**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**May**

- Mon 16: Education Week
- Tues 17: Preps & Parents Clay Sessions
- Tues 17: Tuesday Treats - PC & PK
- Thur 19: Multicultural Day
- Fri 20: District Cross Country
- 19-24: Book Fair
- 25-2 June: Life Education Van

**June**

- Thurs 2: 3/4 Science Rotations Day
- Wed 8: STUDENT FREE DAY
- Thur 9: Grade 5/6 Immigration Excursion
- Mon 13: Queen’s Birthday
- Thurs 16: Gr 1 & 2 Dress up - Fairy Tale Ball

**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: 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.

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**Message from the Principal**

**Hi Everyone**

Yesterday our staff and students were thrilled with the attendance of many grandparents to our school. It was great to see students leading their nan and pop around our school, showing the points of interest, where they play and talking about when they went to school. The looks on their faces showed that these were treasured moments. It was great to see teachers had organised flexible activities that allowed for movement in and out of the rooms. Again the chatter as the children explained activities was priceless. Many thanks to the staff for providing a well appreciated morning tea, and to the choir for their two entertaining songs. As we enter Education Week I reflect upon all that is great about our State Education system and our own school in particular. Well done to our extremely energetic and professional staff, to you the parents who support your children and our work with them, and to the children themselves who provide surprises and delight daily.

**Congratulations Prep Team and Friends**

Last Friday I was witness to an amazing event in the Early Learning Centre where Kinder and Prep children and families came along for a fun session of games. It was terrific to see parents reconnecting ‘kinder’ friendships. Many thanks to the face painters, craft providers, bowling alley coordinators, construction overseers and the games on the oval crew. The event was much well attended and showed the passion that our staff bring beyond the classroom.

**A Call from Miss Yao**

Our efforts to find host families for our Chinese visitors is close to being successful. As yet we have plenty of year prep and grade 1 offers however it is our aim to have the children’s ages closely matched as in the past this has proven to be the most successful. We have matched the boys.... **Now we need a few more female hosts to complete our list.**

Come and join the fun!

Neil Pollard
We had a fabulous week in the canteen, lots of smiley faces. The children enjoyed potato and leek soup on Wednesday; a big thank you to Janet Morrison for all of her help and to Terri Archer for dropping in to help us count the lunch order money in the morning.

Friday was another busy day full of many laughs within the canteen team. We served our very first ‘ham and cheese raffle’ and a ‘chocolate Mossie’. A few of our mums had to leave early but we were very thankful to Ruth Osborne for coming in to help with food preparation and lunch order packing before she watched her son play in the inter school sports. With Ruth dropping in we were on track to serve lunch orders on time. Thanks also to Terri Archer (again!) & Renee Rae. It was Renee’s first time in the canteen and she did a brilliant job. Thank you also to Rachel Fichtner who knew the canteen drill and was an absolute cleaning machine.

**DID YOU KNOW**
Our Anzac biscuits are baked fresh every Wednesday and sometimes again on Friday mornings. Fruit muffins are baked fresh on Friday mornings and fruit and nuts balls are made weekly.

Amanda 😊
SPECIALIST WORKERS OF THE WEEK


SPORT  Sport Star of the Week: Oscar V 3K  WOW: Alex H 2VW, Meg P 5/6A, Kade K

MUSIC  Grammy Award: Scarlett W 3G

DRAMA  Oscar Award: Cooper C-B 1/2G

CHINESE  Panda Award: Elsie M 1AR

ASB  Star of the Week: Noah G

EXTRA WOW AWARDS  for school captains (Jye, Jamie & Charlotte) for their speeches at the Prep Information Night.

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NEXT WEEK'S VALUE

Reliability means that others can depend on you and count on you to do your best to keep commitments. If your family relies on you to feed the family pets then they are always fed without anyone having to remind you to do it.

What is it?

Reliability means that you really care about doing what you said you would do.
SPORT SHORTS

INTER-SCHOOL SPORT RESULTS FRIDAY MAY 13th

Montrose Primary V St. Mary’s

Football – St. Mary’s
Soccer – Draw 1-1

Girls Netball – Montrose won 20-15
Mixed Netball 6’s – Montrose won 41-0
Mixed Netball 5’s – Montrose won 18-8 (against Rolling Hills)
Volleyball – Draw 1-1

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY MAY 20TH

Congratulations to all of the students for their effort at before school Cross Country training leading up to the District competition.

Race times:
12:30pm – 10 boys
12:45pm – 10 girls
1pm – 11 boys
1:15pm – 11 girls
1:30pm – 12/13 boys
1:45pm – 12/13 girls

Students are to wear their Montrose Primary sport top or After-School Basketball singlet. If you do not have one of these please come and see Miss Knell before Friday!

SPORT STAR OF THE WEEK

Name: Oscar V Grade: 3K
Nomination reason: For his effort and determination at Cross Country training as part of the Junior Squad

What’s the most important thing about sport? Having fun
My favourite sport is: Basketball and Football
My favourite thing about P.E. lessons: Fun things
My favourite football team: Carlton
My sporting hero is: Levi Casboult
At lunchtime I like to: Play footy
The best thing about school is: Learning new things
My favourite food: Apples
When I grow up I want to be…. An AFL footballer
This term’s Key for Success is Organisation. The habits of mind that go with the Organisation Key are: Planning Your Time and Setting Goals.

Our YCDI Award winners for this week are:

**Chloe G. 1C:**
This person is on time to school
This person is incredibly cool
This person is speedy and quick
They never seem to miss a trick

Always organised and very neat
Working with her is always a treat
Well mannered and working hard
Chloe G, you’re a STAR!!

Well done Chloe G from 1C.

**Amy P. 4B:**
A is for an ‘Always tidy workspace’.
M is for ‘Making the most of her time’.
Y is for ‘You bet she’s on task!’

P is for ‘Planning ahead’.
E is for ‘Excellent work’.
A is for the ‘Attention she gives to her assignments’.
R is for the ‘Readiness she shows at the start of learning sessions’.
C is for the ‘Careful way she completes work’.
E is for her ‘Excelling in organisation’.

Together, that spells ‘Amy Pearce’ from 4B, a true champion of organisation!
Chloe G, 1C

Why do you think you got the award?
Because I’m always organised.

My Hero is:
Mum and Dad.

My favourite things about school are:
That we get to do Maths.

When I grow up I want to be a:
Hairdresser.

Amy P, 4B

Why do you think you got the award?
For caring and being organised.

My Hero is:
My Dad.

My favourite things about school are:
Learning and making new friends.

When I grow up I want to be:
An athlete.
Roll up! Roll up! It’s the MONSTER Book Fair!

Thurs. 19th May
9.00 – 4.00 pm

Friday 20th May
10.00–11.00am & 2.30- 4.00pm

Tuesday 24th May
2.30 – 4.00 pm

- Bring friends & family and come to the Library.
- Choose from a terrific range of up to 200 quality book titles, & variety items.
- Join in the guessing competitions, one is free.
- The other guessing competition involves a small donation to the Seeing Eye Dogs charity, before you guess. You could be a winner!
- See the eye-catching displays.
- Meet our book character (Who will visit our Book Fair this year?!)

LIBRARY LINKS
State Schools’ Relief
Prep CSEF uniform support

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 zip 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, text books 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.
- A 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.education.vic.gov.au/ssr

State Schools’ Relief
Telephone: 03 8769 8400   Email: contact@ssr.net.au   Website: www.ssr.net.au
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.
Would you like to be part of the Parents Club?

We’d love to see you at our next meeting.

**When:** Tuesday 24th May  
**Time:** Just after the 9am morning bell.  
**Place:** Parents club room, near the drama room, look for the signs out!

Come along and find out about what the parents club is all about and what we do.

*Toddlers and babies welcome to our relaxed meetings.*

*Come and enjoy a 'real coffee' - yes we have a coffee machine.*

*Would be great to see you there!*

*Cilla Rees-Condon  
President Parents Club*
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SATURDAY
21st MAY
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**MONTROSE COMMUNITY MARKET**

This Saturday 21/5/16 on the green near the library.
9.00am – 1.30pm

Variety of stalls
New stall owners welcome.
Any enquiries please phone Lesley Moore 9779 6057 or 0421 910 105

**LOST**

Size 6 Hoodie – Ashlee H
Size 6 Windcheater – Bethany F
Please return to office if found.

**nab Auskick**

2016 Registrations are STILL open !!!

(And will be for quite a while yet)
Register online at www.aflauskick.com.au
Or contact Montrose Auskick via montroseauskick@hotmail.com
Come and see us
Saturday mornings at 9am
At the Montrose Reserve Junior Oval (behind the clubrooms)

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