SCHOOL CALENDAR

February
Thu 27  Divisional Swimming Competition

March
Mon 3  School Photos
Mon 3  Parents Club Twilight Night Planning
Mon 3  Parent Helpers Training, 3.40pm
Tue 4  Pupil Free Day
Thu 6  School Fun Run
Mon 10  PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 14  Twilight Fair
Fri 14  Gr 6 Round Robin Sports Day
Fri 21  Gr 3-6 House Cross Country

April
Fri 4  Last day of Term 1, 2.30pm finish
Tue 22  First day of Term 2
Fri 25  ANZAC Day

May
Wed 21  School House Athletics
Fri 30  District Cross Country

Other
Recess: 11.00am to 11.30am
Lunch hour: 1.30pm to 2.30pm

Uniform Shop: Wednesdays, 2.45pm to 3.30pm

Canteen Lunch orders to be in by 9am Wednesday and Friday

2014 Term Dates
Term 1 - 30 January to 4 April
Term 2 - 22 April to 27 June
Term 3 - 14 July to 19 September
Term 4 - 6 October to 19 December

REMINDER: All newsletter items must be in by Friday night in order to ensure they are included in the following week’s newsletter.

Message from the Principal
Hi Everybody,

Information Evenings
Many thanks to the parents who attended the THRASS information evening last night. Hopefully the information provided will assist your conversations with your children during reading and spelling discussions. A large attendance makes the time invested by the staff attending most worthwhile.

We look forward to seeing you at some stage on Wednesday for the Getting to Know you discussions.

School Council Elections
A flier will be coming home this week detailing the formation of the 2014 school council. Councils are organised so that participating members join for a two year stint. Membership is organised on a two year rotation, where half the members retire each year. Retiring members may renominate for a further two year stint. This way there is continuity built in to the membership so that the knowledge and understandings are not lost as each new council forms. There are 6 parent positions to be filled each year.

The flier will include nomination forms and the timeline. If you have any queries about what the role entails please give me a call or follow the links by Googling ‘DEECD’.

Nominations close Wednesday 5 March at 4.30pm.

Fun Run
Next Thursday week on 6 March our school FUN RUN will take place. The children will run a circuit around the school in 3 x 20 minute bursts. There will be a substantial gap between the three running sessions. Children are asked to gain sponsorship for the number of laps run, or for an amount for the total event. We also count the number of laps to see which school house runs the most. There are terrific and fun incentives to gain a lot of sponsors. The children will receive a raffle ticket for each $5 of sponsorship they return. A draw will be held at assembly. The main prizes will be an iPad mini, and a GoPro action camera. There will be lots of fun prizes as well... so come on and do your bit to support our new play initiatives.

Neil Pollard
Thank you Phillippa Commins, Julie-Anne Carlson and Fran Speight for your help in the canteen on Friday and Darleen Larcombe for helping on Wednesday. This week’s helpers are Caroline Peat for Wednesday 26 February and Deeanne Antrobus, Cathy Qin and Natalie Closter for Friday 28 February.

Thank you so much to everyone who has volunteered their time to help in the canteen this year. A roster of teams and dates has been drawn up and will come home with your child this week.

It was great to see some people had logged onto the Stickybeaks website and printed out a fun label for their lunch wallet. Information for this is enclosed again and if you haven’t already purchased a lunch wallet and would like to, please see Sue in the office.

Alison

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**CARE FOR YOUR LUNCH BAG:**

Write lunch orders clearly and place in the zippered pocket along with required money. Change will be returned in this pocket.

Print out a name and class tag for FREE from the Stickybeaks website, this clearly identifies your lunch bag.

Remember that your re-usable lunch bag holds food so please empty and wipe clean internally and externally with a damp cloth after each use, as you would a lunch box.

Thank you for choosing to re-use, you are helping to reduce paper waste in our school!!
Workers of the Week

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Panda award: Justin F 6F WOW: Flynn C 5H, Tayla McD 5N
Music Award: Harzel L 5C

Value of the Week

**Friendliness**

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**Value of the Week:**

**Kindness**

Kindness is showing care and concern for other people, animals and the environment. Kindness need not be on a grand scale - it can be in a small gesture. It can brighten up somebody's life, help animals feel more cared for and make the planet a better place to live.

Uniform shop to reopen!

Shop will re-open at a new time: every Wednesday afternoon, from 2.45pm - 3.30pm, starting 26 February.

We currently have a small number of second-hand items for sale, and some upcoming reduced price items .... More information to follow.
**LIBRARY LINKS**

**COMING IN 2014**

News of the school library (new books, events, bookclubs), themed reading, book reviews, reading recommendations, and lots more – each week in the school newsletter.

Every year, the Premier of Victoria invites all students from Years Prep to 10 to take part in the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge. This initiative encourages students to develop their love of reading and their literacy skills.

* Notification will be sent home when it starts.

Our **Scholastic Book Fair** will run during the school’s Education Week celebrations, 19-23 May 2014.

* Books to buy, a special book character visitor, & some fun competitions! Open to everyone!

**Children’s Book Week** runs from 16-22 August 2014. The theme this year is ‘Connect to reading’.

* Read the Award winners, come dressed for the fancy dress parade… and lots more!

**Book Bugs Bookclub** is a lunchtime bookclub for the Prep-grade 2’s. It runs throughout the year in the library for junior kids who love books, reading & listening to stories.

* Starting up again soon...

**Chatterbox Bookclub** is a lunchtime bookclub for grade 3-6’s who are book lovers and keen readers, and enjoy getting together with others to find out about & recommend some great reading.

* Starting up again soon...

**Something Bookish** is our adult bookclub – a chance for parents & grandparents to come along to the library, once a month, for coffee & a chat… and sometimes it’s even about some terrific books that we’ve read!

* Starting up again soon...

**Scholastic Book Club** – approx 3 times per term, Scholastic bookclub brochures will be sent home. If you want to purchase, simply mark your choice on the order form, follow the payment instructions & return your order form to the School Office by the nominated date.

**Good quality books at reasonable prices**

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TERM 1 WEEK 5

So this week is going to be the biggest of the term so far…
On Tuesday the Grade 6 leaders are heading to Trees Adventures in Belgrave to test their courage high amongst the trees throughout the zip line and rope courses. It will be a great opportunity for them to develop communication skills, teamwork, determination and a willingness to try something new.

On Thursday 14 of our Grade 3 to 6 students are competing at the Divisional Swimming Competition at the Nunawading pool. They have been participating in some very early morning training sessions and we wish them the best of luck for their races. Congratulations also goes out to the students who have trained amongst the squad but aren’t competing in the competition. Super effort by all!

We have started to commence running activities in preparation for the whole school Fun Run (March 6th) and the House Cross Country for Grade 3 – 6 students (March 21st). It would be great if students could participate in some extra running at home… particularly those striving to improve on their place in the House Cross Country or wanting to make the school Cross Country team. As I try to teach the kids… there’s really only one way to greatly improve your running and that is to run 🤖

Please remember if you have any questions please don’t hesitate to come and see me,

Miss Knell

SPORT QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“There’s no such thing as coulda, shoulda and coulda. If you shoulda and coulda, you woulda done it”
Pat Riley (Lakes coach)

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERMS 1 & 2

Please note that dates are always subject to change 😊

Grade 6 Student Leaders day at Tree Tops - Feb 25th
(School, Vice, House Captains, MAD team, JSC leaders, YCDI team)

Divisional Swimming - Feb 27th
Whole School Fun Run - March 6th
Grade 6 Round Robin Sports Day - March 14th
House Cross Country (Grades 3-6) - March 21st
Whole School House Athletics - May 21st
District Cross Country - May 30th

SPORT STAR OF THE WEEK

Name: Abbey W Grade: 5H
Nomination reason: For the effort she put into improving her cricket bowling. Super work!
What’s the most important thing about sport? Having fun
My favourite sport is: Tennis and Cricket
My favourite thing about P.E. lessons: Cone Rush
My favourite football team: Western bulldogs
My sporting hero is: Adam Cooney
At lunchtime I like to: Play with my prep buddy and friends
The best thing about school is: Sport and Art
My favourite food: Cucumber, mango and strawberries
When I grow up I want to be…. A Vet
You Can Do It!

This week we have again selected four winners for the ‘Getting Along YCDI Award’ - two junior and two senior. This week’s award winners are:

**Bailey Y 3/4 VW.** Bailey is such a warm, considerate and compassionate member of 3/4VW. He arrives every day with a smile on his face and is ready to take on any challenge that may come his way. His attitude to school is outstanding and this is reflected in his work every day. He is always incredibly helpful during class, helping anyone that is in need. Thank you for being the kind, caring and focused person you are. Keep it up! Congratulations Bailey Y.

**Campbell E 3/4B.** Campbell arrives at school each day eager to help out and participate in lessons. He is friendly to each member of 3/4B and supports and encourages his mates, especially when they are having a hard day. Beyond this, he is quick to step in and offer ideas for dealing with concerns and worries in our class. The students of 3/4B can look to Campbell E as an example of how to get along with others. Congratulations, Campbell!

**Georgie C Prep K.** Georgie has had an absolutely wonderful start to their prep year. She is friendly and supportive, getting along with all of her classmates. She has a fantastic attitude towards her schooling. Your bubbly personality and smile makes us all smile. Keep up the great work, Georgie C.

**Andre J Prep H.** Andre is a student who has had an excellent start to his first year. He has displayed the behaviours of Getting Along by following classroom rules, working well with his classmates and not interrupting when others are talking.

Well done for this week’s winners.

Word from the teachers is that they are seeing amazing examples in the playground of kids demonstrating the habits of mind for Getting Along:

- Thinking First
- Playing by the Rules
- Being Tolerant of Others

Keep up the great work!

Here’s what Bailey, Campbell, Georgie and Andre had to say about receiving their awards:

**Senior YCDI Students of the Week: Bailey Y**

Why do you think you got the award? I helped people in Maths.
My Hero: Scott Pendlebury
What could I change: I would like a better cricket bat.
When I grow up I want to be a: A cricket player.

**Senior YCDI Students of the Week: Campbell E**

Why do you think you got the award? For being friendly.
My Hero: Super Man.
What could I change: Stop talking in class.
When I grow up I want to be a: A carpenter.

**Junior YCDI Student of the Week: Georgie C**

Why do you think you got the award? Because I listen to my teacher.
My Hero: My Mum.
What could I change: I would make everything purple.
When I grow up I want to be a: a teacher.

**Junior YCDI Student of the Week: Andre J**

Why do you think you got the award? Because I was not interrupting.
My Hero: My Dad.
What could I change: I would change the basketball court into a swimming pool.
When I grow up I want to be a: I want to be a dinosaur.

From your YCDI Leaders, Tom, Abbey, Kurt and Tara.
Montrose Parents Club

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Montrose Primary School

Twilight Fair

14TH March 2014
5 pm – 8 pm
ALL WELCOME

The Parents Club are currently looking for Donations:

Pre-Loved toys in good condition
(please leave at tubs near office)
Stall co-ordinators and Volunteers

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Guess How Many Gumballs
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Only 50 cents a guess, so try your luck!
Details to come, please have your 50 cents ready for your chance to win – The Gumball Tower and ALL the Gumballs!
PARENTS CLUB NEXT MEETINGS
Please join us in the morning after assembly, have a coffee and find out more about the Parents Club. Babies and Toddlers welcome to these relaxed meetings.
FRIDAY 21st FEBRUARY – This Friday!!
FRIDAY 3rd MARCH – Twilight Final Planning Meeting

Thank you for the continued support of our sponsors:

[Images of sponsors logos]

TWILIGHT NIGHT VOLUNTEER FORM
Yes I am able to help out on Twilight Night 14th March, 2014

☐ 5pm – 6:30pm  Name: ____________________________________________
☐ 6:30pm – 8pm  Contact Phone Number: __________________________

Please come along if you can help for set up, any time on the night between school pick up and 5pm.

We are also looking for stall co-ordinators for the night (this does not mean you work on the stall but ensure it is set up and ready for the night) Please message the parents club if you are interested on; montroseparentsclub@yahoo.com.au
Service Closure Tuesday 4th March 2014

The OSHC program will be closed on Tuesday 4th March 2014 – unfortunately we only received one “expression of interest” for the proposed session so therefore it will not open. We shall open as normal on Wednesday 5th March at 7am for Before School Care.

2014 Bookings and Registrations

All booking for any of the OSHC sessions at Montrose are to be made either through the Parent Portal – via the website, by calling our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 or emailing oshc@campaustralia.com.au

Staff at the service are no longer able to manage your bookings so please familiarize yourself with the above methods.

Prep Collection Process

Usually come March, preps will be making their own way two and from OSHC. However if your child has never used the service before or is still unsure, staff members will make sure that your child is comfortable in travelling to and from before allowing them to make the transition themselves.
Happy Birthday Orlando!

Yesterday Orlando turned one year old! That's a very special time for a Seeing Eye Dog puppy because it means it is time for their formal training. Orlando has been with us since October last year but soon he is going back to SEDA with his brothers and sisters to learn new skills. That could be as early as this weekend or up to 3 weeks away.

So if you see Orlando over the next week, you might want to come and say hello and wish him well as he gets ready for his next level of training. He is going to be a such a big help to someone one day and we are all very fortunate to have been a little part of helping him get ready.

Thank you for supporting Orlando.

From Ms Attard, 5A 2013 and 1A.

Here is some writing that 1A did on Orlando's birthday...

Today Orlando is 1 year old. It will be a very good day. He will be leaving us soon and we might miss him but he has a very big job to do. He is a Seeing Eye Dog. Alex M gave him a present today. It was a squeaky ball. Orlando loves it. He played with it a lot. He will like his new owner too.

Nikki W

Today Orlando is 1 year old. I love Orlando. He is a Seeing Eye Dog. He is a cool dog. When he goes I will miss him but a blind person needs him more than me so it’s OK.

Alex H

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Thrass Charts

Thrass Charts on sale for $7. Please forward this slip to the office. Orders close Friday 28 February.

Name: ________________________________

Child’s name & class: ________________________________

Payment: Cash only at the Office
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Please call Robyn on 9801 1999 to confirm attendance. To find out more, please visit http://bit.ly/1dJELWB
Anchor Inc, Shop 3036, 2C Capital City Boulevard
Knox O-Zone
Carpenters needed!

We are seeking a willing carpenter (or 2!) to help build 2 structures for the Asian garden currently being planned for the school.
If you can help, please contact Stacey on 0434 357 178 or staceybarker2010@gmail.com

AFTER SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Welcome back to all players new and old to season 1 2014. Games started on the 17 February so if you are interested you can start now!

Players are needed in most age groups - all skill levels accepted as most grades have high (A or B grade) and lower (C or D grade) sections with all teams playing against similar skilled opponents. It’s all about fun, fitness and learning skills!

I will be on the basketball courts Tuesdays 3.30-4pm to answer any questions and take any registrations. All players must register for each season - continuing teams may submit one form with all players names and money together.

Please consider coaching or team managing as a team without a coach cannot play.

Any questions please call or email. Good luck to all teams for 2014!

Andrea Steele
Montrose Basketball ASC Convener
0418-178-308
accounts2@youngatheart.com.au
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**Spare Mattress?**

The mattress on the bed in the sick bay is a little saggy and tired. Does anyone have a spare single bed mattress in good condition that they would be willing to donate to the school for use in the sick bay?

If you can help, please contact Stacey on 0434 357 178 or staceybarker2010@gmail.com
Bedwetting

A DVD based program, Bedwetting Cured, has been developed by Dr Mark Condon, and Physiotherapist, Margaret O’Donovan. It outlines a successful program for parents to implement at home with their children.

For more information and a free Bedwetting Fact Sheet please visit the website:

www.bedwettinginstitute.com.au
or phone 1300 135 796 – 12pm to 6pm

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

SCHOOLPIX will be visiting us on Monday 3 March

PHOTO DAY TIPS:

Dress: Clean and tidy as per school uniform guidelines

Hair: Neat and swept off face

Orders: Complete your order form and return to school prior to photography day (or as directed by school staff)

Pre-orders: To pre-order online, take your personal Order and ID Numbers found on your order form and go to www.schoolpix.com.au. All orders placed online will receive a free 20cm x 25cm black and white portrait print.

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What to do when your child is absent from school

Why do I need to contact the school?
➢ The school has legal obligations to keep up to date data on absences and reasons for absence, for every child.
➢ Absenteeism has a negative impact on learning and needs monitoring
➢ Maintaining a close partnership with families allows the school to provide support where needed.

What action is required if your child is going to be absent?
Please make contact with the school either on the morning of the absence or prior to the absence by one of the following methods.

Phone the school on 9728-2203 between 8:15-9:15am

OR

Email the school with the required information on
montrose.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

OR

Stop by the office if you are up at the school and let us know.

(If one of the above actions is taken a note is NOT required.)

What information does the school need to know?
1. Your child’s name  2. Reason for absence  3. Date/s of absence

Please place the above contact information in an accessible location at home.

What happens if I forget to make contact?
On most days the school will make phone contact with you on the morning of your child’s absence. The positive feedback from families on this follow up has been appreciated.

Thanks...
We would like to thank our families for their support in making contact, as very few calls are required on a daily basis from the school and our understanding of the reason for your child’s absence is known.  Any queries contact: Mrs Kylie Fisher