



NEWSLETTER

Term 2 No 7

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2. It has been great to see each class make a settled and positive start to the term. I am always impressed and proud of the friendly and respectful nature our students display. This term we welcome Shannon Baldock to our school who has joined Ms Warburton's class. We trust his time with us will be enjoyable and rewarding.

With the oncoming wet weather it is timely to reinforce a number of student safety perspectives regarding before and after school drop off/pick up. Please ensure that when you are arriving and leaving the school the appropriate speed limits are followed as soon as you are within the school boundaries (the speed limit is 25 km/h between the school and tennis courts when travelling along Kennedy Avenue). Also, please take the time to speak to your child/children about safe behaviour when entering and leaving the school. This includes walking along the school fence rather than behind cars. For this to occur we do request that cars are parked approximately 1 metre away from the perimeter fence; please also be aware to keep the area free on Sherwin Road where the bus arrives at approximately 3.45 each afternoon. Supporting the safety of our students is a collective responsibility and we appreciate your support and vigilance in regards to this important matter.

Last Friday I had the pleasure of accompanying our school captains to the ANZAC Day dawn service held at Vansittart Park. As a part of the service Jake and Brianna laid a wreath at the war memorial. I look forward to our school's ongoing involvement in this important day.

Regards,
Stephen



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DATES TO REMEMBER

May

Monday 5 th	Heat Ups Roster – Julie Baldock.
Wednesday 7 th	Auskick commences.
Friday 9 th	Salad Roster – Scanlon Family. Parent Club meeting, 2:00pm. Issue 3 Book Club closing date.
Monday 12 th	Heat Ups Roster – Catherine Clark.
Tuesday 13 th	Assembly, 3:00pm.
Tues 13 th – Thurs 15 th	NAPLAN (Year 3,5&7 students).
Friday 16 th	Salad Roster – Stafford Family. Naracoorte Cross Country.
Monday 19 th	Heat Ups Roster – Cindy Cox.
Tuesday 20 th	UNSW Computer Skills test. Governing Council meeting, 7:00pm.

NAPLAN

In Week 3 on Tuesday May 13th, Wednesday May 14th and Thursday May 15th students in Years 3, 5 and 7 will participate in NAPLAN. NAPLAN is a national assessment program that tests students in these year levels in the areas of Literacy (reading, writing, spelling, grammar & punctuation) and Mathematics. The information gained from this testing is used to help inform school priorities, including what our strengths are in the areas tested and what aspects for improvement exist. Families also receive individual student reports which arrive in Term 3 that indicates your child's achievement in relation to national results of children from the same year level. We encourage all of our students to participate however, if families wish to withdraw their child from NAPLAN they are able to through filling in an exemption form. If you intend to do this please speak to Stephen. The NAPLAN assessments are held in the mornings and for Year 4 and 6 students normal lessons will apply but they will work in a different room. Once each test is completed, students will resume their normal classes and lessons. If a student is absent on the day of the tests they are able to participate in a catch up session but only during the week of the assessments (Tuesday – Friday).

CROSS COUNTRY

Please ensure cross country nominations are returned to school no later than Monday May 5th.

AUSKICK

A reminder that Auskick will commence next Wednesday 7th May from 3.40pm - 4.30pm. Families have two options outlined below.

Option 1 – participants who wish to purchase an Auskick pack will need to complete the registration process and payment online. The registration fee includes the contents of the pack and insurance which covers accidents that may occur during the sessions.
Option 2 – Students do not register online but pay \$15 to the school. This amount will cover lesson participation only and does not include an Auskick Pack or insurance.
Our school insurance does not cover any incidents that may occur.

SCHOOL CAMP FOR YR 3-7 STUDENTS

Please note that next week we will be sending home information to families regarding the school camp in Term 4 to Port Fairy. Families who have a child in Reception to Yr 2 will also receive information about a planned day trip to Port Fairy whilst the camp is being held.

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FUTURE ASSEMBLIES: DATES

Our assembly plan for this term is as follows:

- Week 3 Tuesday May 13th
Compere class: Mr Savage
- Week 6 Tuesday June 3rd
Compere class: Mrs Pratt
- Week 9 Tuesday June 24th
Compere class: Mrs Harradine

Assemblies will commence at approximately 3pm and all families are welcome to attend.

GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING

A reminder that the next Governing Council meeting will be held in Week 4, Tuesday May 20th at 7.00pm.

SRC HAMBURGER LUNCHES

A reminder that hamburger lunch orders commence next Friday, May 9th, for those who have ordered. If you are ordering each week (\$2.50/hamburger) please remember to place your order on Mondays.

Thank you to the families who have offered to provide salads. We have almost received enough responses to enable us to complete the Term 3 roster also. The roster for Term 2 is:

May 9 th	Scanlon Family
May 16 th	Stafford Family
May 23 rd	Clark Family (Catherine)
May 30 th	Opperman Family
June 6 th	Breen Family
June 13 th	Johns Family
June 20 th	Innes Family
June 27 th	Clark Family (Jacinta)
July 4 th	Douglas Family

PARENT CLUB NEWS

Cadbury Fundraiser

Thank you to the families who have returned the order form sent out last term. We have included the form again with this Newsletter for those who still wish to participate in this fundraiser. Please reply by Thursday 8th May so that we can finalise our order at our next meeting.

Next Meeting. Friday May 9th at 2pm in the French Room. Hostess Sara Harfull.

CHOIR

This year Nikki, Eliza, Harry R, Wil and Piper have joined with students from Suttontown, Yahl, Moorak and Glenburnie to participate in Choir. Choir will culminate with a performance during the South East Primary Schools' Music Festival at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre in Term 4. In September choir members also have the opportunity to sing at the SA Primary Schools Festival of Music at the Festival Theatre in Adelaide. Choir is held each Thursday afternoon under the direction of Mrs Dickins, Choir Teacher and Mrs Dowling, Accompanist. Choir sessions alternate between the five schools. For the first five weeks of this term it is Mil Lel's turn to host.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

You will find further information regarding the following on our Notice Board, by phone contact numbers or visiting websites provided.

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRANT CELEBRATION OF VOUNTEERISM MORNING TEA

Port MacDonnell Community Complex, Thursday 15th May 2014, 10:30am.
RSVP essential: phone 8738 3000 by Monday 12th May.

MAY IS HISTORY MONTH AT THE MOUNT GAMBIER LIBRARY

Meet the author Tom Trumble, Friday 2nd May at 7:00pm. This is a free community event.
Registration required. Phone 8721 2540.

MOUNT GAMBIER DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE AGM

Tuesday 20th May 2014, 7pm at Mount Gambier High School.

SHINGOKAN KARATE

Beginner's courses commencing Monday 5th May (age 4-7years) and Wednesday 7th May (age 8-14years) at 27 Percy Street, Mount Gambier. Contact Geoff Rohde 8726 8199.



SIR ROBERT HELPMANN THEATRE FRIDAY 16 MAY 7PM

Puppets, song and dance combine to make this a whole family adventure featuring the language and rhyme of the Tiwi Islands.

The free workshop that is being held at the Mount Gambier Library will be run in conjunction with the production.

WULAMANAYUWI AND THE SEVEN PAMANUI*

A hands on creative workshop for children in primary school to explore theatrical concepts and skills based on story-telling.

The stories involve reality, tradition and imagination and will be developed through use of puppetry, voice, sound and role-play.

Guided by professional actors and puppeteers, and working in small groups, the children will experience the process of building a scene for a play, inventing and developing characters, designing and making puppets to represent the characters, and performing a scene or a short story play.

When: Saturday May 17th,

Session 1: 10.30am (ages 6 – 9 years)

Session 2: 12.30pm (ages 10-12 years)

Where: Mount Gambier Library

Cost: FREE Booking essential Call 08 8721 2540

Capacity: max 20* per workshop

Suitability: ages 6-12



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