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# MPS NEWSLETTER

21st July 2023

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Monday 24th July School Council Meeting
- **Monday 31st July** Curriculum day (students not required at school)
- Thursday 3rd August -Eastern District Athletics -Howitt Park
- Tuesday 15th August Year 6 LLP Day- Snowy Campus

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Greetings Everyone,

Hope you all had a super holiday -if possible- from a parent's perspective. The students have kicked started the term with plenty of positivity.

#### **School Council Members**

- Conni Greenwood (President)
- Brad Young
- Kiely Lobley
- Grant Tucker
- Elizabeth Barnes
- Andrew Bennet
- Nicole Pollard

**Staffing.** Ange has returned from her travels around Australia. Plenty of ripper stories shared. Ange and Miss Breezy will share the roles with the P/1/2 class. Lauren Treacy will share the grade 3/4/5/6 teaching with me and providing a different teaching perspective will benefit the class. Karen Woodward is hanging in there and we're grateful she continues to provide outstanding sessions for Science and Spanish. Our support staff team consisting of Jayde, Moira, Jess & Darcey will continue to give great assistance to the students and staff. Andy Bennet will provide much needed knowledgeable administration advice. Coral continues to support individuals and organise the spelling lists for the grade 3456 students on a voluntary basis. This is an awesome team.

**NAPLAN** results for students will be released from Monday 17th July 2023. The Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) will be introducing changes to NAPLAN which will include 4 proficiency levels; exceeding, strong, developing and needs additional support. NAPLAN will continue to measure student achievement in numeracy, writing, spelling, and grammar and punctuation; however, the information parents and carers receive will be clearer. Students' NAPLAN reports will continue to show how they are tracking against their peers and provide an indication of their skill levels against national averages. Whilst each set of NAPLAN results is an important milestone, it is a snapshot and a moment in time, and it does not define your child. These results are about making sure that every student gets the support and/or extension they need so they can continue to get the very best from their learning. When you receive your child's results, you will also receive information about what the new proficiency levels mean.

**Swimming** will continue at Lakes Aqua Dome. The dates are.

- $\cdot$ Tuesday, July the 18th with the grade 3456.
- ·August the 1st & August the 4th with the grade 3456 kids.
- ·August the 8th & August the 11th With the P12 kids.
- ·August the 18th with the Grade P12 kids.

For each visit, the students will take part in double sessions with a 15-minute break in between. This is all possible due to Federal Government funding.

**Curriculum Day.** Monday the 31st of July. Student Free day. Staff will be planning events for the remainder of the term, as well as professional development on literacy and numeracy organised & conducted internally.

OSC are conducting an Information evening for grade 6 parents. Further information will be sent out.

Have a great week. Arthur Pashos, Acting Principal





## **Spanish**

In Spanish students have been working on learning to pronounce the colours. They have made tie dye t-shirts to practice saying the colours. In the next newsletter we will have photos of the finished product!



Keep your eyes peeled in the next few weeks for our senior students Book Talks! These will be published on our school Facebook page. We hope our recommendations help you discover some fantastic books!



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#### ADVANCED NOTICE

ORBOST PRIMARY SCHOOL
AFTER SCHOOL CARE/VACATION CARE WILL BE CLOSING
ON THE WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2023.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Wednesday 20th December will be the last day for Childcare at Orbost Primary School. Due the closure of the school and to lack of staff, and we are unable to offer this service after this date.

Our childcare service is licenced under Orbost Primary School and won't automatically transfer to the new college in 2024.

Please be aware that is also applies to Vacation Care over the summer holidays. This early notice is to give you as much time as possible to make alternative childcare arrangements for the summer holidays.

We would appreciate if all accounts are kept up to date for the remainder of the year and all outstanding accounts be paid ASAP.

Yours sincerely

Trish Lynn
Principal
Orbost Primary School.

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#### **IMPORTANT:**

Please ensure your child is bringing home their own jumper. It has come to our attention that many students are misplacing their jumpers at school. Please check the names on your child's uniforms as it is important for all students to be warm at school and in the correct uniform.