**Message from the Principal**

Hi Everyone,

An important Notice to families: Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

Last year the Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA) benefit financial assistance program was abolished. We have just been alerted by the Education Department that a new benefit is now in place to assist families. It is called the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

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. The allowance will be 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 will be:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:
- on the first day of Term two, or;
- on the first day of Term three;
  a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
  c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

**If you were eligible for EMA then you may be eligible for CSEF**

**How to Apply:**

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download the form from: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef) or the school website [www.montroseps.vic.edu.au](http://www.montroseps.vic.edu.au)

The timeline to return the form is tight as the school will need to finalise the application by entering all the details to the Department of Education and Training.

**Return date:** June 19

Full details are on page 3 of the newsletter.

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**May**
- Thu 28: Prep Chinese Lunch
- Thu 28: Chess Competition - Lilydale PS
- Thu 28: Canteen Open
- Fri 29: District Cross Country
- Fri 29: PUPIL FREE DAY

**June**
- Wed 3: Maths Parent Information Session
- Tues 23: Choir go to Tulamore
- Fri 26: Last day of Term 2, 2.30pm finish

**July**
- Mon 13: First day of Term 3
- 22-23: Whole School Production
- Thur 30: Australian Mathematics Competition

**August**
- Fri 14: Grade 6 Hop Time - Kilsyth
- Fri 21: Grade 3/4 Hop Time - Kilsyth
- Thur 27: Interschool Chess Comp-Montrose PS
- Fri 28: Grade 5 Hop Time - Kilsyth

**September**
- 1-4: Grade 5 Camp, Coonawarra
- 14-15: Grade 3 Camp- Mt Evelyn

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

**2015 Term Dates**
- Term 2: 13 April to 26 June
- Term 3: 13 July to 18 September
- Term 4: 5 October to 18 December

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

Pupil Free Day reminder:
This Friday staff are working with Maths legend Michael Ymer.
Parents are invited to spend an active information session with Michael Ymer on June 3rd 7.00pm-8.30pm. RSVP slip is inside the newsletter.

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Principal: Nell Pollard
Assistant Principal: Kylie Fisher
School Council President: Julie McDonald
After School Care 9728 5491
CANTEEN OPEN THIS THURSDAY 28 MAY (FRI. MENU)

Thank you Gemma Heemskerk, Elle Marcombe and Ruth Osborne for your help in Canteen on Friday and Annette Murphy, Kylie Shepherd, Darleen Larcombe and Terri Archer for helping with the Asian lunch on Thursday. This week’s helpers are Kate Critchley, Louise Karlstrand, Jo Nubley and Ruth Osborne for Thursday 28th May.

Soup for next Wednesday 3rd June is Chicken Noodle! Remember to get your order form in by the end of Tuesday.

Thanks.
Alison

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Chicken Noodle Soup (& dinner roll) Wed 3 June
Name: .................................................................
Grade: .................................................................
$4.00 encl. BYO SPOON
Please return to the office by 3.30pm Tuesday
Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

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.

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- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply
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Closing Date
You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
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**ART:** Lachlan A 2M  
**WOW:** Sharmika M 2N, Dylan K 2P, Asher S 3GS, Hayley P 3KS  
**SPORTS STAR:** Tyana R-B   
**WOW:** Elsie M, Riley S, Rhyse W, Kade K  
**MUSIC:** WOW: Lockie G 3GS & Miss Smith 3KS  
**OSCAR:** Darcy M  
**PANDA:** Summer H 1C

### Value of the Week

#### Responsibility

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#### Value of the Week:

**STEADFASTNESS**

**What is it?**

Steadfastness is being purposeful and dependable. It is sticking to something, no matter how long it takes or what obstacles are in your way. A good example of steadfastness is the story of the tortoise and the hare. The tortoise moved much more slowly than the hare, but because he practiced steadfastness and was committed to completing the race he won in the end.
You Can Do It!

The You Can Do It “Organisation” winners for this week are:

Award Winner: Abbey W

Why do you think you got the award? Organisation

My Hero:
Adam Cooney - Western Bulldogs

My favourite things about school:
Art and P.E.

When I grow up I want to be a:
A nurse

Award Winner: Summer H

Why do you think you got the award? Being very good

My Hero:
Mum

My favourite things about school:
Playing with friends

When I grow up I want to be a:
A vet
What a fantastic Book Fair! Look at our library...

Our competition winners are:

‘Guess how many books in the treasure chest’ co-winners –

Jennifer, PS; Billy, PS; Mia, 3KS; Charlee, 4VW; Michael, 5C & Bianca, 6C.

You were all nearly there, just 1 number away! -Well done!
You have won a $10 book voucher to spend at the Book Fair.

Our ‘loose change for charity’ competition -

‘How many mints to freshen a dragon’s breath’

Put a gold or silver coin in the pig to have a guess. All proceeds to charity.
‘How many mints to freshen a dragon’s breath’ is still running until Thursday.
TERM 2 WEEK 7

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY
This Friday is the District Cross Country (also a curriculum day for the rest of the school).
Please meet us at Lilydale Lake at 12pm regardless of your child’s race time. They will need to sign in with Mandy Johnson and sign back out again at 2:30pm (or at the conclusion of the event).

Note: There is no cross country training this week as it is the House Athletics Carnival (fingers crossed it is anyway)

HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
So the biggest lesson occurred last week... never trust the weather man®... in cancelling the House Athletics Carnival and then it was sunny...

Anyway we will aim to have the House Athletics Carnival tomorrow – Wednesday May 27th.

A tabloid of students will begin at 10am and conclude around 2pm. Some Grade 3 – 6 students will participate in the 800m event at 9:30am.

Students are to come dressed in their house colours and of course have appropriate running shoes on.

Miss Knell

INTER-SCHOOL SPORT RESULTS
V Ruskin Park Primary

Mixed Netball – Montrose won 15-0
Girls Netball – Montrose won 25-6
Football – Ruskin Park won 109-50
Soccer – Ruskin Park won 7-3
Volleyball – Montrose won 2-1

Next match:
Friday June 5th v Pembroke Primary School
Soccer, Football, Netball @ Montrose
Primary
Football – no match

SPORT STAR OF THE WEEK
Name: Tyana R.B. Grade: 4W
Nomination reason: For always giving 100% effort to all tasks and making excellent improvement
What’s the most important thing about sport? Having fun
My favourite sport is: Basketball
My favourite thing about P.E. lessons: The beep test
My favourite football team: Saints
My sporting hero: LeBron James
At lunchtime I like to: Play basketball
The best thing about school is: Basketball
My favourite food: I’m not sure?
When I grow up I want to be... An NBA player!
Chinese Chopstick Workshop

Grade 5 and Grade 6 students learnt about dining etiquettes in China and how to use chopsticks. They completed a chopstick challenge to see how many puff balls they can pick up in 20 seconds. Students who showed excellent chopstick skills won prizes to take home! We were very impressed with how many puff balls students were able to pick up!
Poster Competition

Our Inspiration Leaders are running a poster competition to raise awareness for the proper ways to dispose rubbish.

We invite all students to design an A4 poster about one of the following topics:

- Being honest with nude food.
- What nude food is.
- Putting all rubbish in a bin.
- What you should or should not put in the compost bin.
- What you should or should not put in the recycling bin.

Entries must be on plain white A4 paper. Posters can be either hand drawn or created on a computer and printed off. They must be submitted to Miss. Smith by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> of June. One entry per child. Winners will be announced at assembly on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of June. Good luck!
Parents club have confirmed that a Coffee Van will be available at our upcoming Athletics Day selling hot drinks.

Parents Club are also running a stall with some morning tea, lunch and snack options available for purchase.

The stall will be available to volunteers, teachers and parents coming to watch. The stall will not be available to students.

Vegie Smugglers Fundraiser

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Maths For Parents!

Montrose Primary School

Wednesday June 3rd 2015

7.00-8.30 pm

Presenter: Michael Ymer

Michael Ymer is a specialist mathematics consultant from Melbourne, Australia. He is involved in many Professional Development programs in schools across Australia and Asia.

Michael is an enthusiastic and entertaining presenter who has a clear and practical approach to the challenges that confront schools and parents in mathematics. On this evening Michael will address the following issues:

- What is my child learning in Mathematics?
- How can I help my child become an efficient problem solver?
- How do children best learn Mathematics?
- How can parents promote quality thinking and learning?
- How can I help my child in Mathematics?

Michael has been working with the Montrose Staff for the past 18 months to improve our teaching and learning of Mathematics. I commend this evening to all parents as a very worthwhile session that will help you understand the focus of Mathematics in schools today and offer strategies and ideas to help you support your young Mathematicians.

We look forward to working with you on this evening,

Glenn Storr

RSVP: Thurs 28th May

Parents Mathematics Evening Reply

Child's Class: ________________________

Names for nametags:

______________________________________________________________________________

Wish to attend the Mathematics Evening on Wednesday 3rd June.

Signed_________________________________________________________ Date___/___/2015
Montrose OSHC Curriculum Day – Friday 29th May 2015

Please note that the school will not be operating normal curriculum on Friday 29th May and will be closed to all children, however, Montrose OSHC would like to offer your child care for the day.
If you would like to utilize this service, please read the following information.

1. All children must be registered with Camp Australia prior to the day
2. Families will be told by Thursday Morning whether the service will go ahead.
3. The service (if in operation) will run from 7.30am until 6.00pm

Please contact staff at the service if you wish to book your child in for this session and they will be happy to inform you of costs and requirements for the day.
We’re here to make after school care visits the best experience possible – for you and your child.
If you have any questions about the program – please feel free to drop by, meet the team and see what happens in after school care first hand.

We look forward to seeing you soon.
The Camp Australia Team.

Program Details
To find out more about our program, view fees and to register, visit www.campaustralia.com.au
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**Gray Court Preschool**

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**Kinder OPEN DAY**

Sunday 31st May
12 - 3pm

Sausage Sizzle, Face Painting,
Meet the teachers, and lots more!

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**LOST PROPERTY**
Just a friendly reminder to ensure items are returned to their owners, don’t forget to:

- Name everything - uniforms, lunch boxes, containers, drink bottles, etc.
- Check that your child has brought home their own belongings, just in case they accidentally pick up someone else’s.
- Re-write over faded name tags.
- Re-name hand-me-downs.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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**Uniform Shop Update for May**

- **2015 Grade 6 Tops** - We have 1x size 14 Grade 6 printed hoodie remaining, priced at $40.00. Please contact the Uniform Shop or office to purchase.

- **Price rise coming!** Several items in the Uniform Shop will incur a small price rise in Term 3, following increased charges from our suppliers. Purchase before the end of Term 2 to beat the price rise!

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**LOST!**
Size 8 Jumper
Labelled ‘Ricketts’
Please return to the school office if found.
Friday Canteen Menu 2015

Please place correct money in a paper bag / lunch wallet with your child’s name, grade and order on the front. Please include 20c if you do not have a lunch bag and we will provide one for you.

Snacks and drinks will also be sold over the counter at play times.

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<td>Apple from home made into slinky</td>
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<td>Pizza - Hawaiian</td>
<td>Fruit cubes - strawberry or apricot</td>
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<td>- Margarita</td>
<td>Mini Wheats/Wild Berry Bites</td>
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<td>Flavoured Milk (250ml)</td>
<td>Bulla Fruit and Yoghurt stick</td>
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