

NEWSLETTER

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KEY DATES- TERM 3

10 WEEK TERM- STARTING 13th July – 18th Sept

21 WED	JUL	DIVISION NETBALL
22 THU	JUL	MUSIC IS FUN- INCURSION
27 TUE	JUL	GIRLS DIVISION FOOTBALL
28 WED	JUL	BOYS DIVISION FOOTBALL
29 THU	JUL	CAMP QUALITY PUPPETS INCURSION
3 TUE	AUG	Grade 2 Excursion- Kyabram Fauna Park
6 FRI	AUG	VARIETY CHARITY FUNDRAISER Out of Uniform Day
11 WED	AUG	CLUSTER ATHLETIC SPORTS
20 FRI	AUG	DIVISION BASKETBALL
1 WED	SEP	ULUMBARRA- YR.2&3 CONCERT
8 WED	SEP	ULUMBARRA- YR. Prep&1 CONCERT
8 WED	SEP T	Grade 3 Camp 8 th -10 th <i>Swan Hill</i>
15 WED	SEP T	ULUMBARRA- YR. 4-6 CONCERT

Principals' Report

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of a new term. I trust that our students and teachers have arrived back to school well rested and keen to achieve greatness. I look forward to a productive term filled with opportunities for learning and growth.

Staff Growth

This week staff have had the pleasure of working with and alongside Lyn Watts. Lyn has been an Educator for over 40 years and is an expert in teaching Literacy. She has been a Principal, a School Reviewer, and an Education Consultant and has worked in Finland in their Education System. Lyn has been working with our school for a number of years and has helped implement our Café' Reading Program and developed staff skills in Teaching, Speaking and Listening. This week, Lyn has presented workshops on the 6 Plus 1 Traits of Writing and has upskilled staff in their understanding of the Writing Curriculum, Planning and Assessment.

Lyn is continuing this week to work with each year level and model writing sessions with classes and so far it has been well received by teachers and invaluable to see her in action.

Parent Information Session

A big thank-you to parents that attended the Information Session last night or were able to connect via Zoom. We did have a good turnout which was pleasing, as Lyn spoke about the importance of preparing your child for success. We hope to get the key points uploaded to the website by next week.

Thank-you.

COVID-19 Update

The Victorian Government has announced new arrangements for schools in Victoria from and including Friday 9 July.

What does this mean for Maiden Gully Primary School?

Wearing of face masks

- School staff are not required to wear a face mask while at school (or when attending an Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) program), when interacting exclusively with staff and students from their school. However, staff must carry a face mask at all times and should wear a face mask indoors at school when interacting with external visitors, including parents/carers and staff/students from other schools.
- School staff and students must also abide by face mask requirements when attending public venues.

A reminder that parents, carers, and visitors must continue to adhere to density limits, follow face mask advice and check in using the QR codes when entering school grounds and or classrooms.

2022 ENROLMENTS

Term 3 is an important time of the year for the commencement of planning grade structures for next year. This task is made a little easier when you are able to begin this process with accurate projections.

I would encourage families who know that their children will not be attending Maiden Gully Primary School in 2022 are asked to make contact with our office at your earliest convenience.

The number of enquiries received for students wanting to enrol in Prep for 2022 has been pleasing.

If you have a child or you know of someone who plans to enrol their child at Maiden Gully Primary School in 2022, please ask them to contact the school so we can start the process of enrolment.

Warm regards,

Craig and Jordan

Foundation Flutterings

Welcome back to Term 3, we hope everyone enjoyed their break over the holidays.

- Just a couple of friendly reminders: please bring back any pencil cases and reader bags if they are still at home.
- We have our school concert coming up at the end of this term, Foundation classroom teachers will be in touch soon via Dojo with information about themes and costumes. The concert will be held at Ulumbarra Theatre and Foundation students will start practising their dances and routines this term.
- Reading helpers are able to come and help out in the mornings again, please be sure to scan in with the QR codes that can be found inside the classrooms.

We are looking forward to another very busy term with lots of fun activities!

Junior Jargon

We were excited to see children returning to school with big smiles on their faces and hope you all had a lovely time over the holidays.

It was great to see the number of students that spent a lot of time reading over the holidays.

We had a busy day working with Writing expert, Lyn Watts, to learn new ways of helping our children with their writing. She will continue to work with us during the rest of the week to share her knowledge and model a lesson for us on Thursday.

As the Olympic Games are beginning in the next two weeks, we will focus on this topic at the beginning of the term.

Grade 1 Teachers

Grade 2 Twitter

Welcome back to all of the Grade Two families, we hope you all had a wonderful holiday. We have an exciting term ahead with an excursion to Kyabram Fauna Park and the school concert scheduled. New Term 3 spelling words have been sent home, this will run the same as the first two terms. Just a reminder that students are expected to be completing 5 nights of home reading each week and enter this in their yellow diary. Please ensure your child has all supplies for the second half of the year e.g. scissors, pencils etc. Thank you for your support.

Middle Mutterings

Welcome back families! We hope you managed to have a nice break and enjoyed some quality family time over the school holidays. We have a lot happening this Term and are feeling excited and ready to hit the ground running!

If you haven't already, please check with your child/children what classroom supplies they are running low on and please stock up on these. This will ensure students have enough grey leds, pens, books etc. to get through to the end of Term.

Grade Three and Four teachers would like their students to please bring in **four** different coloured highlighters as part of our writing and editing process (yellow, pink, green and blue). Please send your child's classroom teacher a Dojo message if you have any questions regarding this.

We use our Netbooks for a variety of reasons in the classroom e.g. to research, read, complete projects/assessments or for publishing our writing. Please make sure Netbooks are charged and are at school every day. It is also important that school diaries are at school each day. This gives teachers the opportunity to check nights of home reading and provide and update students with their reading goals.

We hope you have a fantastic week!

Grade Three and Four teachers.

Senior Synopsis

Welcome back to all students and families, for what promises to be an action packed and exciting Term 3! Hoping everyone has had a relaxing and restful break.

MGPS representative **Netball** team notes went home Tuesday and need to be returned with payment to the office by this Friday please. Our netballers will take the court next Wednesday 21st July at Golden City Netball Courts.

Football team tryouts will be held later this week. Thank you to all teachers involved in this process – it's been great to see so much enthusiasm and interest from our senior students.

Thank you to Mrs Coghill and Mr Turnbull (and the fire brigade??) for running our **HPV 2021** tryouts last weekend. Tryouts will run again this Sunday.

All senior teachers have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to work with learning specialist and writing guru **Lyn Watts** this week. We look forward to implementing many of her great ideas around writing into our classrooms over the coming weeks.

Have a marvellous week!

Many thanks,
Senior School Teachers.

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Grade Name	Students Name	Reason for award
Prep M	Mason C	For becoming a more confident and independent learner. Keep persisting Mason!
Prep L	Harry S	For sounding out all new words and reading with fluency. You should be very proud of your efforts Harry, keep up the great work!
Prep S	Wyatt H	For being a polite and respectful member of the class.
Prep W	Elly T	For being brave and having a go at writing the sounds that you can hear in words, amazing effort!
Grade 10	Sophia M	For her fantastic reading effort over the holidays. Well done Sophia!
Grade 1C	Hayley S	For the wonderful job you did when reading in front of the class! We all loved the expressions that you used!
Grade 1P	Riley C	For trying hard and making an effort to complete his work to a high personal standard. Well done!
Grade 1G/N	Jewel L	For working hard with her reading strategies to make great progress. Keep up the fabulous work Jewel!

Grade Name	Students Name	Reason for award
Grade 2L	Mary-Jane L	For beginning Term 3 with excellent enthusiasm and making a great start with her persuasive writing! Keep it up MJ!
Grade 2S	Kaitlin B	For reading consistently over the holidays. Great effort. You are improving all the time. Keep it up!
Grade 2 F/K	Georgia E	For taking responsibility for her learning by being organised and making sure she is ready to learn. Keep it up Georgia!
Grade 2 T	Katie L	For being responsible and starting the term fantastically. Well done!
Grade 3V	Sam S	For listening respectfully and engaging in our learning by asking and answering questions during group time.
Grade 3 T	Josh HP	For working really hard to improve his writing and being a kind and considerate class member. Well done Josh, keep up the great work.
Grade 3G	Harper C	For completing excellent home reading. It is so great to see your dedication to learning is continuing to grow. Keep it up!
Grade 3H	Noah L	For demonstrating teamwork and kindness. Noah always ensures that everyone is included and is the first to offer support when needed. You've made a great start at MGPS Noah, keep it up!
Grade 4L	Imogen M	For going the extra mile with your numeracy and being prepared to work hard for your own learning.
Grade 4B	Nate R	For writing a great sizzling start for his holiday writing. You certainly had an eventful break Nate. Keep up the wonderful writing!
Grade 4D/D	Harry D	For being an enthusiastic member of our class who never fails to make his teachers and peers smile. We love having you in our class Harry!

Grade Name	Students Name	Reason for award
Grade 5S	Mia B	For being a kind and respectful student who always does her very best each and every day!
Grade 5C	Bryce H	Over the last Term, Bryce has really demonstrated his ability to bounce back from challenging situations in a positive way. This shows great personal strength, keep it up!
Grade 5F	Mayu M	For constantly trying to improve and better herself in everything she does, every single day.
Grade 5LC	Miller L	For always trying her best in all that she does and always offering to help others in the classroom.
Grade 6F	Jemma T	For displaying all our school values in her approach to her work, friendships and student leadership each and every day.
Grade 6C	Mason H	For showing confidence when sharing his ideas with the class. Keep up the great work Mason!
Grade 6A/P	Mason W	For consistently bringing a positive and determined attitude to the classroom, and showing confidence when sharing his ideas. Well done Mason.
Art		

Canteen News

Term 3 canteen roster 8.55am-12 noon

Thursday 15th, July	Aaron Wallace, Ann-Maree Waterhouse
Friday, 16th July	Alex Dixon, Penny T/L
Monday, 19th July	
Tuesday 20th	Glenyce French
Wednesday 21st	Sharnie Derrick

Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge will finish at the end of term 3. That leaves 66 days to complete the challenge! It was wonderful to see so many books being read over the holidays and added to the challenge. Keep it up MGPS!

Find information for school students and parents on how to take part in the Premiers' Reading Challenge, using the Challenge application.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/school-students-parents.aspx>

If you have any question please contact our Premiers' Reading Challenge coordinator Zoë Needham.
Zoe.needham@education.vic.gov.au

Congratulations to the following students for finishing this year's challenge.

Archer H	Prep
Isla W	Gr 2
Claire F	Gr 5

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

FULL ZIP POLAR FLEECE & MICROFIBRE JACKETS

Great news! The jackets have arrived, so the shelves are stocked and ready for your orders again.

The Uniform Shop will be open on **Monday 2 August, from 3.15 until 3.45pm**. If this time is not convenient, office orders are still available. **As next week is the last week of term, any orders will be filled on Thursday 24 June.**

Office Orders with payment may be placed at the office at any time prior to 9.05am on Thursday, 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 0402629377 or 54472100.

Art Show - Save the date.

Date: 28/10/21

Time: 4:30pm-6:30pm

Cost: Gold coin donation

This year's Maiden Gully Primary Art Show will be held on Thursday the 28th of October, between 4:30pm and 6:30pm. We are currently looking for temporary fencing to use at the show. If any families are able to help in anyway please contact the Art room. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Each student will have at least one masterpiece on display, as well as their contribution to their year level's collaborative piece. Each piece will have the opportunity to win first prize, which will be awarded by our guest artist judge.

OSHCARE News

Welcome back to OSHCare for Term 3.

Parents are asked to advise staff of any changes to OSHCare requirements over the holidays.

The statements will sent out next week and it is important that parents check their emails or spam/junk mail as this is where some statements have ended up.

We will be continuing with the winter menu, as the children really enjoy the hot food.

Helen McCoomb – OSHCare Supervisor

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