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MountElizaNorth PRIMARY

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Mount Eliza North Primary School strives to create a community of learners who are empowered to inquire, achieve and contribute to the world around them.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK!

Dear Parents and Friends,

In recent days, I have had the pleasure of working with students in a variety of ways: general conversations in the yard, visits to classrooms and meetings with students who want to share their learning. A particular highlight was working with several Year 2 students during our PLC training day and completing an observation of the task they completed. It is always fascinating and a joy to watch how students work things out and share their thinking.

COMPASS is Coming

Compass

Over recent years we have had many conversations with our parent community, at leadership meetings, with school council and with Sentral about the concerns we have had with elements of the platform. Whilst there are aspects that work well, we decided it was important to compare the two platforms to make an informed decision about which system would best suit the needs of our school.

After consultation with the Compass team, and positive feedback we have received from other schools , we have made the decision to make the change and will be launching the new platform at the beginning of Term 4, 2022. Many local high schools also use Compass making it ideal for our families to transition.

It is important that you download any of your children's reports from Sentral if you haven't already done so as these will no longer be accessible online after end of Term 3, 2022. We will being doing a full data export which will archive historical documents.

For instructions on how to download your reports please see the "how to " information sheet attached at the end of the newsletter. We have also provided a link for you to begin looking at the Compass system in preparation for its launch. Further information and resources will be provided to support the change so please keep an eye out for future instructions.

Parent Opinion Survey

Some of you will have received an email outlining the process for the Parent Opinion Survey. We appreciate it when families provide feedback so if you can take the time to complete it, we'd be very grateful. As always, you are welcome to meet with me to discuss and concerns or celebrations!

Burning off on Fridays

Over many years, we have had issues with neighbouring houses burning-off during school hours. There have been many days where the smoke has really impacted on our school. We've had to close playgrounds and particular areas during recess and lunch so that students aren't affected by the smoke.

Other impacts include:

- Students with respiratory illness having to remain indoors during playtimes
- Sports classes being cancelled or moved inside
- The acrid smell of smoke permeating through our school buildings and classrooms

We understand that there are council laws that allow households on a particular block size to burn off legally. We are also aware that there are regulations in terms of what can be burnt and that wind speed limits apply. We want to maintain a strong relationship with the residents who are near our school and understand that residents may not be aware of the impact on our students and staff. I have written a letter that we will share with neighbouring residents to raise awareness of the situation.

I hope you have a great week!

Peita Cooper - Acting Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL… Curriculum / IB PYP

A warm hello from MENPS… A community of learners!

We discuss the Approaches to Learning frequently, as part of the teaching and learning that takes place at Mount Eliza North Primary school. There are five different areas that describe the skills that we are supporting students to develop. These are **Thinking Skills**, **Communication Skills**, **Social Skills**, **Self-management Skills** and **Research Skills.** These skills are transdisciplinary and part of every day learning. They support students not only in what they learn but also how they learn. They are transferable across everyday life and support students to develop attributes to not only be great learners, but great people.

Self-management Skills are an important part of student learning. Self-management skills involve the development of Organisational Skills (managing time and tasks effectively) and students developing their States of Mind (developing mindfulness, perseverance and resilience).

TEACHERS SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF SELF-MANAGEMENT SKILLS BY…

- Supporting students with transitions using visual timetables and countdown reminders.
- Creating an atmosphere where learning is viewed as a process of gradual improvement.
- Providing opportunities for students to work in groups.
- Providing opportunities for uninterrupted play
- Supporting student agency and encouraging students to be intrinsically motivated to participate in their learning.
- Involving students in the planning, organising and cleaning up of learning spaces.
- Supporting students to self-regulate (focus, working memory, managing emotions and making choices)

STUDENTS ARE SUPPORTED TO DEVELOP SELF-MANAGEMENT SKILLS THROUGH OPPORTUNITIES TO…

- Follow the directions of others.
- Follow classroom routines.
- Share responsibility for decision making.
- Demonstrate persistence in tasks.
- Take responsibility for their own wellbeing.
- Use strategies to problem solve.
- Adjust to new situations.
- Work through setbacks.
- Manage feelings and resolve conflict.
- Learn to manage their own emotions.
- Choose and complete tasks independently.

Yours in Learning,
Caroline Chilianis
Assistant Principal

FROM THE ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (WELLBEING)

National Plant a Tree Day

Last week we were lucky to welcome Peta Murphy, Member of the Australian House of Representatives, back to school after 2 Years of lockdowns. The Federal Government donated a native tree to our school and Ms Murphy, with the assistance of Rayan (SRC Captain) and Freddy (sustainability Captain), planted the tree in our gardens near the bike shed.

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

As we move into the second half of Term 3 the content of RRRR lessons will focus on Gender and Identity. Your children may come home and discuss some of the content with you. For you to feel prepared I have supplied the evidence base written for Topic 7 below. This summarizes the importance of the learning that occurs in these sessions.

Topic 7 Evidence Base: Gender and Identity (Prep to Year 4)

Research shows that children become aware of gender norms and make efforts to fit within gendered expectations by the time they are in kindergarten. As children learn about gender, they may also begin to enact sexist values, or stereotypical beliefs and attitudes. They may, for example, insist that some games are for boys and others for girls, and actively reject peers from certain games. This means that it is important to start work on building positive gender relationships within these early years.

Topic & Evidence Base (Year 5 and 6)

Studies show that school-based violence prevention and respectful relationships initiatives can make a real difference, producing lasting change in attitudes and behaviors in students. Providing explicit classroom programs to all students is a key part of a whole school approach to preventing gender-based violence and promoting positive relationships. When teaching about gender inequality and related issues (such as gender-based violence), students need assistance to understand the difference between the inherent biological differences between males and females (e.g. termed differences between the sexes), and the learnt social and cultural differences (e.g. termed gender differences). Children benefit from learning about the ways in which gender norms are created and transmitted. They benefit from critical thinking exercises within which they detect and challenge the limiting nature of many traditional gender norms.

Bathroom concerns and trial solution.

At Mt Eliza North Primary School, we pride ourselves on having high expectations for all students. We expect students to be in class and engaged with their learning and also to learn to work consistently between breaks. We would prefer students to use the bathroom during recess and lunch but of course there are times when this is not practical and students need to leave during class time.

Unfortunately, we have been experiencing disrespectful behavior towards our school facilities, especially in the bathrooms. In order to reduce the mis-use and disregard of school property, the school has decided to introduce a new policy regarding using the bathroom during class time. Students will be able to use the bathrooms but will need to collect a bathroom pass from their teacher. I have spoken to the students during assembly on numerous occasions. We hope this new initiative will prove to be a success.

ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (WELLBEING) Continued……

Uniform

This dress code has been developed by Mount Eliza North Primary Schools School Council in consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Mount Eliza North Primary Schools commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

Of late we have seen a decline in the wearing of the correct uniform, and while we know there are times when an alternative is required, many students are regularly out of uniform. If your child needs to wear an item of non-school uniform, please send them to school with a note which they will swap for a uniform pass. The teachers and Principal team will be monitoring uniform closely for the rest of the Term.

Louise Atkinson
Acting Assistant Principal

HOOPS TIME

On Wednesday 10th of August, 16 of our students travelled to the Frankston & District Basketball Stadium to compete in the Mount Eliza District annual Hoop Time Basketball Tournament.
Coached by Jonn McCluskey the Boys Team battled hard all day and finished 3rd overall for the day. Helen Felmingham took the reins of the Girls who also put on a fantastic performance and also finished the day in 3rd position. Fantastic effort and sportsmanship displayed by both teams. Well done to all players.
Thank you again to John and Helen and the parents who came to support the players.

UNIFORM SHOP— SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

All second hand Uniforms will be on sale for the amount of $5.00 per item for the month of August.
The racks are full of pants, jackets, tops and windcheaters all in great condition so come and grab a bargain.

Uniform Shop open Mondays 8.30am to 10.am & Wednesday 3.15pm to 4.15pm

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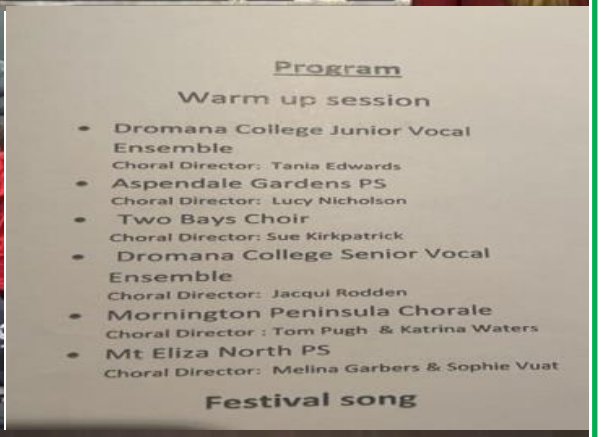
TERM 4

HARMONIES UNITE

CHORAL FESTIVAL

Our **AMAZING SUPER CHOIR** performed at the annual Harmonies Unite Choral Festival in Mornington on August 11th.
They sang 2 songs in front of a large audience and got to see many other local school & community choirs perform on the night. We're really proud of you SUPER CHOIR! Well done!



LOST PROPERTY

There is a large collection of un-named lost property in the school at present, particularly jumpers/jackets and parkas. If your child is missing anything, please check the lost property baskets, which are located in the main building past the library and down the stairs to the right.
Unclaimed un-named items may be donated to the school uniform shop.

FATHERS DAY STALL
Monday 29th August
9am to 12noon

This year's Father's Day Stall includes ethically-sourced , locally-made wooden items generously donated by Peninsula Woodturners Guild, gemstone and other items generously donated by the Frankston Lapidiary Club.
Peninsula Woodturners Guild have asked that proceeds of half of all items sold to go to support Kids with Cancer Foundation, and half to the PFA to support kids and families at our school.
Students will visit the stall with their class and have the opportunity to purchase Dad or that special person a beautifully handcrafted item. Items will be priced between $5 and $20 . 1 item per student.

Volunteer Parents are required on the day for set up, assisting students with their purchase and pack up . If you are able to assist please sign up a the link below. "*Many hands make light work*"

Father's Day Stall https://volunteersignup.org/YPCMP

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BRASS STUDENTS

Learn the TRUMPET or TROMBONE!
Call our brilliant new Brass Teacher
SAM GLOUGH to arrange lessons at MENPS!

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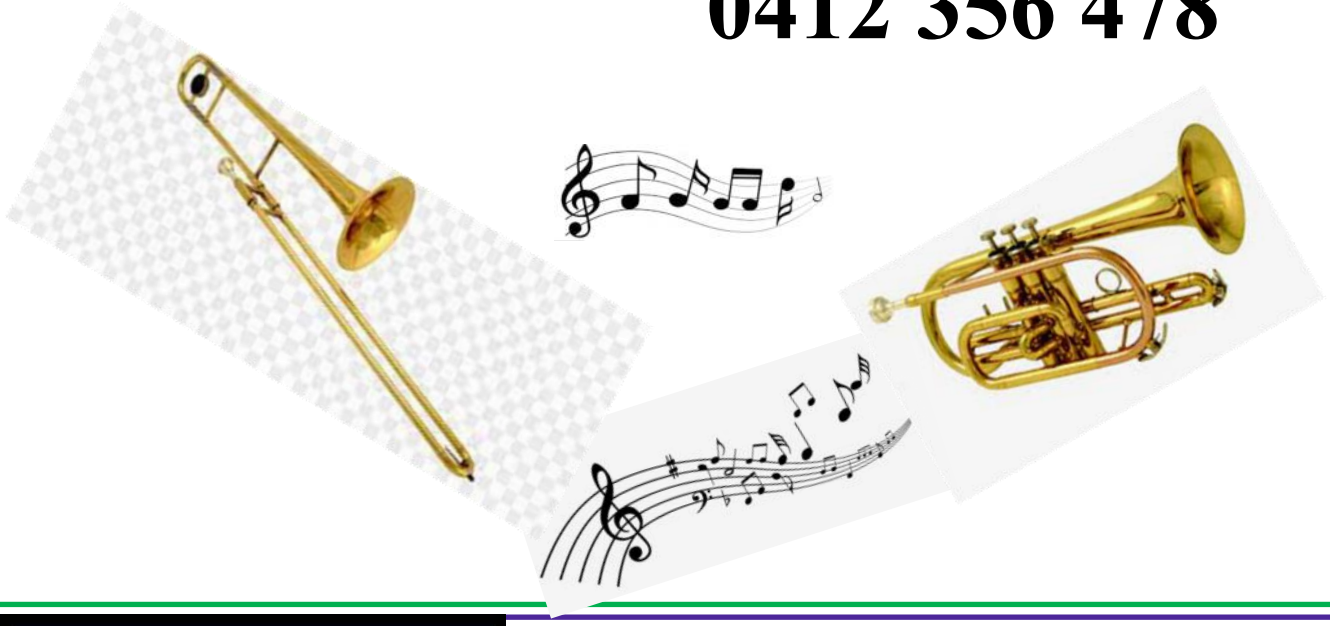

COMPASS IS COMING !!

We are very excited to announce that as of Term 4 we will be using Compass Education .
We will be completing the changeover from Sentral to Compass over the School Holidays all ready to start Term 4 with Compass.
We ask for your patience as there are likely to be teething problems but we are hoping that everyone will find Compass easy and user friendly. More details to follow once we have them.

MOUNT ELIZA ART & DESIGN SHOW
21-23 OCT 2022

Moonlit Sanctuary

the best way to see Aussie animals

KEEPER CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM

GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out Moonlit Sanctuary's Keeper Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, kids get up close to many animals including dingoes and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited so book early and make your junior keeper's day!

For ages 7-14 | Cost $99
See our website for more info.

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550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale

If you're not familiar with us, Moonlit Sanctuary is a Wildlife Conservation Park located in nearby Pearcedale. It is a place where people can experience the rare and unusual animals that call Australia home. We are committed to raising awareness and educating people about these wonderful creatures and the need for their conservation. One of the educational programs we offer is our Keeper Club School Holiday Program. This is run by our Education Officers and offers children a hands-on experience with environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. They learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment, all with a focus on fun!

We operate without government support and are entirely dependent on funds raised to support our work. The income from our holiday program, and visits to the Sanctuary in general help support our conservation, breeding and education programs. Thanking you for your help.

Spring 2022 School Holiday Program Dates:
Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th, Wednesday 21th, Thursday 22th September
Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th, Thursday 29th, Friday 30th September
Cost: $99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 children | 9:30am start - 2:30pm finish
Bookings are essential as spaces are limited to 16 per day

Open daily between 10am and 4pm

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MOUNT ELIZA NORTH TEAMKIDS

NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Pd Days are on the 25th and 26th August will be whole days at Team Kids. We will be open from 7.00 am to 6.00 pm. Please book in early!!!

Our Winter Wonderland zone is now completed. All the children took great pride in contributing their own creation and what a fantastic effort. Congratulations to all !!!!!

We are currently in the process of creating a "Chill Out " zone, a suggestion by the OHSC children. A bookcase housing books aimed at children's interest levels, bean bags and pillows are being organised, so please pop in have and have a look .

Team Kids will be at the Prep Information session on the 13th September. We are encouraging all new parents to register their children with Team Kids. It costs nothing to register and OSHC is a great option on those unpredictable days!!!!

IMPORTANT DATES

August 25th&26th Pupil Free Days

September 13 Prep information session

TEAMKIDS CLUBS

ASC WEEK: 4

MONDAY

Cooking Club

TUESDAY

Epic Games and Junior Chefs

WEDNESDAY

Lego Masters Club

THURSDAY

Supersports Club

FRIDAY

Art Attack

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PREPARATION TO TRANSITION TO COMPASS

DOWNLOAD YOUR STUDENT REPORTS FROM SENTRAL NOW

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR CHILD'S STUDENT REPORT

PLEASE ENSURE YOU COMPLETE THE DOWNLOAD VIA DESKTOP OR LAPTOP PC

1. Access your Parent Portal through via link:

   https://menps.sentral.com.au/portal2/#!/dashboard
2. Select child's name
3. Select Academic Reports
4. Click report to open
5. Download or print copy for your records

Compass

If you would like to get ready for the arrival of our new system please use the link below to access user guides.

https://www.compass.education/guide

Please stay tuned for more information about the launch date. You can download the app in preparation at any time.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our school admin team.

MOUNT ELIZA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2022

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 Band Day	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Hoop Time	11 Life Education Sessions Start	12	13
14	15	16 Yrs 3 - 6 Athletics CANCELLED BAD WEATHER	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Professional Practice Day - Pupil Free	26 Curriculum Day Pupil Free	27
28	29 PFA Fathers Day Stall	30	31			

SEPTEMBER 2022

				1 Yr 3-6 Athletics	2	3
4	5 Specialist Planning Day	6 Middle School Planning Day	7 Junior School Planning Day Yr 5 Media Premier	8 Senior School Planning Day	9	10
11	12 Citizenship Assembly District Athletics	13 Yr 6 Graduation Photo 9.00am	14 Yr 6 Exhibition	15 PFA Footy Pie Day	16 Last Day 2.30pm PFA Colour Run	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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2	3 Term 4 Commences Commence using Compass	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Yr 5 & 6 Mad About Science	14 Yr 5 & 6 Mad About Science	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 ART & DESIGN SHOW	23 ART & DESIGN SHOW
24 ART & DESIGN SHOW	25	26	27 Yr 3 Portsea Camp	28 Yr 3 Portsea Camp	29	30

DATES FOR 2022

TERM DATES

Term 3: 10 July to 16th September

Term 4: 3 October to 20 December

SPECIAL DATES/CURRICULUM DAYS

August 25th Professional Practice Day– Pupil free day
August 26th Curriculum Day—Pupil Free Day
September 1st Rescheduled Yr 3-6 Athletics
September 16th Colour Run, Last day of Term

*****See Sentral Parent Portal Calendar for further dates******