



Montmorency Primary School



Newsletter

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Principal's Report

Michael Otway | Principal

Science Week

It has been really pleasing to note the amount of Science activities being done as part of our school curriculum. Grade 4/5/6 have done experiments with chemicals and are looking at a lot of problem solving in their "Inventions" unit. Students also did investigations on the chemical nature of pH values which were backed up in gardening by Jasmine, who did soil pH testing. Grade 1/2 students have conducted science experiments as part of their class routine and even our Foundation students are doing a lot of sorting and classifying activities as part of the science curriculum. It may be "Science Week" but it is important to represent this important subject area every week.

Building Update

As you can see the outline of the new building has been created and the foundation pour has taken place. Concrete pads have also been completed for the steel framing. The first task is to build a retaining wall which will allow the site to be filled and levelled to the front of the building – no more up and down levels, apologetic buildings or steps. The space at the front of the school will be open and welcoming. It will also keep up our long held tradition of visibility and safety.

Cars in the Yard - 5 Km/ Hour Limit

Due to our building works we understand that parking around the block and entry into our grounds has become more difficult. We have barrier tape on the driveway through the day to stop trucks, which must notify us of their arrival, and be walked up to the construction site. Parents picking up late from OSHC must remember that the SPEED LIMIT within the block is 5Km/Hr. Due to concerns we will need to re-erect the chain barrier denying access if any future report is received regarding inappropriate speed.

Parents and Friends

A huge thank you to our Parents and Friends group for supporting our school so enthusiastically. Book Week has been a huge success. Thanks to the army of helpers who set up our library and read with the children each day. Hot chocolate Thursday's were enjoyed by the children and we are anticipating a terrific night on Saturday for our Trivia Night! The community has generously donated many items for the auction –thank you!

Diary dates

- **18 – 22 August**
Book Week
- **Friday 22 August**
Book Week Parade
- **Saturday 23 August**
Farmer's Market – Hosted by Foundation K
Trivia Night (Castle at school)
- **Tuesday 26 August**
School Council
- **Thursday 4 September**
Father's Day Stall
- **Monday 8 September**
International Day
- **Tuesday 9 September**
District Athletics Carnival
- **Thursday 18 September**
Last day of school - 2:30 finish
- **Friday 19 September**
Curriculum Day – Student free
- **Friday 19 September**
Curriculum Day – Student free
- **Saturday 29 November**
Election Day – Voting & Market/Car Boot Sale at Monty Primary School

SAKG Program

Jasmine Lechte & Suzi Wilton | SAKG Specialists

Last week in the cooking program, grade 4/5 made a delicious lunch for the class to enjoy. Here is a report from one of our cooking groups called *The Dancing Tomatoes*.

The Dancing Tomatoes were chosen to make the Warrigal green ricotta fritters, their cooking instructor was Rose. Children in the class thought that the dish was divine and the group said that "the greens made the dish". The other groups made some fantastic dishes too. They made pumpkin soup, broccoli and lemon orecchiette and a green salad. Then to finish off with a sweet treat, we had some scrumptious orange upside-down cakes. The sous chef this week was Logan.

Once again we had another great morning in the kitchen. A special thank you to Susie, the cooking teacher and thank you to the cooking volunteers for all their extra help. We would like to congratulate Susie on graduating from culinary school. We hope your cooking is very successful and good luck for the future!

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Parents & Friends

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Thank you to the very arty families who have repaired the "Montmorency PS" letters that adorn the Rattray Road fence. It looks great!

Next time you are at school, please pop into the library. This temporary space has been transformed and the kids are loving their new "book nook". Thank you Vanessa Jasper for leading the charge to "Love our Library", and for your generous donation of books. The library has been brought to life at lunch times. Many thanks to Miss Margarita, Cori Nelson and the small army of parent and grandparent volunteers.

Looks like we will have a "Full Monty" for the school's "Touch of Hollywood" Trivia Quiz. The Box Office is still open for this block buster, so please book your tickets now before they're all "Gone in 60 Seconds". Get ready for a "Saturday Night Fever" of prizes and fun.

What's Coming Up?

Thursdays in August	Winter Warmer Hot Chocolate
Friday 22 August	Book Week Costume Parade at 9:15am
Saturday 23 August	Farmers Market – Hosted by Foundation K
Saturday 23 August	School Trivia Quiz – "A Touch of Hollywood" adult event 7pm in The Castle @MPS
Thursday 4 September	Father's Day Stall
Monday 8 September	International Day
Thursday 18 September	Footy Day – Last day of term

Term 4:

Saturday 26 September	Farmers Market - Hosted by Foundation K (during school holidays)
Saturday 24 October	Farmers Market – Hosted by Foundation Colours
Saturday 22 November	Farmers Market – Hosted by Foundation Colours
Saturday 29 November	Election Day – Voting & Market/Car Boot Sale at Monty Primary School

Trivia Quiz & Raffle – Saturday 23 August from 7pm in The Castle:

After a change of set, the Trivia Quiz will now be held in **The Castle not Petrie Park Hall**. We need you, your friends and families to come along to this fun night to help make this a successful fundraiser. If dressing up is not your thing, come as you are!

Please book your \$20 ticket today online at www.trybooking.com/95269.

If you can't make it on the night please buy or sell some raffle tickets in our 2 raffles. Every bit helps! Tickets 6 for \$5 or \$1 each. Simply photocopy the pages if you want more tickets. Please return tickets to the office this Friday. **A huge thank you to all families that donated items to their class hamper.** Those items, combined with donations from local businesses, mean we have a great selection of hampers and items to be silent auctioned on the night. Some of these items are now on display in the school foyer area. Have a look at what you can bid for on the night.

Farmers Market – come along & help our school thrive – this Saturday 23 August

The Farmers Market is on this Saturday 23 August and will be hosted by Foundation K. Please contact Anita Anderson (M: 0409 551 197) or Carly McDiamid (M: 0413 114 689) if you can help out with goodies or time. This will be a very busy day coinciding with the Trivia Quiz. The Monty Farmers Market stall holders are generously preparing a hamper of produce as an extra raffle prize for the Trivia Quiz.

Father's Day Stall – Thursday 4 September

To treat dads, grandpas and the special men in our lives, the Monty Fathers Day Stall will be open on Thursday 4 September and Friday 5 September. Gifts will range from \$1 to \$10. We'd love some mums and dads to help gift wrap and set up the stall from 7pm on Wednesday 3rd September. If you can help please let Natalie Duffy know on ndu39182@bigpond.net.au or call 0422 016 171.

International Day – Monday 8 September

Teachers and students are busily preparing for Monty's annual International Day celebration. Just a heads up that following the special 9:00am student assembly/concert, this year P&F and Bev have joined hands to include a community awareness social justice session for adults. Hope you can save the date to learn more about "The Widow's Cause" www.thewidowscouse.com.

A global gourmet lunch order day will be offered to the children. It will include Italian Pizza, Japanese Sushi and Australian Lamingtons and this will be organised by the P&F. Please give your payment and permission slip to your child's teacher if you'd like them to participate in International Day lunch orders. Sushi orders need to be back 1 week prior, Monday 29 August.

Hot Chocolate Winter Warmers:

Thank you Rachel Crosbee (mum to Sarah & Mark) and Rita Elley Leventis (mum to Jeremiah) for serving up yummy Hot Chocolates during August. Thank you to all our happy customers!

Community Support - Max's supports Monty PS

Remember, dine at Max's on a Wednesday, give the receipt to the school office and Max's will donate 5% of the bill back to the school. So by eating out you are supporting a great local business and the school. Max's, corner of Were Street & Rattray Road, Montmorency.

Sport

Donna Barclay | PE Teacher

Good Luck to our 1500m runners who are running at Willanda Park this Friday. The rest of the District Sports Day is on Tuesday September 9th September. For the rest of this term, classes are doing various forms of football, so please ensure your students are dressed in sports gear suitable for running around on the tennis courts or oval.

On Tuesday the 19th August a team of boys from Grade 4/5/6 went to the Banyule Cup. We played three games against Watsonia North, St Marys and St Pius X. We won one of the games against St Pius X by 22 points and lost the two other games against St Marys and Watsonia North by over 50 points.

The goal kickers were Liam, Darcy, Jordan, James, Callum and Xander. All the players were Liam, Darcy, Max K, Lachie, Max H, Mark, Logan, Zayne, Joe, Jordan, Xander, Jye, Tom, Callum, James, Jarrah, Jeremiah, Ethan and Captain Josh.

By Darcy and Liam 4/5

OSHC

Donna Barclay | OSHC

The new cancellations system is generally working well. If your child is away sick and will not be at school, please make sure you tell the office staff to cross them off the list, especially if you know your child will be away for several days.

As the weather improves, the children are enjoying outside time. As a result we ask that you continue to follow the parking regulations and drive with care within the school grounds.

Student of the Week

Term 3, Week 4: 11-15 August 2014

OOS Sandie Symes

Eve Gibney – For showing a wonderful improvement in reading and writing and for passing her blue words so easily!

OOK Keryn Johnston

Poppy Gillottie – For always encouraging her friends with their work by telling them that it's ok to make a mistake and that their work is "just a piece of paper". We love having you in our room!

1/2A Margarita Strateas

Joshua Whitcombe - For trying hard to demonstrate the qualities of a Junior School Councillor. Keep it up!

1/2B Christine Turner

Denholm Hughes – For trying his best this week in all of his work and for staying on task. Great effort!

00X Sarah Kechayas

Bella Mollet – For completing absolutely beautiful table work every time. Her drawings are lovely; we have an artist in the making!

00R Anna Hayes

Kobi Finn- For being such a good friend to others. You always look after your friends outside and have been very patient teaching your friends how to kick the footy.

4/5A Kevin Wilcockson

Amy Middleton - For completing all her work to a very high standard and for always staying on task. Well done Amy!

5/6A Janene Worsam /Rebekah Rentos

Blake Findlay – Sosic – For displaying a positive attitude this week both in the classroom and on the sporting field. Well done!

3A Darryl Deller

Evie Horne – For displaying enthusiasm to her learning and for always completing set tasks to a high standard. Well done!

00G Linda Carter

Nash Greenway – For listening well, always raising his hand to speak at mat time and for concentrating so well on his drawing and writing skills. Well done Nash!

Term 3, Week 5: 18-22 August 2014

OOS Sandie Symes

Mia Byrne – For showing a fantastic improvement in reading and writing and always producing high quality work.

OOK Keryn Johnston

Tex Anderson – For doing magic with numbers. You are a true maths "mathe-magician". You are a very kind friend too and have lots of BFF's! Well done, Tex.

1/2B Christine Turner

Alexandra Swann – For demonstrating fantastic whole body listening skills and always showing an interest in her learning. Well done!

00X Sarah Kechayas

Bella Mollet – For completing absolutely beautiful table work every time. Her drawings are lovely; we have an artist in the making!

00R Anna Hayes

Quintin Risstrom – For a big improvement in learning his letters and trying so hard on all of his table work. Well done Quinny!

4/5A Kevin Wilcockson

Tamika Melbourne – For a positive attitude towards her learning and for always wanting to do more than is expected of her. Well done Tamika!

5/6A Janene Worsam /Rebekah Rentos

Rory McLaine – For making an enormous effort in achieving his personal best over this last week.

3A Darryl Deller

Kelsey Beagle – For having a great attitude to her learning and for showing respect for others. Well done!

Newsletters

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The next newsletter will be published on Thursday 4 September. If you have any notices or contributions, please send these to Lee by Monday, 1 September. 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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YES, I would like the newsletter to be sent to the following addresses:

Email 1: Email 2:.....

Parent Name/s:.....

Oldest child's name:.....Grade:.....

Take me off the hard copy list please

Foundation Red

Anna Hayes | Teacher

The children from Foundation Red wrote an imaginative tale focusing on the letter N. It is wonderful to see that the NED show continues to have a positive impact on our students!

Our Letter N Story

One night Naomi and a ninja went to a restaurant. They were eating noodles together. Then Ned came to do the Ned show. Before it started, nine ninja turtles arrived; they were very tired from fighting naughty nannas. The ninja turtles messed up the Ned show by breaking all the yo-yos with their weapons. Naomi fixed all the yo-yos with her tools and the other ninja scared the nine ninja turtles away and they never came back. The Ned show was saved. Naomi and the Ninja enjoyed the Ned show.

The End.

Chaplain's Corner

Bev Hardi | Chaplain

On behalf of the 40 hr. Famine team, which included grade 6 girls and myself, I would like to thank everyone who supported the two events that raised money for World Vision.

Firstly, the **Bake Sale** was a big success with home baked goods donated by parents. They were bought and enjoyed by students and families. Abby made a big cookie that was auctioned off with Michelle Duke being the winner.

Secondly, **Crazy Hair day** was also successful. The children showed off fantastic, creative crazy hair styles. A big thank you to Michelle P & Colleen for making sure all the teachers had crazy hair too!

We raised \$346.50. Well done to the team of girls who organized these events and a big thank you to Sophia G who initiated and planned for these events to take place at the school.

A very big thank you to those children who took part in the Famine this past weekend (Aug. 15-17th). Donations can be left at the office.

For information on the 40 hr. Famine appeal and other events World Vision take part in to make a change in the World, see their website on...www.worldvision.com.au

BOOK WEEK 2014

BOOK WEEK 2014 Activities

Monday 18th August - Friday 22nd August

Special *classroom activities* in each class

A pop up '**Book Nook**' will be set up in the library for students to use for reading during the first half of lunch time

Friday 22nd August

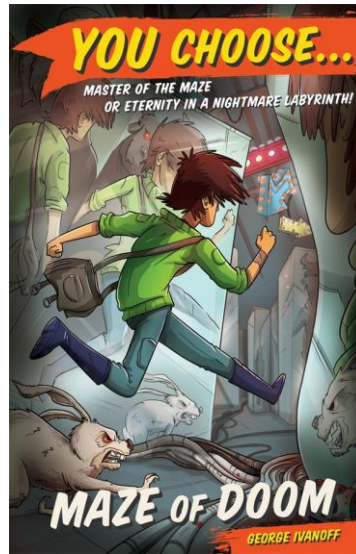
Costume Parade (come as your favourite book character)
9:00am

Kym Lardner Performance

Foundation to Grade 2- 10:00am

Grade 3 to Grade 6- 11:50am

(Cost is \$3.00 per child- due Monday 18th August)



Writing Workshop

You Choose is a new series of interactive novels for the highly adventurous. Read if you dare! Mistakes will cost you dearly!

Come along and meet author **George Ivanoff** for a Writer's Workshop and learn how to plot your very own *You Choose* adventure.

Date: August 24th

Venue: Eltham Bookshop, 970 Main Road, Eltham

Time: 3.00pm-4.30pm

Cost: \$20.00, which includes one signed copy of *You Choose Adventure*, the writing workshop by George Ivanoff and afternoon tea;
all accompanying adults pay \$5.00 each.

Prepaid bookings are essential: 9439 8700 elthambookshop@bigpond.com
Limited spaces so book VERY EARLY



You are invited to Monty Primary's
'A Touch of Hollywood'



Trivia Night

23rd August, 7pm @ the school in the Castle

If dressing up is not your thing, just come as you are, we would love to see you there!

Book your tickets now – \$20 per person.

Book online via www.trybooking.com/95269

Organising a whole table can be difficult so a table has been reserved for each class. Just book your tickets and let your friends know what table you are on so they can book and sit with you. Don't miss out. Remember to BYO drinks and nibbles (soft drink available for purchase on the night).

Two Raffles – tickets for sale.

We have received some very generous donations (a huge thank you to the Anderson family for 1st and 2nd prizes in the Main Raffle) so we are running 2 raffles that will be drawn on the trivia night. So that the whole school can be eligible to win the prizes, we are pre-selling the raffle tickets.

Ticket sheets are attached, simply fill in your contact details for the raffles you wish to enter and return ticket sheet with money to the office by Friday 22nd.

Tickets are just \$1 each or 6 for \$5, for each raffle.

The prizes up for grabs are:

Main Raffle	Massive Were St Shopping Raffle
<p>1st Prize - GVA 70cm HD LED LCD TV DVD combo – RRP \$284 2nd Prize - 2 sets of DriGlo towels – RRP\$200 3rd Prize – Family pass to Puffing Billy - RRP \$94</p>	<p>Includes over \$250 worth of vouchers from shops such as Mojo, Foodworks, Butchers, Coffee shops, Orchard Fresh – and we are still collecting donations!!!</p>

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Dine at Max's on a Wed, give the
receipt to the school office and Max's will
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So by eating out you are supporting a great local business and the school.



**Now also serving
wood fired pizza's!**

Corner Were St & Rattray Rd.