



# Melrose Primary School

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## Week 7 Term 2

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup>**  
SRC Movie Day

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June**  
Tag Rugby at Melrose PS

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June**  
School Photo catch up day

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July**  
Reports posted home

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**  
Tag Rugby at Jamestown  
Community School

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July**  
Tuck Day – Soup Day

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**  
School assembly 2pm

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**  
Early dismissal

**End of Term 2**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July**  
School resumes  
Term 3

**FOR ALL SCHOOL  
INVOICES**  
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### Dear Families and Friends of Melrose Primary

Throughout this year we have broadened the opportunities for students through several initiatives. Each of the opportunities provides our students a chance to connect with their peers, extend their areas of interest or try something new.

#### Playcentre

The youngest members of our school community visit each Wednesday morning. Elin is the co-ordinator of the program, and each week organises play-based activities. This includes singing songs, reading books, and sharing in art activities.

#### Year 6 Student Leadership Program

The eldest students in our school take on many different leadership roles. Our student leaders create new initiatives, support other students, share information and create a warm and welcoming school environment. The Year 6 leaders are involved in the following:

- Leading a supportive and safe school environment
- Buddy Group Leaders
- Junior Primary Support Leaders
- Sports Leaders
- Welcoming and News Leaders

#### Sustainable Garden

All students are involved in re-establishing a sustainable vegetable garden and learning what plants to grow through the seasons and learning how to maintain and build soil health.

#### Recycling

Both classes are involved in reducing waste in the school, learning what can be recycled with the goal to reach an almost zero waste culture.

#### Sporting Schools

Each term the school is fortunate to be granted funds towards being involved in a different sport. Funds are used to employ coaches and purchase much needed sporting equipment. This year we have been involved in tennis and frisbee programs.

#### Reconciliation Week Activities

The school recently was involved in a day of cultural activities with Auntie Denise Wilton. We will include a special feature of this day in our final newsletter for the term.

#### School Camps

On even years we hold a whole school camp. Separate class excursions and camps are held during odd years.



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There are many other activities held during the year which we believe create a well-rounded and rich learning program for all our students.



### **Volunteering at Melrose Primary**

Melrose Primary School provides a safe environment for all while valuing the partnership between school and home.

As a small community-based school, we welcome and value volunteers. To be able to volunteer, and/or attend at other times throughout the school year, we ask that you hold a current Working with Children Check (that is needed by parents/caregivers when attending excursions, reading in class, and helping in class.

A Working with Children Check for volunteers is free for our current parents and caregivers. Please see Jodie for further details. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at school. This process ensures we maintain a child safe environment.

### **Aussie of the Month**

Congratulations to Olivia for being our month of May, Aussie of the Month. Her citation reads

*Olivia is a remarkable student who demonstrates thoughtfulness towards others who is willing to assist both staff and students without being asked. She is commended on her resilience to complete work and defines the true spirit of what it means to be 'Aussie of the Month'.*

### **Grants**

Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant – I acknowledge Wanda for her success in being awarded this Land Care Grant worth \$1000 to the school. The grant will go towards re-establishing the raised garden beds vegetable garden.

**Congratulations Wanda.**

**BULLYING ISN'T ON AT MELROSE PRIMARY**– Congratulations Emily for success in leading this grant application with the Year 6 student leaders. Total grant funds received is \$4200. Funds will go towards establishing a quiet nook or retreat space where students can 'hang out' to read, play board games or just take time out during break times. Funds will also go towards making visible our school values through new signage.

The aim of this major project is to promote Melrose Primary School as an inclusive and socially connected community.

We want all members of our school community to be active participants in building a welcoming culture that values diversity and actively supports inclusion for all students.

We aim to focus on developing a positive culture within the school by;

- focussing on the school's four core values of respect, honesty, responsibility, and excellence.
- aligning these core values to positive play and positive peer to peer interactions



- students making choices to stand up to bullying behaviours in a safe, constructive and firm manner
- students leading, when appropriate, to support students at risk in positive school engagement, and in the mediation process.

**Congratulations Emily**

Regards  
Murray

## **MID YEAR STUDENT INTAKE**

### **Mid-year intake from 2024**

From 2024, the Department for Education is introducing a mid-year intake into school.

If your child turns 5 years from the 1 May and 31 October 2024, they can commence school at the start of term 3 of that year.

Students enrolled through a mid-year intake will complete 6 terms of reception.

Further information in relation to the mid-year intake to schools will be released by the department during 2023.

If your child is eligible for the mid-year intake in 2024, you may be interested in enrolling in the preschool mid-year intake which is commencing in 2023. See [starting preschool](#).

## **BOOK DONATION**

A very big thank you to Annie and Booleroo Centre District School library for the donation of books to our Accelerated Reader (AR) program. These books will increase the selection of AR readers made available to our students. Mrs Piggott is busily cataloguing them so they are ready for borrowing.

## **FAT TYRE FESTIVAL**

A BIG THANK YOU to Elin our Playcentre Leader who did a fantastic job. The tyre displays are brilliant and a joint effort between Melrose PS Junior Primary students, Melrose Playcentre students and Melrose Rural Care children. There were many positive comments made to local people over the weekend how great it was to see the fence decorated. We hope you like the night time picture, it gives it a different perspective.



## SAPSASA

A big congratulations to Maisie, Maisie represented Melrose PS and North Eastern in the girls side for SAPSASA football.



## Governing Council

Tuck Day Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July Soup day, we will need some volunteers to help on the day are you able to? Let us know by contacting the school.

We are also organizing a working bee at the school. These working bees are vital to ensure our school grounds are beautifully maintained. Our grounds person does a great job but there are so many more jobs to do. Many hands make light work and we would love to see you all there. Once we know what works for you we can set a date. Watch this space

Can you let Murray or Jodie know your preference, would you prefer a Sunday Morning, or an afternoon after school?

□ **MOVIE DAY** □  
**FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE  
2022!**

**\$3 FOR A  
PACKET OF  
POPCORN,  
JUICE AND  
CHOCOLATE.**



**YOU MAY  
BRING EXTRA  
FOOD OR  
DRINK,  
PILLOWS,  
OODIES AND  
BLANKETS!**

**THE MOVIE WE  
ARE WATCHING  
IS LUKA AND IT  
IS RATED G**

**MADE BY MAISIE,  
LILY O & EVA!**