

Mernda Park PS Newsletter

ISSUE #18

Principal's Message

On Tuesday we had a whole school excursion to the Mernda Community Garden at Carome Homestead. This day was to unveil and celebrate the amazing work our 3—6 students and teachers had created at school which are now on display in the community garden. The mayor of the City of Whittlesea, Kris Pavlidis, officially opened the art display, Kris was very complimentary about the art work and the articulate way our students led MPPS students and community visitors on an explanatory tour to showcase their scarecrows. The banners produced by our students will be proudly displayed around MPPS.



Important Dates

18th Oct to 6th Dec
Kingswim Swimming Lessons

Wed 20th December
Christmas Carols

Thursday 21st Dec
Last day of Term 4
1.15pm dismissal



Carome Homestead Art Unveiling

Throughout this year senior students at Mernda Park Primary School have been lucky enough to be involved with Whittlesea Council and Baseline Youth Services to create sustainability inspired artwork in response to the problem of ongoing graffiti and vandalism at the Mernda Community Gardens. The students and teachers worked tirelessly to construct five scarecrows scattered around the garden and eight large bottle top sculptures mounted to wall. Sustainability is very important to us at Mernda Park Primary, we wanted to incorporate reusing into our artwork. All the students at our school spent weeks collecting bottle tops that grade three and four children worked diligently to transform into sculptures based on plants and animals that can be found in our local community.



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Student of the Week Focus — Responsibility



Yan Yean LC

Ida R

Simon LC / 1-2

Amelie A

Plenty LC / Preps

Chimamanda M

Sarah W

Visual Arts

Pritika

Performing Arts

Xavier T

PE Award

Kaden M

Environmental Award

Ridham A

Assistant Principal's Award

Matilda S

Principal's Award

Sibella F

Levi-Carter S

Dinara J

Siena S

Luka S

Sloka P

Clare T

Amelia S

Mahad M



School Captain's Report

Over the past two terms Helen from Baseline Youth Services has been working with students from Yan Yean LC to create banners about our 1st year at MPPS and artwork for the Community Garden at Carome Homestead. Students collected bottle tops to create our sustainable art sculptures. We also made scarecrows based on the history of Carome Homestead and the people who lived there. On Tuesday 28th November Yan Yean 5/6 students presented our artwork to our whole school and the local community including the mayor. We all had a very good time and are proud of our artwork.

Clare T



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MPPS Hats for Sale

School Hats can now be purchased from the office by EFT or cash.

MPPS Legionnaires Hat \$14.95

MPPS Bucket Hat \$15.95

MPPS Commemorative Tea Towels

Creating Lasting Memories!

Our limited edition tea towel design is made up of self-portraits drawn by all our children and staff earlier in the year when we had 99 students.

The pictures and names have been arranged all together as a commemorative design for the whole school then screen printed in Royal Blue and Red onto premium 100% white cotton tea towels.

Don't forget to order a few extras for family members and your keepsake box. Tea towels can be ordered by completing the form sent home last week and returning with payment to your child's learning community or the office or via compass.

There is a sample tea towel hanging in the office to view.

Only \$13.00 each

Order online via Compass or by returning the form with full payment to the office. Thank you for your continued support!

Contact: Finoula or Rachel on 8776 9700

2018 Material Charges

Material Charges consist of Essential and Voluntary components:

Essential Educational Learning Items – These are items that the school considers essential for all students. At MPPS we purchase student book packs and bulk supplies for student use, enabling considerable savings to parents due to our buying power as a school and GST saving.

At MPPS we work in line with Department of Educational and Training guidelines, so please see us if you have any questions. MPPS purchases a number of bulk classroom materials, supplies and learning programs including educational software such as Reading Eggs/Mathletics/Popplet, student diaries and food technology programs.

Voluntary Financial Contribution – Parents are invited to make a donation to the school for a general or specific purpose, e.g. Resource Room Fund. This fund enables us to purchase resources for our resource room for our students to utilise. One of the items we are interested in purchasing is a giant chess set.

Payment of any 2017 charges are now overdue and prompt payment would be appreciated.

Prep Enrolments For 2018

First round enrolments have now **closed**. Please contact the office if you would like to enrol your child for 2018.

Christmas Carols

Our Christmas Carols evening will be held for the whole school community on Wednesday 20th December from 5.30pm to 7.00pm. Santa will be making a special visit. There will be sausages & cold drinks for sale during the evening. We look forward to celebrating our first Christmas Carols together.



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SEASON 2018 REGISTRATION

JUNIOR GIRLS

MEET & GREET

**TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER, 6PM
SCHOTTERS RD, MERNDA**

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

**PLEASE GO TO MERNDA FOOTBALL CLUB TEAM APP &
FOLLOW THE REGISTRATION LINK.
FURTHER QUESTIONS TO BELINDA SMITH ON
BELSMITH09@GMAIL.COM**

PRIZES

**All regos prior to January 10, 2018 go
into the draw to win FREE registration
for season 2018.**

2018 Executive Committee

WWW.MERNDAFOOTBALLCLUB.TEAMAPP.COM.AU

