## Message from the Principal

**Hi Everyone**

**Family Occupation/Education Info**

Last week you received a form to fill in that was entitled ‘Funding for Schools-Important Information for Parents’. Families were required to complete the ‘Family Occupation, Education and Indigenous Status’ form. It is important that this is filled in accurately and returned so that the information can be processed prior to our August 1 Census date.

It is this information that is used to determine the level of funding that our school receives for the following year. The covering page outlines the areas taken into account, whilst the final Parental Occupation Group codes gives examples of occupations that are divided into 4 broad groupings. Please take care in the identification: for example, if you are in Sales, both Group B and C make reference to Sales. The difference is that Group B focuses upon a senior or management role whilst Group C would be more the ‘face to face’ sales representative working on the sales floor or counter.

A final note is that if you have not been in paid work for the last 12 months then an ‘N’ should be entered regardless of the previous occupation.

Can these forms please be completed and returned by the end of this week. Thank you.

**Chinese Students have Arrived!**

Yesterday Miss Yao welcomed nine students and two teachers from China to stay with host families. After having a small snack (including devouring a fruit version of our flag) the students were introduced to the host children. It was smiles all round as each child tested out their common language capabilities. After a tour of the school the children enjoyed a lunch that included pies, vegemite sandwiches and lamingtons. Only two of the nine children have a sibling, so they raised their eyebrows to the news that one of the host settings had four children in the household.

Tomorrow they will spend the day in their host’s classroom and observe education in Australia. We will then head out for some sightseeing on the Wednesday and Thursday.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

At the end of this week a random group of 15% of our families will be sent home a survey that is generated by the Education Department. The data gained from this survey, along with the Staff and Student surveys is fed back to the school so that our Council and Leadership team can identify the things we are doing well, as well as areas for improvement. It will take a while to complete, but your input is valued. It needs to be returned by the end of the next week.

Neil Pollard

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

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**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 - 3 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.
It was a very cold week in the canteen this week. On Wednesday it was absolutely freezing, a great day for some potato and leek soup. A BIG thank you to Janet Morrison for her help and for toughing it out in icy conditions. It was so cold we decided to have a little joke with the children at recess, telling them that it was too cold to open the canteen windows for counter service. We were indeed right. As soon as we opened the windows a chilly breeze hit us. Needless to say, we wasted no time closing the windows as soon as the bell went. It was great to see the children all rugged up wearing gloves, scarves and beanies. After lunch a very light rain dropped delicately and we were certain it was going to change to snow. Unfortunately for all those eager to see snow fall…..it didn’t.

On Friday our Grade 6s were at Hoop Time and another group of students were in the city for an art excursion so we were expecting a slightly quieter day in the canteen. Even with less children at school, the canteen was kept very busy. A BIG thank you to Brooke Gordon who is our canteen jaffle making Queen. Also an extra big thank you to Andrea McGill for again filling in for mums who needed to swap their duty.

With the fencing gone from the old portable area, it was great to see the children soon make use of the space. We had a prime view from the canteen window of a sea of skipping ropes and eager skippers that quickly filled the new play area.

DID YOU KNOW
We often receive dirty lunch order bags with rubbish from a previous lunch order. Please remind the children to throw away their rubbish at lunch time or when they get home. For those with re-usable lunch bags remember you can wipe them out with a damp sponge or pop them in the wash to give them a good clean.

Amanda 😊
SPECIALIST WORKERS OF THE WEEK

ART
Artist of the Week: Connor C

SPORT
Sport Star of the Week: Bailen S 2M

MUSIC
Grammy Award: Mitchell G PK

DRAMA
Oscar Award: Taig B 3H

CHINESE
Panda Award: Grace B 1R

WOW:
Callum E PH, Elizabet D PK, Perry D PK, Nikita L PC, Chelsea W PP, Scarlett M PH, Chelsea C PC
Hayley P 4B, Brody D 3K, Sharmika M
Heidi C 1R, Jake W 1R

CLASSROOM WORKERS OF THE WEEK

Tyler C PC Oliver V PP Ryan S 2XN Shay K 3K
William A PC Hannah C PP Sebastian R 2XN Hannah D 4AB
Ella M PC Heidi C 1AR Matilda J 2VW Marlee S 4AB
Chelsea C PC Jake W 1AR Asher R 2VW Megan A 4MS
Taylor H PH Elle H 1JC Joshua N 2VW Noah G 4MS
Callum E PH Xavier W 1JC Keeley M 3G Zoe C 5/6AN
Mia M PH Jay W 1WA Maximus D 3G Ellissa W 5/6BC
Lenny M PK Lucas D 1WA Taig B 3H Molly O 5/6BC
Zac O PK Maddie Z 1/2LG Kaden D 3H Lilly M 5/6DF
Kaden I PK Billy F 1/2LG Alyssa T 3K Lyca D 5/6DF
Zoe D PK Nate B 1/2LG Brodie H 3K Sophie J 5/6MC
Asha T PK Sebastian P 2TM Saxon P 3K Chris A 5/6MC
Jasmine R PK Amy M 2TM Lucia R 3K

VALUE OF THE WEEK
Confidence

Beau H PC Oliver W 2VW
Hannah A PH Lola G 3G
Asha T PK Tyler G 3H
Georgia G PP Lexi T 3K
Elsie M 1AR Cody B 4AB
Amelia B 1JC Minh Q 4MS
Lilly D 1WA Luke D 5/6AN
Maddie Z 1/2G Paige H 5/6BC
Riley T 2TM Minna B-A 5/6DF
Thomas B 2XN Teak R 5/6MC

NEXT WEEK’S VALUE
Assertiveness

What is it?
Being assertive means acting in a positive and confident way. When you are assertive you think for yourself. You don’t follow others, particularly if you think that by following you will do something you feel is wrong.

Assertiveness is standing up for what you feel is right and expressing your own ideas.
HOOPTIME

Grade 6
Congratulations to the Grade 6 (and some Grade 5’s) students for their effort, participation and sportsmanship at Hoop Time last Friday. It was terrific to see the students playing so well and with such great determination and teamwork.

The All Star Girls team won the grand final easily to Mt. Evelyn, while the All Star Boys side narrowly lost to Ruskin Park by one point in overtime.

In the Future Stars division, Montrose Magic defeated Montrose Mavericks by one point taking the lead with about 30 seconds to go.

A big thank you to all of the parents, Avery, teachers and past students who assisted with coaching, scoring and team managing on the day.

Grade 4
This Friday July 22nd is Grade 4 Hoop Time. A reminder that there are no buses and parents are to transport their child (or organise for another parent) to and from the stadium. Parents must sign their child in with their classroom teacher between 9am and 9:15am in the foyer area, and sign their child out again at 2:30pm.

Students must wear black shorts without pockets and if they own a black/orange Montrose Primary Afterschool Basketball singlet they wear that.

Grade 3 Hoop Time – August 5th

Grade 5 Hoop Time – August 12th

CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS

Congratulations to Tayja and Jemima for their wonderful results at the State Cross Country Championships last Thursday. Both girls ran in the 12 year old girls race, with Tayja finishing 14th and Jemima 32nd. This is a remarkable achievement, with all of their hard working paying off.

Super effort!

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Last Thursday we launched Jump Rope for Heart for Term 3. This is a program we run every second year to get students to be active, learn how to skip and raise money and awareness for the Heart Foundation. Students will be completing skipping activities as part of PE lessons and will participate in a special ‘Jump Off Day’ at the end of the term. Students are encouraged to do as much skipping as they can at home and at play times as well. A sponsorship form will go home in a few weeks time.

Happy skipping!!!
This term’s **Key for Success** is Confidence. The habits of mind that go with the Confidence Key are: **Working independently, accepting yourself and taking risks in your work.**

Our YCDI Award winners for this week are:

**Charlotte E. 3K:**

There is a diligent student in 3K, who is confident when she has something to say, happy to try out a new thing, enjoying the challenge that it might bring, working well on her own or in a team.

Keep up the fantastic effort, Charlotte E 3K!

**Sam E. 4S:** This 4S student began the year working in ‘safe mode’. He only did what he knew he could do and didn’t try anything too challenging. Wow has he changed! He is now willing to take on new challenges, writing elaborate narratives and solving tricky Maths problems and he is confident enough to ask for help when he needs it.

Well done for rising to the challenge, Sam E of 4S!
Charlotte E, 3K

Why do you think you got the award?  
*For being confident and for doing things.*

My Hero is:  
*Chris Judd.*

My favourite things about school are:  
*PE, Art and Maths.*

When I grow up I want to be:  
*A football player for Carlton.*

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Sam E, 4S

Why do you think you got the award?  
*I stepped up to new challenges.*

My Hero is:  
*Dad.*

My favourite things about school are:  
*Hooptime.*

When I grow up I want to be a:  
*Carpenter.*
Non-fiction (fact) books

At the far end of the library are the information (fact) books - these are terrific for your school projects and have study tables nearby.

The information books cover a huge range of topics for your research and also just for your interest:

- Fascinating fact books (like Ripley's Believe it or not! & Guinness Book of World Records)
- Books to help with your hobbies (like building cubbyhouses, playing a musical instrument, beating Dad at chess & making arty-crafty things)
- Books about your favourite sports (everything from cricket & footy, to netball, horse riding, bike riding & skateboarding)
- Information books for your school projects (technology, science, history)
- Fun books to look at (like dinosaurs, sharks, human body, pets, spies, jokes & decorating your bedroom!)
- Books to share with your family, with science experiments, paper planes, indoor & outdoor games & cooking recipes
- Terrific true adventures & biographies (like Anne Frank's Diary, Ned Kelly, Steve Irwin, the Titanic, the first man on the moon & survivors of disasters).

COME IN & FIND THE BOOKS ON YOUR FAVOURITE SUBJECT...
...OR TRY A NEW TOPIC!
You're Invited

To attend a FREE information evening at Montrose Primary School.
The eSmart organisation will be providing a presentation that covers the following areas:

- What do we mean by ‘digital literacy’ and ‘digital safety’.
- What are kids doing online/popular sites.
- Technology from a teens perspective.
- Creating home rules/boundaries/acceptable use; making informed decisions.
- Where to seek help/advice.
- What legalities are involved with online behaviours.

Book your seat at
http://www.trybooking.com/KQDU
http://www.trybooking.com/186674

at Montrose Primary School
Leith Road, Montrose 3765
on Wednesday 7th September
at 7.00p.m.
Dear Families,

It's that time of year again and the Parents Club are having our Annual General Meeting.

We are currently seeking new committee members and helpers. So if you've ever wondered what goes on, how decisions are made, have new ideas you would like to share, or would just like to offer a helping hand whenever you have time, we would love for you to join us.

Younger children are very welcome to all Parents Club meetings and we have some toys and colouring things available for them.

We are seeking nominations for the following PC positions:
- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Assistant Treasurer
- Communications Officer
- BBQ Coordinator
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Raffle Coordinator

There are hardcopies of the nomination form and a Position Description Handbook at the office, or you are welcome to contact the current President, Priscilla on 0413664280 for more information.

**When: Friday 29th July 9:45am**
**Where: Parents Club Room, in the main building**

Hi Folks

Just making you aware that we have had a case of *Chicken Pox* reported.

Mr Pollard
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Exciting new Term 3 rewards with an Outback Savers theme are now available, while stocks last!

**Backtrack Eraser Pen**

**Jump and Skip Rope**

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token.

Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits.

There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every Thursday.
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