SCHOOL CALENDAR

April
Thur 28     Fun Run

May
Tues 3      Chinese school visit information night
Thur 5      Grade 5/6 Forensic Incursion
            Grade 3/4 Science Day
Fri 6       Mother’s Day/Special Person’s Day Stall
Tues 10     Prep 2017 information night
10-12 NAPLAN
Wed 11      Prep Chinese Lunch at Mooroolbark
Mon 16      Grandparents Day from 9am
Tues 17     Preps & Parents Clay Sessions
Thur 19     Multicultural Day
19-24 Book Fair

June
Wed 8       STUDENT FREE DAY
Thur 9      Grade 5/6 Immigration Excursion
Mon 13      Queen’s Birthday

August
Mon 22      STUDENT FREE DAY

Other
Recess: 11.00am to 11.30am
Lunch hour: 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Uniform Shop: Wednesdays, 2.45pm to 3.30pm

2016 Term Dates
Term 1 - 27 Jan (teachers only) to 24 March
Term 2 - 11 April to 24 June
Term 3 - 11 July to 16 September
Term 4 - 4 October to 20 December

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

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 Everyone

FUN RUN
Tomorrow we will be finally running the Fun Run. Abandoned in term one due to very hot weather, we look forward to better conditions tomorrow. The children will run 3 sets of about 20 minutes. Sponsorship should be returned by Friday May 6.

Chinese Student Hosting Opportunity.
A group of Chinese students will be visiting Montrose from July 18. This is a great chance for them to experience life with an Australian family for about a week. Parents interested in hosting, or finding out more about it are invited to attend an information session next Tuesday May 3 at 6.30 in the staffroom.

Mothers Day / Special Persons Day stall
The chance to buy a gift for mother, or that special female figure in your life will be available next Friday May 6th. Please see the Parent Club page for more details.

Prep 2017 Parent Information Evening Tuesday May 10
An information session for parents of 2017 prep children will be held in the Early Learning Centre commencing at 7.00pm. If your child is expecting to commence school then this session is for you. Come along and hear about our programs and speak with our prep team. If you know of friends whose eldest child is about to start school, please let them know about the night.

Education Week – Grandparents Day May 16
An early note to book up your Grandparents for our open morning on Monday May 16. Grandparents are welcome into the classrooms from 9.00am to see their grandkids in action. A fantastic opportunity to see the brilliant work they do. We then invite grandparents into the hall for some refreshments.

Neil Pollard
We had another great week in the canteen. In the lead up to Anzac Day we sold out of Anzac biscuits...twice. With over 50 Anzacs ordered with Friday lunch orders we needed to whip up an extra batch. The extra biscuits we had available to sell were being snapped up as soon as they were ready to serve. Our helpers for this week did a fabulous job. Thank you Emma Hedges for helping on Wednesday, our first soup day of the term. Terri Archer also popped in for a couple of hours in the morning which helped immensely with our first soup service. Thank you to Fran Speight, Sara Koblar and Lesley Miller for helping on Friday. This week’s Friday helpers are Kate Critchley, Kate Stephens and Ruth Osborne.

I’d like to say a special thank you to Lesley Miller. Lesley is an MPS Grandparent and she has kindly offered to help in the canteen, joining one of our rostered teams. After a busy day in the canteen on Friday Lesley said she was going to go home for a much deserved ‘Nana Nap.’ Grandparents are very welcome to help out in the canteen if they have a WWCC. If you have a grandparent who may be interested in helping out occasionally, regularly or as an emergency please contact me on 0428 380 432.

DID YOU KNOW?
Re-useable lunch order bags are available for purchase from the office. The re-useable bags are $10 each or $12 for the insulated bag. Both bags are spacious enough to allow food items to be packed well, avoiding items tipping out or getting squashed. Each bag has a transparent zipped pocket to place your written lunch order in. The zipped pocket also ensures the safest delivery of lunch order money and change. A second transparent pocket displays the child’s name and class and can be left in place all year. Lunch bags are available in various colours and are very easy to clean.

Amanda 😊
Did you miss out?

Grade 6 Hoodie in Size 12
$20

One only available
2nd Hand (in excellent condition)
Please see the office or uniform shop to purchase

ASSISTANTS NEEDED!

Do you have some time to spare to help out in the uniform shop?

We are open on Wednesday afternoons plus some extras during Prep orientation.

You can help as little or as much as you are able.

Please leave your details with the office if you can help.

LOST HOODIE

Name is on the hoodie – Charli S – Grade 6D.
Can kids please check their hoodies and return to Charli if found.

Lost in the hall.
SPECIALIST WORKERS OF THE WEEK

ART  Artist of the Week: Oliver L 4B    WOW:  Bethany S 1A, Jack S 1A, Darcy W 1C, Zac R 1R
SPORT  Sport Star of the Week: Harvey B-F PH    WOW:  Hannah D 4B, Hannah B 3K, Julian G PP, Minna A 5/6D
MUSIC  Grammy Award: Kane S 3G
DRAMA  Oscar Award: Addison L PK
CHINESE  Panda Award: Beau H & Kaitlyn A 5/6M
ASB  Star of the Week: Keely W

CLASSROOM WORKERS OF THE WEEK

| Nikita L  PC | Brennan M  1AR | Riley M  2VW | Bailee K  4AB |
| Chelsea C  PC | Myra C  1JC | Max S  2VW | BJ T  4MS |
| Thomas F  PC | Billy M  1JC | Will T  2VW | Minh Q  4MS |
| Scarlett M  PH | Jennifer B  1JC | Kane S  3G | Talia J  5/6AN |
| Harvey B-F  PH | Caleb S  1JC | Audrey M  3G | Declan C  5/6BC |
| Chloe C  PK | Bethany S  1WA | Kayla D  3H | Tex M  5/6BC |
| Olivia M  PK | Eva T  1WA | Heath J  3H | Lyca D  5/6DF |
| Tahira C  PP | Lilly D  1WA | Alyssa T  3K | Laine B  5/6DF |
| Guy F-L  PP | Taj C  1/2G | Saxon P  3K | Michael M  5/6MC |
| Charlotte U  1AR | Kooper C-B  1/2G | Will R  4AB | |

VALUE OF THE WEEK

Cleanliness

| Joshua B  PC | Georgia P  2VW |
| Roman P  PH | Mia G  3G |
| Lilly P  PK | Nikki W  3H |
| Oliver V  PP | Alyssa T  3K |
| Chloe D  1AR | Oliver L  4AB |
| Amarlia N  1JC | Veronique S  4MS |
| Claudia C  1WA | Ellenia G  5/6AN |
| Jasmine G  1/2G | Jamie D  5/6BC |
|        2TM | Charli S  5/6DF |
|        2XN | Jade S  5/6MC |

NEXT WEEK'S VALUE

Orderliness

What is it?

Orderliness means being well organised. It is having a place to keep things until you need them.

Orderliness means planning things so that they happen the way you would like them to instead of just leaving things up to good luck.

Orderliness means behaving in a way that helps the well-being of others. It's being neat and taking care with everything you do.
**SPORT SHORTS**

**What’s happening in Term 2?**

- Inter-school Sport – Friday’s dates TBC
- District Tennis Competition – Thursday April 21st
- Prep – 2 Auskick Clinics
- District Cross Country – May 20th
- Divisional Cross Country – June 7th
- Regional Cross Country – June 14th
- Grade 5/6 Rugby Clinics – Monday May 2nd and May 9th
- Grade 4 Rugby Clinics – Friday April 29th and May 6th
- AFL 9’s Grade 3/4 – May 13th, 20th, 27th and June 3rd
- RMIT PE student teachers – Wednesday April 13th, 20th, 27th, May 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

**INTER-SCHOOL SPORT FRIDAY APRIL 29TH**

Montrose Primary V Ruskin Park Primary 1:15pm – 2:30pm

- Football, Girls Netball, Mixed Netball (5’s), Mixed Netball (6’s), Volleyball – all at Montrose Primary
- Soccer – at Pembroke Primary (against Ruskin Park Primary)
- Games – Yoga (12:30pm – 1:30pm in Drama Room)

**AFTER SCHOOL BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

The After School Basketball program has been in full swing this year, with a huge number of teams. As part of this program one child is awarded the After School Basketball player of the week. This goes to somebody who continually tries their best, shows good sportsmanship, teamwork and improvement, basketball knowledge and skills. Congratulations to Keely – this week’s winner!

**SPORT STAR OF THE WEEK**

Name: Harvey B.F. Grade: Prep H

**Nomination reason:** For his terrific start to P.E. at Montrose Primary.

**What’s the most important thing about sport?** Having fun

- **My favourite sport is:** Basketball and football
- **My favourite thing about P.E. lessons:** Gymnastics
- **My favourite football team:** Sydney Swans
- **My sporting hero is:** Buddy Franklin
- **At lunchtime I like to:** Play football
- **The best thing about school is:** Sport
- **My favourite food:** Soup and noodles

**When I grow up I want to be...** A football, basketball and rugby player!
The Book Fair is coming to town for Education Week!

Our very own book shop at school. Hundreds of books from new and favourite authors, popular series, variety items, fascinating facts, adventure, mystery, friendship, and even “laugh-out-loud” stories. Every reader is monstrously cool!

- Bring your friends & family.
- Join in the guessing competitions.
- Meet a book character (Who will visit us this year?!)  

**Watch out for the glossy Book Fair brochure, coming home to you very soon – I hope you can join us!**

**MARK YOUR DIARY & START SAVING YOUR POCKET MONEY - IT’S BOOK FAIR TIME IN MAY!**
Maths Masterclass - Prep, Grade 1 & 2

Question 4: How Many Rolls?

Instructions
1. Roll three dice. Suppose you got the numbers 2, 4, and 6. Use the numbers you got to make as many possible answers as you can. e.g. You can make sums like this:
   
   \[2 + 4 + 6 = 12\quad 6 + 4 - 2 = 8\quad 26 + 4 = 30\quad 64 - 2 = 62\]

   Write down all your sums on a sheet of paper.

2. Colour the answers to your sums on the 50 grid.

3. Now roll the dice again, write down all the sums you can make with these new numbers and use a different colour to colour the squares on the 50 grid.

4. Keep rolling new numbers and making more sums until you cover the 50 grid.

   How many rolls did you take to colour every number?

   Are there any numbers you can’t get?
Are you a keen Montrose Mathematician in Grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 who would like to take on a wonderful opportunity to practise your maths and achieve your personal best?

About the Competition
(For more information please visit www.amt.edu.au)

The Australian Mathematics Competition is designed to be a fun event. Each child undertakes a competition paper containing 25 multiple-choice problems and 5 extended questions. Many problems show the relevance of Maths to everyday life and give examples students can relate to. Questions are written by experienced teachers. Students of all standards will progress and find a point of challenge.

Grade 3 & 4 students enter the Middle Primary Division and Grade 5 & 6 students enter the Upper Primary Division. Each student’s results are compared against their own grade level.

Competition date: Thursday 28th of July (Term 3)

Entry fee: $6.00 (non-refundable)

Prizes and Certificates
All students have their efforts recognised with a certificate showing their level of achievement. Cash and book prizes are awarded to the top students across Australia.

How to Enter
Notices have been given out to interested students in classrooms. Spare notices are available from the office or the Montrose PS webpage. Both permission form and payment must be returned to the office by Friday 29th of April.

Late entries cannot be accepted.

Good luck!
Mr Storr
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
State Schools’ Relief
Prep CSEF uniform support

Fact sheet for parents

Program background
As part of the Victorian Government’s Affordable Uniform Program, every Prep government school student who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a uniform pack voucher. Each year, State Schools’ Relief (SSR) provides tens of thousands of children with school clothing, shoes and other essential items. For the first time SSR has received government funding so that it can help more families needing financial assistance, and ensure no one is left behind.

Eligibility requirements for CSEF can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

What uniform support is provided?
SSR will provide:
- A basic windcheater and tracksuit pants
- OR one of the following
- A bomber jacket, rugby top, hoodie or zipper jacket

How can parents apply for the uniform?
Parents must apply for CSEF by the closing date listed at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef before they approach the school to apply. Primary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents at www.ssr.net.au/schools.

Once approved, the voucher will be dispatched electronically to the school, uniform shop or uniform supplier. The school will provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform retailer (and not at SSR).

What if parents have already purchased their child’s uniforms?
Eligible parents who have already purchased their child’s uniforms for the year can select items of a larger size from the retailer.

Can parents who are ineligible for CSEF or, who have children in other year levels receive assistance from SSR?
Yes. Applications for parents requiring financial assistance for uniforms, textbooks or shoes are encouraged via the regular SSR services – www.ssr.net.au/schools. SSR only responds to requests from schools (not from parents directly). Parents are encouraged to talk to their school principal, assistant principal or student welfare coordinator about their situation and they will assess their eligibility.

Terms and conditions
- Only CSEF recipients are eligible for the uniform packs.
- Each student is eligible for a single uniform pack.
- An voucher is dispatched electronically to the school, uniform shop or uniform supplier on approval. The school will provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform retailer (and not at SSR).
- The order is valid for 45 days from date of issue.
- Once expired, a new application must be lodged.
- Expired vouchers cannot be redeemed.
- Each voucher specifies the individual items funded by SSR.
- No change to the items can be made unless through the school.
- Changes made in store will not be honoured by SSR.
- The maximum voucher value is $57 and any short fall will not be covered by SSR.
- The value of the voucher is a maximum value rather than an entitled amount. Should the value of the item be less than $57 the difference will not be credit towards other items.

More information
Parents: For CSEF application details please visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Schools: For SSR applications please visit www.ssr.net.au/schools

State Schools’ Relief
Telephone: 03 8769 8400 Email: contact@ssr.net.au Website: www.ssr.net.au
Student Accident Insurance, ambulance cover arrangements and private property brought to schools

Main Points

- Schools are reminded that the Department DOES NOT provide personal accident insurance for students. Montrose PS has no whole-of-school policy - parents/guardians must purchase it themselves.

- Parents/guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs; and

- Parents/guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

- Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property, students and staff should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

- Principals should remind parents/guardians and staff that the Department DOES NOT hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

Additional Information

- The Department cannot advise parents/guardians on whether to purchase a student accident policy or which policy to purchase. It is recommended that they seek assistance in this matter with their insurance broker or find a suitable personal accident insurer in the Yellow Pages or online.
MONTROSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

MULTICULTURAL DAY

THURSDAY, 19 MAY, 2016

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- Dress up Parade*
- African Drumming
- Chinese Lion Dance
- Commedia dell Arte
- Hip Hop Infusion
- Taekwondo Interactive
- Indigenous Australian Culture
- New Zealand Haka Dance

* The dress up parade starts at 9.10 a.m. on the basketball court.
Mother’s and Special Person’s Day Stall

Friday 6th May

This is a great opportunity for your child to select a surprise gift for their mum, grandma or special person for Mother’s Day on Sunday 8th May

Gifts range from 50 cents - $10

Gift packs
Individual gifts
Wrapping

Can you lend a hand?

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Please return this form to your child’s teacher, to the office or SMS the above details to Priscilla 0413 664 280
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Or contact Montrose Auskick via

montroseauskick@hotmail.com

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At the Montrose Reserve Junior Oval
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Term 2 2016

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FAMILY OPEN DAY

SAT MAY 21
9am - 12 noon

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FAMILY . COMMUNITY . DISCOVERY

LILLYDALE LAKE FUN RUN

Join the Yarra Ranges Athletics club for a great morning of running around the Lillydale Lake parklands. This is running at the lake, but not as you know it!!

Sunday MAY 15th 2016 from 9am

2km - Family Event, run/walk
From $12.00 online entry. Or $20.00 on the day.

5km - Bakers Delight Dash
From $30.00 online entry. Or $45.00 on the day.

10km - Active Feet Lake Challenge
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