

MEADOW HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



30 October 2023

Week 5



Principal, Margaret Leach

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 Families

Air conditioning for the Gym - Colour Run Fundraiser

Congratulations to the school community for raising funds to install a cooler for the gym. On Monday the 16th of October we reached first target of \$2000 and on Monday the 23 of October we reached our second goal of \$5000. A big thank you to our wonderful parents/families who have worked tremendously hard to raise these funds.

It's not too late to help the school raise money. Grab another copy of the note from the office in English, Turkish or Arabic or go to <https://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/> then sign up. All students who raise \$10 can order a prize to collect on the Colour Run day (see website for full listing of prizes). As an incentive for the children, teachers have courageously put themselves up to be slimed by the children for this good cause. A big thank you to Mr Yasunaga, Mrs Bell, Mrs Delaney, Mr Pace and Mrs Carrondo for putting the school before themselves.

Staff Car Park

A big thank you to parents who use the 5-minute car drop off and pick up at the front of the school or park at the shopping centre. A friendly reminder the school car park is only for staff.

Sad news

With sad heart I inform the school community that a past staff member, Mrs Bev Crawford passed away on the weekend. We have fond memories of Mrs Crawford and the dedication she had for our students and families. The Meadow Heights Primary School community send our condolences to her family.

World Teacher Day

On Friday 27 October, school and early childhood communities across Victoria will celebrate the significant role teachers play in improving student outcomes and shaping learners' lives for future success. Every day, Victorian teachers go above and beyond for learners and their communities. This World Teachers' Day is the perfect time to stop, reflect and say thank you for the outstanding contributions teachers make in Victorian classrooms and communities.



No school Monday and Tuesday the 6th & 7th of November

Curriculum Day is fast approaching so please make alternative arrangements for children on **Monday the 6th of November**. Students do not attend school on this day. The focus of the learning for the teachers and education support staff will be evaluating our current annual implementation plan (AIP) targets, goals, and action taken in 2023 and developing our 2024 direction for our AIP.

Tuesday, 7th of November is a public holiday and there is no school on this day.

Have a great week.

Kind regards

Mrs Margaret LEACH
School Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
NOVEMBER 2023		
Thursday	2	Year 5 - 6 – Imagineering Plus Programme
Monday	6	CURRICULUM DAY – NO SCHOOL (Staff only)
Tuesday	7	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – NO SCHOOL (Melbourne Cup Day)
Wednesday	8	Year 2 – Toy Science Incursion
Thursday	9	Year 5 - 6 – Imagineering Plus Programme
Tuesday	14	Year 1 – Shrine of Remembrance Excursion
Monday	27	Year 5 - 6 – Open Water Excursion
Wednesday	29	Year 2 – Funtopia Excursion



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

Last day of each Term the office will close at 2:30pm
The office is CLOSED during all school holiday periods





[Some Tips from the MHPS Wellbeing Team](#)

Meadow Heights Primary School is a School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) school. We ask students to follow the school's values by being PROUD, RESPECTFUL, EXCELLENT and RESPONSIBLE.

Wellbeing News

MHPS is a School Wide Positive Behaviour School (SWPBS)

Building Strong Relationships

When parents and teachers have strong relationships, children get many academic and social benefits.

Being involved with school helps you to build strong relationships with teachers and other staff.

Build relationships at primary school by helping in the classroom, going on excursions, working in the canteen, visiting the HUB and more.

How to build a strong parent-school relationship

You can build a parent-school relationship in several ways:

- Say hello to teachers and other staff at school pick-up and drop-off times.
- Ask teachers for information or feedback about your child, and share your child's special events or achievements outside school.
- Go to parent-teacher interviews and parent meetings.
- Check the school website, COMPASS and emails regularly.
- Be involved and help out in the school community in whatever ways you can.
- Learn more about the school by looking at its annual report, website, newsletters and so on.
- Go to school performances, school barbecues, cultural or music events, school fairs and parent sessions.

Not all parents can be involved in school as much as they'd like, but you can still let your child know that school is important to your family. Talking with your child, being warm and friendly at school events, and being positive about the school and its staff **sends the message that you value education** and are interested in what's happening for your child at school.



Be PROUD

Be RESPECTFUL



Be EXCELLENT

Be RESPONSIBLE





Dear Parents/Caregivers and Families,



On **October 29, 2023**, the Turkish community will proudly celebrate **the 100th anniversary of the Turkish Republic** in Türkiye and across the world.

Republic Day is the most significant national celebration in Türkiye.

Streets are decorated with Turkish flags and portraits of Atatürk, and people gather to watch patriotic shows and displays. These celebrations are generally held outdoors and followed by traditional dances, poetry, concerts, and speeches.

Moreover, many people visit Atatürk memorials and Atatürk's mausoleum in Ankara to pay respect.

A Brief History

Allied Powers occupied the Ottoman Empire (former Türkiye) for years, which was the reason for the War of Independence (1919 – 1923). Mustafa Kemal Atatürk was the leader of the resistance movement.

As a result, during the war, the unofficial Grand National Assembly of Türkiye was formed in Ankara in April 1920 and commenced a nationwide resistance movement, with Ankara the unofficial capital.

The Grand National Assembly was recognised internationally after the Treaty of Lausanne (July 24, 1923). On October 29th, 1923, the newly recognised Turkish parliament officially declared Türkiye a republic, and Atatürk became the country's first president.

After the declaration of the republic, the state improved significantly in a short time. There was a wide range of reforms in all aspects of Türkiye, and Atatürk transformed the whole country into a new and modern nation.

October 29, 2023, will mark Türkiye's first centenary. This signifies great importance to the Turkish people, and some official and unofficial celebration events have started taking place in Australia's Turkish community.

In Turkish classes, our students have been given a brief introduction to the founding of the Republic of Türkiye. Students gathered information about Turkish history and Atatürk by listening to two Atatürk songs in English. If you are interested, please click on the following links:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FF_PBmhrJg

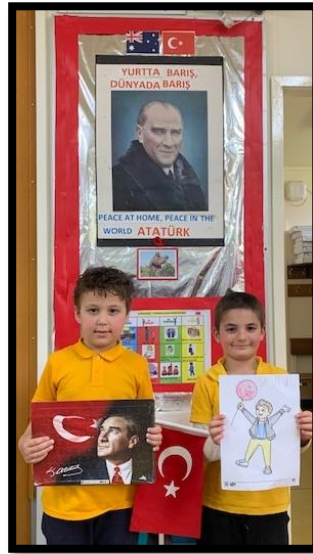
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UxODjjQ0ZDk>

Celebrating a centenary is a wonderful milestone, and I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of Türkiye.

Kind Regards,

Figen Hasimoglu

MHPS Languages – Turkish Teacher





Sayın Veliler, Bakım Sağlayıcılar ve Aileler,

29 Ekim 2023 tarihinde Türk toplumu, Türkiye’de ve dünyada **Türkiye Cumhuriyeti’nin 100. yıl dönümünü** kutlayacak.

Cumhuriyet Bayramı, Türkiye’nin en önemli milli bayramıdır. Sokaklar Türk bayrakları ve Atatürk posterleri ile süslenir ve vatandaşlar, yurt sevgisini

işleyen gösterileri ve görselleri izlemek için bir araya gelir.

Bu kutlamalar genellikle açık havada yapılır ve ardından danslar, şirler, konserler ve konuşmalar yapılır. Ayrıca pek çok kişi Ankara’daki Atatürk anıtlarını ve Atatürk’ün mozolesini ziyaret ederek saygı duruşunda bulunur.

Kısa Tarihçe

İtilaf Devletleri, Osmanlı Devleti’nin (Eski Türkiye) yıllarca işgal etmiş, bu da Kurtuluş Savaşı’nın (1919 – 1923) nedeni olmuştur. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, direniş hareketinin lideriydi.

Sonuç olarak, savaş sırasında Nisan 1920’de Ankara’da gayri resmi Türkiye Büyük Meclisi Kuruldu ve Ankara’nın gayri resmi başkenti olmak üzere ülke çapında bir direniş hareketi başlattı. Büyük Millet Meclisi, Lozan Antlaşması’ndan (24 Temmuz 1923) sonra uluslararası alanda tanındı. 29 Ekim 1923’te yeni tanınan Türk parlamentosu, Türkiye’yi resmen Cumhuriyet ilan etti ve Atatürk, ülkenin ilk cumhurbaşkanı oldu.

Cumhuriyetin ilanından sonra devlet, kısa sürede önemli ölçüde gelişmeler gösterdi. Türkiye, her alanda geniş çapta reformlar yaşadı ve Atatürk, tüm ülkeyi yeni ve çağdaş bir millete dönüştürdü.

29 Ekim 2023, Türkiye’nin birinci yüzyılı olacak. Bu durum Türk halkı için büyük önem taşıyor ve Avustralya Türk toplumunda resmi ve gayri resmi bazı kutlama etkinlikleri yapılmaya başlandı.

Türkçe derslerinde öğrencilerimize Türkiye Cumhuriyeti’nin kuruluşu hakkında kısa bir tanıtım yapıldı. Öğrenciler, Atatürk konulu iki şarkıyı İngilizce olarak dinleyerek, Türk tarihi ve Atatürk hakkında bilgi topladılar. Eğer ilginizi çekerse, lütfen aşağıdaki linklere tıklayarak bu şarkıları dinleyebilirsiniz:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FF_PBmhtJg

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UxODjjQ0ZDk>

Yüzüncü yıl dönümü kutlaması mükemmel bir dönüm noktasıdır.

Bu fırsatla, Cumhuriyeti’nin kuruluşunun 100. Yıl dönümünü anıyor ve kutluyorum.

Saygılarımla,

Figen Hasimoglu

MHPS Türkçe Dili Öğretmeni





1800 FUN RUN (386 786)
INFO@SCHOOLFUNDRAISING.COM.AU
SCHOOLFUNDRAISING.COM.AU

The Fundraising Group (Australia) Pty Ltd
ABN 44 090 756 488

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We will be holding the *Colour Fun Run* as a major fundraising event this year on ***11th December***! We're doing it to raise much needed money for ***updating the gym with cooling***.

About the Day

The *Colour Fun-Run BIG SHOW* is all about Fun! There will be huge inflatables, and you will get to meet Chase the Cheetah! Think of it as a Fun Run carnival! This will be one of the most exciting days on our school's calendar, with everyone's participation the aim, so please make sure they attend of the day and cheer the other kids on!

How Does My Child Fundraise?

Firstly, go to schoolfunrun.com.au and create a student profile page. Everything to do with your fundraising revolves around this page.

Students who raise just \$10 will be able to choose a prize! The more they raise, the better their reward – don't forget to check these out in the sponsorship form! We have educated students on the dangers of door knocking without supervision, and we encourage you to reiterate this at home. The great thing about online fundraising is that you can share the link to your child's profile with friends and family via email, SMS and Social Media.

Online Fundraising

The easiest way to help your child raise money is through online fundraising, where students raise an average of \$120. On top of raising more money, it's also safer and easier than doorknocking and you don't have to worry about handling money! To start fundraising online, go to your student profile page at schoolfunrun.com.au and share your online fundraising link.

Competition Time

To get our event off to a flyer, we're starting our BIG SHOW with a super easy competition! The class with the most online profiles registered by ***13th October*** will win a class party! To help your child's class win, simply create your profile at schoolfunrun.com.au.

Getting Involved

STUDENTS DO NOT NEED TO RAISE MONEY TO JOIN IN THE COLOUR RUN!

We would love to welcome parents and family members to attend the *School Fun Run*. I can't wait to see you at our event!

Ordering Prizes – ALL PRIZES MUST BE ORDERED ONLINE

Please contact your school's coordinator if this isn't possible.

Prizes MUST be ordered between the ***30th October*** and ***8th November*** Simply visit schoolfunrun.com.au to create / log into your Profile Page between these dates. Then click on the 'CLAIM YOUR PRIZE' button and follow the prompts. If you have any questions, please contact the *School Fun Run* team on 1800 FUN RUN and they will gladly assist!

Yours sincerely,

Heath Yasunaga (Physical Education Coordinator)

2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Doncaster, VIC

Scan to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Interpreters available upon request



14 and 15 November 2023
9.30am - 2.30pm



Mercure Doncaster
6 Tower Street
DONCASTER 3108
Victoria

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
www.positivepartnerships.com.au
Contact: ccorrigan@positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:
1300 881 971