



## Montmorency Primary School



# Newsletter

Issue 15: 18 September 2014

## Principal's Report

Michael Otway | Principal

### Thanks for a great term

Looking back I am always struck by the efforts of everyone to make school a place of positive involvement. To list some outstanding events, we have had: Parent-Teacher Interviews, The NED Show, Father's Day Stall, International Day, District Athletics Carnival, State Cross Country, Book Week Parade, Kym Lardner, Farmer's Markets, Trivia Night, Grade 3/4 and 5/6 Hoop Time, 4-6 Boys Banyule Cup, Mini Markets, Christmas Shoe Box, Forty Hour Famine, Healthy Sandwich Day and Bake Sales. During all of this we conducted our school review and passed our VRQA (Victorian Registrations and Qualifications Authority) requirements by the way. Of course I will have forgotten something. As a Grade 4 child once said to me, "Don't worry Mr Otway...it's just Old-timer's disease". Well it's easier to spell than Alzheimers! Even what I've managed to remember is something to be intensely proud of!

### Kitchen Garden Program - Support this exciting program – VOLUNTEER

We are extremely fortunate to have this superb program within our school. The program is a wonderful opportunity to explore active Science and Mathematics and provides a similar stimulus for literacy activities. Suzie and Jasmine are really firing and have created a vibrant program with sensational social modelling in terms of nutrition and sustainability. The program depends on volunteers to keep groups small and ensure focus and safety. Any time you can commit is much appreciated. Please see us at the General Office or see the Staff Coordinator, Darryl Deller, if you would like to experience this wonderful program up close.

### Sunsmart Policy – Don't forget your hat

We would like to give families a friendly reminder that in line with the Sunsmart policy the children will need to have their hats at school beginning Monday, October 13th.

The following extract derives directly from the policy 'Children will be required to wear hats, from the start Term 3 till the end of Term 1 in the following year, whenever they are outside.' This means you have the first week of school to ensure that your child has a school hat. The only exception to this is for children in Grade 6 who will be moving on to Secondary schooling in 2015. These children may wear a suitable non-school hat. If children require a new hat we have some available for purchase at the office.

### Parking - Council Inspectors Active

Council parking inspectors have been active lately, particularly in Alban Street, so please observe signage around the school.

## Diary dates

- Thursday 18 September  
Last day of school - 2:30 finish
- Friday 19 September  
Curriculum Day – Student free
- Monday 06 October  
First day of term 4
- Thursday 9 October  
Jet's Gymnastics
- Friday 10 October  
School Disco Castle 5:30-7:30
- Saturday 18 October  
Working Bee
- Saturday 24 October Farmers Market –Foundation Colours
- Saturday 22 November Farmers Market –Foundation Colours
- Saturday 29 November  
Election Day – Voting & Market/Car Boot Sale at Monty Primary School

## No Cars in the yard

Staff have expressed concerns about vehicles in the yard – we receive advance notice regarding construction vehicles and they are walked up through the day. Private cars however have caused us concerns as the speed limit of 5km/hr is not being adhered to. The simple fact is that, if we continue to tolerate “potential danger or “near misses”, we are inviting eventual serious injury or worse.

From the start of Term 3 no cars – including Staff vehicles will be permitted in the yard. This will mean that parents picking up and dropping off from the OSHC program will need to utilise the parks opposite the school in Were St.

## Parents & Friends

**Natalie Duffy** | Parents & Friends Coordinator | ndu39182@bigpond.net.au | M: 0422 016 171

Thank you to everyone for your generous support of our term 3 activities and fundraising events. To celebrate our community we will be having a family fun night first Friday of Term 4. Andrew Whitcombe (dad to Emily and Joshua (Grade 1 /2) has offered to DJ a school disco, Friday 10 October 5:30 to 7:30pm in The Castle. Hope your family can come along. Bring a plate or discount pizza orders from Pizza a Casa will be available. We wish everyone a happy holiday!

### What's Coming Up?

Term 4:

Saturday 26 September	Farmers Market - Hosted by Foundation S (during school holidays)
Friday 10 October	School Disco – Family Social Night (5:30 – 7:30 Castle)
Saturday 24 October	Farmers Market – Hosted by Foundation Colours
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### **Farmers Market – come along & help our school thrive – AFL Grand Final Day**

The Farmers Market 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary is on from 9am until 1pm AFL Grand Final day, Saturday 27 September and will be hosted by Foundation S. Please contact Malin (M: 0477 933 056) if you can help out with goodies or time before kickoff.

### **International Day – Monday 8 September**

What a wonderful day! We are very grateful to Pizza a Casa who ended up generously donating Pizza lunches on the day and Maki Sushi who supplied sushi lunches at a discount rate for our school. Thank you Loui from Pizza a Casa Montmorency and Tomoko from Maki Sushi Eltham. A special “arigato” to Junko Nichols and the mums who added Japanese flavour to the day with their sushi rolling demonstrations.

A big thank you to Gai, who spoke to some of the parents about “The Widow’s Cause”.  
( [www.thewidowscouse.com](http://www.thewidowscouse.com) )

### **Footy Day – Thursday 18 September**

Footy Day has coincided with Nude Food Thursday and our Footy Day lunch orders celebrated Nude Food in an holistic way with healthy **nudie\*** juice boxes, **Smooze** fruit ice and traditional footy food. Nudie Foods Australia, the creators of nudie and the team from Think Products makers of Smooze generously donated their fabulous products to help us make the most of this fundraising opportunity and to enable a fitting “grand finale” to the healthy eating. Thank you Carlie Platts from Nudie and Hugh Cowan from Think Products.

### **School Disco / Family Fun Night – Friday 10 October (5:30 – 7:30pm The Castle)**

Andrew Whitcombe wowed students last year at our Monty School Disco. This year we have extended it to become an after school event so families can mingle and have fun. Kids are welcome to dance the evening away and parents too. We hope you can join in this social night to have fun and meet new people. Please contact Vanessa Jasper (M: 0439 438 647) or Natalie Duffy (M: 0422 016 171) if you can help set up and create some of the magic of this event. More details about Pizza orders in Term 4.

### **Working Bee – Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup> – from 9am**

Now that the packing up and moving working bees are complete, it is time to tidy up the school grounds.

Come any time you can from 9am. Bring the kids, some work gloves and your muscles to help with pruning, mulching, weeding and much more. We'll finish with a BBQ at lunch time.

### **Election Day activities – Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup>**

Toward the end of term 4 there is a state election scheduled. This year voting will be held in the new school building so we have planned a few activities to help bring in the voting crowd.

#### **1. Time Capsule Opening**

Prior to the schools demolition the time capsule from 1985 was excavated. The official opening time is 11am and the contents of the capsule will be on display throughout the day. We are spreading the word around the community so that families from the 1985 era can come along and participate in the opening. **WALKERS NEEDED** - If anyone can help deliver flyers over the next few weeks, as part of their normal walking routine, please put your name down at the office.

#### **2. Sausage sizzle and other stalls**

In addition to the usual sausage sizzle and cake stalls, we will be selling breakfast Egg & Bacon rolls from 8am, and will also have a Christmas decorations and craft stall, and a plant stall.

#### **3. Car boot market**

The car boot market will run from 8am to about 3pm. Use the holidays to clean out your cupboards and garage and book a stall. **Stalls are just \$25 each.** It will be a small market of about 10 stalls, so there is plenty of opportunity to sell lots of your unwanted items to the hundreds of people that will come to the school to vote. Pick up an application form from the office or email [montmorency.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:montmorency.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) . If you want a stall, book quickly.

## **Housekeeping**

**Lunch orders** - Please remember to order sushi by 6:30 pm on Thursdays, via a text message to Llsa on 0425 879 730. Lunch orders need to be ready by 9:05 on Friday for Lisa and her team to pick up. When they are delayed with late orders it's difficult for them to get the lunches back to us in time for our first break. Thanks for your help with this.

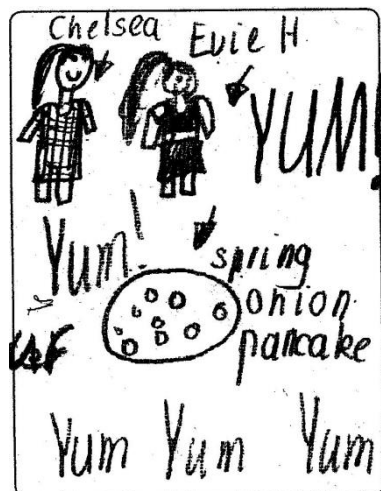
**Lost Property** - We have many items in our lost property basket located near the office. Please check this next term for your children's belongings. As the weather is changeable we find many jumpers discarded, so naming your children's clothing makes it easier for us to manage.

**One Hundred Days of Learning in our Prep Grades  
Stay tuned for more of these stories in our next newsletter!**

# SAKG Program

Jasmine Lechte & Suzi Wilton | SAKG Specialists

## Term 3 – SAKG Students Report



### Grade 3 – August/ September

#### Highlights

Harrison liked helping James find the cream.

Elias liked getting flour on himself.

#### Recipes

Broccoli, spinach and potato soup.

Spring onion pancakes.

The Super Salad Group made orange and rosemary biscuits

They enjoyed mixing and cutting the dough and they said they were yummy and fantastic. The rosemary was grown and picked from the garden.

#### Tasks we performed

Chopping, peeling, stirring, picking and washing.

Flipping the pancakes and rolling the pancakes.

*Written by Hayden*

### Other Grade 3 Comments:

"I liked rolling the dough and cutting the onion," – Evie C.

"Pancakes look and smell delicious," - Jack.

"I think it will be yummy" – Daniel.

"I like doing the dishes," - Hayden.

"It was awesome," – James.

"I liked mixing the ingredients in the bowl," - Emile

Imogen thought 'popping the bubble from the naan bread' was a highlight.

"The curry was fantastic, I loved it so, so much and my group made it," - Evie H.

"Super, super, super delicious," - Jacob.

"Amazing," - Colleen.

"The lemon delicious was too delicious to call delicious," - Shintaro.

### Grade 4/5 – August/ September From reporters Hannah and Darcy

#### ***What we made in the kitchen today?***

Warrigal greens frittata

Moroccan sweet potato, carrot and chickpea soup

Roast beetroot salad with dakkah

#### ***What was your highlight today?***

"Every group working together," said Mr K.

"Learning to get Zara's name right" said Mick.

"Smelling the dressing," said Zoe.

# Sport

Donna Barclay | PE Teacher

## District Athletics Day

Last Tuesday 37 students braved the winds at Epping in the District athletics day. For the first time in years we had students compete in all events. We performed well and showed true Monty spirit when competing against some of the bigger schools.

Most students went home with a ribbon for a place. Seven students qualified by getting a 1st or 2nd and will go to Division Athletics on Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup>.

Josh (2nd shot put)  
Tamika (2nd 200m)

James (2nd 800m)  
Olivia (2nd High Jump)

Sarah (1st long jump & 1500)  
Liam (2nd Long Jump)

Darcy (1st and 2nd in 100&200)

Emile also his 100 meter race, but 9 year old students don't get to go to Division until they are in the 10 year old group.

What a fantastic effort for the team! Huge thanks also go to the parents and staff who helped out on the day. It was very much appreciated.

## State Paddling Championships

Congratulations to Mark Crosbee in grade 4, who competed in the Warrandyte Cup where he finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the under 10s. He also finished 2nd place in the Victorian Schools State Championships. It was a close competition in the under 10s, with less than a second was between 1st and 2nd place. Well done Mark.

## Footy Day

Don't forget to come dressed in your footy colours for this Thursday's Footy Day. It doesn't matter what code you enjoy just come dressed in your team's colours, ready to have a go! Huge thanks to the Richmond Football Club and the Eltham YMCA for their donation of prizes for footy day.

## Jets excursion

To finish off their gymnastics classes, all foundation grades will be heading off to Jets Gymnastics in Diamond creek on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> of October. It was a very popular outing last year and many children are excited about going again. A note will go home with further details to parents.

Over the coming weeks there are several great opportunities for children to try several different sports. This weekend is the second Come and Try days for the Little Athletics Clubs. Come n Try days on Sat 13th & 20th Sept, 9.00am - 11.00am at Willinda Park. For further information go to <http://www.dvlac.com.au/index.php/athetes>

There is also a flyer attached to the newsletter about a come and try paddling opportunity over the holidays.

Is your child really into their footy? Then why not attend the MCG open day on Sunday 28th September. Come and kick a ball around on the 'G'. For further details - <http://www.mcg.org.au>

# OSHC

Donna Barclay | OSHC

The number of children attending OSHC has been increasing and as a result we have been able to include a more diverse range of activities in the program. In the past fortnight we have been busy learning how to sew and make badges, cook biscuits and muffins, compete in Lego building competitions and take part in creative art sessions. Outside we played on the oval, the big & medium adventure playgrounds and we weeded and cared for the garden outside our room. From term 4 we will publish the program in the newsletter each fortnight to provide an overview of our activities.

**Week 1:** Oct 6: Games Night. Oct 7 - Ginger bread making. Oct 8- Puppet theatre preparation. Oct 9- Puppet Making Oct 10- Games night.

**Week 2:** Oct 13- Puppet shows. Oct 14 - Games Night. Oct 15- Construction night. Oct 16- Games Night. Oct 17 – Cooking, stained glass cookies.

We are continuing with our homework sessions and if there is something that you would like your child to focus on, please speak to us. Over the past few months we have played counting games and focused on reading.

We hope you liked the money boxes your children proudly made you for Father's Day. We have been taking many pictures of our activities, so look forward to seeing these very soon

Elizabeth has finished her placement with us and will be working some days for us when needed. Welcome to the team.

Have a wonderful holiday break and please ensure all bills are paid before the end of term, thank you!

# Chaplain's Chat

Beverley Hardi | Chaplain

We have turned the corner! It has been a very eventful year so far, considering this term was our first residing in the new school. I remember the first day of term and how excited everyone was in this new building that demonstrates an impressive teaching standard & a practical space for interaction & communication within the whole school. It is a new chapter for Montmorency Primary School.

During the break times many children played indoor games of Uno and craft during the rainy days. There are many children that are experts at playing boules outside but we also have a good crew of students who play the card game Uno with great skill.

This term ended with another fantastic grade three excursion, to Science Works. There is always a lot of information to take in with every visit however this outing was exceptional. We saw the science display and a presentation of the **TILT**. During the show we saw a narrative animated version of how the Earth revolves around the Sun on a 23.5 degree axis viewing evidence for the different seasons both in the Northern & Southern Hemisphere. It was a lovely day and everyone enjoyed the experience and fun of being on a Mr. Deller excursion.

I will sign off this note with an encouraging excerpt from the weekly message I receive from my Chaplain supervisor.

## **Something light to finish on:** **DILBERTS' RULES OF ORDER**

1. I can only please one person per day. Today is not your day. Tomorrow is not looking good either.
2. I love deadlines. I especially like the whooshing sound they make as they go flying by.
3. Tell me what you need, and I'll tell you how to get along without it.
4. Accept that some days you are the pigeon and some days the statue.
5. Needing someone is like needing a parachute. If they are not there the first time, chances are you won't need them again.
6. I don't have an attitude problem, you have a perception problem.

Enjoy this school holiday season,  
*Beverley*

## Student of the Week

### Term 3, Week 8

#### **00G Linda Carter**

**Ben Hamilton** – For using your delightful sense of humour to make us all happy but also trying hard to stop and listen at work times. Keep smiling!

#### **00X Sarah Kechayas**

**Tyesha Barker** – For always using great care with her table work and producing absolutely beautiful work. What an artist!

#### **00R Anna Hayes**

**Ryan Whitson** - For remembering to use his friendly words outside and playing with lots of different friends. Well done Ryan!

#### **OOS Sandie Symes**

**Isaac Loncar** – For solid work and trying hard with “Reading Eggs” You’re now on “Reading Express”. Well done Isaac.

### Term 3, Week 9

#### **00G Linda Carter**

**Trinity Darcy** – For participating in our work and play with confidence and enthusiasm. We enjoy your delightful manners and thoughtful answers at discussion times too.

#### **00X Sarah Kechayas**

**Mason Halsall** – For a huge improvement in using his friendly words and sharing with his friends. Great work!

#### **00R Anna Hayes**

**Harry Pitts** – For trying so hard with his table work and remembering not to rush. Well done Harry!

#### **OOS Sandie Symes**

**Jean- Claude Charbel** – For being an excellent listener who writes interesting stories using fantastic spelling and handwriting.

**OOK Keryn Johnston**

**Dominic Loncar** – For being able to kick a football higher than the school roof. Well done Dominic!

**1/2A Margarita Strateas**

**Kaitlyn Tancredi- Blair** – For achieving her personal best in writing this week. We loved hearing about your weekend!

**1/2B Christine Turner**

**Shola Magner** – For always following instructions and producing her best work in all tasks. You’re a wonderful role model to your classmates! Well done!

**3A Darryl Deller**

**Sophie Lloyd** – For always being attentive and polite and for a conscientious attitude always. A great effort with all your work tasks. Well done!

**4/5A Kevin Wilcockson**

**Wiktor Krzystolik** - For working hard in all areas and for a great attitude towards learning. Well Done Wiktor

**5/6A Janene Worsam /Rebekah Rentos**

**Max Koegler** – For working extremely hard at producing work of an excellent standard in both literacy and maths this term. Well done!

**Chaplaincy – Bev Hardi**

**Isabelle Bonnefoy** - For showing great care and leadership while helping her friend Alex to the sick bay. Isabelle you are a very beautiful girl with a big heart!

**OOK Keryn Johnston**

**Sam Bonney** – For working hard all term and producing outstanding results in all areas. You can add up like a human calculator and your chapter stories are amazing. Well done.

**1/2A Margarita Strateas**

**Timothy Katsaras** - For using WOW words when describing himself in his poem during share and learn. Fantastic work!

**1/2B Christine Turner**

**Kurumi Laksmi** – For challenging herself during her maths tasks and hopping and jumping along the number line like a champion! Well done!

**3A Darryl Deller**

**Chelsea Ward** – For always producing work of the highest quality, whatever the task. Well done Chelsea, you are a true role model for the rest of the class.

**4/5A Kevin Wilcockson**

**Carlie-Jane Melbourne** - For an outstanding effort and number of reading entries during the Premier's Reading Challenge. Well Done Carlie

**5/6A Janene Worsam /Rebekah Rentos**

**Sofia Gravier** – For maintaining composure at all times throughout our “spaghetti/marshmallow” challenge. A terrific effort.

# Newsletters

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The next newsletter will be published on Thursday 16 October. If you have any notices or contributions, please send these by Monday, 6 October. If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, please fill in the form below and we’ll put you on the list. Don’t forget that you can get extra copies emailed and to multiple addresses, even if you still want a hard copy.

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**Paddlepower. Come and try kayaking at Westerfolds Park.  
Go Ahead Give it a Go.**

An exciting Paddlesport program for young people with awards, fun games and activities. Parents and advanced sessions also available.

When: Holiday Program:

- Monday September 22<sup>th</sup> 3pm – 4:30pm
- Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup> 3pm – 4:30pm
- Friday September 26<sup>th</sup> 3pm – 4:30pm



**Term 4 Program**(other days/times may be available on request):

- Tuesdays 4:30 – 5:30pm (8 weeks starting Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>)
- Sundays 10am – 11am (8 weeks starting Sunday October 19<sup>th</sup>)

Location: Westerfolds Park, Templestowe (Canoe Ramp) – All equipment provided

Cost: \$20 per session (\$15 for club members – join for \$35 annual membership)

Contact: [warwickdraper@yahoo.com.au](mailto:warwickdraper@yahoo.com.au)

This program will be coordinated by Warwick Draper (3 time Olympian and President of Melbourne Canoe Club) and delivered by qualified coaches from Melbourne Canoe Club, and we thank Canoeing Victoria for their support through

PaddlePower.

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EVENT/PARENT INFORMATION

**FEATURED MOVIE:** MR. PEABODY AND SHERMAN

**4:45PM** DOORS OPEN, ACTIVITIES & CHALLENGES START

**6.00PM** MOVIE STARTS

**7:50PM** PICK UP TIME!

**COST:** FREE EVENT

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

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5-8 PM

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The banner features a cartoon illustration of Sherman the dog and Mr. Peabody, a boy with red hair and glasses, walking together. The background is divided into three horizontal bands: light blue at the top, yellow in the middle, and green at the bottom.

# School Fair 2015

## It's time to start planning!

The proposed date for the Fair is Sat March 21<sup>st</sup> 2015.

The school Fair, known as the Community Fair, is a fantastic event that draws the local and school communities together for a giant celebration. It is more than just a school fete - with loads of market stalls, community stalls, a full music and entertainment schedule showcasing local talent, and of course heaps of games, rides, food and fun activities.

However it takes a large and dedicated committee to pull off such an event, so we are calling for Monty parents to get involved.

**We want your ideas!** What games and activities should we run? How can we get the community involved in the Fair? What have you seen at other fetes?

Come along to one of these brainstorming sessions next term to share your ideas and put your hand up to actively take on a role. Hear about the recent history of the Fair, what has and hasn't worked in the past and why it is fun planning such a big party.

- Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Oct 2.30pm – meet in the staff room
- Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> Oct 7.30pm – meet at the Castle
- Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 9.30am – meet in the staff room after assembly – followed on by a P&F meeting.

**If you want to get involved, now is the time to act.**

School council meets on Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Oct and will decide if there is enough school community support to proceed with the March 21<sup>st</sup> date.

If you can't attend one of these sessions but would still like to get involved, please call Suzanne Smith on 0419 434 559 or email at michael\_suzi@optusnet.com.au

**Get involved as little or as much as you want – but get involved.**

# **Crochet School Holiday Program**

**Crochet a Beanie**

**For 10 – 16 years**

**6 students per class**

**2 Sessions @ 1.5 hours each**

**Class 1: Mon 22/9 and Tues 23/9 @ 10:00 – 11.30am**

**Class 2: Mon 29/9 and Tues 30/9 @ 2:00 – 3:30 pm**

**\$40 Includes: hook, wool, pattern, tuition**

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