



Melrose Primary School

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Week 2 Term 2 2018

DATES FOR YOUR

DIARY

NAPLAN

15th, 16th & 17th May

ROBOTIC WORKSHOP

Monday 21st May

EARLY CLOSURE

2.15pm

Tuesday 22nd May

SIMILTANEOUS

STORY TIME

Wednesday 23rd May

FAT TYRE FESTIVAL

FUNDRAISER

White Elephant Stall

Sunday 10th June

BANKING DETAILS

For all school invoices:

BSB: 065-509

ACC: 10039517

Dear Parents and Friends of Melrose Primary,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a relaxing and productive holiday and are looking forward to the challenges of another school term. The calendar is filling quickly, with a number of activities across a range of areas being planned.

Welcome back to Ms Sue Eatts

We welcome to our school Ms Sue Eatts who is taking the Upper Primary class while Julianne is on Long Service Leave. I'm sure Sue is known to you all. Sue taught at Melrose a number of years ago so hopefully it is welcome back home. We are very fortunate to have Sue with us.

Play Centre Leader

It is with sadness that we farewell Kris as Play Centre Leader. Kris has been a fierce advocate for Early Years Education and she will be missed. We plan to thank Kris formally for her contributions to the play centre in the near future. The position of Playcentre Leader is in process with Dept of Education Human Resources.

SAPSASA Cross-Country Competitors

Last Wednesday Bryce, Riley, Luca, Nadia and Kiera participated in the SAPSASA Cross-Country event at the Wilmington Golf Course. Our students acquitted themselves well and completed the course.

A special congratulation to the five students who participated.

Public Education Awards

Last week the 2018 Public Education Awards opened for nominations. Please consider to nominate and recognise one of our school's outstanding educators in the 2018 Public Education Awards. Get involved and say thank you to one of our staff members for making a significant difference to the lives of their students and our community.

The Public Education Awards recognise excellence in South Australian public education, and nominations are open from the 1st to 31st May.

Visit www.education.sa.gov.au/awards to nominate and find more about the awards.



NAPLAN

Next week our Years 3 and 5 students will sit the annual NAPLAN Test. For our students the tests are about giving it a go and putting in the best effort you can. We hope students see it this way and not put pressure on themselves. As a school the tests provides us with information on skills and concepts we need to teach more explicitly to support our students. So, all we ask is that students aim to give it their best.

	Tuesday 15 May 2018	Wednesday 16 May 2018	Thursday 17 May 2018
Year 3	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>45 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>45 minutes</i>
Year 5	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>50 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>50 minutes</i>

NAPLAN is moving online in a number of schools from this year. Our school will sit paper and pencil NAPLAN tests this year and will transition to online tests in 2019.

We will be participating in readiness activities later this year to confirm if we are prepared to move to online in 2019. Please be aware that individual student performance in the readiness activities is not assessed. The readiness activities are an opportunity for students and staff to become familiar with the format of online testing and how online testing is run.

You can use the public demonstration site available on the National Assessment Platform website (www.nap.edu.au) to become familiar with the online test format.

Front Garden

Our front garden area is continuing to be developed. Dad's – Joe and Hugh – did a great job putting in the garden borders. Another hard job was done by John (and Chris) in spreading the new soil. With a bit more site work to be completed we will be ready to install the irrigation system and then it will be planting in the very near future.

Aussie of the Month

Aussie of the Month for April was Lacey. Lacey won the award for her initiative in organising lunch time activities once a week. Lacey is acknowledged for her contributions in making Melrose a better school to be.

I look forward to a busy yet rewarding term.

Regards,

Murray Koster
PRINCIPAL



Workshop

On Monday the 21st of May the school is funding all students to take part in Robot Revolution. This is a technology workshop presented by Ben and Bree from Tech Education. It aims to inspire students to design their own robots that have purposeful functionality. It also allows students to integrate technology into other curriculum areas and progress their coding skills. Students will also have access to the Games and Gadget van to explore and challenge their thinking. The program will run for the entire school day and will take place at school. If you would like more information check out their website www.ggvn.com.au

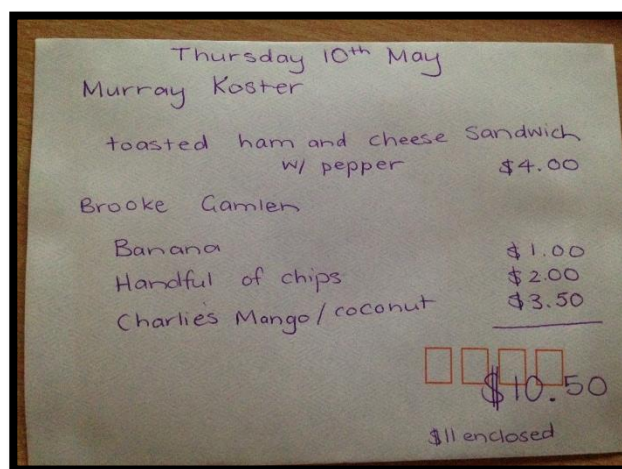
Lunch Orders

Store 54 have updated the Melrose Primary School lunch order menu to include a range of snacks and a new healthy drink option. The menu provides the available items and prices.

To maintain this canteen service staff from both sites must work together to limit any inconveniences. Recent discussions have led us to develop changes to the ordering process. Please become familiar with the new process and report any queries or concerns to Brooke or Deb at Store 54.

To order lunches:

1. On an envelope, paper bag or the like, write the date.
2. Add your child/ren's name/s with their individual order.
3. Calculate the amount owed.
4. Enclose the money, **Store 54 expects payment with orders**, change will be given where required.
5. Hand to a class teacher.



Children's orders can be written together, see example.

Below is an extract from the guide relating to foods in the red zone/foods not recommended by the Dietary Guidelines for Children and Adolescents in Australia.

The following foods may be provided on a maximum of two occasions a term in certain situations such as the celebration or fetes in which the whole school community is involved.

Deep fried foods	All types.
Snack foods	Savoury snack foods – crisps, chips, biscuits and other similar products.
Ice-creams	All types.
Cakes and slices	Cakes, muffins, sweet pastries and slices-croissants, doughnuts, cream-filled buns/cakes, sweet pastries, slices and bars. Medium to large serves of many cakes and muffins.
Savoury pastries	Pies, pasties, sausage rolls. Select reduced fat and salt varieties.
Other savoury hot and cold foods	Pasta meals, pizzas, baked potato products, dim sims, fried rice and noodles, crumbed and coated foods, frankfurts and sausages. Select reduced fat and salt varieties.

As Store 54 are an external 'canteen' they do not need to comply with the Department for Education Right Bite guide but as a school, staff are committed to endorse healthy eating.

Repairs and Maintenance

During the holidays the student and staff toilet block had asbestos removed, external walls repaired and painted internally and externally. It is a large improvement on how the building previously looked. During the next couple of months, we are looking closely at all our buildings and prioritising the maintenance that needs to be done on them **“The condition of student learning spaces initiates growth”**.

(SASSAOA 4th May 2018.)

Governing Council

We are looking for volunteers to form a sub-committee for a year 6/7 transition program. Let's help our children and give them the best opportunity we can to succeed.

Governing Council are also looking for volunteers to join our end of year concert committee. We want **you** to help us make it better.

A Kytons Bakery fundraiser is approaching. Keep watch for your order forms coming soon.

A working bee is planned for Sunday 29th July. Be proud of our school and help make it beautiful. Many hands make light work.

Governing Council are looking for donations of unwanted goods in good condition for a white elephant stall to be held on Sunday 10th June at the Fat Tyre Festival. Plants, clothing, household items etc. Please bring you items to the stall on the day, or alternatively if you are not able to make it on the day, you can drop your items to the front office on the Friday 8th June. In the past this has proved to be a great fundraiser for the school.

