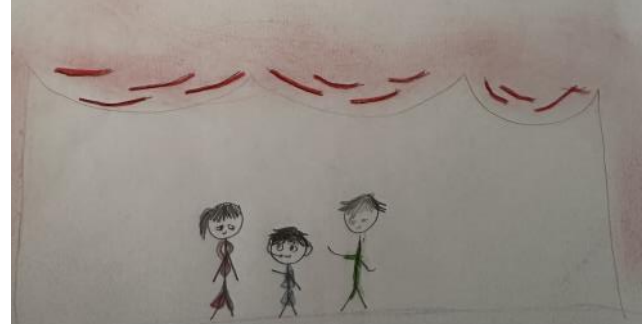
Firstly, I went to the Frankston arts center with all the year threes.

We were there to see the peasant prince ballet performance. It was amazing!

It was about a Chinese peasant boy who wanted to be a ballet star. It was so good! Then we went to Beauty Park and ate our snack. There was a climbing frame and I made it to the top 5 times!

When we finished our snack, we got on the bus and went back to school. This was a great day!

By Audrey 3C



Showcase of the Arts MENPS "SNOWY" SOIREE

Thursday 29th August 2024 @6PM
GEORGE JENKINS THEATRE

A CONCERT TO CELEBRATE ALL THE AMAZING
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- Year 6 Drum Band Members
- Band Members
- Ensemble Members
- Choir Members
- Guitar Students
- Drum Students
- Woodwind Students
- Violin Students
- Singing Students
- All Year 5 performing STOMP



ADULTS: \$20

CHILDREN/PENSIONERS: \$15

PERFORMERS: FREE

TICKETS ON SALE VIA:

<https://www.monash.edu/performing-arts-centres/event/menps-snowy-soiree-2024/>

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Father's Day STALL



Thursday 29th August

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Gifts range from \$2 - \$10
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MOUNT ELIZA ART & DESIGN SHOW

25-27 OCT 2024

The Art Show Committee is in full swing!

Amber, Lisa and Megan have been hard at work searching out the best artists and makers, and so far we have **had over 60 artists and makers apply** to exhibit in the art show, with our feature artists [Vanessa Ferriggi](#) on board!

Calling all potential sponsorship partners and any offers for donations for the [Silent Auction](#), [Live Auction](#) and Raffle! We want to hear from you if:

- **Have a business and would love to support the school and in turn get some marketing exposure through our sponsorship packages, or**
- **Are a business that's willing to donate a voucher or product, or**
- **You have any unused gift vouchers or new-in-box/with-tag items that you are willing to donate to the school to be auctioned off.**

We're also looking for **someone to support us with social media** – so if you love Instagram or Facebook, please get in contact with us.

Come along to the next Committee Meeting!

Thurs 22nd Aug - 10.30-12.30 (after the book parade)

Jen Brown
 Art Show Lead
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artshow@menps.vic.edu.au



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MOUNT ELIZA NORTH TEAMKIDS NEWSLETTER



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Golden Olympics 2024!!! Our Olympics Club went into overdrive as we tracked Australia every day and watched the Aussie medal tally grow!! 4th place!!! Amazing!!! Our given country was Bulgaria and we learnt about Bulgarian culture and food. We even made PalachinkaBulgarian pancakes!

We are also celebrating Science from 12th to the 16th August with some fantastic STEM activities!! Volcanoes in a Jar, Swirling Milk, Pom pom shooters and Straw rockets!!

Then we have Book Week to follow...what an amazing Term!

We would like to remind parents to please drop off your child personally in the mornings at the OSHC room.. This is a legislative requirement. Please be vigilant of booking your child in through the parent portal.....many are forgetting to do so! Have a great week!! Judi and The Team!

IMPORTANT DATES



12th – 16th August National Science Week



17th August- 23rd August Book Week



TEAMKIDS CLUBS

ASC WEEK: 4

MONDAY



Cooking Club

TUESDAY



Epic Games and Junior Chefs

WEDNESDAY



Lego Masters Club

THURSDAY



Supersports Club

FRIDAY



Art Attack



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SCIENCE WEEK

12-16TH AUG



PREVENT BULLYING & EMPOWER CHILDREN

FREE WEBINAR

THU 29TH AUGUST
7:30-8:30PM

EDUCATORS

PARENTS

CHILDREN



DR ZACH GREIG THE STAND UP PROJECT

Dr. Zach Greig holds a PhD in Community Empowerment, and has nearly 20 years of experience researching and working with community members. He founded The Stand Up Project (SUP) in 2019 – a student leadership program designed to reduce discrimination, harassment, and bullying. Dr. Greig helps to foster positive social change through Upstander Training, which empowers young people to stand up for themselves and others.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

THE SOCIAL PHENOMENA BEHIND BULLYING

Gain insight into underlying social factors that contribute to poor behaviour and bullying in schools, moving beyond simply labelling specific children as 'the problem'.

EMPOWERING STUDENT SOLUTIONS

Discover practical strategies to allow children to identify issues affecting them, and actively develop their own impactful solutions to prevent and respond to poor behaviours.

EFFECTIVE BULLYING RESPONSES

Learn to engage and support children who are either experiencing or witnessing bullying, equipping yourself with the tools needed to create positive social change.

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“SUP's student leadership and empowerment model is an important part of the solution in addressing poor behaviour in schools.”

Principal

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“Dr. Zach Greig has created a truly ground-breaking and impactful program. His approach and guidance are so simple, but make so much sense.”

Sam Hoath, TeamKids
Founding Director

★★★★★

“The Stand Up Project is amazing. I can't wait to teach others how to be an Upstander.”

Grade 6 Student