

# NEWSLETTER

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## 2021 MGPS KEY DATES- TERM 2

### 10 WEEK TERM- STARTING 19<sup>th</sup> APR – 25th JUN

19 WED	MAY	Fairy Tale Parade - Prep and Grade 1
19 WED	MAY	Grade 5 CAMP 19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>
24 MON	MAY	Education Week- School Tours <i>Please call the office to book</i>
25 TUE	MAY	Open Morning 9:30-11am
2 WED	JUN	Disco- See back page for details
4 FRI	JUN	Special Canteen Lunch
10 THU	JUN	Camp Quality Puppeteering Incursion
14 MON	JUN	Queen's Birthday Holiday
16 WED	JUN	School Reports Home
17 THU	JUN	School Athletics – Flora Hill Athletics Track
21 MON	JUN	Parent Teacher Interviews 3:45pm-7pm
22 TUE	JUN	Parent Teacher Interviews 9am-12pm Student not required on this day
25 FRI	JUN	SCHOOL FINISHES 2:30PM

## Principals' Report

Dear Families,

Another busy week at Maiden Gully Primary School. A big thank-you to all our volunteers that supported the Mother's Day Stall and helped out throughout the day and thank-you to all the families that supported the stall. There were some big smiles on faces as students were very excited to be able to purchase gifts for their mothers and special friends. A special thank-you to Sheryn Kellet for her organisation of the stall, it is very much appreciated.

It was great to wander around to classrooms on Thursday and seeing all the fun activities running for our Mother's and Special Friends Morning. It was such a fantastic turn out and very well supported in each classroom. We thank families for their time and checking in using the QR codes. There were a lot of mums and special friends being pampered with massages and being waited on! Thank-you to our Prep, One and Two Teams organising the morning. On Wednesday we sent students to our Division Cross-Country at the Bendigo Jockey Club. It was a great day with some cracking weather. Well done to all students who participated, ran hard and put in their best efforts. Thank-you to all the parents that came along for the day and to Mr O'Brien for his organisation. Well done!

## NAPLAN CONCLUDES

On Thursday the 2021 NAPLAN program will conclude for students in Years 3 and 5. As of today, our students have completed three assessments in the areas of Language Conventions, Reading and Writing. The Numeracy testing will be completed tomorrow. In my travels this week, I have observed the students working orderly and trying to put their best foot forward. I thank all students and staff for their efforts and I look forward to sharing our results later in the year. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern.

## BUILDING UPDATE

Following a meeting with the Victorian School Building Authority, architects and other key personnel this week, I am pleased to report that the Master Plan for Maiden Gully has been approved. While the building of stage one is scheduled to begin in early 2022, we know that the funds allocated to this project will only deliver about one quarter of the total plan. Stage one will deliver some new teaching and learning spaces which will result in the removal of some relocatable buildings. Also as part of this stage, the student amenities will be upgraded, the electricity supply into the school will be improved and some minor alterations to the administration area will occur.

We look forward to sharing news of further funding in the not too distant future.

*Craig and Jordan*



## Foundation Flutterings

### Fairy Tale Parade:

On Wednesday 19th May we are having our Fairy Tale Parade for all Foundation and Grade One students. This is a celebration of our Fairy Tale Units that we are working on in both the Foundation and Grade One classrooms. It will be held down in the School Gym from 10am-11am. Parents and carers are invited to come along and watch. There will be QR codes available in the Gym for Covid Safe check ins. Students are encouraged to come along dressed up as their favourite fairy tale character for the day. We can't wait to see you all for a fun filled morning of laughter and costumes!

### Reading:

It is very important to listen to your child read at least 5 days per week. Please make sure you write the date, title of the book and a short comment into their yellow diary. You only need to listen to them read for 5 minutes each day. Please remember to bring your reader bag and yellow reader diary to school every day.

## Junior Jargon

Thanks to all the mothers and other special visitors for joining us last Thursday. We all loved spending time with you and hope you had an enjoyable time doing the activities.

We are looking forward to our Fairy Tale Parade next Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Children are asked to come dressed as their favourite fairy tale character and will be parading in the gym from 10 am. We would love to see as many parents or other special visitors come along to watch the parade.

Children are encouraged to become more independent in Grade 1, therefore we like to see them bring their own bags in and hang them on their hooks, sign in with a weekly spelling word, put out CAFÉ boxes in the morning and change their readers each Monday.

Have a great week.

Grade 1 Teachers

## Senior Synopsis

**Congratulations** to all Grade 5 students for taking part in the NAPLAN assessments this week. We are very proud of the effort you have all put in, well done.

**Grade 5 Urban Camp** is next week! We will head off on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May and return Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Full camp payment is due this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May. This can be paid via the Qkr app, on in at the School Office. Camp itinerary and packing checklists have been sent home. Please contact your classroom teacher if you have any further questions or concerns. Can't wait for an action-packed city experience! 5C have **Bike Ed** this term on Fridays, please make sure students bring their bikes and helmet to school each Friday.

Just a reminder to please wear warmer clothes on cold mornings – as Mrs Coghill says 'It's not cool to be cold!'

Have an exceptional week!

Many thanks,

Senior School Teachers.

## Grade 2 Twitter

Thank you to all of the mothers and special visitors that came in for our Mother's Day morning last Thursday. We hope you enjoyed the morning and got spoilt for Mother's Day. Just a reminder that grade two homework expectations consist of 5 nights a week of home reading, that has been recorded and signed by parents in the yellow diary. Practicing spelling words in preparation for the weekly spelling test on Fridays is also expected. With Winter fast approaching, please ensure students are wearing only school uniform clothing which are clearly named. Education week is coming up in week 6, look out for details to come. Thank you,

Grade 2 Team.

## Middle Mutterings

A big thank you to families and friends who took time out of their day last Wednesday to support our Division Cross Country at the White Hills Racecourse. All participants did a fantastic job and it was wonderful to have so many students represent MGPS!

We would like to wish our Grade Three students all the best as they begin **Naplan** testing this week. This is an opportunity for students to demonstrate their skills in reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy. A lot of preparation has gone into this and students should be very proud of what they achieve. A big thank you to Grade Three teachers for ensuring students feel prepared and ready!

This Term, Grade Three and Four students will be partaking in a **Waste Education Incursion** run by the City of Greater Bendigo. Students will be learning about the impacts of waste and how they can have a positive impact on our environment. In the session students will learn:

How to sort waste properly

Tips for better recycling

Where Greater Bendigo's waste ends up

What to do to reduce waste in the home and classroom.

As we are moving into the colder months, it is important that students wear the appropriate school jumpers. Sporting jumpers are not school uniform.

Please make sure children are charging their Netbooks each night and bringing them to school each day.

If your child happens to be away during the week, please message your classroom teacher on Dojo.

Have a fantastic week!

\*\*Grade Three Four Teachers\*\*

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**Jenny's**  
Early Learning Centre 

Grade Name	Students Name	Reason for award
Prep M	Patrick A	For being successful solving unknown words using the 'Stretchy Snake' reading strategy. Well done Patrick!
Prep L	Lachlan W	For stretching out the sounds in words in his writing and being brave and having a go. You should be very proud of your efforts Lachie, keep up the great work.
Prep S	Atisha K	For doing a great job on her sight words. Well done Atisha!
Prep W	Sienna D	For always being a kind, caring and friendly class member.
Grade 1O	Oliver W	For the effort he puts into his Home Reading each and every week. Amazing effort, Oliver!
Grade 1C	Sam H	For his descriptive narrative about a zoo keeper who had to find the animals that were hiding from him. You are a young author in the making Sam!
Grade 1P	Hugh Mc	For listening to his teachers and his classmates in a respectful manner. Thank you!
Grade 1G/N	Eli D	For using the correct structure to write an interesting narrative that includes characters, setting, a problem and solution. Keep up the great work Eli!

Grade Name	Students Name	Reason for award
Grade 2L	Blair W	For consistently putting in her best effort in all areas and ensuring her work is presented neatly! Keep up the great work Blair!
Grade 2S	Isla W	For making a super effort to complete her Echidna flipbook to a good standard. Well done.
Grade 2 F/K	Lewis Mc	For consistently working hard and always putting in a great effort to learn his spelling words each week. Well done!
Grade 2 T	Izzy E	For working really hard and persisting with her information report. Well done!
Grade 3V	Payton H	For writing some wonderful Narratives and using some great descriptive words. Well done Payton, keep it up!
Grade 3 T	Sebastian H	For working really hard to show massive improvement in his reading and writing and being a kind and helpful member of 3T. Well done Seb, keep up the great work.
Grade 3G	Jayda V	for always putting in her best effort with her learning and modelling excellent classroom behaviours.
Grade 3H	Thomas C	For showing great resilience in his learning. Keep up the great work Thomas!
Grade 4L	Jack M	For being a valued new member of our class and showing us what an amazing friend he can be.
Grade 4B	Jaylee L	For demonstrating our school values of Responsibility and Community. Jaylee has been spending her mornings before school helping a Prep student transition into the classroom. You are a fantastic Role Model to others Jaylee!
Grade 4D/D	Bridgette W	For always trying her hardest at all tasks and completing extra practice at home. Keep up the great work Bridgette!

Grade Name	Students Name	Reason for award
Grade 5S	Zaiden H	For working really hard on his narrative this week. Your best work so far this year Zaiden!
Grade 5C	Heino M	When faced with a challenging situation, Heino doesn't back down! Congratulations Heino on your persistence and resilience during Bike Ed!
Grade 5F	Abbie Mc	For turning up to school everyday always ready to do her personal best. Your hard work is really paying off!
Grade 5LC	Jack J	For beginning to look at the positives in his work and believe in his own ability. Back yourself Jack and you will achieve great things!
Grade 6F	Mia C	For the resilience and persistence you showed to succeed with division with fraction remainders. You should be very proud of your effort and determination, Mia.
Grade 6C	Tyson L	For showing confidence and enthusiasm when speaking in front of a large audience. Great work Tyson!
Grade 6A/P	Phoebe E	For her confidence when contributing to classroom discussions, and always giving 100% effort in all areas of her learning. Well done Phoebe!
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## Canteen News

### UPCOMING EVENT

Winter Warming Lunch – Special menu out next week

### Canteen Highlights

**Fried Rice \$4.00**

Our own special fried rice containing rice, bacon, corn, peas, carrot, onion and 5 spice powder

**Soy sauce 30c extra**

**Gluten, Egg & Dairy Free Banana Bread - \$2.00 a slice**

### MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAYS

**Cheesy Meatball Sub \$4.00**

Mini meatballs served warm in a white long roll with cheese and Italian style tomato sauce

**Hash Browns \$1.00 each**

**Dim Sims \$1.00 each or 3 @ \$2.80**

Teresa McNamara

*Canteen Manager*

## OSHCARE News

Just a reminder to parents that OSHCare statements have been sent out this week. It is important that they be paid on time.

Please check that you are receiving your statement and advise me if you haven't got it. They have been going to spam/junk emails.

Helen McCoomb – OSHCare Supervisor

Ph: 5449 6429 Mob: Rebecca/Elise 0401 882 250

## Term 2 Canteen roster 8.55am-12 noon

<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Alex Dixon
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Robyn Thornbury & Alex Dixon
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Sharni Derrick
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Glenys French
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	Helen McLeman
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Aaron Wallace
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Michelle Leigh & Alex Dixon

## UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The Uniform Shop will be open on **Monday 7 June, from 3.15 until 3.45pm**. If this time is not convenient, office orders are still available.

Orders with payment may be placed at the office at any time prior to 9.05am on Fridays. The order will then be filled and delivered to your child's classroom.

Payments of cash, cheque, EFTPOS and credit card are accepted. Orders and payment are also available on the QkR app. Any queries may be made at the General office or call Annette on 0402 629377 or 54472100

# School Disco 2021

*When: Wednesday, June 2nd*

*Where: School Gym*

*Theme: Pyjama Party*

*Cost: \$5 (Includes a drink, fruit and glowstick)*

*Wednesday will be an out of uniform day. All Juniors can wear their disco pyjamas to school—Middle and Senior students have this option if they wish!*

*Junior Disco @ 3.45pm*

*Middle Disco @ 5pm*

*Senior Disco @ 6.15pm*