# Meadow Heights Primary School

NEWSLETTER



15 March 2024 Week 7

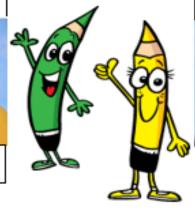
We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples



## Dear Parents, Carers and Students,







MHPS SCHOOL CAPTAINS





Leyla Ozdemir

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### Staffing

Last week we farewelled Ms Nerissa Fernandez who commenced family leave. We are looking forward to hearing news of her family's latest addition soon and wish them every happiness. Mrs Leach will be returning from leave for the final week of term. We are sure to hear of her many trips when she returns after a well-earned break.

### Visitors

A reminder, for the safety of students, any visitors to our school during school hours are asked to report to the office. Once signed in you will receive a red visitor's lanyard. The lanyard is returned to the office prior to leaving the school grounds.

#### Naplan

Students in grades 3 and 5 have been involved in NAPLAN (National Assessment Program -Literacy and Numeracy). This is a nationwide measure that allows parents/carers and educators to see how students are progressing in literacy and numeracy. It enables the Department of Education to determine which education approaches are working and areas that need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN reports will be distributed to parents once they arrive.

#### School Council

School Council met on Tuesday 12th March. They discussed a range of issues, including current enrolments, how the Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) will shape our work this year, incursions and excursions and a range of buildings and grounds work, including car park markings and tree removal. The next meeting of School Council will be held on Tuesday 23rd April. It will include the Annual General Meeting followed by a meeting with the new 2024 School Council members. Parents are always welcome to attend.

## What's Been Happening?

Our grade 5/6 students have been involved in Interschool Sport this term. A huge thank you to all staff involved in the organisation and running of these activities. We know students really enjoy participating and competing against other schools. 5/6 students have also been involved in a Circus Challenge incursion and First Aid in Schools, both valuable activities promoting student wellbeing.

## Student Safety

Parents are reminded that U turns are not permitted at the front of the school. This is for the safety of our students. It is very worrying to see several parents ignoring the NO U TURN sign near the crossing. If you need to turn please use the nearby roundabout to do so. We do not want to see an accident happen. HUME City Council officers have been alerted to the fact that this is happening and will be issuing fines.

# Happy Ramadan





Have a great week everyone and keep up the great work!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Sharon Peluso & Mrs Arny Backas



# LIBRARY

Parents/Caregivers, here is the Library timetable for your children to assist you in ensuring that they return their Library books on time each week!

### 2024 LIBRARY TIMETABLE for Term 1

PREPs A and B		Monday
PREP C		Wednesday
1A	Ms Marks	Wednesday
1B	Ms O'Connell	Monday
1C	Ms PENNINI	Wednesday
2A	Ms Pirro	Tuesday
2B	Ms Isdar	Tuesday
2C	Mr LaMattina	Wednesday
34A	Mr Torchia	Thursday
34B	Mrs Bell	Thursday
34C	Mrs Durna	ТВС
34D	Ms Delaney	Tuesday
56A	Ms Caruso	Monday
56B	Mr Pace	Tuesday
56C	Mr Knox	Tuesday
56D	Ms Lang	Monday



# **IMPORTANT DATES**

DAY DATE ACTIVITY

THURSDAY 22 FEB TO THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – FOOTPATH WORKS

**MARCH 2024** 



Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>) – NO CANTEEN Wednesday and Friday (20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>) – CANTEEN OPEN

Tuesday 26th to Thursday 28th Grades 5/6 Doxa City Camp

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Grade 1 Mind & Body Incursion

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm pick up - LAST DAY OF TERM I



**APRIL 2024** 

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 8.50am SCHOOL RESTARTS TERM II



### HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR DETAILS?

Please immediately notify the School Office of any changes to your address or contact details. Please update your email address for COMPASS information.

# **Office Hours**

Monday—Friday 8:30am to 4:00pm

The office is CLOSED during all school holiday periods















Some Tips from the MHPS Wellbeing Team



# **Encouraging Students to Be Kind**

Research shows that when we co-operate and show kindness to one another, we become healthier, happier and more successful.

Schools are the perfect place to develop kindness in children, but parents can also play a part.

As part of our value of being RESPECTFUL we ask students and parents to reinforce kindness towards others.



- · Hold the door open for classmates or staff
- Allow a friend to go first in a game
- · Smile, wave or say hi to someone in the yard
- · Use manners without being reminded
- Help out before you are asked to help
- · Check on a friend who is sad or hurt
- · Say sorry when it is needed
- Listen to your friends' words when they ask you to stop
- Avoid secrets and whispering
- Use kind words no name calling or teasing



## **!!PARENTS / CAREGIVERS!!**

The Canteen will have amended days during Ramadan.

**CLOSED** - Monday, Tuesday and Thursday - 18, 19 and 21 March

**OPEN** – Wednesday and Friday - 20 and 22 March

Please ensure your child has a packed snack, lunch and water on days the Canteen is <u>CLOSED</u>